

JOSEPH A. MELE, III, MD, FACS

After graduating from the University of California at Davis with high honors in Electrical and Computer Engineering, Dr. Mele was awarded the prestigious Regents' Scholarship to attend the University of California at Davis School of Medicine.

Dr. Mele completed his Surgical Internship at the University of California Davis Medical Center, his General Surgery Residency at San Joaquin General Hospital and is Board Certified by the American Board of Surgery.

After completing training in General Surgery, Dr. Mele subspecialized with a Fellowship in Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery at Saint Francis Memorial Hospital in San Francisco, and he is Board Certified by the American Board of Plastic Surgery.

As a plastic surgery fellow, Dr. Mele acquired three years of intense postgraduate instruction in General Plastic Surgery, as well as specialized training in: Cosmetic/ Aesthetic Surgery, Microsurgery, Burn Care and Rehabilitation, Hand Surgery, and the repair of Congenital Deformities (birth defects).

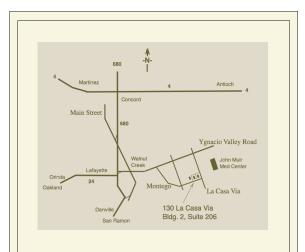
Dr. Mele served four years as Chairman of the Division of Plastic Surgery at John Muir Medical Center, and is a member in good standing of the American Society for Aesthetic Plastic Surgery, the American Society of Plastic Surgeons, and other International and California Plastic Surgery Societies. He has published articles on cosmetic and reconstructive surgery and has presented his research at national, state and local plastic surgery conferences.

As a volunteer on surgical missions he has provided care for underprivileged children in Guatemala (Hospital de la Familia) and Argentina (Rotary International's Rotoplast).

Office & Scheduling

We are centrally located in Walnut Creek on La Casa Via between Ygnacio Valley Road and Montego, directly across from John Muir Medical Center - Walnut Creek Campus.

Our goal is to provide you with an excellent experience. We will always plan to minimize your wait, schedule your surgery at a time most convenient for you, and maintain your privacy during all phases of care.



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WELCOME

Welcome to our office. Let us acquaint you with our practice and the individualized care you can expect.

We understand that considering cosmetic or reconstructive plastic surgery is an important and personal decision, and we are pleased that you have chosen to consult with Dr. Mele.

Dr. Joseph A. Mele was raised in the Town of Moraga, and completed his medical and specialized surgical training here in Northern California. He is a diplomat of both the American Board of Plastic Surgery and the American Board of Surgery.

Your desires and expectations are important to us. Dr. Mele uses his knowledge and experience to help you make an informed decision about your surgery.

COMPUTER IMAGING

We offer the latest technology in computer imaging. In office digital photography and high powered computer software are available at the time of consultation.

Although computer imaging has limitations, for selected procedures computer simulation greatly facilitates discussion and assists in planning of your surgery.

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Visit us on the Web at: www.DrMele.com

SURGICAL PROCEDURES

Plastic Surgery encompasses a range of surgical procedures. The following is a partial list of what we offer:

COSMETIC SURGERY Body Contouring:

- Liposuction
- Breast Augmentation
- Breast Lifts
- Breast Reduction
- Tummy Tucks
- Brachioplasty
- Post Bariatric Procedures

Facial Rejuvenation:

- Face and Neck Lift
- Eye Lid Surgery
- Brow Lift
 Open & Endoscopic
- Nasal Surgery
- · Correction of Prominent Ears
- Facial Augmentation
 Cheeks, Chin & Lips
- Dermal Fillers & BOTOX®
- Dermabrasion
- Chemical Peels

RECONSTRUCTIVE SURGERY

- · Breast Reconstruction after Mastectomy
- Skin Cancer Removal & Reconstruction
- Repair of Facial Fractures
- Treatment of Hand Injuries
- Burn Care
- · Cleft Lip and Palate Repair
- Scar Revision
- Microsurgery
- · Repair of Non-healing Complex Wounds

SURGICAL FACILITIES

To maintain quality care, while containing costs, simple procedures are performed in our office, while more complex surgeries are performed in nearby surgery centers or hospitals.

These facilities offer the latest in modern instrumentation and technology. Dedicated nursing staff carefully monitor you before, during and after surgery. Experienced anesthesia care is available for your surgery, and aftercare facilities are available for overnight stays.

Outpatient procedures are performed at one of several excellent local and accredited surgery centers. Inpatient procedures (those requiring admission to a hospital) are performed at: John Muir Medical Center (in Walnut Creek and Concord) and San Ramon Regional Medical Center.

PAYMENT OPTIONS

Most major insurance companies do not cover cosmetic plastic surgery. Credit cards are accepted and financing can often be arranged.

For procedures covered by insurance, most PPO plans are accepted. You may need to consult with your insurance carrier to determine your benefits. Please bring all pertinent insurance information with you when you come for your initial consultation.

THANK YOU

Thank you for considering Dr. Mele as your plastic surgeon. After your consultation, if any questions arise, please give us a call. We will be happy to assist you.