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JBL PROFESSIONAL VERTEC® SYSTEM SOARS WITH SOUND ADVICE ON NATIONAL PETER PAN TOUR

Stage production starring Olympian Cathy Rigby in her farewell performance benefits from lightweight design of VERTEC® rig

NORTHRIDGE, CA, December 28, 2004 – Demonstrating the flexibility and unmatched reliability of the JBL VERTEC® line array system, Huntington Beach, CA-based Sound Advice LLC has been awarded the sound rental contract for the national tour of the Peter Pan stage adaptation. Starring Tony Award nominee and two-time Olympic gymnast Cathy Rigby in her farewell performance, the tour commemorates the 100th anniversary of the immortal James M. Barrie tale, and is being staged in numerous week-long productions across the USA throughout the coming year. The timeless musical masterpiece launched on September 24, 2004 at The La Mirada Theatre For the Performing Arts in La Mirada, California.

Sound Advice LLC President Julie Ferrin is the Sound Designer on the current tour. Ferrin has designed and engineered sound for McCoy Rigby Entertainment for more than 10 years and served as Sound Engineer for a segment of the tremendously successful 1997 tour of Peter Pan that earned an extended run on Broadway and wrapped up with an Emmy Award-winning A&E Special.

Ms. Ferrin and assistant Brandon Rice fully understand the many challenges faced by a touring musical stage production, which is why she chose a JBL VERTEC line array system. The setup contains 16 VERTEC VT4888 midsize line array speakers, two full-size VT4880



Brandon Rice (at left) and Julie Ferrin of Sound Advice LLC onsite at the production of Peter Pan in Seattle's Fifth Avenue Theater.

subwoofers, JBL Marquis Series front-fill and onstage monitors, and Crown I-Tech power amplifiers. "We are in a new venue every week and I need a system that is going to be flexible and deliver the sound that I need," Ferrin said. "One week we were challenged with a venue with no rigging points, so we had to ground stack the rig. I was excited to see how it would work, and it was great. The coverage was good and the crew had it together in record time!"

Sound Advice LLC is representative of a new breed of savvy, sophisticated, audio vendors who combine theatrical design expertise with touring rental sound packages. "By bringing the best that concert sound technology has to offer into the musical touring production world, Julie and her staff are helping to raise the bar on what audiences expect, and experience, when they attend a favorite, timeless stage show like Peter Pan," commented David Scheirman, Director, Tour Sound for JBL Professional. "This show's sound design, and the JBL VERTEC system being deployed by Sound Advice LLC around the nation, is an excellent showcase for how clarity, dynamic headroom capabilities and venue coverage can all be improved within the theatrical sound industry."

With plans to tour nationally through July 2005, Ferrin's hectic schedule calls for quick setup and breakdown of the staging equipment. "We typically have eight hours to load in and we open the show on the same day," Ferrin said. "Having a VERTEC system makes that possible. This rig is so easy to assemble. We are flying eight per side and we are consistently getting the arrays in the air in less than an hour. Even the local stagehand crews are excited to be working with them!"

Sound Advice LLC can be contacted at www.soundadvisedesigns.com or 714.894.5355.

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