

## Today's News - February 2, 2005

Parks and public spaces in demand from London to Mumbai. – Shortlist picked for resort community in North Queensland. – Will euphemisms change people's attitudes about the malling of Manhattan (and its boroughs)? – A call for students to have a say in how their schools are designed. – An African village is just happy to have a school at last (never mind it won the Aga Khan Award). – Solar homes just might catch on in Roanoke. – Hadid (referred to only as Pritzker winner) has another big win in London. – Whitney Museum faces a battle for its Piano-designed expansion. – Ito steals the show on Tokyo's glittery streets. – Libeskind adds emotion to Canadian Jewish veterans' memorial. – Conran has no plans to slow down. – Insurance premiums for Canadian architects going wayyyyy up. – Rudolph's Umbrella House goes on the art auction block. – We couldn't resist: "The Mysteries of Groundhog Day Unveiled" (the groundhog in our backyard saw his shadow this morning).

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[Commons people: A report...showed that people value parks almost as highly as they value local primary schools...goes on to suggest new ways of running green spaces that don't rely on councils doing anything sensible or efficient](#)- Guardian (UK)

[Romancing the gate: As demands for more public space at the Gateway gather steam, historian Sharada Dwivedi walks us through the events that brought us to where we are today](#).- George Wittet (1919); Charles Correa- Indian Express (Mumbai)

[Laguna Village \[North Queensland\] design competition shortlisted to eight - Allen Jack + Cottier/Lahz Nimmo Architects/John Andreas Design; Bligh Voller Neild/Addison Associates/Durbach Block/Wendy Lewin Architect/John Wardle Architects; Cox Rayner Architects; Fender Katsalidis Architects; Johnson Pilton Walker; ML Design/Richard Kirk Architects/Arkhefield; Troppo Architects/Stutchbury & Pape; McGauran Giannini Soon/Donovan Hill](#)- Infolink (Australia)

[Mall City: Critics have long cried foul over the construction of malls in New York City's densest borough...developers have dropped the term in favor of euphemisms like "vertical retail environment"...are the indoor shopping mazes...really a different breed?](#) [images]- The Architect's Newspaper (NYC)

[Design lesson starts with building blocks: Pupils should be given a central role in deciding how the annual £2bn the government has set aside for school buildings should be spent...](#) - John Sorrell/Commission for Architecture and the Built Environment- Financial Times (UK)

[A Lesson in Simple but Edifying Architecture: The village school that Diebedo Francis Kere designed in the West African nation of Burkina Faso is modest in scale. But the ambition it represents is grand.](#) By Linda Hales [image]- Washington Post

[Solar homes to shine in Roanoke? Architectural contest \[C2C\] organizers see city as eco-friendly showcase](#) - Matthew Coates/Tim Meldrum; William McDonough; Sean Wheeler- Richmond Times-Dispatch (Virginia)

[£70 million 2012 pool design unveiled - Zaha Hadid](#) [image]- This is London (UK)

[Fierce Battle Over Plan to Expand the Whitney: ...angriest objections focusing on a move to demolish two brownstones next to the museum on the Upper East Side of Manhattan](#).- Marcel Breuer (1966); Renzo Piano [images]- New York Times

[This year's model: Tokyo's streets are a glittering catwalk of chic shops. But Toyo Ito's latest creation steals the show](#) [image]- Guardian (UK)

[Architect adds emotion to Jewish veterans' site: North York memorial meaningful to Libeskind](#)- Toronto Star

[The Adventures of Sir Terence: An action-packed new chapter of the Conran story](#) [images]- Interior Design magazine

[The big problem of faulty buildings: Design, construction mistakes can cost both owners and professionals higher insurance premiums: Starting July 1...architects -- usually the first up on the insurance claims firing line -- will have to pay premiums increased by as much as four times...](#)- Globe and Mail (Canada)

[Paul Rudolph Umbrella House \(1953\) to be Auctioned as Art](#) [image/links]- Preservation magazine

[The Mysteries of Groundhog Day Unveiled](#)- Newswise

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