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# When plans call for contemporary grandeur to blend with kamaaina past

Allied Builders System can execute a community dream.

Case in point is the transformation of the Alice Cooke Spalding House, built in Makiki heights in 1925, into the beautiful new Contemporary Art Museum.

The assignment called for a creative approach by CJS Group Architects Ltd. and sensitive craftsmanship by Allied Builders – to preserve the estate's historic spirit and charm.

Construction challenges included creating a Grand Gallery via basement-to-ceiling reconfiguration, bisected by a bridge suspended from two smaller galleries; rebuilding the roof to conform to its original missionary style; matching detailed wood flooring, ceilings and wall panels; and carefully eradicating termite damage.

Now a treasury of public appreciation, the museum showcases world class contemporary art in an environment that remains residential in character.



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