



EXPERT PLANNING * CREATIVE DESIGN * CAD DRAFTING * REMODELING SPECIALIST

Working to create lifetime kitchens and lifelong friends 

PEGGY DERAS, CKD, CID

Peggy Deras, Certified Kitchen Designer 101294, Certified Interior Designer 0651, has been practicing kitchen, bath, interior, and cabinetry design since 1983. Coming from a background of cabinet making and remodeling, she was certified by the National Kitchen and Bath Association (NKBA) in 1987, and by the State of California, in the practice of interior design in 1992. Her combination of *hands-on experience*, education, and love of cooking, qualify her to help create *kitchens that work*, in installation, function and aesthetics. She is known for her personal attentiveness to the needs of her clients and patient counsel on the choices and options available to them.

She was honored to receive a **first place award from NKBA** for her design work on The Family Kitchen at The Carolands, the 1991 Hillsborough Decorator's Showhouse. She also garnered an award in 1994 for her diminutive home office in the 1993 showhouse, and residential kitchens in 1995, 1998 and 2001 NARI SFBA Remmies Excellence in Remodeling Competition. Her designs have appeared in numerous shelter magazines and industry publications, including a cover on December 1991's Kitchen & Bath Business magazine.

An advocate of continuing education and personal improvement, Ms. Deras completed the difficult six-month training program in AutoCAD computer aided design in 1991. She utilizes this architect's and engineer's program to communicate her design concepts to both clients and contractors. ***A specialist in remodeling***, her creative design documents for existing space, residential remodeling work have been accepted by building departments throughout the Bay Area for the past nineteen years.

Ms. Deras has served as a chapter officer and was named 1992 Dealer of the Year by the National Kitchen and Bath Association. She chaired NKBA'S Technology Sub-Committee and served as an editor for the association's complex training manuals. She was founding Treasurer and 1991 President of the San Francisco Bay Area Chapter of the National Association of the Remodeling Industry (NARI SFBA). In 1989 and 1991 she spearheaded NARI community service projects: a kitchen remodel for a disabled veteran, and a whole house remodel to provide accessibility for a young man with cerebral palsy. An authority in the industry on the design of kitchens for the disabled and universal design, she is often quoted on the subject in industry and shelter publications.

Illustrating her down-to-earth regard for her client's budget, a quote from her magazine article on choosing a designer: ***"Good design doesn't cost more, a practiced designer has wide experience in economy of products and planning."*** An independent designer without affiliation with any showroom, but with wide showroom experience, Peggy coaches her clients on the most cost-effective resources to meet their needs and budgets. ***"Planning your kitchen is a series of decisions. I can help you understand your options and avoid costly errors."***