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SUN LIGHT & SOUND PRODUCTIONS PLAYS “ALL NIGHT LONG” FOR LIONEL RICHIE IN DUBAI WITH VERTEC® LINE ARRAYS FROM JBL PROFESSIONAL

NORTHRIDGE, CALIFORNIA, July 12, 2006 — Dubai’s Aviation Club, a tennis stadium that doubles as a live performance venue for music lovers in the U.A.E. (United Arab Emirates) recently hosted Lionel Richie in concert. Vibe entertainment L.L.C., a growing events company in the Persian Gulf region, promoted the concert for a 6,000-person audience. Sun Light & Sound Productions provided a JBL VERTEC® line array system for the award-winning, soulful vocalist and his entourage.

“The Aviation Club venue has hosted many prestigious concerts, such as Sting and Pink Floyd. Architecturally, it resembles an arena, with high rise seating areas that surround the stage, covering 180 degrees,” explained Tariq Khalid, technical director for Sun Light & Sound Productions. “Due to size constraints of the venue, the far-side seats had to be sold to meet the demand for tickets to Lionel Richie’s show. This presented interesting challenges for the sound crew, which we met with a system design providing a 180-degree coverage pattern with four separate suspended arrays...two main hangs and two separately controlled side hangs for outfill along with improved low-frequency array control.”

The main sound reinforcement system consisted of 20 JBL VERTEC VT4888 midsize line array elements flown to a height of 10 meters (33’), and a total of 18 VT4880 full-size subwoofers, which were positioned directly beneath the suspended line arrays.

The JBL arrays were powered by a combination of Crown MA3600 and Crown MA5002 amplifiers. Additional JBL enclosures were used as front-fills for the VIP audience seating zones. Signal processing for system management included dbx DriveRack 480’s and a BSS FDS-366.

“The Lionel Richie concert was an interesting blend of vocal ballads and a powerful rhythm section with rich low-frequency reproduction requirements,” noted Khalid. “We drove the JBL VERTEC subwoofers with an auxiliary-bus feed to increase separation control and improve very low-frequency sound quality.



Sun Light & Sound Productions recently provided a JBL VERTEC line array system for a Lionel Richie concert at the Aviation Club in Dubai.

This proved to be very successful, and even gained us a mention from the local newspaper the following day, referring to the ‘more advanced sound system’ which reproduced ‘every tone of Lionel Richie’s husky vocals, like melting chocolate.’ Our system, and our crew, performed flawlessly.”

Sun Light & Sound Productions serves a wide range of theatrical and musical events throughout the region from their base in Dubai. Recent concert support has also included shows for Missy Elliott and Busta Rhymes (at the 8,000 seat Media City Amphitheater) and the Shaolin Monks (at the Madinat Jumeirah MPV Arena).

“JBL relies on professional, regional firms like Sun Light & Sound Productions to help uphold our worldwide reputation for premium fidelity and concert-quality sound reinforcement, through the correct application of our products in the field, and to meet the needs of international artists who specify the use of our products worldwide” noted David Scheirman, Vice President, Tour Sound for JBL Professional. “Tariq Khalid and his team do an excellent job of both.”

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