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## **Building Industry Association of Hawaii Announces 2025 Industry Award Winners**

HONOLULU, HI (December 10, 2025) – BIA Hawaii proudly announces the 2025 Industry Awards, honoring outstanding members and community leaders whose exceptional contributions continue to elevate the standards of Hawaii’s building industry. These esteemed honorees exemplify the innovation that makes a lasting impact on our industry and the communities we serve.

“As BIA Hawaii celebrates its 70th anniversary, this year’s award winners stand as an extraordinary class of building industry professionals whose dedication elevates our entire industry. Their work not only shapes the communities we live in, but also inspires us daily to pursue excellence,” said Roseann Freitas, BIA Hawaii CEO.

### **Industry Award Winners:**

2025 Lifetime Achievement Award – Karen Nakamura  
2025 Builder of the Year – Chad Hilweh (Hilweh Construction)  
2025 Associate of the Year – Kamuela Potter (Inspired Closets Hawaii)  
2025 Developer of the Year – Marc Rinker (Gentry Homes, Ltd.)  
2025 Specialty Contractor of the Year – Clifton Crawford (Pacific AquaScapes)  
2025 Supplier of the Year – Kevin Murray (PHAD Home Appliance)  
2025 Affiliate of the Year – Jacob Karasik (Gentry Homes, Ltd.)  
2025 President's Choice – Geena Thielen (Complete Construction Services Corp.)  
2025 Kokua Nui Award – Ramona Mullahey (U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development)

### **About BIA Hawaii**

The Building Industry Association of Hawaii (BIA Hawaii) is the voice of the construction industry and Hawaii's leading not-for-profit trade organization chartered by the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) in 1955, with more than 300 professional members across the industry including developers, contractors, suppliers, realtors, and associate companies. BIA Hawaii is a proud supporter and advocate of housing at all price points, and our members work together to build the living spaces that kama'aina call home. Together, we educate, advocate, and grow. Industry Elite Partners are Armstrong Builders, Castle & Cooke Homes Hawaii, Gentry Homes and HPM Building Supply. 2025 Corporate Sponsors include Astrategy Marketing, Honsador Lumber, Hawaiian Dredging, Lung Rose Voss Wagnild, American Floor & Home, Hawaiian Electric Company, and Inspired Closets Hawaii.

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