Today's News - January 12, 2004

Editor's note: We're broadening our horizons (and brushing up our Italian) with a quick trip to Torino. The newsletter will return Friday, January 16th. Ciao!

ArcSpace visits a “friendly alien” in Austria (and, starting today, will post weekly updates). -- Collaboration to have WTC memorial design ready for its close-up this Wednesday. -- Bending San Francisco’s height limits could be a boon or bust. -- Urban lessons in creative solutions for small infill projects in Portland. -- Milwaukee (as elsewhere) grapples with old and new. -- Urban planning done right a win for economy and aesthetics. -- Kennedy Center planning hits a few sour notes. -- Pier Wisconsin has an architect (again and finally). -- A salute to the “the radical Herzog and De Meuron.” -- It’s a Toronto kind of day: a who’s who of starchitects doing what for the city (Gehry design to be unveiled on the 28th); and an airport the pharaohs would love. -- Moneo does Spain proud in Washington, DC. -- Miami Modern coming into its own. -- Boston and Texas firms put on the map with awards. -- A peek into the (not so) glamorous world of architectural competition advisers.

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Spacelab Cook-Fournier: Kunsthaus Graz, Graz, Austria [images]

At Ground Zero Memorial, Trying to Make Three Plans Work as One: Michael Arad and Peter Walker ...are working intently to design it...following the Libeskind plan - New York Times

Challenge to supervisors: Meddle, but meddle well: Towers should make Rincon Hill a better place. By John King - San Francisco Chronicle

Lots of hope: infill as creative outlet...in the hands of a few ambitious and resourceful architects, the quarter block could become Portland’s best hope for breaking out of its architectural doldrums. By Randy Graag - Kevin Cavenaugh: Holst Architecture; Vallaster and Corl; John Perkins; Martin Houston - The Oregonian

Torn between preserving the city’s past and looking toward its future: ...to what extent will inventing a city for the 21st century be hobbled by our warm and fuzzy feelings for the 19th? By Whitney Gould - Tod Williams Billie Tsien & Associates [image]- Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

Building it Right: Planning for growth boosts economy and esthetics, experts say: ..."new-urban" neighborhoods...and a new kind of zoning that emphasizes attractive, compatible building designs... - JGA; Anton Nelessen; Philip Bess - Billings Gazette (Montana)

Scale of Kennedy Center Plaza Project Hits a Few Wrong Notes: ...big, bold, expensive and ill-conceived. By Roger K. Lewis - Edward Durell Stone; Rafael Viñoly [image] - Washington Post

Jury picks design for lakefront center: Pier Wisconsin building to have simple profile with links to museum. By Whitney Gould - Hammel, Green and Abrahamson (HGA) - Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

The greatest show on earth: From Tate Modern and Laban to a giant bird’s nest in Beijing, Kieran Long salutes the radical Herzog and De Meuron - Guardian (UK)

Making do with makeovers - Frank Gehry; Daniel Libeskind; Diamond and Schmitt Architects, KPMB; Will Alsop; Thom Mayne/Morphosis; Norman Foster - Toronto Star

It’s being built. Will they come? - Frank Gehry; Daniel Libeskind; Diamond and Schmitt Architects, KPMB - Toronto Star

It takes two to tango: Toronto-born Frank Gehry will soon unveil his plans to transform the Art Gallery of Ontario - Toronto Star

Grabbing your luggage as artistic experience: If the pharaohs had built an airport, [Pearson Airport’s] Terminal 1 is what it would have looked like, By Christopher Hume - Moshe Safdie Associates; Skidmore Owings & Merrill; Adamson Associates- Toronto Star

A Country Estate: Spain’s Embassy Residence Combines the Best of Old and New Worlds. By Benjamin Forgey - Jose Rafael Moneo - Washington Post

Duo gets the word out to save the MiMo style: A new architectural preservation movement, aimed at shielding from destruction building styles from the post-World War II era, has begun to spread. - Miami Herald

Two partners quickly building a reputation: The firm of Anmahian Winton carried off three of the top 12 [Boston Society of Architects best buildings] awards this year. By Robert Campbell - Boston Globe

Building a Reputation: Texans have long sought out architecture firm Lake/Flato to meld homes to surroundings. Now, a big award has the nation taking notice. - Star-Telegram (Dallas/Ft. Worth)

The Man With the List at Architecture’s Party: Reed Kroloff is one of a small coterie of competition advisers. By Fred A. Bernstein- New York Times