



Yasheen Abdullah Surprises are rare in the

workplace and least to be expected from an employer. Yasheen Abdullah from Ultra Events had no idea that his boss had purchased a grandMA2 ultra-light for him and hid it in the workshop.

It's typical of something Costa Champanis, owner of Cape Town based rental company, Ultra Events, would do. "The console has been Yasheen's dream for a while and he was pushing for it," explained Costa. So much so that he was willing to pay towards it himself.

Yasheen was sent to DWR Distribution in Johannesburg last year to see demonstrations on various consoles and to gain a bit of hands-on practice. While the grandMA2 ultra-light was his personal choice, he was unaware that a desk had already been purchased for him.

When the grandMA ultra-light finally arrived in Cape Town, it was hidden away in the Ultra Events workshop. "While prepping and packing for a gig Yasheen was told to go through some flightcases for prep and then SURPRISE, DISBELIEF and AMAZEMENT covered his face" smiled Costa. A video clip was made of the occasion which has been priceless!

"I've been waiting for a while," said Yasheen. "When I got to the office and they pranked me, it was just amazing. I don't know how to put it in words, but I love the way it powers on, how you can set it up to suite your needs, how the visualizer is effective and simple. The console is limitless, there are no boundaries."

The team at Ultra Events have been working long and hard over the years and while obtaining new gear is always rewarding, it's the close knit team that's great for an outsider to see. "Costa is not just a boss, but a father figure in many ways," ended Yasheen.