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The Film That Predicted AI Is Coming to Life: Live, on Stage, Across the UK

Vox Lumiere makes its London and UK debut this autumn, staging Fritz Lang's Metropolis as a live cinematic concert. 20 dates, September and October 2026.

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In 1927, Fritz Lang imagined a city where machines had displaced workers, surveillance was total, and the divide between those who owned technology and those consumed by it had become unbridgeable. This autumn, that film arrives in London for the first time not as a museum piece, but as a live event. The timing is not coincidental.

Vox Lumiere, the Los Angeles-based live performance company, will bring its acclaimed production of *Metropolis* to the UK for the first time, with a London premiere at Greenwich Theatre on 26 September 2026, as part of a 20-date national tour running September and October 2026.

The production is not a screening. Created by composer and producer Kevin Saunders Hayes, it pairs the restored 1927 film with an original rock-operatic score performed live throughout by vocalists and musicians. Hayes describes it as “rock concert meets silent film.” The film runs. The band plays. The two are inseparable.

“We’re not presenting *Metropolis* as a relic. The film has always been ahead of its time. This is about letting it speak in a language audiences can feel now.”

Kevin Saunders Hayes, composer and creator

The production arrives at an inflection point. *Metropolis* has become one of the most-cited works in contemporary discourse around artificial intelligence, economic inequality, and the future of work. Its automated labor force, its city stratified by class, its central conflict between human agency and machine control. The film is 99 years old. It has never felt more current.

Vox Lumiere has toured its productions across North America and Europe for over 20 years, performing more than 300 shows across six countries to over one million audience members. The company has received two 21st Century Filmmaker Awards for Excellence and five LA Stage Scene Awards including Best Special Event of the Year, and been the subject of a nationally televised PBS special in the United States. Hayes has scored more than 50 feature films, including two Academy Award-nominated documentaries.

“Hayes’ music is always interesting, intriguing and crosses every genre from gothic to punk to pop.”

The Daily Breeze

“Mind-blowing entertainment... truly different, incredibly exciting, and definitely the ticket for one of the coolest events to be found.”

BroadwayWorld

The UK tour marks Vox Lumiere's debut in the country. The London premiere at Greenwich Theatre takes place on 26 September 2026.

Vox Lumiere Metropolis 2026 UK Tour Dates

8 September	The Old Rep	Birmingham
9 September	Harlow Playhouse	Harlow
10 September	Epsom Playhouse	Epsom
12 September	The Old Market	Hove
13 September	Colchester Arts Centre	Colchester
15 September	Eric Morecambe Centre	Harpenden
16 September	Lowther Pavilion	Lytham St Annes
17 September	Lyric Theatre	Carmarthen
18 September	Theatre Royal	Winchester
19 September	The Tung Auditorium	Liverpool
20 September	The Woodville	Gravesend
22 September	The Fire Station	Sunderland
23 September	BEAM	Hertford
24 September	Huntingdon Hall	Worcester
25 September	King's Hall	Ilkley
26 September	Greenwich Theatre	London
7 October	Komedia	Bath
8 October	Playhouse Whitley Bay	Whitley Bay
10 October	Hever Festival Theatre	Hever
11 October	The Plaza	Stockport

Tickets and full tour information: voxlumiere.com

ABOUT VOX LUMIERE

Vox Lumiere is a Los Angeles-based live performance company that creates original scored productions synchronized with classic silent cinema. Founded by composer Kevin Saunders Hayes, whose credits include more than 50 feature film scores and two Academy Award-nominated documentaries, the company has performed more than 300 shows across six countries to over one million audience members. Its work has been featured in a nationally televised PBS special and recognized with two 21st Century Filmmaker Awards for Excellence and five LA Stage Scene Awards.

NOTES TO EDITORS

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