

World's top nature photos to be projected onto St Peter's

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Brazilian photographer Sebastiao Salgado next to one of his photos from his exhibition "Genesis" in Oviedo, Spain

Images by some of the world's greatest environmental photographers will be projected onto Saint Peter's Basilica next week in solidarity with the climate change talks in Paris, the Vatican said Friday.

From Brazilian Sebastiao Salgado to France's Yann Arthus Bertrand and



Britain's Steve McCurry, photographers with a passion for the natural world will see their works adorn the facade of basilica on Tuesday from 7:00 pm (1800 GMT).

Works by American National Geographic photographer Joel Sartore, and renowned underwater <u>photographers</u> David Doubilet, Howard Hall, Shawn Heinrichs and Greg Huglin will reveal the rich life of the oceans.

Canadian biologist and wildlife photographer Paul Nicklen, and US timelapse expert Louie Schwartzberg—who turns his lens on animals and elements of nature too slow-moving, fast or small for the eye to see—will also be taking part.

The show will be part of the opening ceremony of the Vatican's Jubilee year, which runs from December 8 and is expected to draw hundreds of thousands of pilgrims to Rome to walk through special "holy doors" and be pardoned for their sins.

Pope Francis is a fierce defender of the environment and warned leaders at the start of the two-week COP21 talks in Paris on Monday that it was "now or never" for international leaders to seal a deal to slow global warming.

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