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WYBRON CXI SCROLLERS COLOR NYC CLUB

Dizzy Gillespie, Wynton Marsalis, Jimi Hendrix, Jim Morrison – some of the world’s most legendary artists performed at The Village Gate during its nearly 40-year run in New York City’s Greenwich Village.

The Bleecker Street venue closed in 1993, but today it’s alive again in the form of an eclectic club called Le Poisson Rouge (in English, “Red Fish”). As a “multimedia art cabaret,” according to club’s Web site, LPR strives to highlight a variety of musical and artistic styles.

And to create the perfect atmosphere on stage, LPR Head Lighting Designer Ethan Kaplan brought Wybron along for the ride.

Eighteen Wybron CXI IT color-mixing scrollers provide vibrant hues for the intimate stage that’s hosted Paul Simon, Mos Def, Andrew WK, Salman Rushdie, and many more (and the eclectic calendar continues).

Fixed on Source 4 PARS, the CXIs feature two overlapping gelstrings with frames of cyan, magenta, and yellow, which mix together to create an almost limitless color palette. Kaplan likes having the flexibility to tweak colors on the fly.

“The CXI’s color mixing allows me to make subtle live color changes during the show without upstaging the performers,” he said.

Ten downlights and eight frontlights ensure the performers never wander into the dark. Kaplan especially likes the CXI’s blues and magentas.

“As far as durability goes, these units get scrolled back and forth seven days a week,” Kaplan said. “They have been exposed to dust (they were installed while the venue was still under construction), severe vibrations (nightly DJ parties on the weekends), and showers of fake blood (Mini-Gene Simmons, don’t ask). In the last 10 months since the venue opened, only one out of our 18 scrollers has required maintenance.”

And in this color-rich environment, creativity reigns night after night.

For more information about the CXI, visit www.wybron.com.

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Wybron designs and manufactures innovative, practical, and high-quality lighting equipment for some of the biggest entertainment productions in the world. Wybron remains committed to standardized two-way communication protocols that help users more easily manage their lighting rigs – sending valuable feedback from your lighting equipment to your laptop or iPhone.

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