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- 10 film documentaries on architecture and architects
- Shows work by internationally celebrated architects, including Santiago Calatrava, Herzog & de Meuron, Oscar Niemeyer, and Peter Zumthor

Architecture has fascinated Swiss director Christoph Schaub for many years. Since his first, award-winning architectural documentary *Il Girasole – A House Near Verona*, Schaub has realised nine more films on architects and their buildings. His moving images, his way of looking at and showing architecture captivates the viewer instantly. Schaub features acclaimed Swiss architects Gion A. Caminada and Peter Zumthor, and structural engineer Jürg Conzett. He looks at the socio-economic and architectural culture and policy of Vrin in the Swiss mountains, and tells the story of the construction of hydroelectric power stations in the canton of Grisons with their stunning structures in the landscape and underground. He portraits Swiss architects Marcel Meili and Markus Peter and their search for the best solutions in urban planning, as well as the controversial Spanish engineer-architect Santiago Calatrava on his journeys to building sites around the world. And he documents the vast undertaking of building Brasilia and the memories of people participating in it, and the genesis of Beijing's spectacular Olympic stadium Bird's Nest by Swiss architects Herzog & de Meuron. The three DVDs offer each film in its original version with subtitles in English, French, and German.

Christoph Schaub is one of Switzerland s most accomplished filmmakers. His numerous films include dramas, comedies, and documentaries."









