Basic Detail Report



Southwark Bridge, inc. marquee erected for opening ceremony by K George V

Date

1922

Primary Maker

Grace Lydia Golden

Medium

Water-colour

Description

Southwark Bridge is an arch bridge for traffic linking Southwark and the City of London. It was designed by Ernest George and Basil Mott and built by Sir William Arrol & Co. It opened in 1921. The bridge is owned and maintained by City Bridge Trust, a charitable trust overseen by the City of London Corporation. A previous bridge on the site, designed by John Rennie, opened in 1819 and consisted of three large castiron spans supported by granite piers. It was known as the 'iron bridge' in contrast to London Bridge, the 'stone bridge'. This Southwark Bridge was notable for having the longest cast iron span, 240 feet (73 m), ever made. It is frequently referenced by Charles Dickens - for example in Little Dorrit and Our Mutual Friend.

Dimensions

Object/Work: 254 x 252 mm