



ENLIGHTENED LANDSCAPES

Advanced technology and cutting-edge design combine to bring a whole new generation of lighting systems for pool, patio and beyond.

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Next-generation lighting systems can add drama and style to any outdoor space.



PAL Lighting USA can turn your pool into an illuminated work of art.



lighting, mounts: This California-based company has become an industry leader since company president and lead designer Michael Joye, a former landscape contractor himself, started Auroralight in 1996 when he noticed exterior lighting fixtures being adversely affected by otherwise normal climate conditions. His solution was to use high quality material such as solid brass and copper—now the industry standard—instead of plastic and aluminum, to combat the effects of salt, sea, and time.

“We take pride in providing lifetime solutions to our customers’ needs; whether it’s a standard product, a mounting solution, or a custom fixture design,” explains Jason Kessel, Auroralight’s marketing communications manager, who adds that their unique AMS mount design allows lights to “tilt, pivot, spin and rotate without twisting wires for the perfect angle to light your space.”

Auroralight’s most recent luminaire designs are meant to be minimal and discrete, like the Scepter, whose ultra-compact size makes it easy to install inconspicuously into planters and is ideal for illuminating pathways and intimate garden areas. Hidden or not, it’s important to the company that all its products achieve the best performance and are made from the highest quality materials and adhere to design standards that are modern yet timeless.

According to Kessel, a new product launching soon is Auroralight’s catenary cable mounting system, with which lights can be hung in an attractive pattern of staggered lengths, perfect for outdoor plazas and intimate dining patios. A brass junction box hides the wiring and makes for easy serviceability. “Catenary lighting is on trend, so Auroralight is providing a more compact, yet robust solution for those projects,” says Kessel. auroralight.com

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From spas to spillovers, fountains to fire bowls, the sky may not even be the limit to fantastical effects in today’s world of luxury pool design. “With negative edge pools, why not light up the trough?” asks Ray Thibault. “Raised columns might support a fire bowl, so why not light up the edges of the col-