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Seacrest's Second Act

'Who am I if not the *American Idol* guy?'
asks Kelly Ripa's new *Live* co-host, rebooting his life in NYC, as *THR* reveals the secret drama (a lowball offer, a last-minute ABC scramble) to return him to the show that made him famous

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Which Hawaiian Island Is Right for You?

Larry Ellison's new Lanai 'experience,' zip lining the Big Island with Bieber and a VIP Spago package at this month's Maui Film Festival give Hollywood new reasons to explore beyond the Four Seasons pool **By Kathryn Romeyn**

During the summer and holidays, a five-and-a-half-hour flight from L.A. often means Hawaii for Hollywood's bold-faced crowd. "It's the same as going to New York for the weekend, except you end up in paradise," says **Don Cheadle's** partner, actress-designer **Bridgid Coulter**. "You're in tune with the land, eating the fruit, catching the fish." Hawaii is currently trending even more than usual, thanks to its many new indulgences and lack of Zika. "Hawaii is huge this year," says **Jaclyn Sienna India** of travel company Sienna Charles, which caters to high-net-worth clients. (All major carriers go, but passengers who don't fly private might want to check out Hawaiian Airline's tech-advanced A321neo planes, rolling out later this year. Its JFK- and SFO-to-Honolulu routes just debuted a new cabin, with lie-flat leather seats and menus by *Top Chef* star **Sheldon Simeon**.)

Everybody loves the Aloha State: Fox Television Group co-chair and CEO **Dana Walden** vacations with Fox casting exec **Sharon Klein** and NBC Entertainment president **Jennifer Salke**; **Bob Iger** hits Aulani, a Disney Resort & Spa at Ko Olina on Oahu, that island that **J.J. Abrams** also likes; **Margot Robbie** has enjoyed Kauai; and **Usher** paddle-boarded in Kihei, Maui, last month. In 2016, **Woody Harrelson** applied to open — and was denied — a medical marijuana dispensary on Maui. Last year, **Greg Burns** — partner at Elite Pacific Properties, whose clients include award-winning directors — helped an A-list actor buy his father a \$4 million condo and has seen a client's parrot board a Gulfstream V as the sole passenger.

Tax credits and incentives also have boosted Hawaii's appeal as a filming destination. "We have jungle, resorts and even a downtown New York,"



Beyonce



Allen

says *Snatched* director **Jonathan Levine**, who shot on Oahu. Adds *The Descendants* helmer **Alexander Payne**: "It's great to be on the remotest significant landmass on Earth. You're out in the middle of the Pacific Ocean." The insider's guide to the five islands that Hollywood flocks to:

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The allure of the Big Island, where **Roseanne Barr** has a macadamia nut farm and visitors include **Nicolas Cage** and **Paul Allen**, is a one-of-a-kind landscape, says Coulter: "The lava meets the ocean. It's a growing island in front of your eyes." Hawaii is home to private gated resort communities Hualalai

and Kukio, where stars "can walk through the front door of their house within 10 to 15 minutes of landing [their] private plane from Burbank," says Burns, adding that homes go for upward of \$30 million, lately to tech titans.

Visitors can embrace the surroundings with KapohoKine Adventures. Owner **Tony DeLellis** acted as a 24/7 concierge for **Justin Bieber's** six days in Hawaii last July for \$400,000, plus \$50,000 for the private jet. "We kept his visit so discreet that by the time anybody knew it, he was gone," says DeLellis, who prepared a fully stocked bungalow and three vehicles with less than an hour's notice. The itinerary included helicopter flights over the volcano, ATVs, manta ray snorkeling and a private zip line trip with a waterfall swim, "clothing optional," he adds. **Shakira** and **Chris Martin** and his kids also have zip lined. "**Apple** even carved her name into the wooden Line 8 receiving platform," says DeLellis.

Outdoorsy types also can check out the brand-new Extraordinary



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lessons and a helicopter tour of Molokai (from \$4,995 a night, including a villa). Meanwhile, Fairmont Kea Lani, a go-to for **Kate Hudson**, offers customized outings with Satisfaction Sailing Yacht charters and Maverick Helicopters, which might include a flight to organic Hana Ranch on the island's eastern shore to forage for a four-course meal. It also provides guests with luxe reproductions of 1957 Porsche 356 Speedster convertibles.

With a car, one can go off the beaten path en route to or from Hana. The Seven Sacred Pools



Johnson



Iger

hike has been equated with scenes in *Avatar*, while “the Na’ili’ili Haele hike off Hana Highway is spectacular, with hidden waterfalls and thick bamboo jungle,” says *Famous in Love*’s **Perrey Reeves**. “I’m a big fan of Hana,” concurs Payne. “People stay on the other side of the island and drive to Hana and turn around, but I recommend making it a destination. You can rent an Airbnb or VRBO.”

The old plantation turned hippie enclave of Paia has attracted **Owen Wilson** (a devotee of Mama’s Fish House), **Willie Nelson** (who plays surprise sets at Charley’s Restaurant) and Harrelson, who has called Maui “heaven. A year could pass and you wouldn’t notice. Kitesurfing, soccer, living off the grid, eating fruit from your trees.” With The Agency’s **David Solomon**, Burns is about

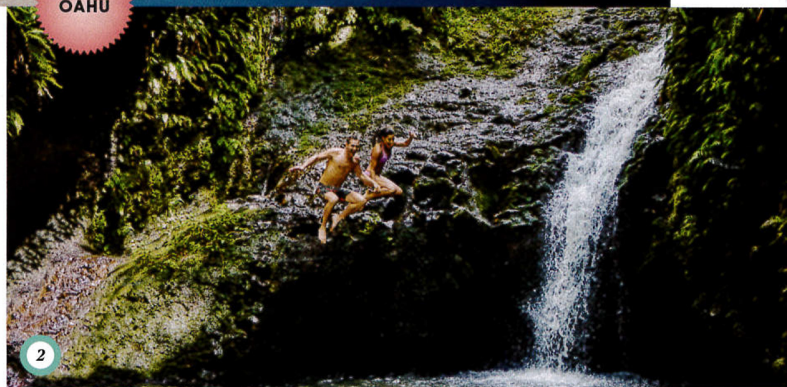
to list NBA legend **Don Nelson**’s former 1-acre oceanfront compound home, which several stars have toured, for \$7 million. In September, he and *Million Dollar Listing*’s **James Harris** will list a rare architectural masterpiece on the slopes of Haleakala.

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Oahu — **Barack Obama**’s childhood home and the occasional residence of **Brian Grazer** and **Dwayne Johnson** — also has hosted Iger, **Will Smith**, **Emma Stone**, **Amy Adams** and **Justin Timberlake**. The Pacific Beach Hotel’s \$115 million reimagining is transforming the iconic Waikiki Beach property into Alohilani Resort Waikiki Beach (the presidential suite costs \$949 a night) for a fall opening and will feature a pair of restaurants from Iron Chef **Masaharu Morimoto**.

The Obamas and Zuckerberg have checked out Surfjack Hotel & Swim Club (room rates go up to \$500), which recently opened and has “a lot of experiential take-aways,” such as a music series, says **Christian Schulz**, co-founder of L.A. design firm Studio Collective (projects include The Bungalow Santa Monica). After the former POTUS and FLOTUS dined at its Mahina & Sun’s restaurant from acclaimed chef **Ed Kenney** and ordered a Grey Goose martini — shaken with extra olives — the Presidential Martini (\$14) was added to the menu.

In Honolulu’s Ward Village community, a new 36th-floor penthouse is on the market for \$36 million and boasts more



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OAHU 1 The Ward Village penthouse with a pool that “pours over the top of the building,” says Burns. 2 A waterfall on the property of Four Seasons Resort Oahu at Ko Olina.

than 10,000 square feet of interiors and a private rooftop infinity pool. Owners can order room service from Nobu Honolulu on the ground floor. “A lot of my clients or their money managers are inquiring,” says Burns. “The pool pours over the top of the building — going in it is nuts.”

The 2016 opening of Four Seasons Resort Oahu at Ko Olina brought attention to the west side of the island. The *Snatched* crew, including **Amy Schumer**, enjoyed the pool and private sections during shooting. Marketing director **Nelson Hilton** admits that **Kourtney Kardashian**’s spring visit challenged discretion: “It’s obvious when you have bodyguards surrounding you.” The reality star stayed in the 17th floor’s three-bedroom penthouse suite (\$18,000 a night), where, from the roof, one can watch whales jumping.

Enjoying a surge is the North Shore, a sleepy surf town known for having some of the best swells

on the planet and where sports stars and tech players are buying oceanfront estates for \$3 million to \$15 million. Burns has rented to **Bradley Cooper** (*Aloha*); rentals now hit \$10,000 a night. Grazer surfs the Banzai Pipeline, and *Hawaii Five-O*’s **Scott Caan** grabs takeout with his family at Waialua Bakery or Storto’s Deli for a beach day, which includes a visit to the tide pools at Shark’s Cove and drinks at Haleiwa Joe’s — “the jam,” says Caan. He also likes Pupukea Grill for “some of the best food on the island.” For cold coconuts and local treats, stop at the fruit stands at Kahuku; insiders also adore Hamachi Ponzu at Banzai Sushi and Elephant Thai, a food truck across from Shark’s Cove. Payne’s favorite lunch in Hawaii is the all-you-can-eat vegetarian buffet at ISKCON Hare Krishna Temple near Honolulu. “It’s exquisitely clean food in a tranquil spot,” the director says. “A friend turned me on to it.” **THR**