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A new museum in Jerusalem tells a dark story, and then bursts through to the light. -- A comprehensive look at Israeli architecture, 1948-1973. -- Niemeyer at 97 still shaping Brazil. -- Help wanted: designer for pavilion on Boston's new Greenway. -- Enterprise environmentalism and spiritual ecology needed to revitalize the environmental movement. -- Wal-Mart pitches green design for Vancouver (but the city still may say no). -- New train and bus stations assure "Melbourne's reputation as Australia's architecture city," roller-coaster roof and all. -- Just what Pisa needs: another leaning tower (that leans on purpose). -- Healthcare design a growing specialty in India.

Old Mapai's concrete face: "The Israeli Project: Building and Architecture, 1948-1973" by architect Zvi Efrat...the heroic and painful story of building the country and the architecture that gave it form. By Esther Zandberg - Ha'aretz (Israel)

He's Still Shaping a Legend: Brazil's Oscar Niemeyer has long since cemented his place in architecture. At 97, he continues to build on it, with a vast new project: Niemeyer Way will house two cathedrals, a theater, film institute, plaza, ferry station, memorial and a foundation named after the architect. [images] - Los Angeles Times

Help wanted: a designer for Greenway pavilion: This should be one of the most exciting design events in Boston's history [registration deadline: April 25]. By Robert Campbell - Boston Globe

Replanting the environmental garden: The movement has suffered losses lately, but new strategies -- including "enterprise environmentalism" and spiritual ecology -- could revitalize it - Apollo Project; William McDonough/MBDC - The Oregonian

Wal-Mart pitches green design for Vancouver: "green" design will allow the store to use one-third of the energy it takes to run a regular store. - Peter Busby [image] - CTV (Canada)

Spatial Design: Pritzker Prize-winning architect Thom Mayne shoots for the stars -- or, at least, the satellites -- with NOAA's new center in Suitland. By Edward Gunts - Morphosis/Einhorn Yaffee Prescott - Baltimore Sun

The roof transporting us to tomorrow...new Spencer Street Station is not unlike entering a grand cathedral...Melbourne's reputation as Australia's architecture city will be assured. By Joe Rollo - Grimshaw; Jackson Architecture [image] - The Age (Australia)

Pisa plans a second 'leaning tower':...steel and glass 57 metres (190 feet) high...will house apartments and shops and is expected to cost euro 50 million ($A84 million). - Dante Oscar Benini - The Age (Australia)

Hospitals have to look nice as well: Architectural specialisation in hospitals and related buildings, though ignored till now, is becoming the most sought after service and career... - Times of India

Musical chairs continues for arena design team: Ellerbe Becket architect defects to 360 Architecture...three weeks after...the loss of five principal architects to HOK Sport... - Kansas City Star

Architect puts life into new building: Kyoto State Guesthouse - Mitsuo Nakamura - Daily Yomiuri (Japan)

Cost of architectural work on VIA bus shelter increases to $44,018: On the Squandermania Trail... - Sprinkle/Robey Architects; Fisher-Heck Architects - San Antonio Express-News

Friendlier corner eyed: Iron railings to grace Portage & Main? That's one possibility as city hall ponders the future of the windy corner and its concrete barricades... - Janet Rosenberg & Associates - Winnipeg Sun (Canada)

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