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Robe is Gospel

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ColorSpot 700E AT™ ColorWash 700E AT™ LEDForce 18™ RGBW

Gospel Skouspel is an annual Afrikaans' live music and worship event featuring some of South Africa's highest profile performers. This year's stellar line up included Juanita du Plessis, Bobby van Jaarsveld, Nianell, Romanz, Retief Burger, Riana Nel, Joe Niemand and others, who rocked the stage at the Grand Arena, Grand West Casino, Cape Town.

The lighting, designed by Alan Muller, featured nearly 100 Robe fixtures and was supplied by a combination of locally based rental company C&S and the venue, which has a quantity in its in-house lighting system. C&S additionally provided audio, staging, AV and rigging equipment for production company Phoenix 5.

The Robes - a mix of ColorSpot and ColorWash 700E ATs were positioned over five trusses - front, mid and rear and two upstage/downstage side trusses - which were suspended below an installed mother grid.

A further five architectural 'finger' trusses - hinged near the top and sloping down from the grid to the floor - were rigged at the sides of the performance area, two on stage right and three on stage left. These effectively created the stage set designed by Wayne Krull from Phoenix 5 - together with a clean white floor - and were beautifully toned with Robe LEDForce 18 RGBW LED fixtures. Each of these also had a Robe ColorSpot 700 on the top used for side lighting for the bands and artists.

Alan chose to work with Robes because of their reliability and availability. He operated the lightshow - which also included a wide selection of generics - using an Avolites Tiger Touch console.

His challenge was to create a diverse selection of different ambiances for the artists - covering anything from rock to dreamy ballads to invigorating worship numbers - so each had an individual and distinctive look for their set. Two full two hour shows ran during the day, both completely sold out, and having the Robes made the task of keeping it moving and flowing a whole lot easier.

The event was recorded for broadcast on Kyknet TV and for a future DVD.





