

# Journey into Fragility



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**Journey into Fragility is an itinerary art project inspired by the Manifesto for Earth and the Human Being, and focus on art and environment**

Journey into Fragility is an ongoing project of Italian artist Maria Rebecca Ballestra ([www.rebeccaballestra.com](http://www.rebeccaballestra.com)), inspired by the *Manifesto for Earth and the Human Beings*, conceived and created by Massimo Morasso at Arenzano, Italy, in 2001.

The Manifesto consists of twelve statements to constructively reset the issues of the environmental crisis, and it was subscribed to by the world's most famous poets (from Adonis and Seamus Heaney to Derek Walcott; from Bei Dao to Mario Luzi; from John Ashbery to Andrea Zanzotto, just to name a few).

With Journey into Fragility the artist is developing twelve subprojects (community projects, installations, videos, and site specific projects) in twelve different places around the world, with the aim to create an open and constructive dialogue on the environment and the value of living on Earth. Each subproject involves a scientific partner and a different curator, creating a constructive venture, able to bring new technologies and solutions for the health and benefit of the Earth, independent of the economic and political situation of the host country.

Each subproject is inspired by one of the twelve statements of the Manifesto. Workshops, discussions, conferences and debates are created around each topic.

The Journey into Fragility will last approximately two years (2013-2014), and will end with an exhibition (2014) to discuss the results of activities carried out in various countries, to discover the different points of view on the common resource "Earth," to debate and to try to find new solutions and opportunities for the future.

