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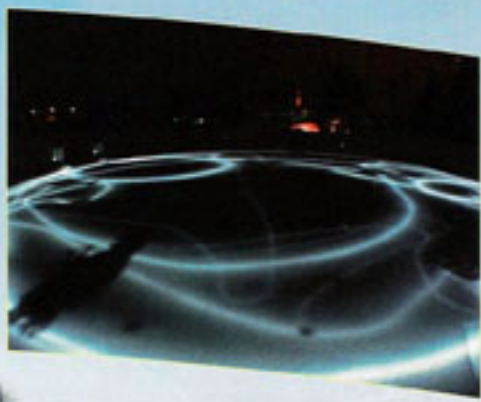
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Igloos go high art atop the Italian Alps in February, when six structures of ice and snow are unveiled in Colle Sestriere. Yoko Ono and architect Arata Isozaki are among the famous names constructing works in the notoriously fickle medium. Their 20-foot-tall maze will be the biggest challenge of this year's Snow Show; it'll take some six workers nearly five weeks and 600 cubic meters of frozen water to build. Meanwhile, sculptor Kiki Smith and architect Lebbeus Woods plan an 50-foot-diameter pool with layers of ice that contain flowers and fiber-optic lights. As the ice liquefies in the sun, the flowers and lights will freely glide around, only to be frozen in place again at dusk. The projects, timed to coincide with the 2006 Olympics, promise to stop viewers cold. — **Sonia Zjawinski**



Previously featured works: *Meeting Slides*, by Carsten Höller, Billie Tsien, and Todd Williams (background). (Insets, from left) *Penal Colony*, by Yoko Ono and Arata Isozaki, the view outside; the view inside; *Skypool*, by Kiki Smith and Lebbeus Woods.