

Today's News - December 13, 2002

Most of the news today swirls around Lower Manhattan and the Mayor's vision of an "urban village" that the city seemed set on presenting before all the brouhaha that is sure to surround the unveiling of the seven "dream team" proposals next Wednesday. We have included a link to renderings of the Mayor's proposal (we did not get a call back from the Mayor's office regarding who designed them). – There are some pretty great things happening across the East River as well. – A Chinese master architect is honored by the Netherlands. – Fears that a modernist masterpiece could become a sewage plan are allayed. – RIBA wants to know why so many women drop out of the profession of architecture (wouldn't we all like to know!). – Plans for airport expansion in Sydney called a "greenwash" by environmentalists. – Not very kind words for a museum design; the corten steel gets scrapped. – Hospital expansion seeks to be a good neighbor with Smart Growth strategies. – On the river with Lewis & Clark & Maya Lin. – No one seems to know who is building a house on the border of Leo Tolstoy's estate...and more.

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[Mayor's Proposal Envisions Lower Manhattan as an Urban Hamlet: broad and hugely ambitious package with a \\$10.6 billion price tag.](#)- New York Times

[Ten slide images from the Mayor's presentation](#)- NYC.gov

[PointOfView: Future of the World Trade Center Site: It's the Chessboard, Not the Chess Pieces, that Matter Now - By the Van Alen Institute](#)-

[17 Queens Building Awards Show Its Varied Architecture](#)- Queens Chronicle

[A New Act at Theater? Plan to build mall, offices, residences at RKO Keith's in Flushing, Queens](#)- NY Newsday

[Prospecting for Clear Springs in the Grittiest Urban Settings: The SculptureCenter relocates to Long Island City - Maya Lin; David Hotson \[images\]](#)- New York Times

[Renowned Chinese Architect Granted Prince Claus Award from the Netherlands - Wu Liangyong](#)- People's Daily (China)

[Architectural gem gets new life: Schaumburg rescues Paul Schweikher home...masterpiece of modernist architecture that almost got torn down for a sewage plant.](#)- Chicago Tribune

[RIBA selects University of the West of England to research fwhy so many women leave the architecture profession](#)- RIBA (UK)

[Greens see red at report on \\$260 million Botany Bay terminal plan: have labelled preliminary findings...a greenwash and stunt.](#)- Sydney Morning Herald

[Plans to redevelop Cheltenham Art Gallery & Museum: "More like a loo than the Louvre."](#)- Gloucestershire Echo (UK)

[Bryn Mawr Hospital has big plans for its neighbors: through a planning lens...has all the hallmarks "smart growth" - Hellmuth Obata + Kassabaum](#)- Philadelphia Inquirer

[Vietnam memorial designer mulls frontiersmen project: Maya Lin...to create art works along the Columbia River to commemorate the bicentennial of the Lewis and Clark expedition \(AP\)](#)- Nando Times

[Mystery House Built Next to Tolstoy's](#)- Moscow Times (Russia)

[ArchNewsNow Scoop: World Architecture Magazine Scaling Back from Monthly to Annual](#)- ArchNewsNow

[Not Your Father's Car Dealer: Jaguar of Tampa by JGA, Inc. and Illuminating Concepts \[images\]](#)- ArchNewsNow

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