

Today's News - October 14, 2004

EDITOR's note: ANN will be on the road for the next few days...we'll be back Tuesday, Oct. 19 (with lots of catching up to do, no doubt). — Canadian talent on view in London. — Libeskind has no building to call his own at Ground Zero (some feared he'd be a "difficult partner). — Another report says "he's still ebullient, burbling..." — Then there's his \$300,000 piano (that won't fit in his apartment). — Millennium Park sparks a "super-sized neighborhood" in Chicago. — Lincoln Center's been sparking its NYC neighborhood for years. — Mass-produced (but well-designed) housing soon to be a reality? Yes, if Toyota - and a few others - have anything to do with it. — Malta's bombed-out opera house soon to be home to parliament. — L.A.'s Ambassador Hotel loses out to school (coffee shop as teacher's lounge, nightclub as auditorium...not much else left). — Politics threaten Hemingway home in Havana. — Edinburgh's Old Town might get a new design center. — Australia's National Portrait Gallery finally getting enough walls for its portraits. — IDSA conference takes on "Utopian Realities." — Exhibition coming to Tel Aviv surely to raise some hackles (and hopefully some constructive discourse). — "Shrinking Cities" competition has some decidedly daring winners. — Ballpark designer hopes for home run in National Design Awards.

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[Exhibition Review: "RED + WHITE: Canadians in Design" at Canada House, Trafalgar Square, London](#)- ArchNewsNow

[Gehry Tops Danny: Ground Zero Winner Scores Art Center: Libeskind has no buildings at Ground Zero to call his own...panel members feared Mr. Libeskind would prove to be a "difficult" partner on the project. - Snøhetta/Adamson Associates; Childs/Skidmore Owings & Merrill; Arad; Calatrava; Nouvel; Foster; Maki](#)- New York Observer

[Libeskind has a nation's healing in his hands: ...has been baptized, metaphorically, in the hellfire of New York politics and architecture and emerged, well, slightly singed. But he's still ebullient, burbling...](#)- USA Today

[Daniel Libeskind has built a grand piano: And it's some piano: More than 19 feet long. Polished black lacquer with titanium inlays. Price: \\$300,000-plus. \[image\]](#)- USA Today

[Millennium Park Energizes Chicago's East Loop: developers are carving out residences and retail around the destination..."Overnight it went from solely a business center to a super-sized neighborhood."](#)- National Real Estate Investor

[Lincoln Center's economic impact: generated more than \\$1.5 billion in business for the greater metropolitan area in 2003, according to an economic impact study](#)- Crain's New York

[Production line technology for housing: The use of automobile technology to influence the design of homes has been a long held dream of modernist architects....The dream is now becoming reality...](#) By Chris Johnson, NSW Government Architect - Gabriel Poole; Michael Mobbs; Ken Latona; Studio Internationale; Penny Collins/Huw Turner; Greg Lynn; Oosterhuis NL [links to images]- On Line Opinion (Australia)

[Opera House set to become new Parliament: The old opera house in Valletta, destroyed by enemy bombs during World War II, will finally be rebuilt as the parliament if Cabinet approves the proposal.](#) - Richard England- Times of Malta

[Famed Los Angeles Hotel \[Ambassador\] Will Be Razed for Schools: ...the hotel's facade will be replicated on one of the new school buildings.](#) - Myron Hunt (1921)- New York Times

[An Unmoveable Feast of Hemingway History Struggles to Survive: ...in what architects describe as a preservation emergency...An effort to save the finca, an American cultural treasure and an important Cuban tourist attraction, seems threatened by a storm of politics.](#)- New York Times

[Design centre could give clear view on city planning: A new centre for design, architecture and urban living could breathe fresh life into a gap site in Edinburgh's Old Town...RIAS has proposed a shared building...](#)- The Scotsman (UK)

[Soul of a nation prepares to spread its wings: The National Portrait Gallery has successfully lobbied for a new home...Not a "wow" building, but nice enough, simple and user-friendly...](#)- Sydney Morning Herald

["Utopian Realities": 2004 Industrial Designers Society of America \(IDSA\) National Conference, Pasadena, CA, October 27-30](#)- Industrial Designers Society of America (IDSA)

[Watch this space: "Territories. Live" explores spatial expressions of national, economic and social conflicts. The exhibition comes to Israel next month...will also include lectures and symposia. By Esther Zandberg - Rafi Segal, Stefano Boeri, Anselm Franke, Eyal Weizman](#)- Ha'aretz (Israel)

[Winners Announced in Shrinking Cities - Reinventing Urbanism International Ideas Competition 2004](#)- Shrinking Cities Project

[Ballpark Designer Vying for M.V.P.: ...a nominee for the prestigious architecture category of the National Design Awards...recognizes role in reinventing the modern baseball stadium...](#) - Joseph E. Spear/HOK Sport; Rick Joy; Polshek Partnership; Rafael Viñoly- New York Times

[-- Lab architecture studio: Soho Shang Du, Beijing](#)  
[-- Exhibition: "Massive Change: The Future of Global Design," Vancouver Art Gallery,](#)



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