Big doings this week: On the home front (actually the ANN home page), our site search engine is now "live"...check it out! -- We've been hearing about it for weeks, and now it is here: Herbert Muschamp's "dream team" for reimagining lower Manhattan. The feature links to includes amazing visuals and audio descriptions by the 21 architects and firms that include Richard Meier, Steven Holl, Peter Eisenman, Charles Gwathmey David Rockwell, Rem Koolhaas, and Zaha Hadid (plan to spend some time on this one). -- There is also an engrossing and in-depth history of the Twin Towers, and how 9/11 has affected new construction on projects such as AOL Headquarters on Columbus Circle and Donald Trump's new Chicago skyscraper. -- An interesting view (and excellent overview) from Canada on the fitful starts, stops, and re-groupings surrounding planning for Ground Zero. -- Architects and planners have a greater hand in protecting us from natural (and man-made) disasters. -- China risks losing much of its history in its rush to develop. -- St. Louis is proud of its eco-friendly buildings. -- Not everyone in St. Petersburg, Russia, is happy with Eric Owen Moss. -- Museums in San Francisco and Cornwall, and a library in Singapore draw raves...and much more.

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