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### Walk on Water with Space Caviar's Floating Cultural Installation on Italian Lake



Genoa-based studio [Space Caviar](#) has recently unveiled *Arcipelago di Ocno*, an aquatic installation on a lake in [Mantova, Italy](#), which is the 2016 Italian Capital of Culture. Named after the local demigod Ocno, the installation recalls the form of a lotus, a plant with an extensive presence in [Mantova's](#) lakes.

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Acting as an aquatic piazza for the city, the archipelago of floating islands “[extends] Mantova’s urban fabric onto the lakes that surround its historic center,” utilizing modular units to create a venue for Mantova’s cultural activities for years to come.



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These modular units can be reconfigured, relocated, or extended according to need, and will expand over the next few years to host concerts, events, performances, lectures, screenings, and more on [Mantova's](#) lakes.





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*“Mantova’s citizens have been deprived for too many years of the pleasure to fully enjoy the relationship with water, said [Mantova](#)’s Councilor for Urban Regeneration, Lorenza Baroncelli. The archipelago will be a new, significant step in the effort to absorb the lakes into [Mantova](#)’s urban and social fabric. In addition, the archipelago finally represents an element of artistic and cultural innovation with a great international appeal alongside the city’s most historical beauties.”*



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The installation opened on September 11, and will continue to host events through the fall, as well as further in the future