

Today's News - December 15, 2005

EDITORS NOTE: Our apologies for yesterday's strange format and sender's name; we switched over to a dedicated server and hit a few technical glitches (click "Yesterday's News" to see the real thing). — An EOI to design an Algerian mosque for 40,000. — An intriguing proposal for San Francisco's Treasure Island. — A Texan with Titanic plans for Belfast waterfront. — Hadid presents changes in plans for Bilbao neighborhood. — Foster takes on tallest tower west of Toronto. — A new San Francisco tower is an "urbane success." — WTC 9/11 memorial pools to be smaller than twin tower footprints. — A Starck design for Branson's New Mexico spaceport. — Harlem's Apollo Theater a jewel in lights again. — An initiative to preserve Bermuda's architectural heritage. — The hunt for new MoMA Chief Curator of Architecture and Design is on, and it really does matter who takes the post. — A review of possible candidates (with some surprises). — Scientific American's Top 50 list of innovators includes green architects. — University of Seoul to take on digital architecture that "will contribute to developing the construction industry in Korea."

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[International Call for Expressions of Interest \(EOI\): provide project design and construction services for the Algiers mosque on a site covering several hectares.](#)- National Agency for the Construction and Management of the Algiers Mosque

[It's got high-rises, it's got organic gardens and it just might be a model for cities everywhere: Whether or not it ever gets built, the most intriguing development proposal in America right now involves our very own Treasure Island. By John King \[links\]](#)- San Francisco Chronicle

[Texan with Titanic plans: Texas-born Eric Kuhne is the man behind the Titanic Quarter rejuvenation - the largest waterfront scheme in Europe. -- Civic Arts](#)- Belfast Telegraph (Ireland)

[Anglo-Iraqi architect presents changes in Bilbao's Olabeaga neighbourhood -- Zaha Hadid](#)- Eitb24.com (Spain)

[Norman Foster to design Encana's Calgary headquarters: ...proposed complex will be the largest office tower west of Toronto...](#)- Globe and Mail (Canada)

[The St. Regis is an engaging, urbane success: 480-foot tower is centerpiece of project at Third and Mission...next crop of high-rise developers and architects should be pushed to try as hard. By John King -- Skidmore, Owings & Merrill; Yabu Pushelberg \[images\]](#)- San Francisco Chronicle

[Memorial Pools Will Not Quite Fill Twin Footprints: The pool-filled \[9/11\] memorial voids that are meant to mark the absence of the \[WTC\] twin towers will be smaller than the towers' actual footprints.](#)- New York Times

[First spaceport will offer out of this world trips: Plans for the \[\\$225m \(£127m\)\] launch facility were unveiled following an agreement between \[Richard Branson's\] Virgin Galactic...and authorities in New Mexico -- Philippe Starck...](#)- Guardian (UK)

[At Historic Apollo Theater, Restored Facade Is the Star of the Day: ...the theater is back as the jewel in the crown on 125th Street -- George Keister \(1913\); Beyer Blinder Belle](#)- New York Times

[Preserving Bermuda's architectural beauty: The practical, political and visual preservation initiative is to recognise what is significant architecturally, to help people understand which things may be quite valuable although previously unappreciated... -- Edward A. Chappell](#)- The Royal Gazette (Bermuda)

[Position Is Power: The fate of a lot more than who will be the next Chief Curator of Architecture and Design at the Museum of Modern Art...hanging in the balance...still the mother ship, so it matters very much who takes Terence Riley's job and what he or she does with it. By Jayne Merkel](#)- The Architect's Newspaper (NYC)

[The Curatorial Landscape: \[a\] look at the most prominent and prolific architecture and design curators in this country today...The work of the curators presented here diverge from the propagandizing, taste-making role distinguished by Philip Johnson.](#)- The Architect's Newspaper (NYC)

[Scientific American 50...demonstrate leadership in shaping both established and emerging technologies...True Green: U.S. Green Buildings Council; Fox & Fowle \[FXFOWLE Architects\]; William McDonough & Partners; Foster and Partners](#)- Scientific American

[Digital Architecture Shaping New Paradigm: University of Seoul's school of architecture and architectural engineering will pave the way...new kind of education in architecture will contribute to developing the construction industry in Korea. -- Arshad Ali](#)- Korea Times

[Dec. '05 Build Business: Why Hire a Marketing Staff? No longer considered unethical and tacky, marketing has morphed into an essential tool for savvy A/E/C firms.](#)

[-- SANAA/Kazuyo Sejima + Ryue Nishizawa: Glass Pavilion, Toledo Museum of Art, Toledo, Ohio](#)
[-- Under construction: Gehry & Partners: IAC Headquarters, New York City](#)

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