Today's News - January 26, 2004

ArcSpace takes us on a visual tour of Meier's Jubilee Church. -- What cities were and could/should be: a look at what worked (and what didn't/doesn't). -- A bridge in Glasgow bodes well for redevelopment. -- Libeskind and SOM compete for Irish pier project. -- Smaller projects can be just as transformative. -- The 10 most walkable U.S. cities. -- Turning Australia’s urban rooftops into Edens. -- Los Angeles standfor for being green. -- A disarming profile of “the guru of bioclimatic design.” -- Aboriginal Australian architecture worthy of international attention. -- With Gehry unveiling his Art Gallery of Ontario design this Wednesday, there seems to be artistic angst everywhere: museum design as “show-dog architecture,” and some art in soaring spaces looks like “rings around the bathtub.” -- Small-scale and low-budget plans for a Denver museum still draw big names. -- Libeskind’s “little university building” is his first London icon. -- Sparkling restorations for U.K. theaters. -- Richard Florida defines a “creative class war.” -- Query: orientation of cities and buildings: religious or scientific?

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What Should a City Be? Redesigning an Ideal: New forms of urban life have to develop. - New York Times

Rogers sees river as city's lifeblood: charged with delivering a £40 million pedestrian bridge...creating a centrepiece for almost £3 billion of development along [Glasgow’s] River Clyde. - Richard Rogers Partnership - The Scotsman (UK)

4 designs shortlisted for the re-development on the Carlisle Pier at Dun Laoghaire Harbour - Skidmore, Owings & Merrill; Daniel Libeskind; Scott Tallon Walker; Henriquin Penf [images - scroll down]- Dun Laoghaire Harbour Company

Stylish newcomers transform their surroundings: Small, incremental projects can have a transformative effect on neighborhoods. By Whitney Gould - Albion Group; Flux Design; Workshop Architects; Vetter Denk [image] - Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

10 Best Walking Cities (U.S.)- American Podiatric Medical Association
Architects bring the bush to the city: An experimental project is hoping to transform the top of Australia’s inner city buildings into mini-ecosystems. - The World Today (Australia)

Building on Green Principles: Los Angeles boasts two of the most ecologically advanced structures in the country. - Moule & Polyzoides Architects and Urbanists; EHDD Architects - Los Angeles Times

Building a name: “the guru of bioclimatic design: “I don’t want to be famous, I want to be important...a person is important because of his work.” - Ken Yeang/T.R. Hamzah & Yeang Sdn Bhd [images] - The Star (Malaysia)

Health and efficiency: This award-winning hospital in New South Wales heralds a new style of building design: Aboriginal Australian. By Jonathan Glancey - Merrima - Guardian (UK)

The Bilbao effect: Art versus architecture: Which will win out? Sarah Milroy looks at the magnificence of the new museums and wonders if their beauty is only skin deep - Gehry; Calatrava; Libeskind; OpenOffice/Robert Irwin; Hans Hollein - Globe and Mail (Canada)

If the Museum Itself Is an Artwork, What About the Art Inside? A major mistake...hiring the architect too soon - Holl; Gehry; Libeskind; Moneo; Ando; Cloepfil - New York Times

Pressure’s building: days before [Frank Gehry] is finally able to show his design for the redevelopment of the Art Gallery of Ontario in Toronto, his artistic angst is creeping up on him. By Lisa Rochon - Globe and Mail (Canada)

A place for Denver’s contemporary art:...building a great building for very little. - Snachetta: Adjava/Associates; Gluckman Mayner Architects; TEN Arquitectos; Predock Frane Architects; Rick Joy Architects - Denver Post

The cabinet of Dr. Libeskind: he finally builds in London. But not where you’d expect: London Metropolitan University Graduate School. By Hugh Pearman [images] - HughPearman.com (UK)

New sparkle for theatrical jewels: Frank Matcham’s...150th anniversary...marked, by the restoration of his two finest surviving buildings. By Edwin Heathcote - Arts@RHWL; Tim Ronalds architects - Financial Times (UK)

Creative Class War: How the GOP’s anti-elitism could ruin America’s economy. By Richard Florida - The Washington Monthly

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