Today's News - August 6, 2004

LMDC issues RFP for WTC cultural complex. -- ASLA offers info from security design symposium online (no charge). -- Lord Rogers on urban renaissance: "Instead of squabbling about style, we should focus on the need to restructure our professional education." -- London hospital project called £1 billion scandal. -- Perth architects charged with "a lack of creativity and failing the challenge of designing buildings worthy of a capital city" (then there's always that pesky issue: budget). -- Hollywood called a turkey that is making architects "a twitchy lot." -- The sad state of teardowns: if you can afford it, you can do it. -- "Pasta towers" in Milan twist and turn (great image). -- The future of Saarinen's TWA terminal at JFK is not terminal. -- Saarinen's daughter carries on her family's creative legacy. -- Koolhaas contemplates public spaces. -- A modern mausoleum offers waterfalls and beautiful views. -- Australian architects take on domestic products. -- RAIC announces new president. -- Exhibitions highlight Mockbee and Alpine architecture.

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Request for Proposals: Architectural Services for World Trade Center Cultural Program: Performing Arts Complex - North Building and Museum Complex - South Building; Deadline for responses: September 1 - Lower Manhattan Development Corporation

Safe Spaces: Designing for Security and Civic Values: July symposium abstracts available free online... include practical information and case studies demonstrating risk assessment, planning, construction methods and materials, etc.- American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA)

Letters: City revival on course: we must put urban studies at the heart of the urban renaissance... By Richard Rogers - Guardian (UK)

£1 billion hospital scandal: Cabe's attack on Royal London scheme raises questions about future of hospital procurement process - HOK International-BD/Building Design (UK)

Architects lashed for 'failing' capital:... dearth of innovation is creating a drab [Perth] skyline and buildings are being driven by developers' budgets rather than inspirational designs. - News.com (Australia)

Talking turkey: Architects are a twitchy lot... Scottish Parliament is their worst nightmare... terrified that in the backlash it is they and their art (and business) that will suffer. By Giles Worsley - Enric Miralles [image] - Telegraph (UK)

Ultimate teardowns: Some people pay millions for a beautiful home -- then destroy it... - George Washington Smith; Richard Neutra; Robert Sayfarth; etc. [images] - CNN

Innovative Scots architectural company goes into liquidation - Ushida Findlay - The Herald (UK)

Cathedral Place sets a new standard: Santiago Calatrava aside, our city has not always been well-served by out-of-town architects... new office and condo tower... gives lie to the notion that out-of-towners tend to kiss off Milwaukee. By Whitney Gould - Solomon Cordwell Bueng [image] - Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

'Pasta towers' to transform Milanese skyline - Daniel Libeskind; Zaha Hadid; Arata Isozaki [image] - Guardian (UK)

JetBlue to Build New Terminal at Kennedy: [$850 million] building... directly behind [former TWA terminal] would not undermine its architectural appeal. - Eero Saarinen (1962); Gensler - New York Times

Gensler to Design JetBlue Terminal for JFK - Yahoo News

Artist, designer by nature: Landscape architect Susan Saarinen carries on her family's creative legacy - Rocky Mountain News (Denver)

Towering with Uncle Sam: Rem Koolhaas designs a public library in Seattle and an exclusive Prada shop in Beverly Hills. Both play with ideas of public space, he says. Can he be serious? - OMA/LMN Architects; OMA/AMO/Brand & Allen Architects [images] - BD/Building Design (UK)

Great Price and Quiet Neighbors, but There's a Catch: Brooklyn's newest, most astonishingly affordable real estate... atrium and waterfalls... The only catch? All occupants must be dead. - Platt Byard Dovell White [image] - New York Times

An architect's eye renews the mundane: Australian architects are increasingly bringing design innovation to domestic products. - Brian Steendyk; Shelton Finnis Architects; Denton Corker Marshall Architects - Australian Financial Review

Royal Architectural Institute of Canada (RAIC) announces new President - Chris Fillingham, FRAIC/Dunlop Architects - Archiseek (Canada)


A Flexible Future: UCSF Genentech Hall: Flexible laboratories, informal gathering spaces, and a soaring atrium emphasize collaboration among researchers. - SmithGroup [images] - ArchNewsNow

Healing Gardens: Samaritan Health Services: A master planning approach to landscape design serves up a system of healthful opportunities. - Macdonald Environmental Planning [images] - ArchNewsNow