



## La Lou Salon

Automation in the workplace can make things easier for business owners and employees alike. With the help of Arizona-based Control4 dealer, Blackwire Designs, La Lou Salon in Scottsdale, Arizona, has discovered the benefits of managing various salon systems. Supported by the Control4 HC300, Blackwire set up a system that controls the music, TVs, and



lighting plus integrates the onsite alarm system for remote access. Through 4Sight, the salon owner can manage the various systems and has plans to integrate her HVAC into the Control4 setup.

### Matching the Décor

The open-ceiling salon design is complemented by rich, hardwood floors, and a mix of light and dark woodwork. Blackwire owner, Kevin Luther, made every effort to hide sensors and speakers to keep the design streamlined. Luther even added cover plates to the rack, both at the bottom and

above the UPS, to remove any visible gaps. By installing a few dimmers for primary lighting control (e.g., chandeliers), Blackwire added valuable functionality and made it easier for the salon to integrate full lighting eventually in its Control4 management.

### Managing Audio and Video

To entertain clients, the salon installed three TVs with two DirecTV HD boxes and a DVD player. Ipad dock, Control4 integrates all these systems. In addition, Blackwire created two audio zones, one in the owner's office and a second in the main salon area. Every day at a set time, both the TVs and the audio systems turn on and off, allowing for worry-free operation regardless of whether the owner or an employee opens or closes the salon.

