

Today's News - November 20, 2003

As expected, critiques of the World Trade Center memorial finalists began posting shortly after their unveiling yesterday; more are sure to come. The memorial competition site, www.wtcsitememorial.org, has everything: designers' statements, illustrations and models, biographies and credits, animations, and original submission boards.

Other news: We lose a visionary engineer. – Urban/suburban sprawl and smart growth: of politics and school funding. – Manhattan stadium: planning by bulldozer. – China not quite ready to sign on the \$400 million dotted line for Guggenheim. – Piano's "shard of glass" gets the go-ahead to jeers and cheers. – Big plans for soda pop and fish in Atlanta. – Historic venue for Paramatta's inaugural Design Awards. – Koolhaas show a hit in Berlin. – Another rave review for "My Architect."

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[8 Designs Confront Many Agendas at Ground Zero: ...chorus of conflicting voices...](#)- New York Times

[WTC Memorial: Newsday Critic Weighs In: Designs More Suited For Smaller Space. By Justin Davidson](#)- NY Newsday

[Slow Glow: The WTC design finalists need staying power over flash. By Christopher Hawthorne](#)- Slate

[Make It Simple and Eloquent: The graphics...are so confusing that it's hard to tell where one scheme ends and the next begins. By Steve Cuzzo](#)- New York Post

[WTC Memorial: The Designers: From Around the World, Artists and Architects Who Rose to a Challenge](#)- New York Times

[New York New Visions Supports Imagine New York's WTC Memorial Outreach: ...applauds the release of eight thought-provoking memorial schemes](#)- NYNV

[Obituary: Tung-Yen Lin, 1912-2003: An influential 'visionary' Renowned engineer helped shape Bay Area and the world. By John King \[images\]](#)- San Francisco Chronicle

[Time to Recognize the Politics of Suburban Sprawl: The odds of...finding a home in a place designed on the basis of New Urbanism, smart growth, or traditional neighborhood design principles are over 500 to 1 against... By Joel Hirschhorn](#)- CommonDreams.org

[Op-Ed: Smart Growth and Schools: Urban sprawl's impact on school funding is more of a smart growth issue than is commonly realized. By Jonathan D. Weiss](#)- PLANetizen

[The West Side Stadium: No Arena for Good Planning: ...reflects a sensitivity to the critique of the Moses legacy of planning by bulldozer. By Tom Angotti](#)- Gotham Gazette

[Taichung can't sign \[\\$400 million\] Guggenheim museum contract without money - Zaha Hadid](#)- China Post

[Prescott approves disputed 'shard of glass' tower: government ignored the advice of its own heritage agency - Renzo Piano \[image\]](#)- Guardian (UK)

[Go-ahead for Shard of Glass: decision to grant planning consent for Renzo Piano's London Bridge Tower...warmly welcomed by Southwark Council... \[images & links\]](#)- London SE1

[Calif. firm to design World of Coca-Cola: master plan includes the Georgia Aquarium. - Jerde Partnership; Jack Rouse Associates](#)- Atlanta Journal-Constitution

[Historic venue for Parramatta's inaugural Design Awards: St Patrick's Cathedral has risen from the ashes... - Romaldo Giurgola/MGT Architects](#)- Infolink (Australia)

[A Dutch Treat: Rem Koolhaas in Berlin: A new exhibition looks at the work of the top architect. \[images/video\]](#)- Deutsche Welle (Germany)

[Rebuilding My Father's House: An Architect's Son Pays Respects: ...the most insightful and informative nonfiction film that I've seen... - Louis Kahn](#)- New York Observer

[INSIGHT: The Might-Have-Been Memorial. By Fred Bernstein](#)- ArchNewsNow

-- [Competition winner: Zaha Hadid: High Speed Station, Napoli Afragola, Italy](#)
-- [Competition winner: NACO/Foster and Prtners/Arup: Beijing Capital Airport, China](#)
-- [Book: "The Architecture of Fumihiko Maki: Space, City, Order and Making" By Jennifer Taylor](#)
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