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SOGs sought for Children's Museum in Washington State. – Researchers study how urban design can keep us active. – Architects' dilemma: security, aesthetics, and accessibility. – A cost guide for building green. – Foreign architects not too happy with American construction talent. – Warning: monster malls ripping the hearts out of city centers. – Ottawa wants an urban design review board; will it help or hinder? – Shipping containers as homes, schools, and offices in Africa. – Polystyrene homes planned for Afghans. – Douglas Cardinal calls his museum "a forgery," and others admit he was mistreated. – On the Gehry front: redesigned Art Gallery of Ontario unveiled, "but the task is still not worthy of his talents." – Kansas City stadium has political under- and overtones. – Plans for Royal Conservatory of Music in Toronto hit a sour note. – Architectural inspiration solves Scottish National Gallery's space dilemma. – U.K. picks its Venice Architecture Biennale team. – Treasures of a Colorado visionary. Coming tomorrow: reams of views from Holyrood.

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[Statements of Qualifications: Art Gallery and Children's Museum, Bellingham, Washington; SOQ deadline: September 21](#)- Bellingham-Whatcom Public Facilities District

[Shaping the City of Tomorrow: What Gets Us Moving: Researchers are studying what features in a city's design encourage us to be physically active.](#)- Newswise

[Balancing security, accessibility: The architects' dilemma is how to encourage people to enter while keeping danger at bay. By Justin Davidson - Skidmore, Owings & Merrill; Fox & Fowle; RTKL](#)- NY Newsday

[New Data on the Cost of Building Green: "Costing Green: A Comprehensive Cost Database and Budgeting Methodology"](#)- BuildingGreen

[Building a Bad Reputation: Sloppy American Construction: As more high-profile buildings by foreign architects rise...a gathering rumble can be heard across the profession about the way America builds. - Ando; Piano; Koolhaas; Calatrava; Herzog & de Meuron; Taniguchi; A. Zahner](#)- New York Times

[Beware the monster mall's curse: Neon shopping sprawls are ripping the heart out of our cities](#)- Guardian (UK)

[Urban design controls: Enhancement or encumbrance?: In the hopes of improving architecture and urban design in the downtown core, Ottawa plans to add a design review to the development approval process for new buildings](#)- Ottawa Citizen (Canada)

[Africans Find a Refuge in Cast-Off 'Big Boxes': Shipping containers have found a place in the lives of Africa's poor, who have converted the "big boxes" into schools, community centers and homes. \[slide show\]](#)- New York Times

[Polystyrene homes planned for Afghans: some American scientists, engineers and architects think they have a better way to rebuild... - Shelter for Life International; Federation of American Scientists \[images\]](#)- BBC News

[Douglas Cardinal disowns his masterpiece: calls National Museum of the American Indian "a forgery"...Today everyone seems to regret Cardinal's mistreatment. - GBQC Architects; Polshek Partnership](#)- Toronto Star

[Art Gallery of Ontario's final design unveiled: Gehry adds exterior, swirling staircase in compromise with the neighbours](#)- Globe and Mail (Canada)

[Celebrity rules in Toronto's hot pursuit of Gehry: Hometown loves him for his fame. By Christopher Hume\[image\]](#)- Toronto Star

[Arena vote puts architect choice at center court: Snubbing the city's large sports architecture industry may be politically impossible. - Frank Gehry; 360 Architecture/HOK Sport/Elberbe Becket; A. Zahner](#)- Kansas City Business Journal

[Let our guys design our arena: I can't for the life of me understand the fascination with Frank Gehry...Kansas City, meanwhile, has the best sports architects on earth. - Elberbe Becket; HOK Sport+Venue+Event; 360 Architecture](#)- Kansas City Star

[Royal Conservatory of Music plans hit a sour note: Heritage advocates want to save one of the few remaining examples of high Victorian architecture in Toronto... - Kuwabara, Payne McKenna, Blumberg](#)- Globe and Mail (Canada)

[Digging deep for inspiration: With the Scottish National Gallery bursting at its seams, only a flash of architectural inspiration could solve the gallery's space dilemma - William Playfair \(1822\); John Miller and Partners \[image\]](#)- Telegraph (UK)

[UK names Biennale team: Peter Cook to curate Architecture Biennale in Venice - Ian Ritchie; Kathryn Findlay; Future Systems; Ron Arad; Caruso St. John; CJ Lim; Richard Murphy; John Pawson; Peter Cook/Gavin Robotham](#)- British Council

[A visionary's legacy: 39 Charles Haertling houses dot the Boulder landscape...brain tumor suddenly cut life and career short...once predicted to be the next Frank Lloyd Wright \[slide show\]](#)- The Daily Camera (Colorado)

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

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