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Landscape lighting has come a long way from simply outlining your driveway with high-voltage pagoda lights. Today, outdoor lighting systems are predominantly low-voltage which are much safer and more cost effective. Low-voltage also offers greater design flexibility and easier installation. Incandescent bulbs are becoming obsolete as we transition to environmentally-friendly LED fixtures which are energy efficient and have a much longer life. Modern systems allow individual fixtures to be programmed so the brightness of a single light or groups of lights can be adjusted directly from an app on your phone.

Not only has technology greatly improved, but lighting design has also evolved. While the antiquated 'runway lights' idea is still common along paths and driveways throughout Tucson, there are newer, more creative concepts to explore. In these photos you can see where we developed creative solutions for enhancing the nighttime entry experience. Rather than merely outlining these driveways we created rhythmic patterns of light by showcasing the plants and architecture creating intriguing and inviting entrances.

Landscape lighting can enhance your property and extend your living space outdoors, allowing you to enjoy your exterior space after sunset. Using a variety of different fixtures and design techniques make it possible to achieve a wide range of effects from grazing walls with broad strokes of light to highlighting individual plants or architectural elements. Instead of blasting your yard with floodlights, layering of light adds visual interest by creating contrast and depth. Balancing light and shadow creates a magical ambiance which can be as subtle or dramatic as you would like.

