

Immersive storytelling in heritage museums:

bringing the past to life

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The opportunity

A recent survey showed that 79% of Italian museums <u>do **not**</u> have a strategic plan for digital investment.

Museum teams around the world witness the success of immersive video experiences outside the sector.

Immersive storytelling has come of age, and has shown to be a great tool to grow audience engagement across all age groups, to <u>create memorable visits</u>, to <u>instil pride among locals</u> and to <u>attract people</u> who are currently not visiting museums^{*}.

As we recover steadily from the Covid pandemic, now is a good time to consider what digital investments can have the biggest impact on our visitor experience.

(*Research shows that 60% of Italians visit museums and heritage sites less than once a year)



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What is immersive storytelling / the immersive museum experience?

- A time-based experience using multiple senses through sound/light/video...
- An abstract scenography or a scripted narrative to tell the story of an exhibit or site
- Use of animation, 3D, AR, VR, digital image tools etc. to highlight and explain story elements
- The use of image technology to create a sense of being "inside" the story, to immerse the viewer in the topic.







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Examples of successful immersive experiences in museums

- Van Gogh Museum, Amsterdam: Meet Vincent Van Gogh (<u>https://youtu.be/YsWwwSy9CoU</u>)
- Casa Batlló, Barcelona: a journey into Gaudi's brillance (<u>https://youtu.be/LDVgzuBfBpA</u>)
- "1302", Kortrijk Belgium in a 12th century heritage church (<u>https://youtu.be/EI3UuXA kgc</u>)







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Meet Vincent Van Gogh

• Combination of set pieces, immersive video, interactive digital tools and creative activities

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- Travelling exhibition which started im Amsterdam in 2019
- Dedicated production manager at Van Gogh Museum to help the distribution of this project





created by the Van Gogh Museum VAGENT VAN GOGH Experience a journey through his life





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Casa Batlló, Barcelona: a journey into Gaudi's brillance

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- Part of an "up-sell" from silver to gold tickets
- Mixture of audio guide, augmented reality, immersive rooms, digital art LED cube
- Respectful of the heritage site with no visible changes to the artifacts
- Inviting a world-famous digital artist, Refik Anadol, to add a digital layer

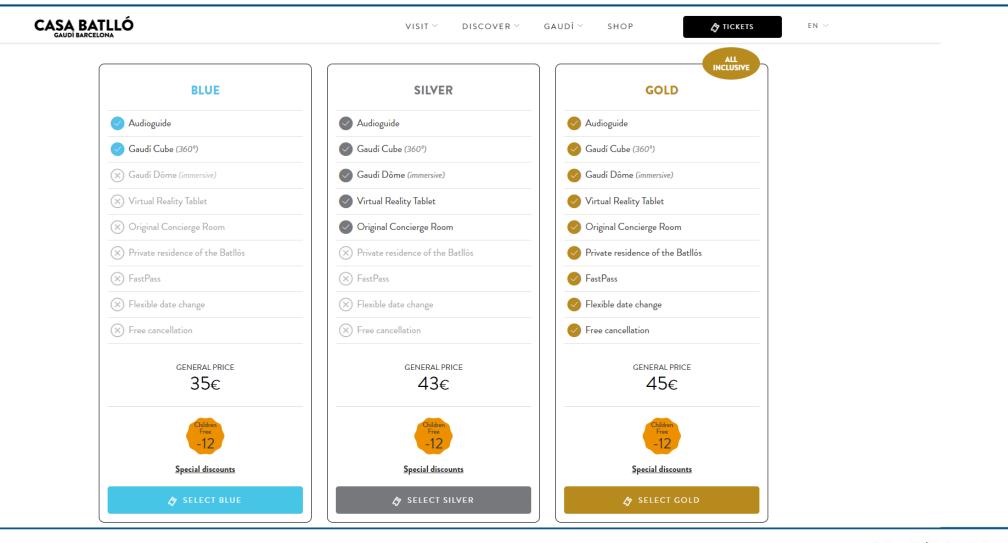








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1302 museum, Kortrijk (Belgium)

- Interactive and immersive exhibition about a local military conflict
- The museum site is a functioning 12th century church
- Reference to mediaeval "immersive technology": stained-glass windows
- Mixture of artifacts, reproductions, audio and video elements to tell the story







1302 Museum Kortrijk













1302 Museum Kortrijk















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1302 museum, Kortrijk (Belgium)

- Newly built exhibition without any permanent changes to the heritage-listed site
- Mixture of artifacts, reproductions, audio and video elements to tell the story
- Multilingual immersive experience, audio guides and museum panels (Dutch, French, English)
- Total budget €1.900.000 including museum scenography, exhibits, creative work, immersive projection

Realised by *Create* (Ghent, Belgium) with Barco projection technology





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Historic Tuscany shines in dazzling projection mapping

Siena, Italy - 1 March 2017

The city of Siena is one of Italy's Tuscan gems. With a city center that is a UNESCO World Heritage Site featuring a Gothic town hall, 14th century tower, amazing vistas and medieval ambiance -, Siena was deemed the perfect place to combine ancient with novel... In the form of a projection mapping that stunned every spectator, taking them on a trip through the history of the city.





Museum of the Future: an architectural wonder and a great feat of

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Dubai, United Arab Emirates - 1 June 2022

Back in 2014, the Dubai Government organized a summit with small temporary exhibits in which they shared their ambitions, visions and roadmap for the future. The initiative grew and turned into a permanent installation, and so the Museum of the Future was born. With its never-before-seen architecture and innovative use of technology, the new landmark exhibition space, which opened February 2022, offers visitors a unique peek into the future through an exceptional experience.

Barco engineering stepped in and stopped at nothing to ensure perfection.

- Phil Marlowe Managing Director Middle East at AVI-SPL



Barco inspires digital artist Franz Cerami to brighten the city of Naples

Naples, Italy - 1 March 2021

Throughout the 2020 Christmas period, for eleven consecutive days, the facade of the iconic Castel dell'Ovo in Naples was animated with a series of projected artistic works created by digital artist Franz Cerami commissioned by Voiello/Barilla, the famous Italian food company. The internationally renowned artist used two Barco UDX-32k4K projectors for a wonderful homage to the values and traditions of Naples.

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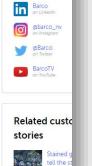
- Franz Ceram Digital Artist





Cerami made intensive use of the rich art tradition of the city of Naples. For this ublished video projections on the facade of Castel dell'Ovo, which alternated Drsola Benincasa University.



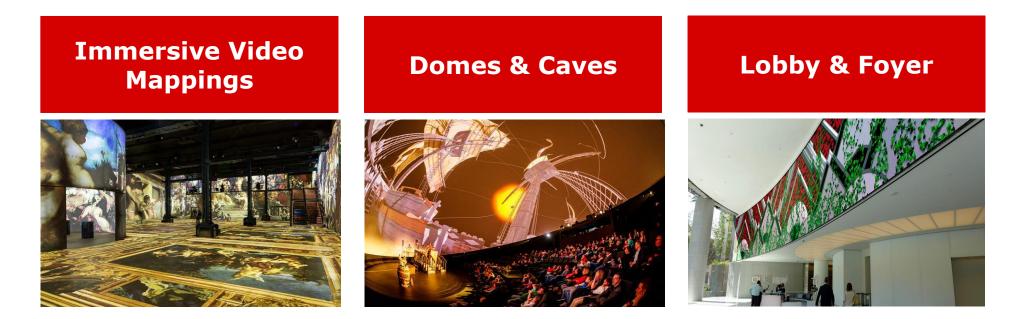


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