

Claypaky Fixtures Support The LD Talent Club's Warehouse Competition for Young Lighting Designers in Germany



September – **The LD Talent Club** – The Warehouse Competition held its 2020 contest finale in September at the historic **Zeche Zollern** in **Dortmund, Germany** where **Claypaky fixtures** were among more than 500 lighting instruments featured in show projects and on site illuminating architecture and landscapes.

Eighty-eight young lighting designers from Germany participated in previous legs of the competition, which afforded them a platform to showcase their skills. Just nine were invited to the finale where, using the same complement of lighting fixtures, they created live, time code shows to selected music tracks. A panel of senior LDs and online voters named **Jakob Link** the **winner**. The event was live-streamed by online event magazine **Mothergrid** and hosted by well-known German personalities. The result was a production very much like popular music talent shows “**The X Factor**” and “**The Voice**.”

Leading German LDs and lighting operators attended marking the show as an event of note for industry decisionmakers. **Dortmund-based NicLen Prime Dry Hire Services** and well-known **LD Flo Erdmann** used more than 500 lighting fixtures to create setups in the impressive warehouse location of the historic **Zeche Zollern** colliery.

“We very much appreciate the support given to this event by the teams from Claypaky and **VisionTWO**, Claypaky’s German distributor,” says **Joerg Stoppler**, with NicLen.



“We are so proud of The LD Talent Club contest, which was a very high-pressure event to put together,” adds NicLen’s Nico Valasik. “We were grateful for the presence of Claypaky and VisionTwo as we staged the show.”

Christian Brose, Marketing & Sales Manager for VisionTwo, notes that “After an industry-wide drought due to the coronavirus pandemic The LD Talent Club contest was a welcome event, a great showcase for young, aspiring lighting talents. Claypaky and VisionTwo were happy to lend our support as the participants discovered how Claypaky fixtures can deliver the looks that make their work winners each and every time.”

Massimo Bolandrina, Claypaky Area Manager, headed the Claypaky team on site at Zeche Zollern. “The show was simply a great event in an impressive location – highly professionally organized, set up and moderated. It was a wonderful occasion for the local industry to meet and share our thoughts after such a long time in isolation due to COVID-19.”