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For Two 9/11 Memorials, a Man Who Listened. By David W. Dunlap - Frederic Schwartz Architects

Architects urged to copy India: Indian architect Charles Correa has said housing designs from his home country offer the key to eco-friendly buildings of the future.

“Designing for the Homeless: Architecture that Works” focus of lecture and show at California State University, Sacramento’s Design Gallery opening September 16 - Sam Davis Architecture

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Call for Papers: "Conserving the Modern in Canada: Building and Sites, 1945-2005" conference (Mmay ’05); deadline: October 15 - Docomomo Canada

Nabisco plant deserves historic status: ... just about the sole survivor from the early 20th century in a neighborhood that was blasted, headache-bailed, bulldozed and trucked away in the late 1960s. By Patricia Lowry - Albert G. Zimmermann (1918)

Teacher-Student Centre under threat: Dhaka University beauty marred by unplanned construction - Docsiyadis Associates (1961) - The New Nation (Bangladesh)

Preservationists ponder new uses for historic H.H. Richardson complex: Sitting on 90 acres landscaped by Frederick Law Olmsted, the former hospital cuts a distinctive silhouette in its Buffalo neighborhood (AP)

Pushback on green technology: ... a hard-nosed look at some of the claims being made for sustainable buildings...Design teams were “a bit too optimistic”...

The greener future: For lessons in environmental friendliness it would be hard to beat Kingsmead School...a newly-built wonder in the North-west...setting the pace for the Government’s "Building Schools for the Future" initiative.

Room at the top: The only way is up when looking for new habitats for urban wildlife: London Zoo’s Komodo Dragon Building is the latest to include an “eco-roof”

Draft-dodger memorial to be built in British Columbia - CBC (Canada)

Before College, After Treehouses: Aspiring designers spent the summer studying Gaudí’s work in Spain and taking studio architecture courses on an Ivy League campus - New York Times

U.S. General Services Administration to Participate in ACE Mentoring Program; Offers Students Chance for Design, Construction Introduction - Yahoo News

The man who reshaped design: A magnificent show at the V&A reveals the genius of Christopher Dresser, the forgotten figure of the Victorian art world - Telegraph (UK)

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