

LAViD Designs Winter Newsletter



LAViD Designs specializes in **Lighting Design, Lighting Control Systems Design, and Audio/Video Systems Design** in Commercial and Residential projects.

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LED's: The best solution?



With the incandescent light bulb slowly fading away, the LED bulb has drawn a lot of attention as a replacement. There are a few considerations before replacing or specifying LED's in place of incandescent. First, the majority of LED lamps are non dimmable. Those that are dimmable may require a special type of wall dimmer. A second consideration is the cost of the lamp. Quality LED lamps can cost as much as \$80 per lamp. The last consideration is the output of the LED. Selecting a LED that has a Kelvin rating of 2700 to 3000 will give the best results for a direct replacement of a incandescent lamp providing a "natural warm" look.

LED's will increase in popularity as manufacturing technology advances resulting in lower prices to the consumer. Since they use far less energy and toxic materials, LED's will soon replace the screw in fluorescent lamp. LED based fixtures are the next evolution in lighting.

Recently Completed Project

This Residential project located in Marin recently underwent a complete exterior facelift. Working with the Designer and General Contractor, LAViD Designs came up with unique lighting to accent the new architectural features. Spot lighting was used to highlight the dormers in the front of the home along with up-lighting for the magnificent Redwood trees just off the patio. Small LED's were recessed into the handrail on the back deck where lighting was limited allowing for more functionality of the space. The homeowner was very happy with the results.



*Lighting Design: LAViD Designs
General Contractor: Design Build Specialist
Exterior Design: Candace Cavanaugh*



About LAViD Designs

LAViD Designs specializes in Lighting Design, Lighting Control Systems Design, and Audio/Video Systems Design in Commercial and Residential projects. Our goal is to find the best possible solution while keeping in mind important factors such as esthetics, ease of use, and energy savings. We are able to design systems that best fits the clients needs and budget.

Projects in the Works

- Custom Residential Estate, Sonoma County
- Custom Residential, Napa County
- Custom Residential, Lake County
- Landscape Lighting, Marin County
- Kitchen Remodel Lighting, Marin County