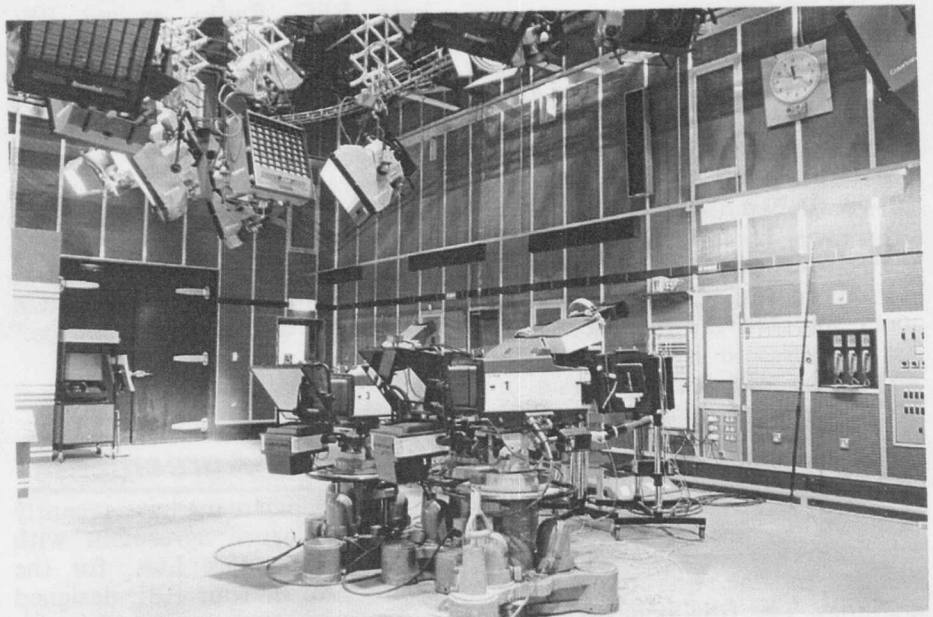


New Studio Complex Opened in Belfast

BBC Northern Ireland's first purpose built broadcast television studio was officially opened by BBC Chairman Stuart Young and National Governor Lady Faulkner as part of the Region's 60th Anniversary Celebrations.

The television studio is part of a new complex, housing tv continuity, videotape and telecine suites, make-up, dressing rooms, scenery transit area as well as a second smaller television studio. The complex covers nearly a third of the area of the BBC Northern Ireland centre in Ormeau Avenue, Belfast.

The larger television studio, B, has a floor area of about 200 sq m, and is unusual in that most of the technical facilities are on one wall, allowing more of the floor area to be usefully employed for productions. Three Link 125 cameras, with facilities for a fourth, have been installed in the studio. Some of the Colortran luminaires have been suspended



Belfast studio B

from a new motorised traversing pantograph built by Colortran to a SCPD design.



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The vision and lighting control room for studio B has been combined with the production control room. A sixteen-channel Cox T16 vision mixer has been installed, together with a 120-way Dynamic Technology 'Datalite' lighting console. A Neve twenty eight-channel desk has been installed in the sound control room, with monitoring via LS5/8 loudspeakers.

The smaller studio, C, uses a single Link 125 camera for local news contributions. The floor area is some 35 sq m, and, like studio B, it has Colortran luminaires plus a twenty-way DTL lighting console. The vision mixer comprises a Cox T16 sixteen-channel desk, with sound being handled by a twelve-channel Neve desk.

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