

# RANGER PORTRAIT

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Ambassador for the nature of  
Natural Reserve of Vico Lake, Italy

## Main duties:

- environmental education in schools from 3 to 10 years old
- Volunteer for non-governmental organisations

## Why is your work important to you?

I believe that being in touch with students and educating them about the relevance of nature, wildlife, forests and environment in general is the most important part of a ranger's job. Ultimately, this is of the utmost importance in saving our planet.

## What is your greatest motivator even when it's hard working out there?

To be completely absorbed every day of my long working life by nature, which is the most amazing masterpiece, and to invest in the younger generations who continue to show that they appreciate and value my education sessions.

## Your biggest moment of luck during work?

One day, as I was walking with the children in a school class of 5-year-olds, I was talking about the beauty of trees and how precious they are to us. A little girl took my hand and led me near the biggest tree.

She invited me to hug it with her. It was a strong and great emotion that I will always keep close to my heart.



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