

## Today's News - February 6, 2004

The world's top cities (Baghdad was not included in the survey). – A brouhaha broiling in Brooklyn. – Chicago pulls out all the stops for Millennium Park. – A frontrunner declared for Beijing Olympics convention center. – Tower in South Africa inspired by Ground Zero. – Swiss ambassador will have much to yodel about. – Realtors building green in D.C. – Lessons to be learned from housing in Vienna. – Edinburgh's new heritage chief has his eye on the future: wants "to see the rhetoric put into action." – The democratization of neighborhood data. – Georgia Tech is a good (and green) neighbor. – LEED certification a good idea - but testing needs to be better. – A more affordable London Eye to go global. – ArchVoices 2nd annual essay competition underway. – An architect's vintage bowties as art.

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[Melbourne ranked world's top city: The Economist Intelligence Unit \(EIU\) survey ranked Melbourne, Vancouver and Vienna as the best cities for expatriates to live...- The Age \(Australia\)](#)

[Brooklyn brouhaha: the controversial drive to host a sports team: Moving the Nets here could displace 850 residents. Some are worried about changes to the borough's character. - Frank Gehry- Christian Science Monitor](#)

[New-Look Chicago: \\$450 million Millennium Park...is shaping up to be a marriage of architecture, landscape design and art. - Frank Gehry; Anish Kapoor; Kathryn Gustafson/Piet Oudolf/Robert Israel \[scroll down - 2nd item\]- New York Times](#)

[RMJM tipped for Olympic job: has emerged as the frontrunner for the £400m International Convention Centre for the 2008 Beijing Olympics ...beating off competition from...the Cox Group and Rem Koolhaas.- Building \(UK\)](#)

[Towering Topaz inspired by Ground Zero design: ...will be the tallest newly-developed residential building in South Africa. - Albertyn Viljoen Architects- News24 \(South Africa\)](#)

[Switzerland's \\$10 million Ambassadorial Residence to Yodel About. By Benjamin Forgey - Steven Holl/Justin Rusli; William Lescaze \[image\]- Washington Post](#)

[National Association of Realtors Building on Capitol Hill Nearing Completion: ...expects to earn LEED certification - Graham Gund Architects; SMB Architects; Oehme, Van Sweden & Associates; Lucas Stefura Interiors- US Newswire](#)

[In Vienna, Austria, The Fireman Lives Next Door: According to architect and city planning researcher Wolfgang Foerster, Vienna's subsidized housing is generally more architecturally sound than more expensive structures built by the private market. \[images\]- Montgomery County Sentinel \(Maryland\)](#)

[New \[Edinburgh\] heritage chief is determined to show that he's streetwise: ...has welcomed the recent appointment of Sir Terry Farrell...as the city's new urban design tsar. - David McDonald/Cockburn Association- The Scotsman \(UK\)](#)

[A Portrait of a Neighborhood Is Now Just a Click Away: "...part of a national movement toward democratizing data"- New York Times](#)

[Transforming a Neighborhood: connecting Georgia Tech to the community by achieving a sustainable site - The Epstein Group \[images\]- Environmental Design + Construction](#)

[Opinion: Green Edge: LEED accreditation: not a measure of sustainability expertise. The problem is the test itself. It's too easy. By Jason F. McLennan and Peter Rumsey- Environmental Design + Construction](#)

[Marks Barfield has Eye on international market: London Eye architect is working on a cheaper variant that could be sold across the world.- Building \(UK\)](#)

[Call for Entries: 2nd Annual ArchVoices Essay Competition. Deadline: March 19- ArchVoices](#)

[These are a few of my favourite things: An architect has collected 200 clip-on bow ties c. 1956 to 1966. Soon they will be in a museum - Derham Groves- The Age \(Australia\)](#)

[On Track: Frank R. Lautenberg Rail Station at Secaucus Junction: Commuting is made easier \(and grander\) with a transit hub 10 years in the making. - Brennan Beer Gorman Architects \[images\]- ArchNewsNow](#)

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