

Lawrence Martin



**Residential
Remodel
Design
Expert**

I offer:

- Floor plans, design options, and creative suggestions.
- Project management oversight.
- Clear communication and timeline tracking with your contractor.
- Customized support to fit your exact needs from big picture ideas and online research to detailed design planning, execution, and showroom visits.
- Project size can vary, a room, an addition, an entire house.
- Help choosing the best contractors and tradespeople.
- Works best to bring me in early.

Contact me for a free 15-minute zoom chat to see if I'm the right fit for your project.

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Coverage area:

Northern CA -
from the foothills
to the bay area

Rate: \$60 per
hour plus travel
expenses



From a client I worked with on two extensive remodels:

A friend referred me to Lawrence Martin in 2010, when I needed help brainstorming ways to personalize a house I had just purchased. I was delighted to discover that he could also completely oversee the execution of those ideas. I found Lawrence to be uncannily gifted in both design and project management. He tuned into my aesthetic and preferences so easily, and I never had to worry about a single detail ever being forgotten.

His rates are about one-fourth what a designer of his caliber would charge, and he delivers so much more value, in a far more comfortable, collaborative way.

Through his skills and guidance he made my house a home. He provided superb resources (contractor, painter, flooring, carpet, furnishings, draperies, landscape), and ensured that my costs were kept as low as possible.

When I purchased another house in 2021, I was thrilled to again be able to enlist Lawrence in that project. His work ethic is impeccable. He makes everything so easy and fun, and offers ideas that never would have occurred to me that have made my new house another glorious oasis! With his deep background in construction, his incredible design sensitivity, his high-level communications, and his clear record-keeping, I cannot recommend him more highly for any design-related and project management needs—whether a simple initial consultation to get ideas, or to fully benefit from his expertise in getting you all the way through to moving in and hanging pictures, with zero worries and tremendous joy and inspiration along the way. Happy to connect with anyone who'd like to know more about my experience with Lawrence; he'll provide my contact info.

Deborah Boyar, PhD
Novato, CA



LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION – The Ojai Retreat

Dec 2007

Dear Sir/Madam:

I hired Lawrence Martin for a remodeling/renovation project at The Ojai Retreat Center in Ojai, CA from June 2006 to December 2007. The budget for the entire project was over \$1,2 million.

The Ojai Retreat is a 5-acre hilltop property that holds 12 bedrooms, a conference room, a library, an office and a large kitchen.

Lawrence Martin was my chief advisor and chief designer for the complete project even though an architect and two contractors were also involved. He informed me about the strengths and weaknesses of the architect and the contractors, and where they should be utilized in the most efficient manner.

Martin was the only one who consistently kept the overall vision of the project in mind while simultaneously making the correct decisions involving every single detail. This included the landscaping and architecture design aspects, and especially interior design.

Even though Lawrence is not licensed as an architect, contractor, or an interior decorator, he was the only one on our team he had combined skills in all these areas and was able to help me coordinate the entire project.

In addition to your design skills, Lawrence also had a great financial understanding of the project and made excellent decisions always keeping the overall budget in mind agreed for instance he chose the best furniture possible (within our budget) for each of the varying price range rooms.

When needed, Lawrence used his fine craftsmanship and carpentry skills in the remodel of the retreats bedrooms, kitchens and bathrooms, or instructed and supervised other carpenters.

Lawrence is very gifted in coming up with creative solutions to challenging situations. For example maximizing the floor plans in small rooms. On top of the above, he has great organizational skills and proved to be totally reliable, honest, and dependable person.

It was a pleasure working with Martin. If you wish to see his work, please visit our website at <https://ojairetreat.com/>, or visit the Ojai Retreat property. I would be happy to give you a tour.

Most Sincerely,

Ulrich Brugger, Director, The Ojai Retreat



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