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### **HILUXURY LANDS EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEWS WITH 'THE DESCENDANTS' FILMMAKERS AND GEORGE CLOONEY**

*HILuxury's October-November issue features interviews with the star of "The Descendants," its Oscar-winning director, the producer and the author of the novel on which the film is based*

**HONOLULU** – HILuxury, Hawaii's premier luxury lifestyle magazine, has landed a set of exclusive and intimate interviews with the star, author, director and producer of "The Descendants," which has already garnered Oscar buzz following premieres at the Telluride and Toronto film festivals. In an on-set interview with HILuxury writer Silvia Bizio, the movie's star, George Clooney, not only discusses the film but also talks about his plans to prank friend Brad Pitt and about his excursion to President Barack Obama's former school to dig up a yearbook photo while filming in Hawaii.

The resulting 15-page HILuxury spread on "The Descendants" also includes an interview with Kauai Hart Hemmings, the Hawaii-born author of the novel on which the film is based. In another featured interview, HILuxury writer Jefferson Finney talks to the film's director and screenwriter, Alexander Payne, who won an Oscar for his previous feature, "Sideways."

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“We have something really special in this upcoming issue of HILuxury,” said Linda Woo, publisher of the magazine division of HILuxury’s parent company, Oahu Publications, Inc. “It took a team effort to pull together several separate interviews to generate what is probably the most comprehensive coverage of ‘The Descendants’ to date. Readers will get a chance to read the George Clooney interview and see an irreverent and personal side of the heartthrob movie star.”

Woo even recruited author Hart Hemmings to interview the film’s producer, Jim Burke. In her article on Burke, Hemmings confesses to picturing Clooney portraying the story’s main character, Matt King, even before the A-list star signed on to play the role.

“It was an extraordinary feat by the HILuxury team to get all these interviews,” said Dave Kennedy, Oahu Publications’ magazine division president. “Equally impressive was their work with Fox Searchlight to secure photos from the film that have never been released.”

The photos were provided as another exclusive to HILuxury and are included in the magazine’s feature interview with Clooney. The October-November issue of HILuxury featuring Clooney and the principals of “The Descendants” will hit newsstands on October 1. The magazine can also be ordered online at [www.hiluxury.com/subscribe](http://www.hiluxury.com/subscribe).

The Descendants is scheduled to close the New York Film Festival on October 16 and will also be featured on the closing night of the Hawaii International Film Festival on October 23. The movie will have its theatrical release on November 23. More information can be found at [www.foxsearchlight.com/thedescendants](http://www.foxsearchlight.com/thedescendants).

Oahu Publications’ magazine division includes HILuxury, 101 Things to Do, Ahahui Koa Anuenue (AKA), the Aulani Disney Resort Magazine Fairmont Luana, Halekulani Living, Go Kailua, and Ola Grand Waikikian Life. In addition, the company publishes the Honolulu Star-Advertiser, Honolulu’s only daily newspaper and Hawaii’s leading provider of in-depth, consistent and credible local news and information, as well as MidWeek, Oahu’s most widely distributed weekly publication.

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