

WHAT'S NEW?

There has been a steady stream of new products in the past few months from the Strand facilities in the UK, Italy and the USA. Here is a brief check on what has been happening. As usual, contact your local Strand representative for further details of availability and specification.



4kW Quasar Quattro

Super Quasar 2500 was an instant success when it was launched last year. Designed around the new 2500W MSR lamp, it produces a powerful focused beam of light required on many location shoots. We are not resting there and the recent introduction of the 4kW MSR lamp heralds an even brighter Quasar – Quattro Quasar 4000SE. This boasts 60 per cent more light than the 2.5kW version and its incredibly intense narrow beam gives as much light as a 12kW HMI Fresnel in spot focus!

Galaxy Nova

The new Galaxy Nova demonstrates Strand's commitment to the highest level of memory lighting control. This latest version of Galaxy is styled in a new grey livery and now includes DMX 512 output protocol, digital time entry, colour change control plus improved screen and printing facilities. Galaxy Nova continues the standard features of Galaxy 3 – a capacity of 999 channels driving 1536 dimmers, 256 PALS automated luminaires, programmable effects, split control pods, remote desk and designer's controls, duplicate electronics, dimmer status communication – and offers existing Galaxy 3 customers an easy upgrade path.

Alto

An all-new range of five 2.5kW 220/240V luminaires named Alto was launched in Berlin at the beginning of June. Tackling the difficult luminaire problems of more light and less weight, the Alto range is lighter than the Cadenza it replaces. It also accommodates either a 2kW CP92 or 2.5kW CP91 G22 base lamp for up to 25 per cent more light than with the 2kW lamp. The zoom profiles, available in 8° to 16°, 14° to 32° and 20° to 38° versions have the latest specification including rotating gate, adjustable balance point, and improved optical design. The Cadenza, which it replaces, was 20-25 per cent heavier than the equivalent Alto. Fresnel and PC versions complete the range.

