

# Walker Zanger Announces Innovative Product Collaboration with Oceanside Glass & Tile

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**LOS ANGELES** - Walker Zanger announced today their latest collaboration with Oceanside Glass & Tile to create the new and innovative collection, A Walk by the Ocean. Set to enter the market in early 2023, the collection brings together decades of history and experience from two of the most iconic companies in the tile industry to create exquisite ceramic and glass mosaics including the first of its kind product, ceramic tiles inlaid with artisan glass.

This cutting-edge collection has been in the works for over a year and features never-before-seen production methods. The carving of handcrafted ceramic tiles in combination with glass, serves as testament to Walker Zanger's reputation as a leading innovator of material and collaborator with the industry's finest.

"Glass and ceramic come together to create a truly unique product," said Suzi Portugal, VP of Design and Sourcing for Mosaic Companies (Walker Zanger's parent company). "Every step of the process is specialized for this collection. The ceramic mosaics require a new formula, and they are fired at a different temperature to achieve their pool rated feature."

A Walk by the Ocean collection features unique glass from Oceanside Glass & Tile whose handcrafted manufacturing process produces iridescent artisan glass tiles with reflective qualities that create movement in shade variations which differ from one piece to the next. Oceanside Glass & Tile products are fully annealed, an extra manufacturing step that increases the tile's ability to withstand extreme exterior climates.

"The glass used in A Walk by the Ocean collection features custom sizes and details made to the exact dimensions of Walker Zanger's ceramics," said Kim Bonta, Director of Project Management at Oceanside Glass & Tile. "This was a fun and creative collaboration between the two companies from the very beginning of the design process, including color selections and product naming," she added.

The collection comprises 6"x6" ceramic tiles with glass inlay, 6" hexagons ceramic tiles with glass inlay, 2" glass and ceramic hexagons pool rated mosaics, 1.5"x2.5" pool rated dimensional glass and ceramic mosaics, and 2"x2" pool rated offset glass and ceramic mosaics all in ocean-inspired colors, making them ideal for pools, for a spa inspired bathroom or creating a coastal vibe in a kitchen backsplash.

Both Walker Zanger and Oceanside Glass & Tile's factories are located in Mexico and meet LEED certifications. Oceanside's glass is made with pre-consumer recycled scraps and trimmings and

manufactured utilizing silica sand, an abundant natural resource, as a primary component, making A Walk by the Ocean as good for the planet as they look in a home.

### **About Walker Zanger**

Walker Zanger is a leading stone and tile design resource in North America. For over 65-years, the company has helped design-trade professionals and homeowners realize their boldest design visions with the most unique, original and thought-provoking surface materials. Walker Zanger is a go-to expert in the industry, and is often the first to discover new materials, styles, innovations, and specialty surface products. Rooted in natural stone slab design, the company continues to push the boundaries of possibility, including recent introductions of cutting-edge materials like recycled glass slabs and thinner-than-stone porcelain slabs that emulate natural marble veining. The company carries on the innovative spirit with equal passion today in their curated showrooms and slab galleries, and 200 authorized dealers nationwide. To learn more about Walker Zanger, please visit [www.walkerzanger.com](http://www.walkerzanger.com).

### **About Oceanside Glass & Tile**

Oceanside Glasstile is an international manufacturer of sustainable, luxury glass and tile products. Founded in 1992 and headquartered in Carlsbad, California, Oceanside Glasstile is the world's leader in luxury glass manufacturing used for glass tile and art glass. Learn more about Oceanside Glasstile products, sustainable practices, and community involvement at [www.glasstile.com](http://www.glasstile.com).

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