

Today's News - November 22, 2002

'Tis the season for urban waterfronts: Two docks in Amsterdam take on new life as a suburban-style housing project, pick up an award for urban design, and get star billing at an exhibition at Harvard Design School. – WTC plans in progress are "almost too fantastic to be described" (we'll get to see them in December). – Montreal's planned \$3 billion waterfront development welcomes public input. – Penn's Landing in Philadelphia may get an ersatz London Eye. – An international competition to overhaul pockets of shoddy buildings in the UK. – Xanadu or an urban village for New Jersey's Meadowlands. – Template design for hospitals. – New hospitality in Kabul, and theme park suites elsewhere. – Retail goes green in Montreal. – A Stalin-era architect watches his buildings decay. – In tough times, good news for architecture students in Canberra. – Troubled times for government projects in the UK. – Chicago Athenaeum's American Architecture Awards...and more.

Editor's note: We've received a notice from The Architects' Journal (UK) that it is going to become a "paid-for website (for most information)" beginning on Monday...we'll see what remains free access...sad news indeed.

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[Designers Draw Praise for Trade Center Ideas: "astoundingly innovative, creative and exciting"](#)- New York Times

[Harbourfront plan relies on public: Société du Havre's mainly white, male board is spearheading \\$3-billion redevelopment](#)- Montreal Gazette

[Second developer unveils Penn's Landing proposal: wants to bring a massive Ferris wheel, a concert pavilion, and other attractions to a site that has been a graveyard of plans for decades - Bower Lewis Thrower, Robert Henderson](#)- Philadelphia Inquirer

[International competition throws open the design gateway to Stockport](#)- The Architects' Journal (UK)

[New Jersey Narrows Field of Redevelopers for Arena: an entertainment and theater complex with exhibition space set amid an "urban village," an "ExpoPark," and a "Meadowlands Xanadu"](#)- New York Times

[Kaiser commissions 'template' hospitals: new program that will establish standardized models for design and construction - Gordon H Chong & Partners; SmithGroup](#)- Sacramento Business Journal

[Aga Khan initiates \\$25m hotel project in Kabul: The hotel will reflect diverse elements of the cultures of the peoples of Afghanistan - Ramesh Khosla/ARCOP Associates](#)- Daily Nation (East Africa)

[Hotels Of Whim And Vigor: Chic suites are not enough. A growing number of travelers want their hotels transformed into little theme parks.](#)- Time Magazine

[A monument to the environment: Focus on recycling: Mountain Equipment is building first 'green' retail outlet in Quebec - Andrew Todd/Duschenes & Fish; Vouli Mamfredis/Studio MMA; Lyse M. Tremblay \[image\]](#)- Montreal Gazette

[Architect recalls Stalin-era grandeur: Nikolai Ryabov designed 89 Stalin-era buildings...sadly many of his grand stucco edifices are now neglected and crumbling.](#)- Vladivostok News (Russia)

[New industry prize for Canberra's student architects: RAlA and Daryl Jackson Alastair Swayn Architecture + Interiors pledge \\$25,000 and one year's postgraduate employment](#)- City News (Australia)

[Hart admits she does not know final cost of planned National Assembly headquarters: After Lord Rogers was sacked...a number of firms have been invited to tender for the contract](#)- icWales

[Gorrie calls time on Holyrood bomb-proofing: already cost £30m and added to the delays](#)- The Herald (UK)

[Design-build process gains popularity - 3E Design](#)- Spokane Journal

[Architectural treasure house: Yixian County boasts some of the world's best preserved ancient villages. \[images\]](#)- Shanghai Star

[Chicago Athenaeum American Architecture Awards \[images\]](#)- Chicago Athenaeum

[The Multi Purpose Platform \(MPP\) Bunker: Portable, Watertight, Bombproof - and then some](#)- ArchNewsNow

[Symphonic Shimmer: Dortmund Concert Hall by Architekten Schröder Schulte-Ladbeck Strohmann \[images\]](#)- ArchNewsNow

- Dorte Mandrup Architects: Seaplane Hangar H53, Offices for Cell Network, Copenhagen, Denmark

- Rafael Viñoly Architects: Tokyo International Forum

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