

BUSINESS IN THE BLUFF



Dale Maul owns DMD. Below are before (TOP) and after (BOTTOM) photos of a remodel that Dale completed.

Handyman in the Heights

By Jill Ferguson

Did you know that Dale Maul, whom you may know from the annual Bluff Heights Fourth of July Block Party Cake Walk competition, owns [Dale Maul Designs](#), an installation, repair, and remodeling service? For the past 17 years, Maul has created stylish and functional custom-designed and built cabinets and bathroom and kitchen remodels throughout Long Beach and surrounding communities.

“Everything starts with an idea,” Maul says, “and I’m here to implement those ideas and offer suggestions to make a living space or room more comfortable, from functional to aesthetically pleasing. Design work and seeing the transformation at the end is the most enjoyable part of my business.”

Maul also does smaller jobs with the same precision and attention to detail. My husband and I worked with him more than a year ago after we grew frustrated with having no drawers inside our island under the cooktop; it was just a big open space. Maul created custom drawers that slide out from the cabinetry for easy access. This makes organizing pots and skillets and lids so much easier. He also created custom shelving for our kitchen cabinets and did some electrical work for us. We were pleased with all of the results and loved his friendly demeanor, so we recommend him to others, which is how Maul says his business has grown over the years.

In addition to the aforementioned types of projects, Maul can install most new appliances and most types of flooring. His experience is in light carpentry, cabinet installations, tile works, drywall repairs and installation, and light-duty electrical and plumbing.

Maul has lived mostly in Bluff Heights since 2001, and he and his partner Mike live on Coronado Avenue with their two French bulldogs. He loves living in the neighborhood because of its closeness to restaurants, grocery stores, and other businesses. He has been involved with the Bluff Heights Neighborhood Association and the Fourth of July Block Party for many years. “The people are quite friendly and I feel humbled that many have hired me for their small to large projects,” he says.

The next time you need a handyman or a kitchen or bath design or remodel, consider shopping local and call Dale Maul at 310-283-8950.

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