



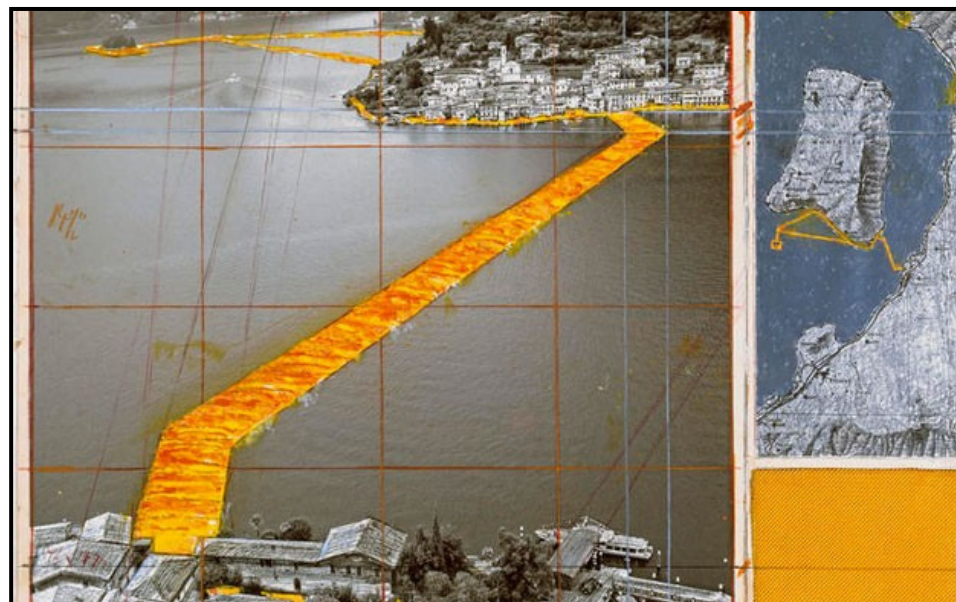
Christo - *The Floating Piers* Project for Lake Iseo, Italy

For 16 days, from 18th June to 3th July, Italy's Lake Iseo will be reimaged.

70,000 square meters of shimmering yellow fabric, carried by a modular floating dock system of 200,000 high-density polyethylene cubes will undulate with the movement of the waves as *The Floating Piers* rise just above the surface of the water.

Vistors will experience this work of art by walking on it from Sulzano to Monte Isola and to the island of San Paolo, wich it encircles. The mountains surrounding the lake will offer a bird's-eye view of *The Floating Piers*, exposing unnoticed angels and altering perspectives.

A 3 kilometer-long walkway will be created as *The Floating Piers* extend across the water of Lake Iseo. The piers will be 16 meters wide and approximately 50 centimeters high with sloping sides. The fabric will continue along 1.5 kilometers of pedestran streets in Sulzano and Peschiera Maraglio.



Christo's first large scale project since Christo and Jeanne-Claude realized *The Gates* in 2005. As with all of Christ and Jeanne-Claude's projects, *The Floating Piers* will be funded entirely through the sale of Christo's original works of art. After the 16 day exhibition, all components will be removed and industrially recycled.

Christo and Jeanne-Claude have a long history of creating projects in Italy: *Wrapped Fountain* and *Wrapped Medieval Tower* in Spoleto, 1968; *Wrapped Monuments* in Milan, 1970; and *The Wall, Wrapped Roman Wall* in Rome, 1974.

After over 40 years Christo is excited to be working in Italy again.

Give yourself an holiday in Villa Gradoni, we are 10 minutes by car from Lake Iseo to have the unique experience to walk on the water, *The Floating Piers*!



In the spring and summer 2014, Christo, Vladimir Yavachev-operations manager, Wolfgang Volz-profect manager, and Josy Kraft-registrar/curator, scouted the lakes of Northern Italy. Along with Project Director Germano Celant, they found Lake Iseo to be the most inspiring location. Lake Iseo is located 100 kilometers east of Milan and 200 kilometers west of Venice.

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