

Art 2000s for the Bachelor

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South African based Media Film Service were commissioned for the second time to provide the lighting for The German Bachelor reality series which was filmed in Cape Town. To facilitate the job, they purchased two Avolites Art 2000 48/16 Amp dimmers, one Art 2000 24/32 Amp dimmer and 48 socopex cables, all which were delivered in record time by DWR Distribution.



Not wanting to pre-order the dimmers, Grant Forbes, Technical Manager for the Lighting

Department at Media Film Services, first awaited the order from his client Tiosphere Video and Film Production Specialists.

“I must say that DWR Distribution really have been fantastic,” commented Forbes. “They had the equipment freighted, it saved our day and it’s bringing more work into the country. DWR came to the party and made a huge difference.”

Media Film Services purchased their first Avolites dimmers over eight years ago and say they’ve never had a single issue since. “We chose the Art 2000s because of the ease of use. They are the best available touring dimmers around the world and because we are working at temporary installations, there really has to be a solid platform as there is no time to deal with problem finding.”



For Forbes the cables were as important as the dimmers themselves. “Being multi-core, the

cabling literally halved and made the whole set neater and set up went a day quicker,” he said.

About 48 socopex cables and fan outs formed part of the order. “There were not many cables in number but it was a lot of work and we probably spent about five days making them up,” commented Randall Olson from DWR. “The dedicated manufacturing team met a crucial deadline while maintaining a high quality of workmanship.”

It is a feather in Media Film Service’s cap to be working with international, big league players. Besides The German Bachelor, the-end client is also responsible for top notch shows including international Idols. The German Bachelor takes place over a five week period and Media Film Services are providing the total lighting requirements. Being a reality show, this means filming take place in all rooms, twenty-four seven.

“The best thing of working on this show was playing in an international arena and not being embarrassed,” said Forbes. “While we are based in a third world country, we have provided first class equipment.”