

EXPERIENCE FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF A CREATIVE TECHNOLOGIST –

MEDIA TECHNOLOGY AND CULTURAL PROJECTS – MOVING FROM SUPPORTING CULTURE TO THE FRONT OF THE STAGE!

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- Media & Audio-Visual technology for:
- » Museums
- Theme parks
- » Science centers
- » International Expos
- » Brand centers
- » Automotive companies









#### A TALE OF THREE PROJECTS

Titanic Belfast Northern Ireland



**Experimenta Heilbronn Germany** 









#### TITANIC BELFAST - AUTHENTIC SITE



- » Place making
- » Past troubles
- » Bringing tourists back
- » Open over 8 years and working well.
- » 700,000 people per year on what was a derelict site 80% from outside N Ireland
- » Recognised worldwide as a center of excellence
- » Profitable and employs 250 people
- » A sad story told well and now a happy one!



#### **BOOMTOWN BELFAST STORY**



- » Big images
- » Mixing projection and crowds
- » Before cost-effective LED





#### GHOSTS IN THE CABINS

- Peppers Ghosts
- » Reconstructions



#### **CAVE JOURNEY**



- Need for a trial
- » Innovative presentation
- » Never seen before



#### INTERACTIVE EXPLORATION



- » Sharing interaction as a group
- » Exploring the Ship plans



#### SHIPYARD RIDE



- » Traditional dark ride in a historic attraction
- » Flying Theater in a previous design

# NIC BELFAST — LAUNCH TRANSFORMING IDEAS EXCEEDING LIMITS



- » Not everything goes to plan
- » Dramatic reveal to the slipway



#### THE RESULT







### Experimenta – SCIENCE CENTRE



- » Conference area
- » Demonstration space
- » Planetarium
- » Large screen theatre
- » Benefactor who wanted the best and latest
- Working with a manufacturer Barco for XDL RGB Projection
- » Flexible and state of the art space
- » Unique



#### **EVENT MODE**



- » Innovative presentation space.
- Demonstrations or conferences



#### SHOW MODE



- » Large format films 2D & 3D
- » 8K High resolution Laser projection



#### MIXED MODE



Flexible stage during films



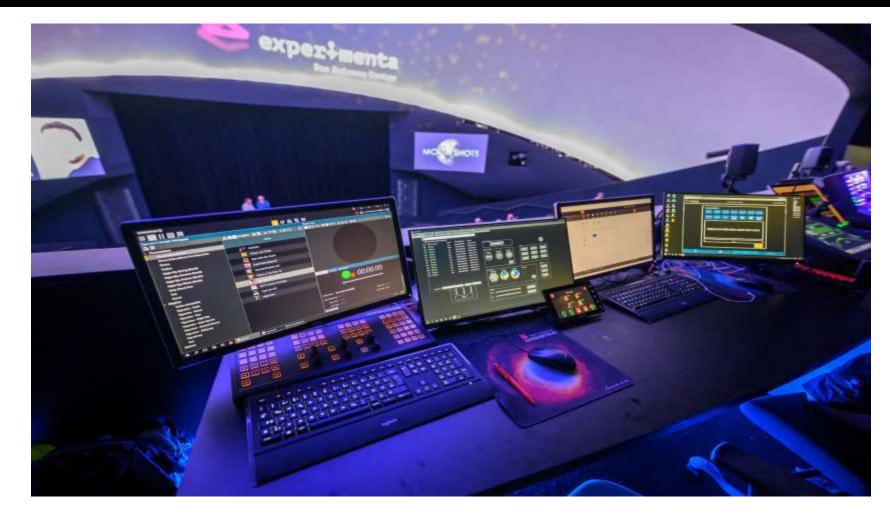
### PLANETARIUM



- » Full blown Planetarium
- » Star Ball
- » Software tours of the Universe

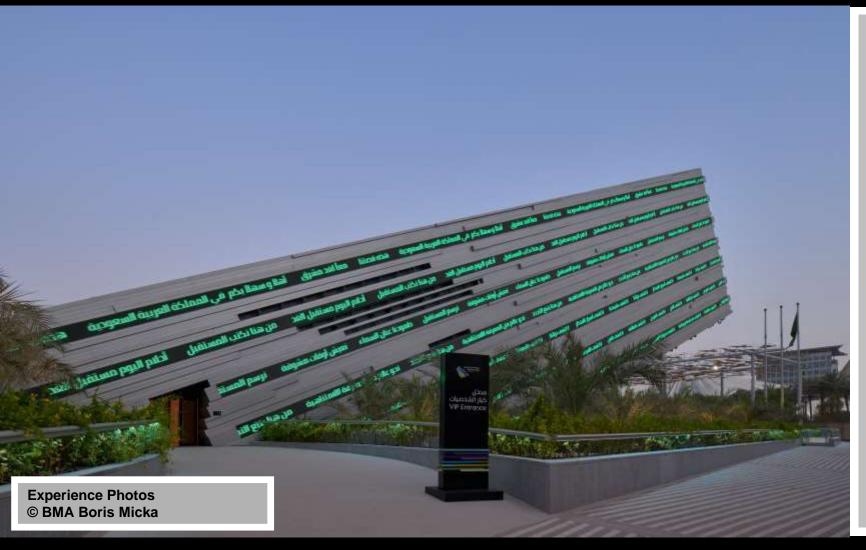


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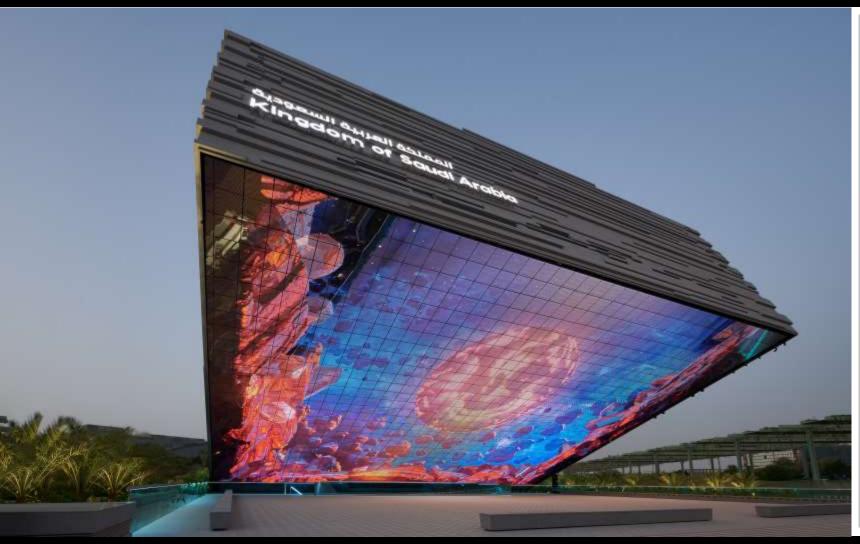
#### SAUDI ARABIA PAVILION – EXPO 2020



- Showcase to the World
- » Cultural stories on a huge scale
- » Millions of visitors
- » 24 Month build



#### **ENTRANCE**



- Entrance to 'pull' guests in
- Custom Low Resolution LED and Lighting



#### HERITAGE ASCENT



» Projected images mapped on to setworks



#### HERITAGE & LANDSCAPE



» Digital Panorama – very high-resolution images for close viewing.

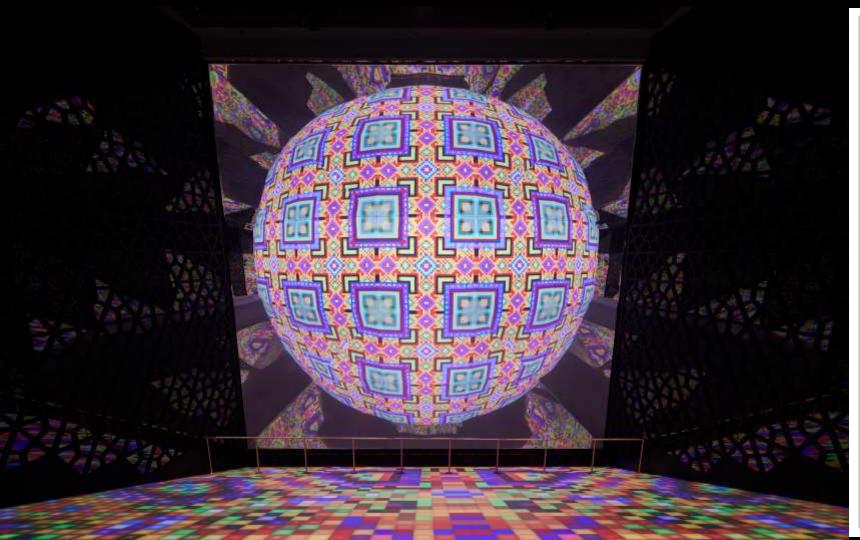


#### HERITAGE & LANDSCAPE

- High resolution 'saucer' LED
- » High resolution curved backdrop



#### VISION



- » 4M x 4M Kaleidosphere effect
- » Atmospheric space
- Art installation and a Wow! factor



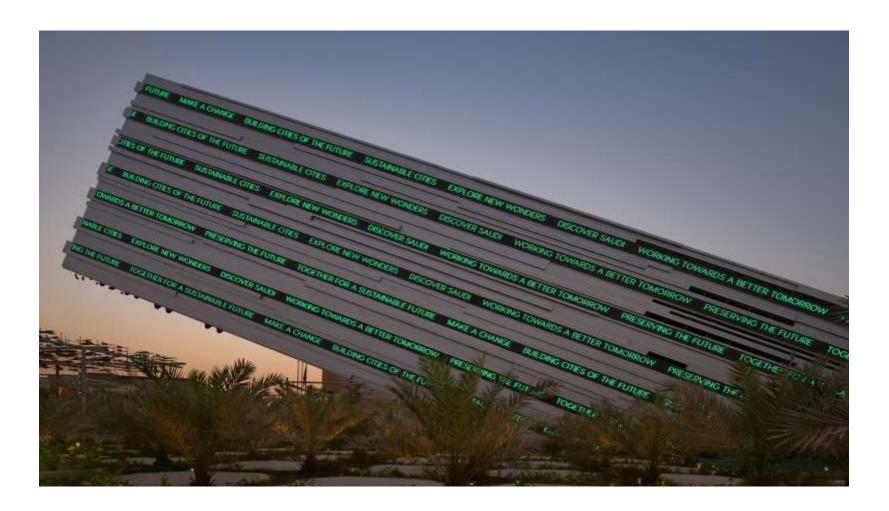
#### **IDENTITY FUTURE DESCENT**



- The future of KSA
- » 2030 hand blown crystals representing Vision 2030
- 31 Projectors 16 Audio channels

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#### A TALE OF THREE PROJECTS

#### What makes a project successful?

- » Technology should only be used when needed but some attractions are impossible without technology! All projects use very few objects!
- » Changes in technology enable a different approach be brave but with all eyes open.
- » Difficult exhibits need a full technical trial sometimes mistakes are made.
- » It is all about the content and story.
- » Teamwork and honesty.
- » Fair contracts and passion! No contractors between technology and the objectives.
- » They work! The correct technology designed and built professionally, is very reliable.

MEDIA TECHNOLOGY & CULTURE



#### & FINALLY... AN ESSENTIAL PART OF ANY DESIGN TEAM

#### System Integrators are not understood but they are like chefs....

- Anyone can work to a recipe but a good meal comes from good cooks
- ✓ Experience to select and buy ingredients Technology
- ✓ Design, blending and mix
- ✓ Final preparation
- ✓ Delivery
- A LIST OF EQUIPMENT IS NOT A RECIPE FOR SUCCESS
- GOOD AND EFFECTIVE AUDIO-VISUAL TECHNOLOGY COMES FROM EXPERIENCE.

