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VARI-LITE VL3600 PROFILE ENRICHES 'CAPTIVATING' COLORS FOR VANCE JOY

Celebrated Australian singer-songwriter Vance Joy's 'In Our Own Sweet Time' tour featured a captivating lighting design by Sooner Routhier and Morgan Embry. The show was created to not bombard the audience with video or overstimulating lighting effects but envelop fans in rich atmospheres and song-style-driven moods, which were delivered using Vari-Lite VL3600 Profile IP luminaires.

Routhier and Embry worked with PRG to source the VL3600 fixtures, which were rigged on four, 10-foot tall ground-supported truss towers left and right of the stage, with additional VL3600 luminaires on an upstage row. The show required a high lumen output to carry the design.

"I really appreciate having a fixture with plenty of output and clean, smooth color mixing," said Embry. "Some of my favorite moments were when I use the VL3600s to scrape across a specially designed scenic metal mesh curtains with gobos. They are beautiful and react to light well, giving an organic texture to an already warm and welcoming show. I also do a fair amount of right-left contrast and color divides that the VL3600 execute well, both on the band and on the curtains. The VL3600's colors are very punchy and rich.

"And the fact that the VL3600 has an IP65 weatherproof rating is a major plus when touring to so many different types of venues. It offers a lot more flexibility."

At the heart of Routhier and Embry's design was the scenic mesh and the white cyclorama, which provided a rich canvas of texture and surface for light. "The color palettes of the show were really what made it come to life," added Embry. "While developing the lighting looks for this show, the emphasis was on setting an atmosphere for each song. We did not want to get caught up in representing every audible component visually, but rather take the song as a whole. A Vance Joy concert is meant to be a fun experience, but we don't want the production taking away from the performance. I think audiences find it a nice change of pace and a colorfully theatrical show." ■





PRODUCTS FEATURED:
VL3600 PROFILE IP

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