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Architecture of Sustainability: a green design competition and conference seek to merge technical ingenuity and compelling design. -- Assess state and local progress in rebuilding the post-Katrina Gulf Coast. -- Leave it to the Dutch to come up with some interesting new looks for the Big Easy. -- A new eco-city in China to be powered by nothing but renewable sources. -- KPF takes the design lead in bid for new resort in Shanghai. -- Berlin's Pergamon Museum finally getting attention it deserves. -- Virginia's latest culture venture: Patsy Cline Museum. -- Torontonians continue their "myopic fixation on height." -- A heartfelt letter wins the bid for Modernist home in Princeton. -- A look at innovative materials for the construction industry. -- An Alaskan architect looks back on his -- and his state's -- long history of architectural successes and lost opportunities. -- Must reads: Fifth Annual Planetizen Top 10 Books List. -- One we couldn't resist: Gehry goes to the dogs - for a mere $350,000.

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Green Design as Great Design: The Architecture of Sustainability: A design competition and conference seek to merge technical ingenuity and compelling design. -- Bruder; Gang; Mazria; Timberlake; etc. [images] - ArchNewsNow


Building New Orleans 2.0: Hurricane Katrina left a devastated New Orleans in its wake. But a new architectural exhibit has come up with some ideas for the Big Easy's new look. Who's behind the project? The Dutch of course. -- MVRDV; UN Studio; Morphosis; West 8; Huff + Gooden Architects [slide show] - Der Spiegel (Germany)

Plan for 'eco-city' began in Norwich: At three quarters the size of Manhattan and located on the third largest island in China, Dongtan will have all its transport, residential and commercial buildings powered by a combination of wind, sun and other renewable energy sources. -- Arup; Alsop; Davis Langdon; DSSR- Eastern Daily Press (EDP Norfolk, UK)

CapitaLand and MGM appoint KPF as principal architect for Marina Bay [Singapore] integrated resort bid -- Kohn Pedersen Fox Associates - ChannelNewsAsia

A plan has been finalized for the world famous Pergamon Museum in Berlin to finally be renovated. -- Oswald Mathias Ungers - Deutsche Welle (Germany)

Famed Design Firm to Create Patsy Cline Museum Displays -- Ralph Appelbaum Associates; Carter + Burton Architecture - Winchester Star (Virginia)

A myopic fixation on height: The sun will shine on Toronto the day someone designs a tower that doesn't cast a shadow. Until then, the good citizens of this city can be counted on to rise to the occasion whenever some hapless developer comes along with skyscrapers in mind. By Christopher Hume - Toronto Star

Preserving a Modernist Masterpiece: Two architecture professors found their dream modernist house in Princeton, N.J. They bid around $800,000, but they got it by writing a letter. By Fred A. Bernstein -- Thaddeus Longstreth (1960); Ron Witte and Sarah Whiting/WW Architecture [images] - New York Times

The Revolution in Building Materials: Q&A with architect Blaine Brownell, the author of "Transmaterial," about innovative new products in the construction industry - BusinessWeek

Longtime local architect reflects on successes and lost opportunities: Q&A with Edwin Crittenden - Anchorage Daily News (Alaska)


It's Gehry putting on the dogs: NEW homes: 1 bdr., no bath, leash-option: must sniff to appreciate! $350,000..."I can't start until I meet the dogs."- Los Angeles Times

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