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## The Transformer

Top O.C. plastic surgeon Dr. Rami K. Batniji brings his cutting-edge techniques to Beverly Hills

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Dr. Rami K. Batniji

I'm drawn to facial plastic surgery because it's such meticulous work," says **Rami K. Batniji, M.D., F.A.C.S.** "It's the perfect blend of my childhood passions for science and art." One of only a handful of physicians in the region who specialize exclusively in cosmetic surgery for the face and neck, Batniji's results-driven—and often unconventional—approach to plastic surgery has earned him a legion of local and international followers. So large, in fact, that the SoCal native, who opened his Newport Beach office in 2006, has recently expanded his practice to the heart of Beverly Hills.

"We wanted a more central location for our patients who travel great distances," explains Batniji, who now splits his time between the two offices. From the privacy of his new light-drenched space, Batniji starts by providing clients with in-depth consultations, complete with photo rendering. There is an accredited

surgery center on site, where procedures are performed in one of two operating rooms, with nose jobs and face-, neck- and eye-lifts topping the most-requested list. Not ready to go under the knife? Batniji and his team also offer fillers and injectables such as Botox and Juvéderm, plus noninvasive contouring treatments like Exilis, so clients can temporarily stave off fine lines and tighten skin.

When it comes to the popular rhinoplasty surgery, Batniji prides himself on his state-of-the-art approach involving a new Swiss-made device—which he helped develop—that aids in reshaping the bone with minimal bruising and swelling. Other nontraditional-yet-effective techniques Batniji employs include neck-lifts done from a small incision beneath the chin (instead of behind the ears) to pull muscles in a posterior direction for a smoother finish. "It's a collaborative process," Batniji says. "We work with our patients to achieve a more vibrant appearance without compromising their inherent beauty." 416 N. Bedford Dr., Ste. 200, B.H., 310-467-2180; drbatniji.com.



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