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Princeton University loses a mentor who inspired many to humanize architecture. — Australia decrees this the Year of the Built Environment. — Edinburgh's design champion wants to rethink the cityscape. — For the next six Mondays, Denverites can hear six architects’ views on the relationship between art and architecture. — Saving Angkor Wat is a model for saving treasures in other war-torn countries. — An almost forgotten treasure in Barbados - can it be saved? — Rethinking the shopping experience on Manhattan's Columbus Circle and in Richmond, B.C. — Redefining library design in Seattle. — Non-profit, no-frill design still sparkles with sophistication. — In Miami, design and technology explored this weekend, and a local firm goes global. — Geek trivia quiz about Leonardo da Vinci design. — TV documentary proves that *architect humor is an oxymoron. — The mysteries of Fallingwater revealed.

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Year of the Built Environment: Designs for a better space age: Australians have a chance this year to focus on their built environment. By Chris Johnson. NSW Government Architect and director YBE 2004- Sydney Morning Herald

Man with designs on the capital: Edinburgh's "design champion" calling for a rethink of the city's streetscape. - Sir Terry Farrell- The Scotsman (UK)

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Glamorous Glass Gives 10 Columbus Circle a Look of Crystallized Noir. By Herbert Muschamp - David Childs/Mustafa K. Abadan/Skidmore, Owings & Merrill; Rafael Vinoly [image]- New York Times

Unique British Columbia shopping mall breaks Asian-theme mould, has eye-catching design - Bing Thom- Canada.com

New central library is not by the book - Rem Koolhaas/Office for Metropolitan Architecture; LMN Architects [images]- Seattle Post-Intelligencer

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