

Today's News - November 23, 2004

New York's other new kid on the block puts science in a magical place. – And, as expected, more MoMA musings: "terminally tasteful"; "shed no tears for Taniguchi the Obscure" (an interview with Taniguchi in his Tokyo office); and sorely overlooked in all the brouhaha: Kohn Pedersen Fox, the firm that put all the pieces together. – Munich says "nein" to tall buildings. – Money, not design, may sink Berlin's Museum Island plans. – The idea of shipping containers for housing moving ever forward into the limelight. – In Chicago: lessons to be learned at big-box retail development conference; and clients honored for backing good architecture. – Norwegian architect takes on city planning in China. – Hobbit house declared a landmark. – Buckingham Palace invites design in. – Commercial interiors join the LEED rating system. – Calls for entries: U.S. Green Building Awards and Affordable Communities Awards; call for presentations for 2005 ASLA annual convention.

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[Science in a magical space: Architect Todd Schliemann covers all the angles while shedding light with his Japanese-inspired addition to the New York Hall of Science.](#) By Justin Davidson - Wallace K. Harrison; Polshek Partnership Architects- NY Newsday

[Shock of the new, or chill of the morgue? The terminally tasteful new Museum of Modern Art in New York.](#) By Hugh Pearman - Yoshio Taniguchi [images]- HughPearman.com (UK)

[Radical Restraint: Yoshio Taniguchi's masterfully understated redesign of New York's Museum Of Modern Art shows that landmark buildings need not be brash to be brilliant-](#) Time Asia

[Found In Translation: For the Museum of Modern Art...Kohn Pedersen Fox was responsible for translating Yoshio Taniguchi's minimalist concept into a buildable construction. Here's a sampling of technical solutions that are integral to the museum's new image and experience.-](#) The Architect's Newspaper (NYC)

[Munich Says "Nein!" To Tall Buildings: A win for democracy as vote sets height limit for Bavarian capital-](#) International Network for Traditional Building, Architecture & Urbanism (INTBAU)

[Cost may sink Berlin's Museum Island restoration scheme: "We have nothing against the architecture. It's simply a question of finance" -](#) David Chipperfield [image]- Guardian (UK)

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[December 1 Conference: "Large-Format and Big Box Retail Development: The Chicago Story"-](#) Real Estate Center, DePaul University

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[U.S. Green Building Council Introduces LEED\(r\) for Commercial Interiors Green Building Rating System-](#) Environmental News Network

[NAHB Announces Call for Entries for 2005 National Green Building Awards; deadline: December 15-](#) National Association of Home Builders

[Affordable Communities Awards to Local Communities That Reduce Regulatory Barriers to Affordable Housing - US Department of Housing and Urban Development; deadline: March 15, 2005-](#) RIS Media

[Call for Proposals/Presentations for ASLA 2005 Annual Meeting; deadline: January 14-](#) American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA)

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