

ABBA Tribute Band BABBA

Audio Director, Simon Stavenuiter



It's been said that tribute bands are a dime a dozen, but great tribute bands are few and far between. As tribute bands go, BABBA is certainly in the latter category. For more than 20 years, the band has been selling out halls across Australia, Asia and New Zealand, transporting spellbound crowds back to the heady days of the 1970s with tight harmonies, stunning costumes and razor-sharp choreography. The band's authentic musical tribute is all the more impressive thanks to their compact but powerful Fulcrum Acoustic PA rig.

Needs

BABBA required versatile, easy-to-handle portable loudspeakers with the ability to deliver the exceptional power, clarity and directionality necessary to maximize the impact of their high-energy live performances.

Solution

Audio Director Simon "Stav" Stavenuiter employed a simple yet powerful system for BABBA, comprised of a single FA22ac dual 12 inch coaxial loudspeaker per side. The portable, self-powered, 3-way system features a rotatable horn and onboard DSP. Each side is pole mounted atop a Fulcrum TS215ac subwoofer capable of delivering more than enough horsepower to fill the dance floor. Two FA12ac self-powered coaxial loudspeaker wedges provide monitors, with a single FA28ac handling monitors and click track for the drummer.

Stav sees the Fulcrum's portability as a big advantage over BABBA's earlier system with a pair of 12 inch cabinets stacked on top of an 18 inch sub per side. Fulcrum's system transports easier with only one cabinet and one sub per side, and the top is light enough for Stav to mount on the pole without assistance. Stav also appreciates Fulcrum's onboard amplification and DSP which provides him the flexibility to tailor coverage to fill any space needed without pushing the system's output to extremes.

Project Details

Product Category

Live Production

Fulcrum Products

(2) FA22ac Self-Powered Dual 12 inch Coaxial Loudspeakers, 90° x 45°

(2) TS215ac Self-Powered Dual 15 inch Direct-Radiating Subwoofers

(2) FA12ac Self-Powered 12 inch Coaxial Loudspeakers, 90° x 45°

(1) FA28ac Self-Powered Dual 8 inch Coaxial Loudspeaker, 90° x 60°

