Today's News - February 17, 2003

ArcSpace this week takes us to Germany, Denmark, and New Jersey. -- Opinions about WTC finalists abound: "[Libeskind] foresees meaningful public spaces shaped by moving architecture." -- "The two finalists are as different as pastrami and cornbread." -- The cause of the "confusing course of the trade center redevelopment process...an almost total absence of demand for excellent architecture, and a flawed system of undergraduate and professional education..." -- Building codes to get tougher. -- Shanghai wants more green space, historic preservation, human-scale buildings, and "fewer dense city blocks of sun-blocking monstrosities" (where have we heard that before?). -- New office complex for Los Angeles. -- Columbia University hires big names for grand plans. -- If Barcelona can do it, why not elsewhere? including a California town with Disney-esque dream. -- Modular and pre-fabricated the way to go for urban niches? -- Urban green space losing ground in Melbourne. -- Neighborhoods not as neighborly as intended. -- Huge convention center in shadow of Petronas Towers to include aquarium. -- "It's a race against time and the wrecking ball" for treasures in South Florida. -- Falmouth (U.K.) museum soon to set sail. -- Diller + Scopidio bask in the limelight of a major retrospective, their first major building (and a major NYT spread).

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- Allmann Sattler Wappner: Südwestmetall Reutlingen, Baden-Württemberg, Germany
- Dorte Mandrup Architects: Neighborhood Center, Copenhagen, Denmark
- Rafael Viñoly Architects: Carl Icahn Laboratory, Lewis-Sigler Institute for Integrative Genomics, Princeton University, New Jersey

Top to Bottom, A Towering Achievement: Libeskind Concept for Ground Zero Provides Something to Build On. By Benjamin Forgey - Washington Post


Op-Ed: Putting Some Pizazz Back in the Skyline By Sarah Williams Goldhagen - New York Times


Shanghai's skyscrapers fall from public favour - Globe and Mail (Canada)

Planners OK $300-million Office Complex for Site of Shubert Theatre - Gensler - Los Angeles Times

Columbia Hires Architects and Planners to Help Design Long-Term Expansion: Renzo Piano Building Workshop; Skidmore Owings & Merrill - New York Times

Commentary: Dreams for cities can come true: Barcelona shows what can be done when there is vision and continuity - Guardian (UK)

Garden Grove Aims to Bring Magic South: plans to cash in on its proximity to Disneyland by lining its portion of Harbor Boulevard with new attractions and hotels - Los Angeles Times

Pushing the limits of school design: Architects make Camino Nuevo into a monument to social optimism. By Nicolai Ouroussoff - Daly Genik [images] - Los Angeles Times

Affordable tradition can update urban sites: The modular Cottage can be assembled fast to fill in the niches - Philadelphia Inquirer

Green grass no more: planning system has failed to protect Melbourne's "lungs" - The Age (Australia)

Neighbourhoods today miss the point: Nowhere to go on foot: Conventional suburban grids don't encourage sharing - National Post (Canada)

Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre set to be a hit - Sunway - The Star (Malaysia)

Florida's important buildings in danger of disappearing - Miami Herald

To the lighthouse: M.J. Long's design for the new museum in Falmouth is naturally nautical. By Dewan Sudic - Long and Kentish - Observer (UK)

Architects, in Theory: Diller + Scofidio has a major retrospective at the Whitney...and about to break ground on its first major building. [slide show] - New York Times


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