

Today's News - January 8, 2004

Praise and pans for 9/11 memorial design (and we haven't even seen the revised version yet). – India needs to develop its own Shanghai and Beijing. – Despite politics, economics, and NIMBY-ism, a homeless village governs itself. – Hartford started clearing its slums 150 years ago. – Big plans for riverfront development even though "Any recreational activity that involves contact with the water is not advisable..." (Well, doesn't that sound appealing!) – Irish landmarks vie for Building of the Year. – Goldberger cautions preservationists not to "get cocky or indifferent." – A rather humorous view of Modernism through movies. – NYC launches competition to design city streetlights. – A stunning desert domain. – A "freakish" castle in Spain: no one knows quite what to do with it. – Coloring a nation's mood.

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