

Malama Learning Center, Oahu, Hawaii, USA

Meritorious Award: International Design Competition: 2004

Organizer: The Nature Conservancy Project scope: competition design

Project size: 28,000 sq. ft.

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Given the history of Hawaii as the extinction capital of the world, the design of the new Malama Learning Center proposes to organize the site as a series of succession fields. The fields are laid out along the Ahupua'a bands. Reaching into the existing campus, the succession fields provide a project based learning facility and transform the entire campus biologically and visually. The Hawaiian climate conditions and temperature permit outdoor activities during the entire year. The design for the new learning center transforms the traditional concept of the Lanai into a high-tech shading device. http://www.malamalearningcenter.org/winners 4.asp

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