

Today's News - December 20, 2004

EDITORS NOTE: ArchNewsNow is taking a break for Christmas...we'll be back next week. — The first of what will probably be many year-in-review reports. — A symposium tackles urban design in arid regions. — Bulldozing urban ills doesn't solve social problems. — Open air malls really catching on. — A web site devoted to adaptive re-use of big box stores. — Portland condo proves quality and economy can deliver high design. — L.A. condos conserve. — Maya Lin's enchanting Tennessee chapel. — Moving Barnes Museum will test Philadelphia's civic mettle. — One more take on the new MoMA: it's a bore. — Long Island architects take home "Archi" awards. — NAMBIES United picks a winning design to battle the McMansion craze in Coconut Grove. — A few informative (and amusing?) profiles: Eisenman; Foster; Sanaa; Grimshaw. — Just for fun (*tis the season): cool gifts for under a tenner (and links to the places you can buy them). — Two we couldn't resist (one from the ever-enlightening SPA): Holiday tips for architects.

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[Review 2004: Architects around the world have been creating flashy 'look-at-me' buildings in an attempt to make their mark. By Giles Worsley - Foster, Libeskind; Alsop; Miralles/RMJM; etc. \[images\]- Telegraph \(UK\)](#)

[Second international symposium: "Urban Design in Arid Regions" Jan. 20-23, 2005- University of Arizona, Tucson](#)

[Zen and the art of gloss maintenance: Social problems are not solved with bulldozers. By Elizabeth Farrelly- Sydney Morning Herald](#)

['Lifestyle centers' are in style: Open-air mall concept has taken off since the late 1990s- Ames Tribune \(Iowa\)](#)

[Big Box Reuse: web site documents adaptive re-use projects around the country- Big Box Reuse](#)

[The great leap forward: A new condo building is a bracing example of quality and economy. Developers, builders and architects, take note: There's a market for boundary-pushing Modernism. By Randy Gragg - Holst Architecture- The Oregonian](#)

["Conservation, Conservation, Conservation!" Los Angeles' Elleven \[\\$100 million condominium\] First in Line with Governor's Call for Green Building - Ankrom Moisan Architects- Business Wire](#)

[Southern comfort: It's shaped like an ark and offers refuge for children. Jonathan Glancey is enchanted by a Tennessee chapel - Maya Lin; Bialosky and Partners \[image\]- Guardian \(UK\)](#)

[City pinning big hopes on \[Barnes\] museum...Finding a great architect won't be easy...Whether the city finally gets it right today will depend on how well it understands its past mistakes. By Inga Saffron- Philadelphia Inquirer](#)

[Big Deal: MoMA's coolly modern structure could leave visitors cold: ...a \\$425 million bore that will excite purists but put many others to sleep. By David Dillon- Dallas Morning News](#)

['Academy awards' for standouts in style: And the winners of \[AIA Long Island\] 'Archi' design honors this year are ... traditional projects that break the mold.- NY Newsday](#)

[The design to stop the McMansions: Renowned architect's two connected pavilions were chosen as the best design to protect the easy lifestyle of Coconut Grove. By Beth Dunlop - George F. Reed; NAMBIES United \(Neighbors Against McMansions: Big Invasive Eyesores\)- Miami Herald](#)

[Feuds? I've had a few: He's a Jew who is a close friend of Albert Speer's son; he's had blazing rows with Frank Gehry and Daniel Libeskind; he's used to having bitter arguments with his clients. And his new Holocaust memorial in Berlin has added to his controversial reputation... By Deyan Sudjic - Peter Eisenman- Observer \(UK\)](#)

[Building bridges to the people: Sage concert hall and Grand Viaduc du Millau...gives Britain's best-known architect and the designer behind both, Lord Foster, considerable cause for seasonal celebration.- The Herald \(UK\)](#)

[Lord Foster: The world's favourite architect. By Jay Merrick- The Independent \(UK\)](#)

[Designing Spaces: Sanaa: Kazuyo Sejima and Ryue Nishizawa never create the same building twice.- Newsweek International](#)

[Sir Nicholas Grimshaw: Arts master: One of Britain's foremost high-tech architects has taken the presidency of the Royal Academy of Arts. Can the designer of the Eden Project put this revered, eccentric institution back on track? By Deyan Sudjic- Observer \(UK\)](#)

[Double-Digit Sensation: Good & Cheap: Just in time for the holidays, a new exhibition \["Under a Tenner"\] at the London Design Museum offers a wry twist on the gift of good design. By Linda Hales- Washington Post](#)

[Holiday Tips for Architects: #19 - Do not arrive too early when catching a train/plane/coach/boat. Remember, you are an architect. It will not leave without you.- Small Practice Architects / SPA.UK](#)

[Zaha Hadid: Topping Out Ceremony, Ordrupgaard Extension, Ordrup, Denmark](#)

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