
CONCEPTUAL

TRACES

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EXPERIENCE

JPJA ARCHITECTS
February 2024-Current

Feasibility studies, Project Coordination, Schematic Design with 3D Modeling and Rendering
Projects for Commercial Interiors and Residential Improvements

ASID COMMUNICATIONS LIASION
February 2023-Current

Networking skills used to establish relationships with consultants, vendors, and sponsors
Managed social media and event attendance for ASID Student events
Coordination with team members and professionals to host student events (career day, design tours, etc.)

SKILLS

SOFTWARE
AutoCad, Sketchup, Revit, SU Podium, Enscape
Design work in Adobe Creative Suite, Corel Draw
Admin work in Excel, Google Docs, Slides, Etc.

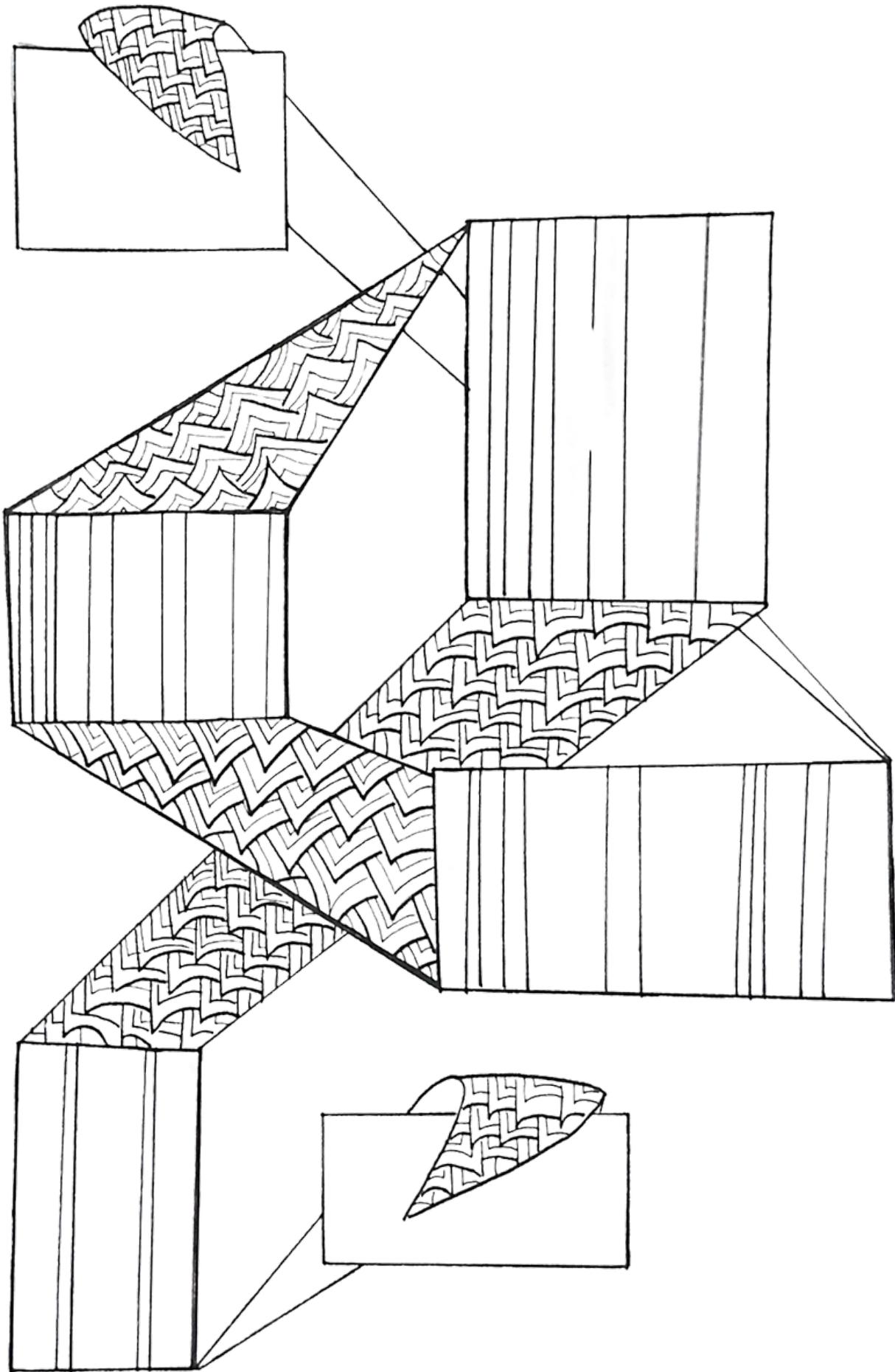
PROJECT DEVELOPMENT
Feasibility Studies, Concept Design Development, Project Coordination, Field Measurements, Construction Documents

LANGUAGES
Bilingual in English and Cantonese

EDUCATION

SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY
Bachelor of Arts, Emphasis in Interior Architecture
CIDA approved program
Minor in Sustainability

AWARD/ACHIEVEMENTS
Student Mood Board Competition Winner for American Society of Interior Design | 2024



DESIGN PHILOSOPHY

Difficult to conceal
Strands back to origin
A gesture of passion, aggression, excitement
A vision of blurry connections

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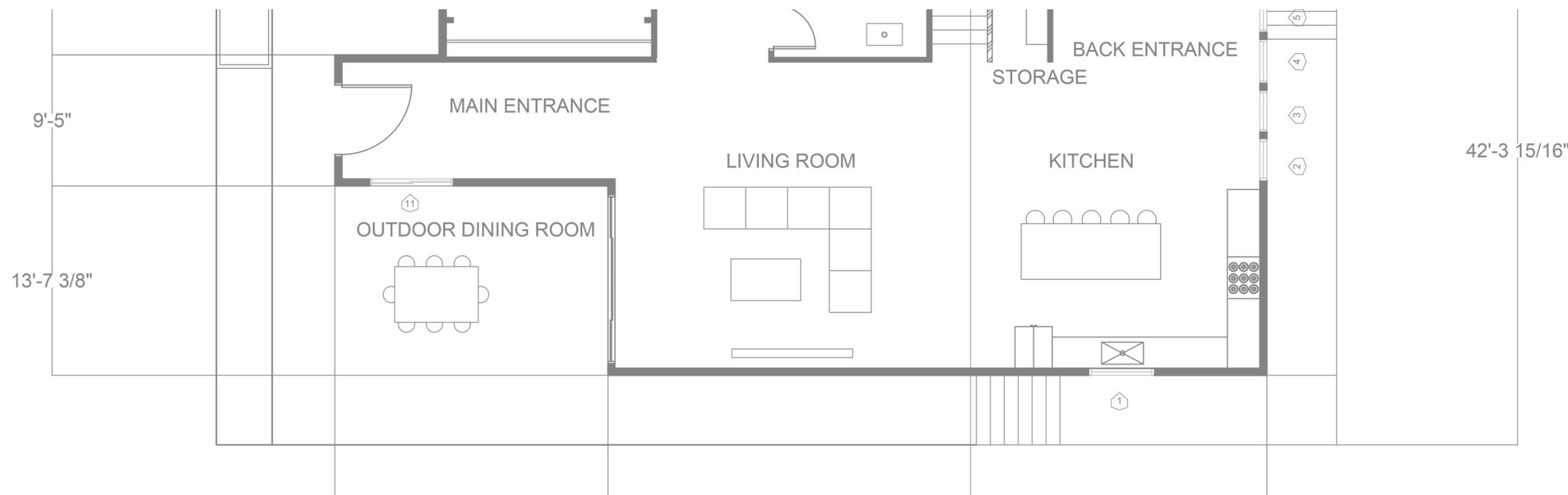
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CONTRIBUTIONS UNDER JPJA, ROLE: JUNIOR INTERIOR DESIGNER



RESIDENTIAL DESIGN

IN PROGRESS | SCOPE OF WORK: KITCHEN LAYOUT, KITCHEN FINISH SELECTION, STAIRCASE DESIGN ELEMENT



RESIDENTIAL DESIGN

COMPLETED 2025 | SCOPE OF WORK: INTERIOR SPACE PLANNING, KITCHEN & BATH FINISH SELECTIONS, LIGHTING DESIGN



MANNA BBQ - CONVOY

COMPLETED 2024 | SCOPE OF WORK: DESIGN CONCEPT DEVELOPMENT, LIGHTING DESIGN



02 KRAFTER'S BOWL

COMPLETED 2024



EMPHASIZING CRAFTSMANSHIP, QUALITY, AND ORGANIC NATURE; COMMUNITY IS BUILT AROUND TRADITION

PROJECT BASICS

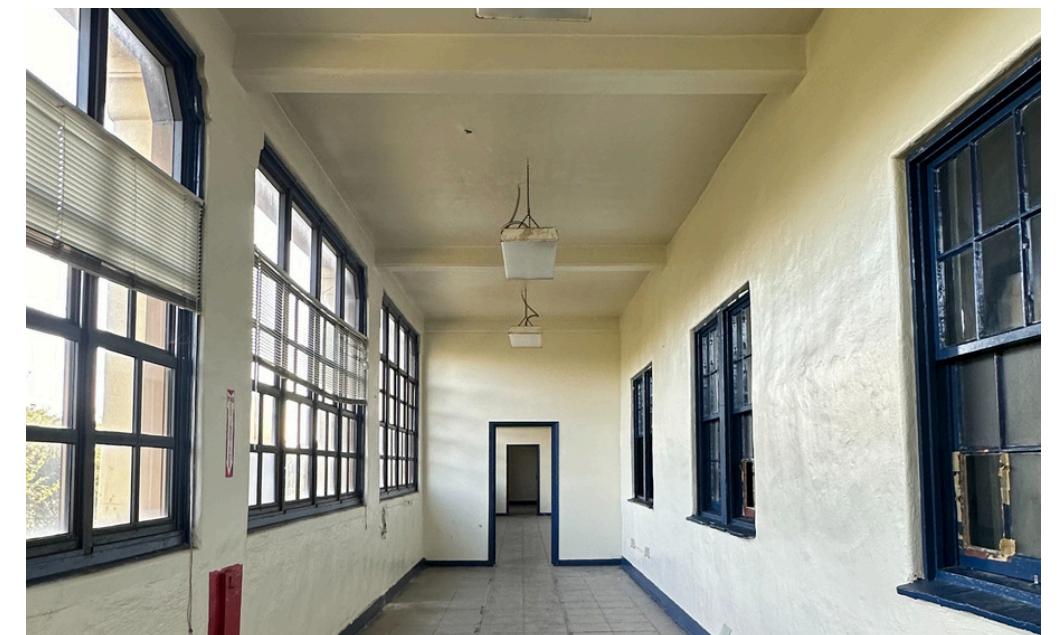
LOCATION: LIBERTY STATION, SAN DIEGO

NEARBY ESTABLISHMENTS: RESTURANTS, SELF-ENRICHMENT CLASSES, ARTISAN SHOPS AND GOODS

DEMOGRAPHICS: FAMILY ORIENTED COMMUNITY, NEARBY MILITARY, TOURIST AREA



INTERIOR MOOD CHARACTER



SPACE PLANNING STUDIES

AREAS OF FOCUS

BRANDING:

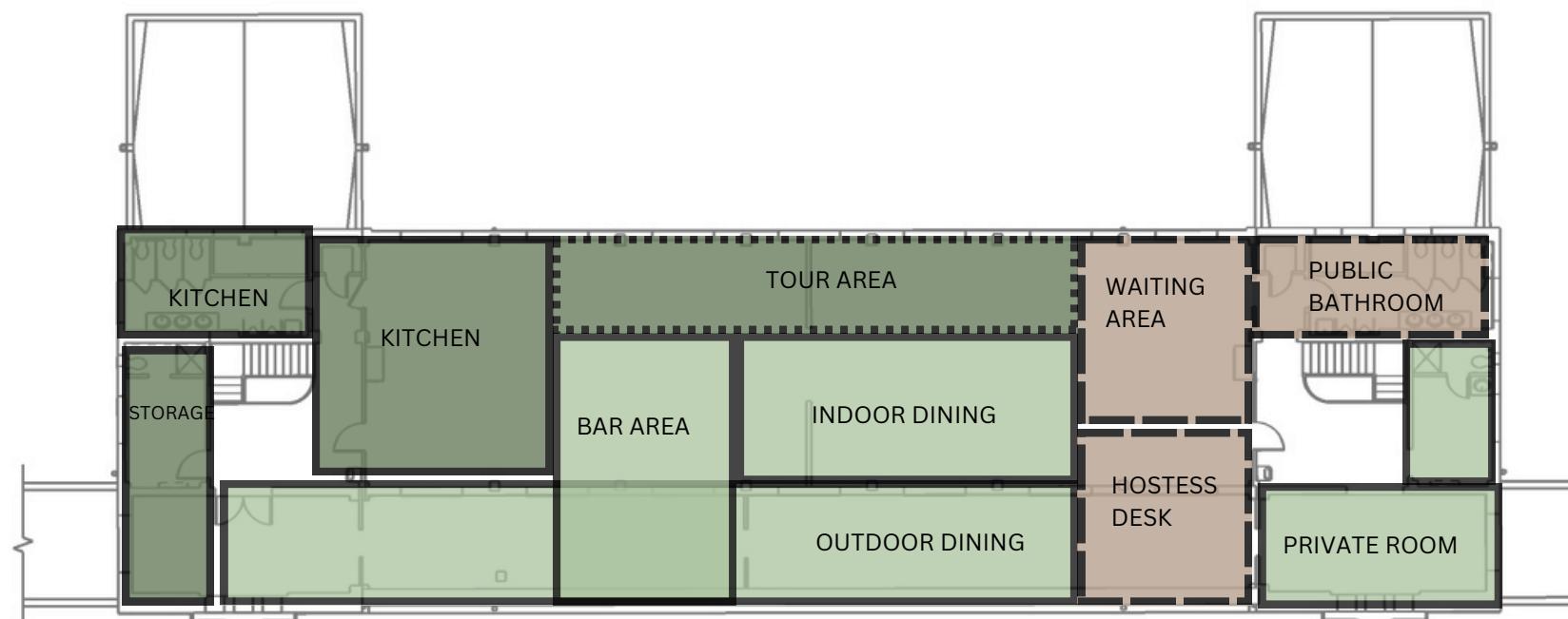
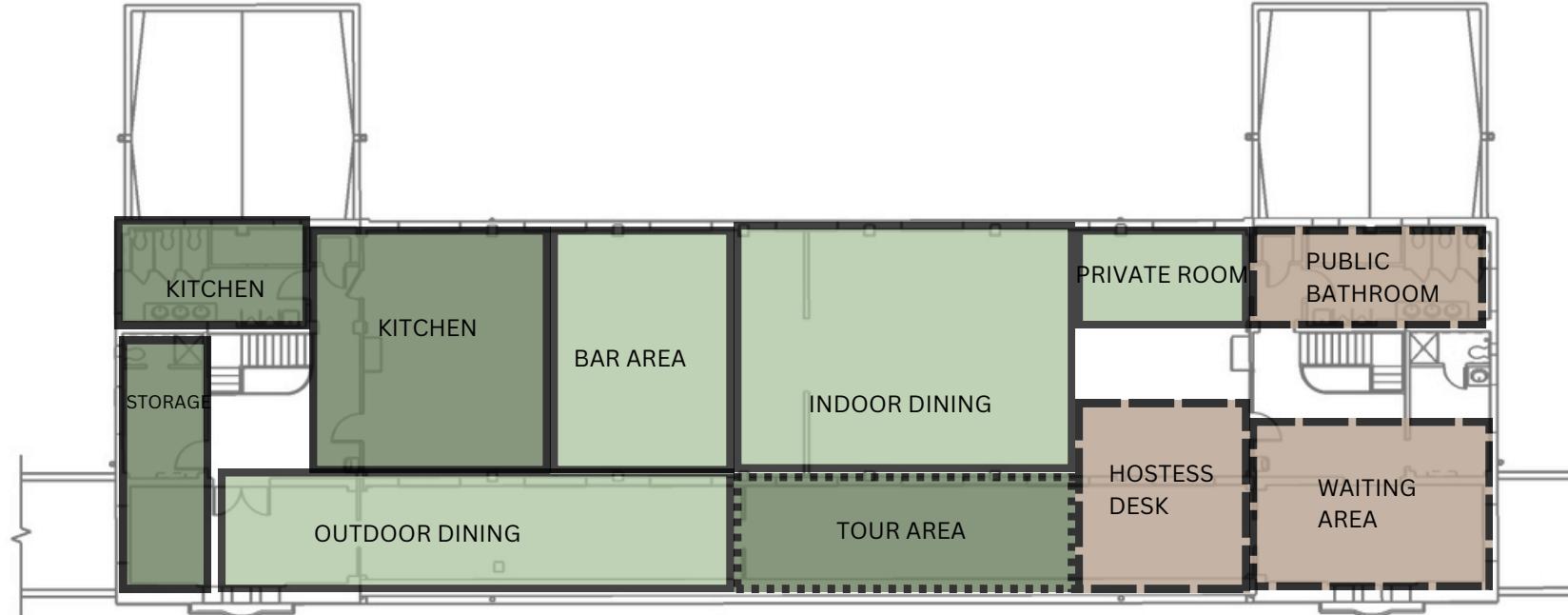
- Establish historical significance
- Advertise kombucha brewery process
- Invoke sense of community and well-being

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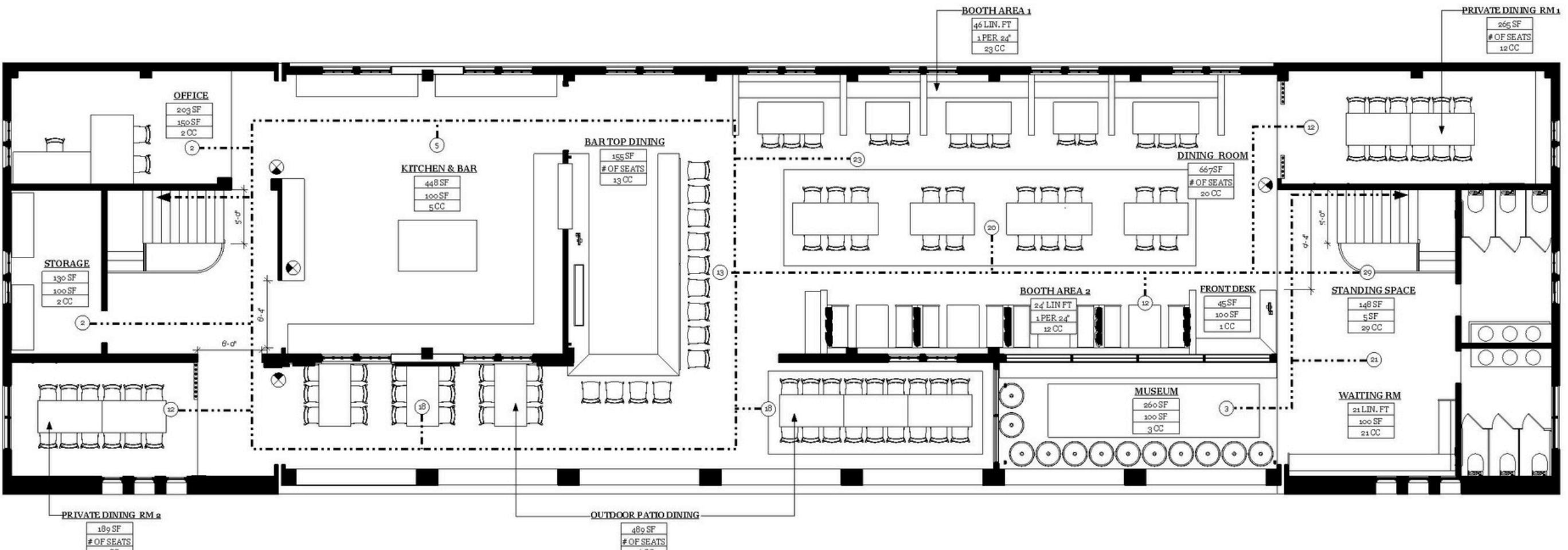
- Provide ample space for waiting areas
- Create division between family-oriented and adult areas
- Accommodate various group sizes

OPERATIONS:

- Display area of kitchen
- Flow between kitchen and bar
- Established host and serving stations



EGRESS CALCULATIONS



LEGEND

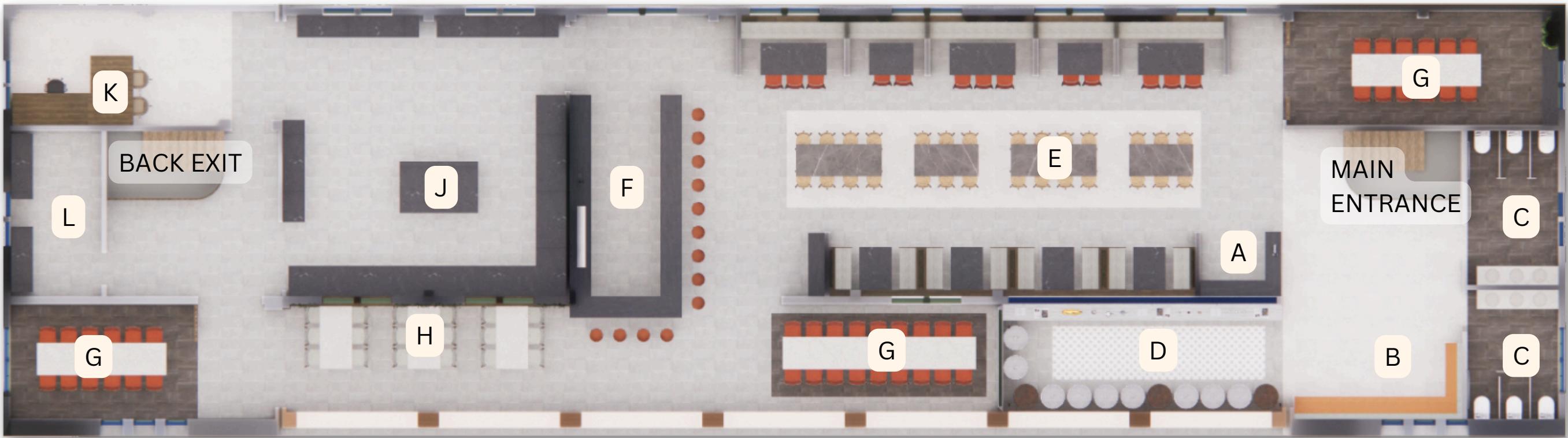
- EGRESS ROUTE
- NM OCCUPANCY NUMBER
- ⊗ EXIT SIGN PER ELECTRICAL
- ROOM**
 - XXX
 - XX SF
 - XX CC

OCCUPANT LOAD SCHEDULE				
ROOM	AREA	OCCUPANCY	OLF	TOTAL OCCUPANTS
WAITING AREA	21 LIN. FT	A-2	1 PER 24"	11 CC
STANDING AREA	148 SF	A-2	5 SF	29 CC
FRONT DESK	45 SF	A-2	100 SF	1 CC
DINING AREA	667 SF	A-2	# OF SEATS	20 CC
BOOTH AREA 1	46 LIN. FT	A-2	1 PER 24"	23 CC
BOOTH AREA 2	24 LIN. FT	A-2	1 PER 24"	12 CC
PRIVATE DINING RM 1	265 SF	A-2	# OF SEATS	12 CC
PRIVATE DINING RM 2	189 SF	A-2	# OF SEATS	12 CC
BAR TOP DINING	155 SF	A-2	# OF SEATS	13 CC
KITCHEN & BAR	448 SF	A-2	100 SF	5 CC
OUTDOOR PATIO	489 SF	A-2	# OF SEATS	36 CC
MUSEUM	260 SF	A-3	100 SF	3 CC
OFFICE	203 SF	B	150 SF	2 CC
STORAGE	130 SF	F-1	100 SF	2 CC
				181 CC

PLUMBING FIXTURE COUNT		
FIXTURE	REQUIRED #	# OF FIXTURES
WATER CLOSET	3	3
LAVATORIES	1	3
DRINKING FOUNTAINS	1	1
SERVICE SINK	1	1

REQUIRED EXITS: 2
REQUIRED EGRESS DOOR WIDTH: $181 \times 0.2 = 36.2'$
REQUIRED EGRESS STAIRS WIDTH: $181 \times 0.3 = 54.3'$

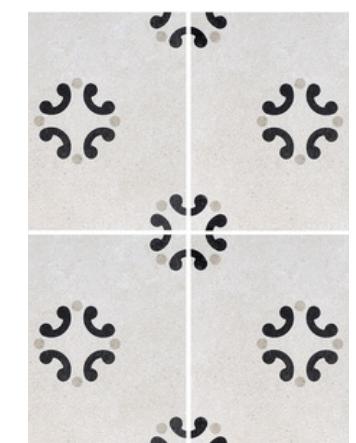
DEVELOPED FLOOR PLAN



KEY:

- A. HOSTESS DESK
- B. WAITING ROOM
- C. PUBLIC WASHROOM
- D. BREWERY MUSEUM
- E. INDOOR DINING AREA
- F. BAR
- G. PRIVATE DINING ROOM
- H. OUTDOOR DINING ROOM
- J. KITCHEN
- K. OFFICE ROOM
- L. STORAGE ROOM

FLOOR FINISHES



INTERIOR DINING ROOM

INSPIRATION: CRAFTSMANSHIP IN BREWERY



BAR TOP AREA

INSPIRATION: CRAFTSMANSHIP IN BREWERY



PRIVATE DINING RM

INSPIRATION: HISTORICAL TIES TO SAN DIEGO NAVY



CARROT CONSERVATORY

INSPIRATION: MOTHERS TO MAKERS, PARENT COMPANY



03 CENTER HIVE

COMPLETED 2024



An ambiguous space filled with **applause**, **icks**, and **shocks**.

In this space you will find the **deceptive** contortionist, **conforming** acrobats, and the exploitive ringmaster. These tricks and acts were made for laughter, but it is uncertain if the clown is in the act or in the crowd.

PROJECT BASICS

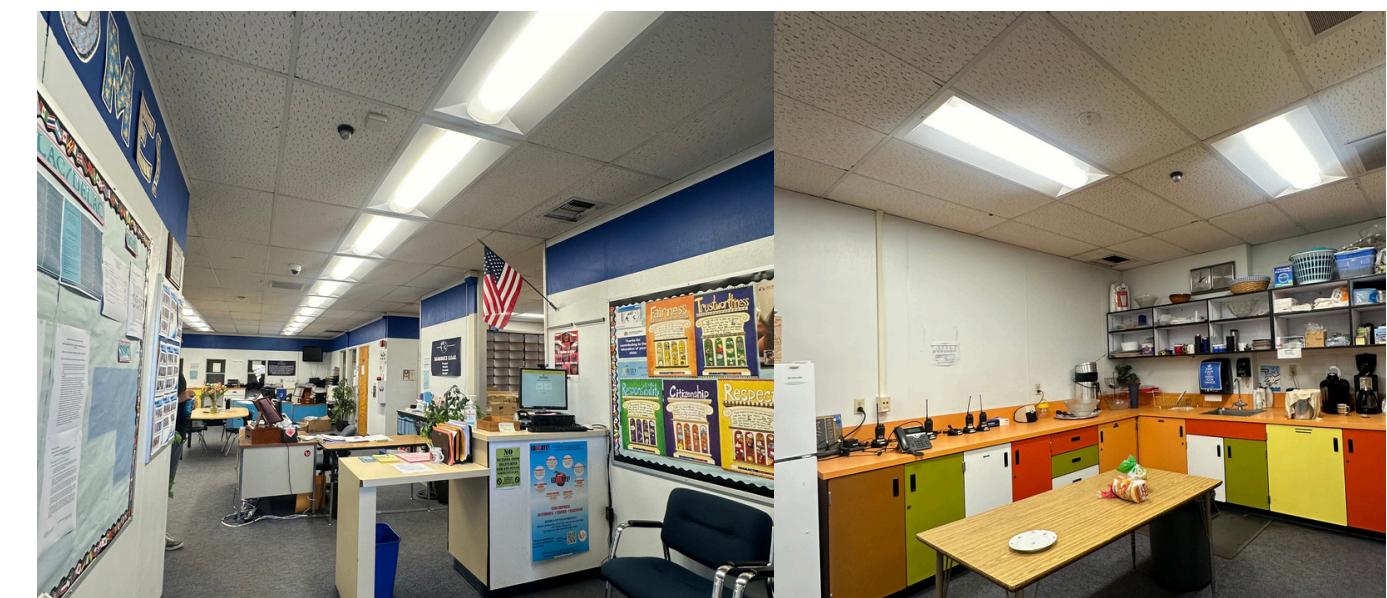
LOCATION: STANLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL, UNIVERSITY CITY

NEARBY ESTABLISHMENTS: RESIDENTIAL HOMES, PRESCHOOLS, AND CHURCHES

DEMOGRAPHICS: FAMILY ORIENTED COMMUNITY, WORKING-CLASS, AND STUDENTS



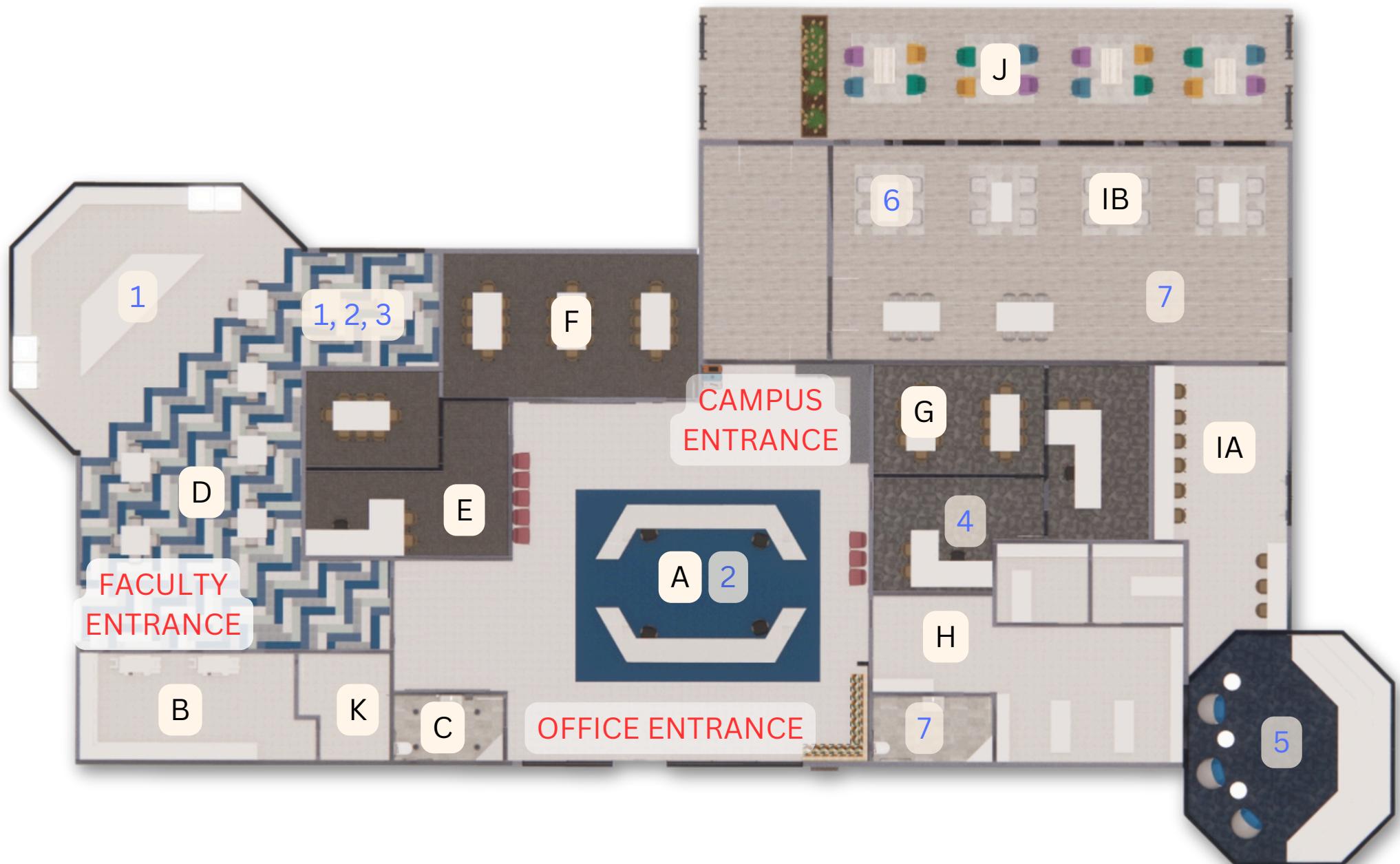
INTERIOR MOOD CHARACTER



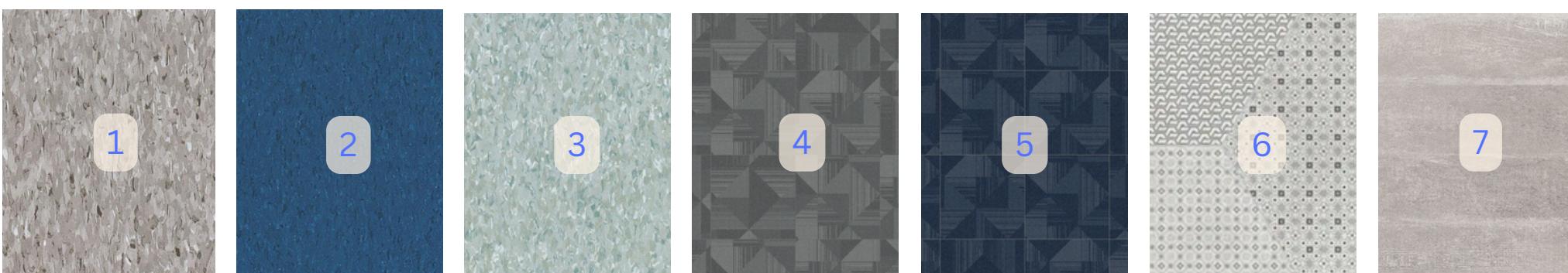
DEVELOPED FLOOR PLAN

KEY:

- A. RECEPTION DESK
- B. WORK ROOM
- C. PUBLIC WASHROOM
- D. TEACHER LOUNGE AREA
- E. PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE
- F. CONFERENCE ROOM
- G. COUNSELING CENTER
- H. NURSE'S OFFICE
- IA. INDOOR STUDENT LOUNGE AREA
- IB. INDOOR STUDENT LOUNGE AREA
- J. OUTDOOR STUDENT LOUNGE AREA
- K. STORAGE ROOM



FLOOR FINISHES



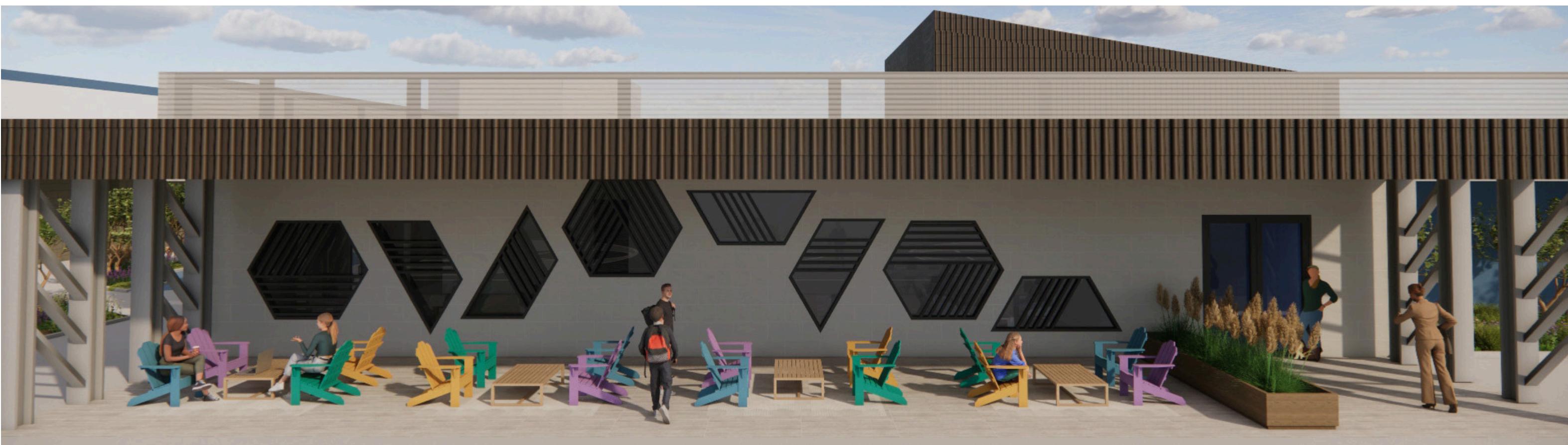
EXTERIOR FACADE

INSPIRATION: BEE HIVE CONNECTION



RECEPTION DESK

INSPIRATION: BEE HIVE CONNECTION



04 BLUEBELLE BAKERY AND APARTMENTS

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BLUEBELLE APARTMENTS AND BAKERY, INSPIRED BY BLUEBELLE FLOWERS SYMBOLIZING GRATITUDE, COMMUNITY, AND LOVE.

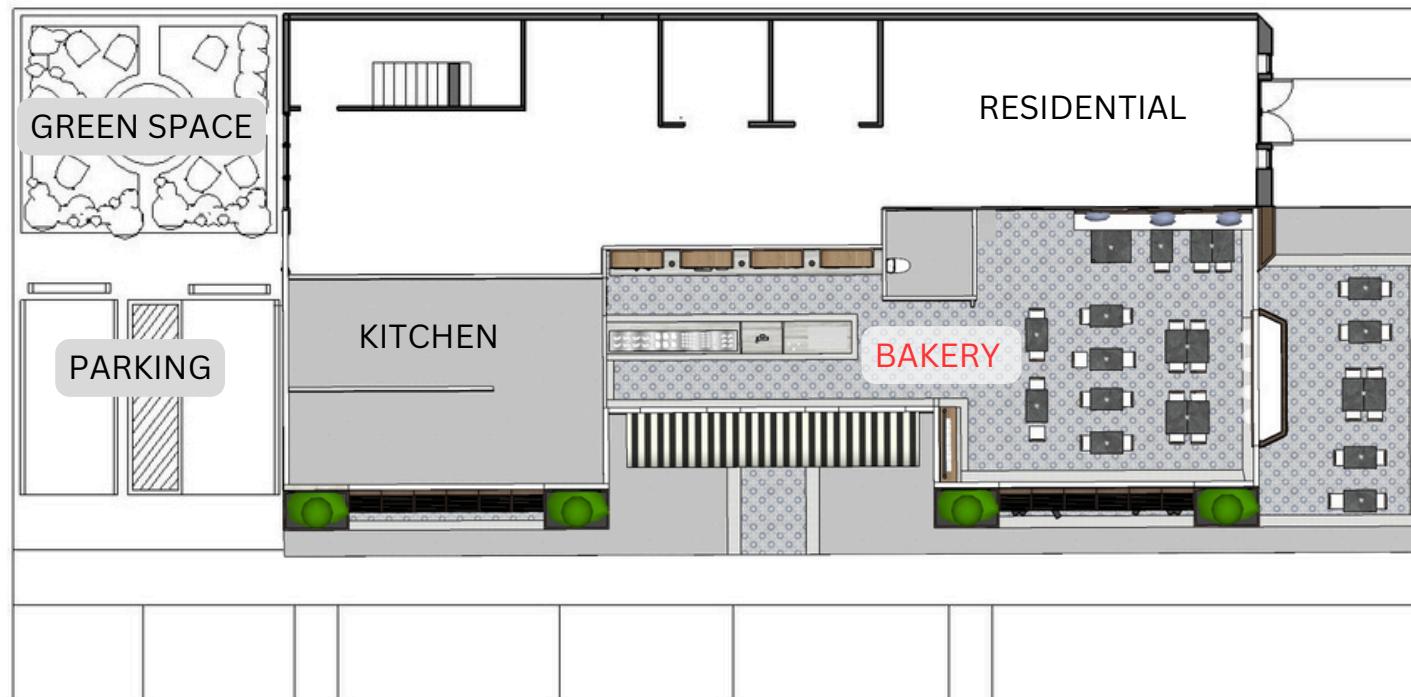
TEAM MEMBERS: EMILY PYLE, ABRIL CISNEROS

ROLE: EXTERIOR DESIGN, BAKERY DESIGN, PRIVATE GARDEN DESIGN

ELEVATIONS AND FLOOR PLANS

SCOPE OF WORK: BAKERY DESIGN

FLOOR PLAN OF FOCUSED AREA



EXTERIOR MOOD BOARD



DEVELOPED EXTERIOR DESIGN



ORDERING COUNTER

INSPIRATION: FRENCH BOULANGERIE



INTERIOR DINING RM

INSPIRATION: FRENCH BOULANGERIE



INTERIOR DINING RM

INSPIRATION: FRENCH BOULANGERIE



03 SOCIAL SANCTUARY

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Shells are made to be **reserved** and **collected**, used for protection. But at its core is different than what it seems. Soft, **intimate**, **warm**, strong with **hospitality** and connection.

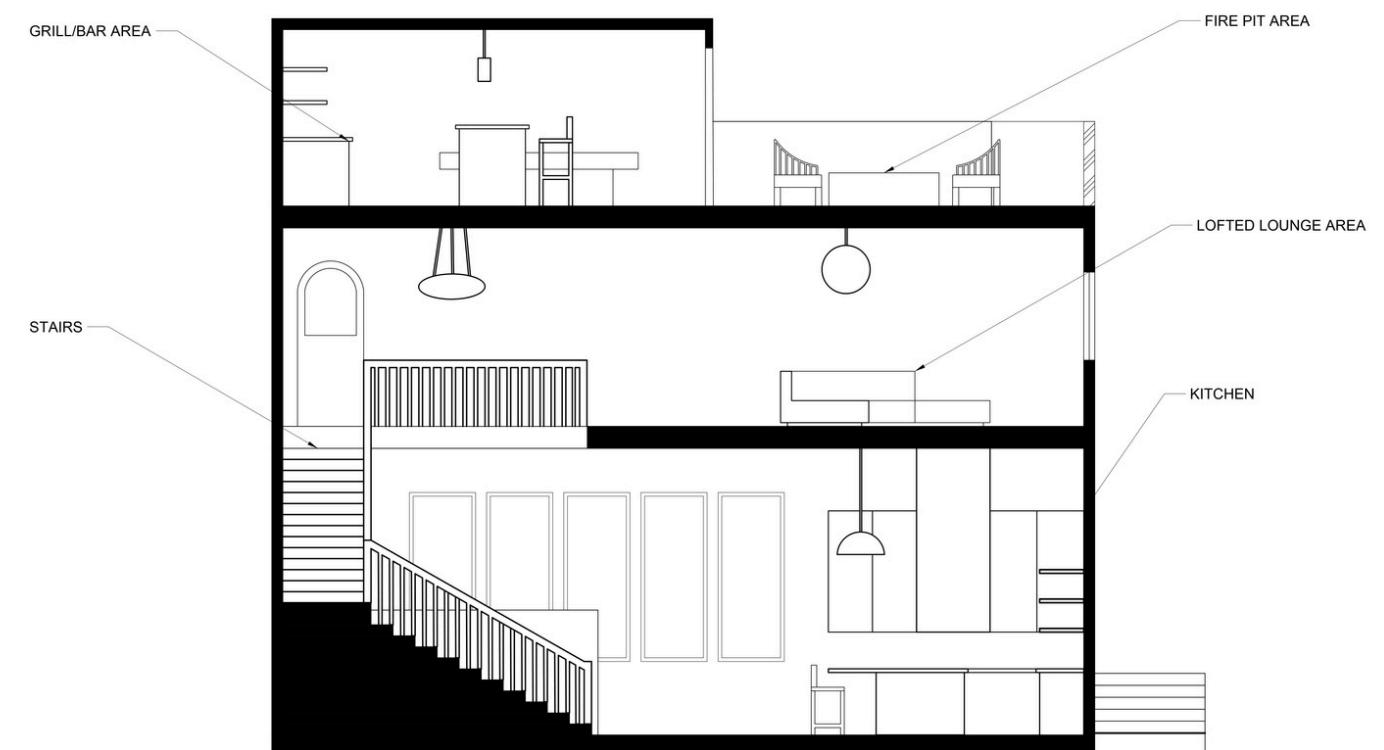
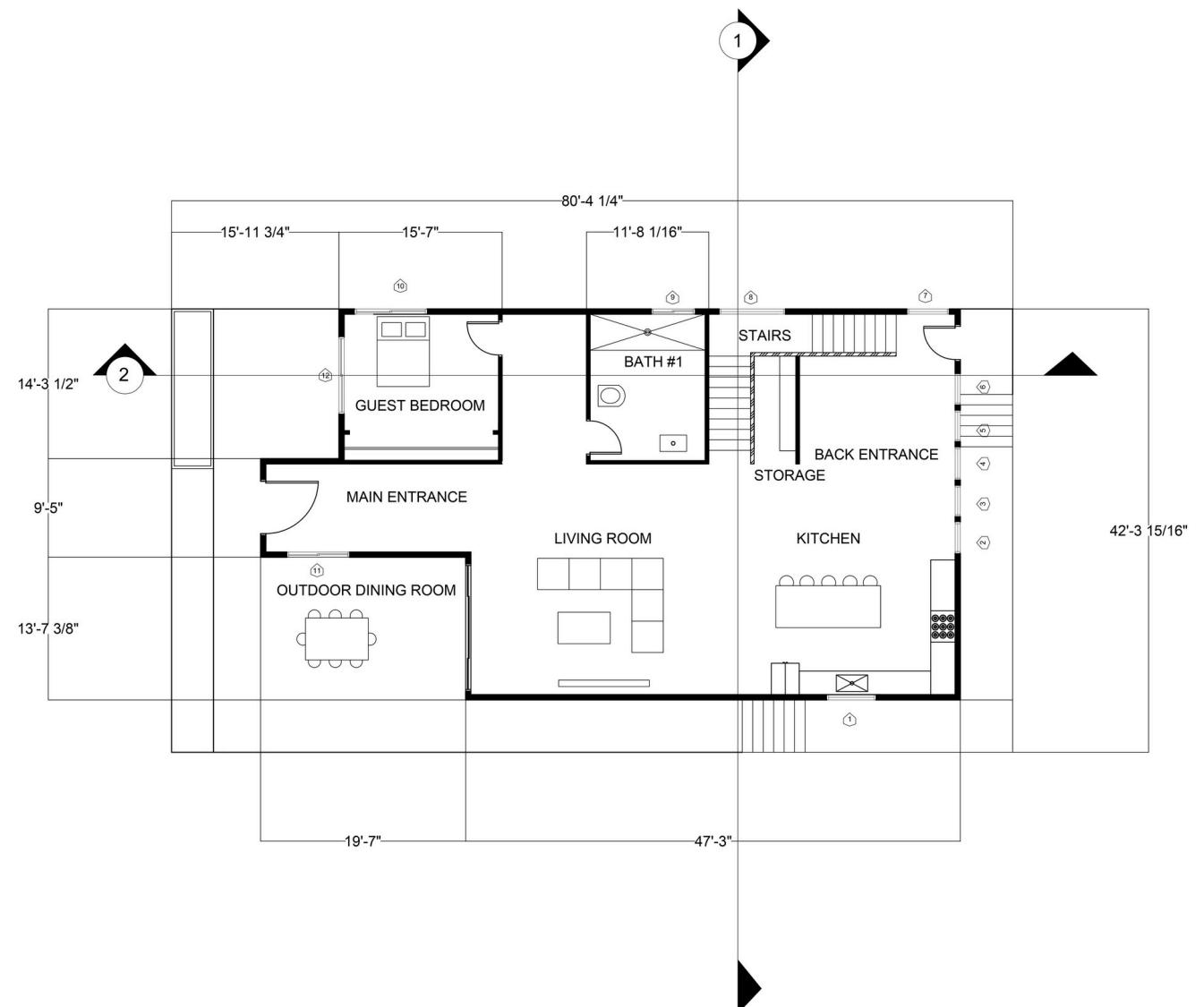


EXTERIOR DESIGN

INSPIRATION: RESERVED - COLLECTED



FLOOR PLAN & SECTION

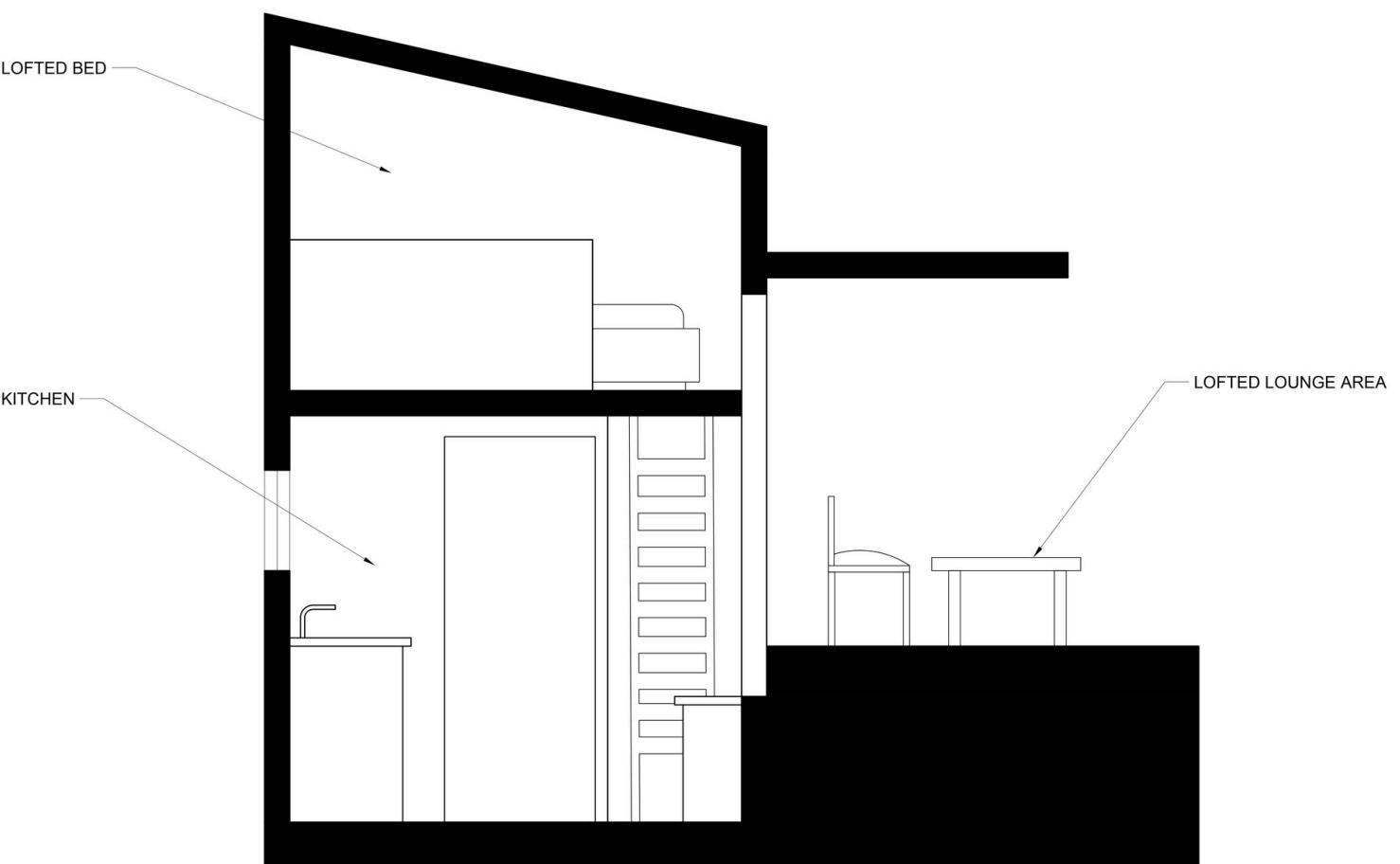
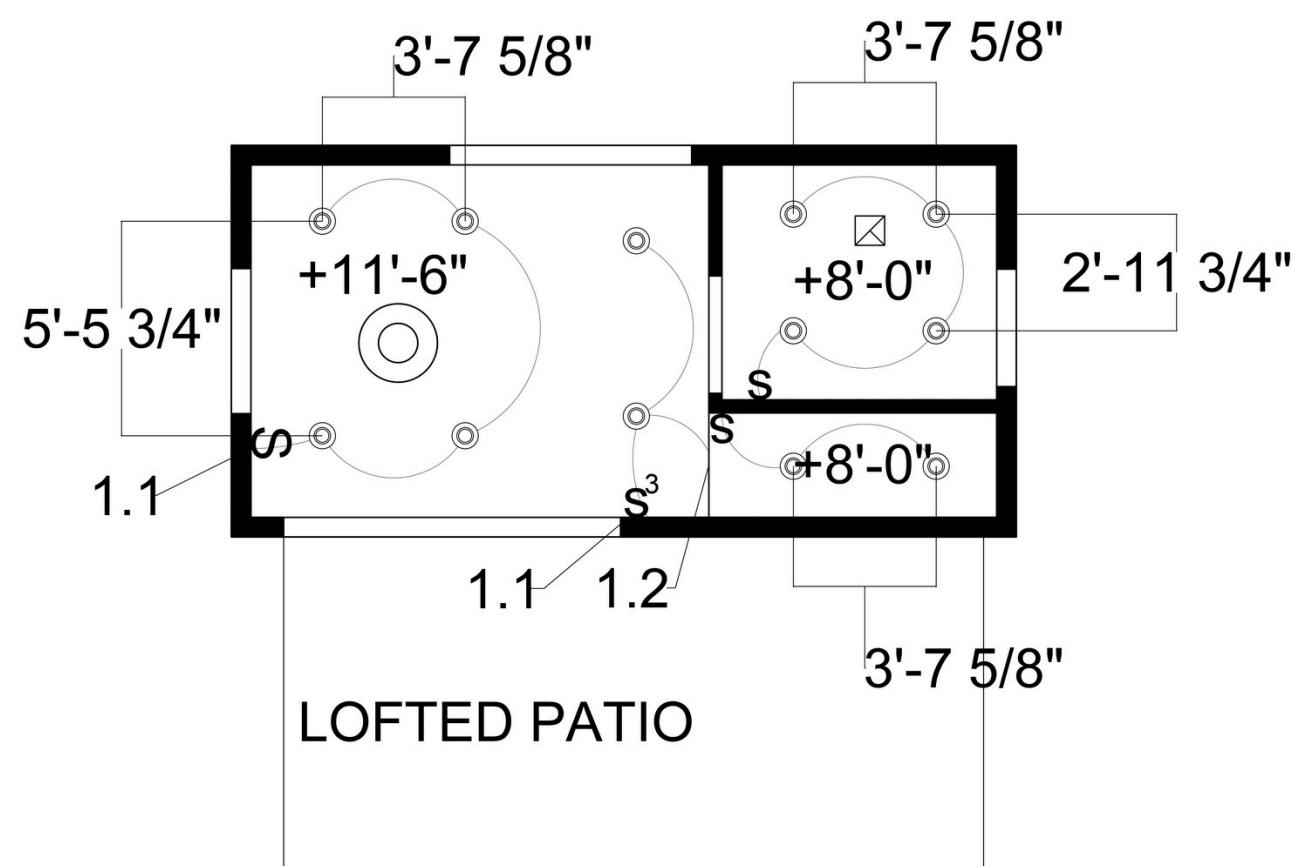


ADU EXTERIOR

INSPIRATION: RESERVED - COLLECTED



CEILING PLAN & SECTION



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PRIMARY BEDROOM

INSPIRATION: WARM - INTIMATE



OUTDOOR PATIO

INSPIRATION: WARM - INTIMATE



ROOFTOP LOUNGE

INSPIRATION: COOL - HOSPITALITY



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