

Today's News - April 1, 2004

Italian highway plans endanger villas and Italian landscapes. – California apartments worth saving say some. – Renaissance for Lincoln Center and New Orleans piazza. – The Western-style legacy of Chinese architects. – Cobb and Gehry gear up for university projects. – Modernist modularity moving into the mainstream. – New homes reflect anti-social architecture... "good for the dysfunctional family." – A Modernist rarity opens to the public in the U.K. - Poor office habits hard to break (good furniture helps). – Lester Dundes Memorial Fund established. – New book series looks at New Zealand architects. – Faking Places (we couldn't resist...Happy April Fools Day!).

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[Val-disaster-co: \[Italian\] Highway proposal threatens Palladian villas & landscapes \[images\]](#)- International Network for Traditional Building, Architecture & Urbanism (INTBAU)

[Apartments Deemed Worth Saving: Preservationists and residents work to list Venice buildings on a national registry: ...designed by a team led by a black architect — a rarity in the 1940s - Ralph Vaughn-](#) Los Angeles Times

[A Major Step Forward for Lincoln Center Plan: ...a \\$325 million overhaul of the campus's main artery... - Diller + Scofidio-](#) New York Times

[Ruins to Renaissance: \[New Orleans'\] Piazza d'Italia's dark age is over - Charles Moore; Perez & Associates; Allen Eskew-](#) The Times-Picayune (New Orleans)

[The legacy of Chinese architects: It's a little-known fact that many of Shanghai's pre-1949 Western-style buildings are the work of China's first generation of architects. - Lu Qianshou; Yang Xiliu; Fan Wenzhao; Zhao Shen; etc.-](#) Shanghai Daily

[University hires architect to redesign Butler as four-year college - Henry Cobb/Pei Cobb Freed and Partners-](#) Daily Princetonian

[University of Connecticut Has Q&A With Gehry: Architect Describes Design...\\$90 million School of Fine Arts complex. - Frank Gehry; Herbert S. Newman-](#) Hartford Courant (Connecticut)

[Factory Fresh: Interstately Homes: The dream of a cutting-edge prefabricated modern house is inching closer to reality. - Oskar Leo Kaufmann; Lot-Ek; Rocio Romero; Kohn Shnier Architects; MKarchitecture \[slide show\]-](#) New York Times

[Interview: Michelle Kaufmann of MK Architecture about Glidehouse \[images\]-](#) fabprefab

[More home floor plans divide and conquer: ...new antisocial architecture is partly a backlash against the enforced camaraderie of the residential layouts of the '80s and '90s...-](#) Star-Telegram (Dallas/Ft. Worth)

[In Britain, to the Bauhaus Born: Homewood, one of the country's architectural rarities: a high-style Modernist house...opened to the public for the first time - Patrick Gwynne \(1938\); Avanti Architects \[slide show\]-](#) New York Times

[British study: Poor Office Habits May Impact Pain and Productivity But Workers Aren't Ready to Change" "Irritable Desk Syndrome"-](#) ErgoWeb

[IDA Foundation Establishes Lester Dundes Memorial Fund: A beloved industry leader and former long-time publisher of Interior Design Magazine, Dundes touched many in the industry.-](#) Interior Design E-Wire

[Architectus: No ordinary coffee table book: Books on contemporary New Zealand architects are rare...-](#) National Business Review (New Zealand)

[Faking Places: Bye Bye Big Box: Surprise! Wal-Mart's next big idea is to go smaller. Ice rink tops list of amenities proposed by residents of Hell; Jane Jacobs will soon replace Alexander Hamilton on the ten dollar bill...and much more...-](#) Project for Public Spaces

[Musical Catalyst: Detroit's Max M. Fisher Music Center sparks downtown redevelopment - Diamond and Schmitt Architects \[images\]-](#) ArchNewsNow

[-- Nearing completion: Rem Koolhaas/OMA: Seattle Public Library](#)
[-- Exhibition installation: The Moderns, Pacific Design Center, West Hollywood](#)
[-- Symposium: Reimagining Grand Avenue, Los Angeles \(Gehry, Hadid, Cobb, Daly, et al\)](#)
[-- Zaha Hadid, Pritzker Prize 2004 Laureate \(as everybody else but a little different!\)](#)
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