

Time-Lapse

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Shooting buildings in time lapse - we are used to it now. Time-lapse movies are almost a good thing in major projects. How was it earlier? [EarthCam](#) announced a sensation yesterday.

Even today, the construction period was breathtakingly fast: in January 1930, work began on the foundations of the Empire State Building, and on May 1, 1931, the solemn inauguration of the world's tallest building, the world's tallest building, took place. Numerous photos and films document the construction progress of this miracle, which arose in the middle of the world economic crisis.

EarthCam, the market leader in time lapse animations, has told press that it has dug up and restored an early copy of this type of documentation. And she put the movie online right now.

Well, most of you will have realized quickly that you are facing an Easter April Fool. However, the discovery of such a product would not be entirely unlikely. It can be assumed that in New York at that time there were various locations from which one could have watched the growing up of the tower with sporadic shots. And the stop motion technique was already known at the end of the 19th century and was first applied by Georges Méliès in 1896.

The beautifully made joke is a nice reference to the possibilities of the medium of film and the way in which it expands our perception and offers us new, exciting insights.

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