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Rebuilding New Orleans: lessons to be learned from the mayor of Curitiba, Brazil, and Ground Zero, humble architectural devices, and a laboratory for housing design. -- Housing plans in the UK: is one an experiment in "social cleansing?" -- Getting Corbu wrong. -- Prince Charles's latest experiment in community planning. -- International Freedom Center presents its case for a home at Ground Zero. -- Is the battle finally winding down over Rome's new home for Altar of Peace? -- A call to get children back into the wild. -- Hadid takes on the profession's "glass ceiling." -- Weekend diversions: MoMA's Antonelli talks safety. -- Indianapolis shows of Stickleby, Wright, and more. -- Pritzker winners on view in Taipei. -- Architecture Month in San Francisco and Memphis.

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Rebuilding New Orleans: We must not get this wrong...The one-two punch of cataclysm and windfall will shape the way America conceives of its cities for generations... One person who has an idea of what right and wrong mean is Jaime Lerner, the three-time mayor of Curitiba, Brazil... By Justin Davidson - NY Newsday

Ground Zero in the Big Easy: Building Model: How can New Orleans learn from New York?...if the Big Easy doesn't learn from the Big Apple, it will end up making the same mistakes. By Clay Risen -- Margaret Helfand; Michael Sorkin; Ernest Hutton; LMDC; New York New Visions- The New Republic

Gulf Coast Dream House: What Happened to Shutters and Porches?...among the humble architectural devices that we discarded when we decided we could engineer our way out of anything. By James S. Russell - Bloomberg News

Prefab shelter from the storm: Flood-ravaged Gulf Coast provides a laboratory for housing design... Habitat for Humanity's "Operation home delivery" By John Bentley Mays- Globe and Mail (Canada)

The big squeeze: Is the plan to demolish 2,700 homes on a south London [Aylesbury] estate an attempt to push out the locals, or to cram in more residents?... branded as "social cleansing" by tenants' groups. - Guardian (UK)

That sinking feeling on 'estate from hell': In Britain, we did the Athens charter - however wrong-headed this may have been - too quickly, too cheaply, too brutally and without the necessary skills. Result, misery. By Jonathan Glancey -- Le Corbusier- Guardian (UK)

Rhythm and blues: Prince Charles's latest experiment in community planning is inspired by a village in Florida. It hopes to transform UK housebuilding. [slide show]- Guardian (UK)

Blurred Line for the Ground Zero Museum: International Freedom Center... report did little to close a fundamental fault line in the greater debate over the World Trade Center redevelopment... -- Snohetta link to report- New York Times

Altar of Peace War Set to End: Row lulls as Augustus monument's new home gets preview -- Richard Meier- ANSA (Italy)

If you go down to the woods today: Fear of traffic risks and 'stranger danger' are holding our children captive indoors. For the sake of their health and development, and for the environment they will one day need to protect, we have to find ways of getting them into the wild. - The Ecologist

Toppling walls of race and gender, Iraq's Hadid builds for the future: London-based architect makes name for herself with gravity-defying take on spatial perception- Daily Star (Lebanon)

MoMA's Safety Check: Q&A with Paola Antonelli about "SAFE: Design Takes on Risk"- Metropolis Magazine

It's not kids' stuff: Indianapolis Museum of Art has the real Arts and Crafts: 1 of only 2 museums in U.S. exhibiting 300-plus works by Stickley, Rookwood, Wright and more - Indianapolis Star

Avoiding the crowds at Taipei Fine Arts Museum could lead to some exciting discoveries on 3rd floor: "Art of Architecture: Works by Laureates of the Pritzker Architecture Prize":- Taipei Times

Here's looking at you, S.F.: San Francisco's architects are throwing a monthlong party..."Architecture and the City." By John King- San Francisco Chronicle

Art by Architects designed to please: Memphis Architecture Month breaks ground with a grand party [images]- Commercial Appeal (Memphis)

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