

Today's News - August 18, 2003

We lose a master American designer. – Arcspace offers preliminary and final designs from around the world. – Gotham Gazette offered a look at potential for a blackout last week, and goes back to the experts. – Perhaps Baghdad and New York can learn more from Frank Lloyd Wright than Robert Moses. – A critical look at critical takes on women in architecture. – Prefab as creative Lego architecture. – Of despots and plastic chandeliers. – Big plans for a Chicago diamond-in-the-rough and a Sacramento mixed-use medical expansion. – Avon calls on a community with a large R&D facility. – When a museum outshines what it was built to exhibit. – A nostalgia fest in Sydney, and who's who of architecture in Valencia. – Germany's Holocaust Memorial finally getting off the ground (and might make a fine place for picnics and skateboarding). – Vail seeking unconventional convention center design? – Technology advances the virtual building experience.

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- [Bernard Tschumi: Construction start: New Acropolis Museum, Athens, Greece](#)

- [Frank Gehry & Partners/Herbert S. Newman and Partners: University of Connecticut School of Fine Arts at Storrs](#)

- [Rem Koolhaas/Office for Metropolitan Architecture: Paard van Troje \(Trojan Horse\), Hague, The Netherlands](#)

- [Snøhetta: Final design phase: Museum and Hotel, Tafjord, Sunnmøre, Norway](#)

- [Santiago Calatrava: Preliminary design: Woodall Rodgers Extension Bridge, Trinity River Corridor Project, Dallas](#)

- [Cruz & Ortiz Architects: Final draft: New Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam](#)

[After The Blackout - Going Back To The Experts](#)- Gotham Gazette

[After the fall: In 1957 King Faisal of Iraq asked America's greatest architect to build a new Baghdad. Now his plans are being dusted off](#)- Frank Lloyd Wright-Guardian (UK)

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[Home Despot: Why do dictators' homes look almost as criminal as their regimes? By Pilar Viladas](#)- New York Times

[Big plans, hurdles at Near South site: 62-acre diamond in the rough...into 5,000 housing units and 600,000 square feet of retail space](#)- Crain's Chicago Business

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[\\$100 Million Research Hub for Site of Avon Factory - HLW International](#)- New York Times

[When the wrapping surpasses the gift: Try not to confuse great galleries with great art - Moshe Safdie; Daniel Libeskind; Frank Gehry; William Alsop](#)- Toronto Star

[Get back on the rollercoaster: It's tasteless but we love it, and the Luna Park revamp is the ultimate nostalgia fest. By Elizabeth Farrelly - Hassell](#)- Sydney Morning Herald

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[Germany's Holocaust Memorial Takes Shape - Peter Eisenman \(AP\) \[image\]](#)- Seattle Post-Intelligencer

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