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## The Snow Show: ephemeral architecture at Turin 2006

**Daniel Buren, Patrick Bouchain** 

Sestriere (TO), Italy February 6 2006 - March 20 2006

Sestriere will be hosting one of the most eclectic artistic events scheduled to coincide with the 2006 Winter Olympic Games in Turin: The Snow Show, curated by Lance Fung, moves from the frozen expanses of Finland to the famous Olympic location to present seven architectural "constructions" made of ice, born out of the collaboration of seven pairs of world-famous artists and architects.



Jaume Plensa, **Norman** Foster by night

**Jaume** 

Plensa,

Norman

**Foster** 

The milder climate, in comparison with the rigid temperatures of Finland, makes the works even more ethereal, assigning particular importance to the stages of conception and construction.

Seven projects, comparable to theatrical performances, which transform and decay over time in response to climatic conditions, in which the focus is on water in all its states, especially ice and snow.

The unique topography of the site does not encourage projects which rise upwards, as in previous Snow Shows, but greater integration with the event's setting, taking advantage of slopes and differences in level to create public accesses so that visitors can explore the works and experience them from the inside in a sort of isolation from the outside world. The pairs invited to the Olympic edition of the Snow Show are: Daniel Buren & Patrick Bouchain, Carsten Holler & Williams and Tsien, Jaume Plensa & Norman Foster, Yoko Ono & Arata Isozaki, Kiki Smith & Lebbeus Woods and Italians Paola Pivi & Cliostraat.

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## THE SNOW SHOW

Sestriere (TO) Golf course area, across from the Olympic Village February 6 2006 - March 20 2006 10:00 - 20:00

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