

# 6 Tips To Improve Your Home's Lighting

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- ✓ **Hide the source.** Except in special circumstances, bare or partially exposed bulbs create glare and an uncomfortable living environment..
- ✓ **Dim your lights.** All incandescent and halogen lights can be dimmed. If you want to do it yourself, relatively inexpensive dimmers are available at home improvement stores. Dimming can create a more pleasant living environment and saves electricity.
- ✓ **Light your walls.** Soft illumination of your walls will make a room feel bigger and brighter. But make sure to avoid sharp edges of light on the walls or creating dark ceilings.
- ✓ **Light your ceilings.** Light bouncing off the ceiling creates good atmospheric lighting in a room and can eliminate harsh shadows on a person's face. This can make you look healthier and more vibrant and who doesn't want that?
- ✓ **Don't over light at night.** Bright interior lighting after sunset can throw off your biological clock. Low, soft lighting in the evenings provide a feeling of calm making it easier to fall asleep and stay asleep at night.
- ✓ **It could be the lighting, not the room.** If you have a room in your home you just don't like, it may be the lighting. There are many lighting options out there and you are sure to find something you enjoy.



This is just the beginning. Let us help you get your lighting just right. Call or e-mail the office for a free initial consultation.

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Mark Ketteran became intrigued by light and lighting in his teens. He spent 15 years creating light for the theatre. In 2001 he entered the world of residential and commercial lighting. Since then, he has been combining the art of theatre with the science of light to create environments for his clients.

Mark's success comes from an understanding of the art, science, and personal relationships that go into great lighting design.

He specializes in working with clients, architects and designers to help create their vision. Mark is known for his sincere and insightful questions which get to the heart of the true purpose of a design. This allows him to

develop a finished product that reflects the vision of the client, not just a series of lights hung for great illumination.

His work can be found in his client's homes, the streets of Kensington, Maryland, Saint Matthew's Cathedral, as well as numerous private and public plazas, buildings and offices.

Mark received a BA in Theatre from Grinnell College and an MFA in Theatrical Lighting Design from Brandeis University. He earned the LC designation from the NCQLP ( National Council on Qualifications for the Lighting Professional), is a member of IESNA and has won several joint awards for his work on Saint Matthew's Cathedral.

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