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Christo: Surrounded Islands : Biscayne Bay, Greater Miami Florida, 1980-83





Synopsis

In May 1983, Christo surrounded 11 islands in Miami's Biscayne Bay with 6.5 million square feet of pink woven polypropylene fabric. This book presents the exhuberance and complexity of the project.

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Christo and his wife, Jeanne-Claude, are masters of coordination, engineering, and entrepreneurial chutzpah. The "Surrounded Islands" project for Miami's Biscayne Bay was one of their masterpieces. Bourdon's documentary book follows this massive project from conception through completion, using documents, essays, charts, diagrams, and factual data to provide an exhaustive and exhausting picture. Whether the project proves Christo's largesse (as Bourdon asserts) or egotism, the gesture is imperial in scope. Bourdon's presentation leaves us convinced that Christo is the master of the modern media event in a society that values impression more than substance. Nevertheless, Christo: Surrounded Islands is a valuable document.Douglas G. Campbell, Humanities Dept., Warner Pacific Coll., Portland, Ore.Copyright 1986 Reed Business Information, Inc.

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