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**Custom Sound for New York's Trendy Z Hotel**



New York's newest peripheral gem is Long Island City. Just a subway stop away from Queens, this aging warehouse district is now abuzz with nightlife, eateries, and fashionable hotels. And the Z Hotel is a prime example: within months of its grand opening, the hotel boasts a 90 percent occupancy. This former factory has been redesigned from the ground up, with chic decor from its airy rooftop bar to the intimate basement lounge and restaurant. Both venues feature sleek sound systems designed with Community loudspeakers.



The rooftop lounge area is served by more than a dozen **WET Series W2-218** all-weather two-way systems. Even though the rooftop is 20 stories up and there are not a lot of immediate neighbors, the tight consistent pattern of the **W2-218** assured there wasn't a lot of sound spilling over into the neighborhood. The basement venue is outfitted with a distributed system featuring **VERIS 26** two-way, dual 6-inch full-range systems, with **VERIS 212S** dual 12-inch subwoofers for added low-end punch. The room is pretty friendly - not a lot of parallel walls or reflective surfaces and the **VERIS** speakers sound great!

**Community Gains EN54-24 Certification for R-Series Loudspeakers**

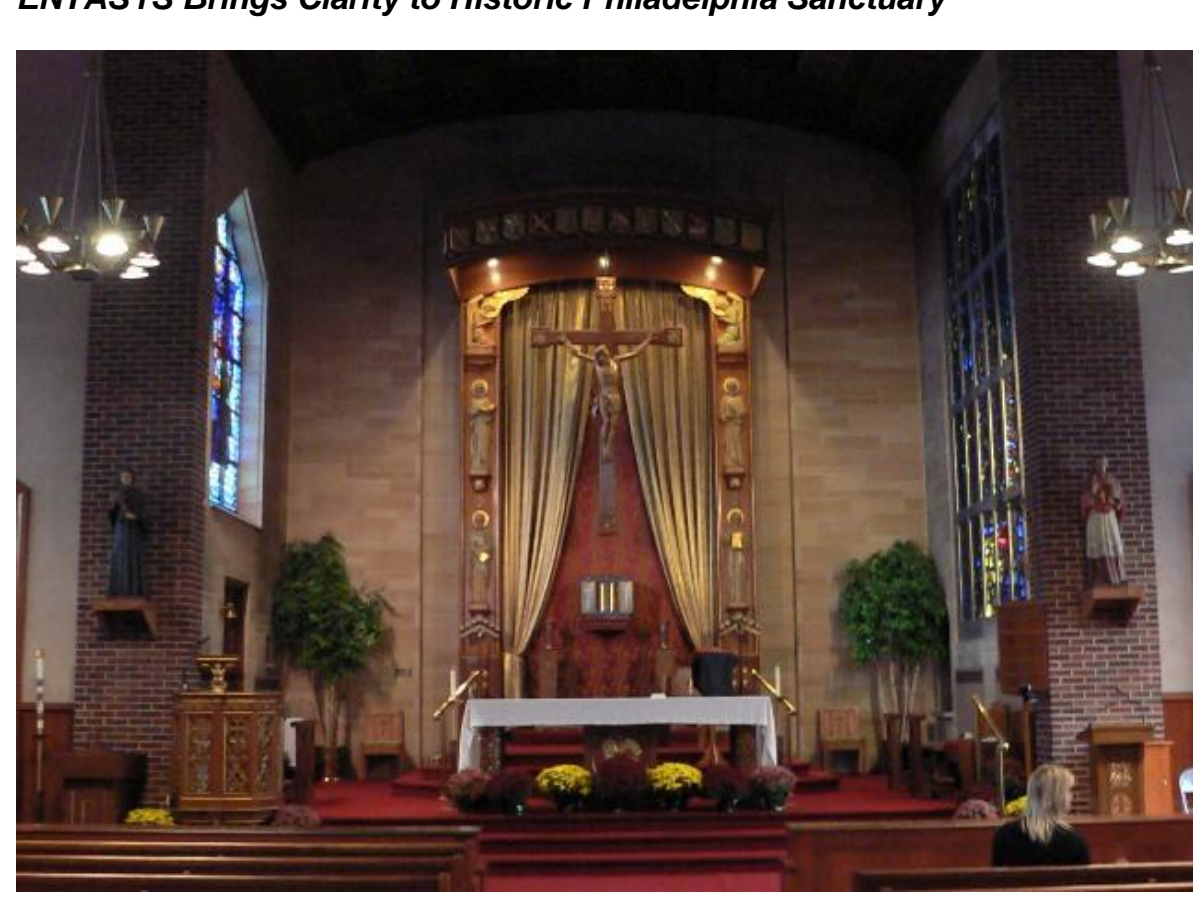


Community is pleased to announce that it has gained EN54-24 certification for its **R-Series** R1, R2 and R6 loudspeaker systems. EN54-24 is the harmonized EU standard for loudspeakers for use in fire detection and fire alarm systems.

**R1, R2 and R6** loudspeakers are able to provide the full bandwidth and high-level music and voice reproduction required in venues such as stadia, sports facilities and convention centers. With EN54-24 certification, installations will no longer need to install a separate voice evacuation system for listening areas covered by these R-Series loudspeakers. Community gained EN54-24 certification through the international laboratory network of European Notified Body, Intertek. Their Life Safety & Security testing facility in Leatherhead UK had been developed to accommodate larger products used in fire detection and evacuation

and had the capacity to test Community's large R-Series loudspeakers. R-Series with EN54-24 certification now provides system designers with a complete solution for large scale dual purpose entertainment and emergency voice alarm systems.

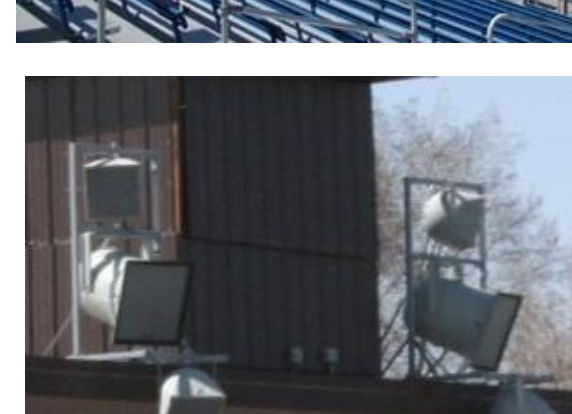
**ENTASYS Brings Clarity to Historic Philadelphia Sanctuary**



Dedicated in 1961, the current sanctuary at Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Sharon Hill, Pennsylvania, is a unique and welcoming space, with ornate woodcarvings, wrought iron, and magnificent stained glass. But the same elements that make the sanctuary so beautiful to behold also make it a rather acoustically challenging space. The room's configuration is anything but ordinary as the chapel itself is surrounded by smaller sub-chapels. The walls are largely brick, and the ceiling is about 30 feet high at its peak. It's a complex space, and very reflective, and there has always been problems with intelligibility.

To address the room's sonic issues, an audio system was designed utilizing four Community **ENTASYS** three-way column line-array loudspeakers. Two more **ENTASYS** columns provide delay toward the back of the room. With the previous sound system parishioners would complain about loud volume but low intelligibility, particularly along the center seating areas. The **ENTASYS** columns were the ideal solution for focusing the sound away from the walls and windows and into the seating area where it belongs. Several of the church's long-time parishioners have said that it's the first time they could actually understand the priest's sermon.

**Great Sound and Happy Neighbors at Ricketts Park Stadium**



Ricketts Field has always been more than just a local ball park in Farmington, New Mexico. Since opening in 1965, the stadium has been the home of one of Little League Baseball's signature events, the Connie Mack World Series. The 5100-seat venue was recently treated to a large-scale audio makeover, upgrading their aging horn-based system with Community's all-weather **R-Series** and **WET Series** loudspeakers.

The stadium is situated very close to a residential neighborhood, and the sound from the original pole-mounted horn system was shooting across to the surrounding homes. After receiving several formal complaints, a solution was necessary. An **R-Series** system was designed to tightly focus the sound onto the field and seating areas, without spilling over into adjacent neighborhoods. Atop the press box, pairs of **R.5HP** three-way, **R.5-94Z** two-way, and **R2-52Z** full-range, long-throw loudspeakers are arrayed in left-right facing pairs to cover the field and bleachers. Operators can select between small, medium, and the full stadium setting which adds a pair of **W2-122** subwoofers and the **R2-52Z** loudspeakers running at full gain. With a selectable, directionally focused system, the difference in sound quality is unbelievable and there hasn't been a single residential complaint since the new system has been in use.

**Upcoming Trade Events**



**Integrated Systems Europe (ISE)**  
 January 29-31, 2013  
 Amsterdam RAI  
 Amsterdam, Netherlands  
 Booth # 7-M190  
[www.iseurope.org](http://www.iseurope.org)

Go to [www.iseurope.org](http://www.iseurope.org) and register for free using Community's invitation code 705618.

**Educational Training and Workshops**



**Emergency Communications Systems - Speech Intelligibility Workshop**

January 3-5, 2013 - American Airlines Training and Conference Center - Dallas, TX  
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