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ArcSpace brings us Maya Lin in Washington State (twice). – Toronto's "orphan spaces" finally getting some attention. – SFMOMA announces design winner for its orphan space atop a parking garage. – The era of "starchitects" now "fueling the desire for the next hot thing." – Chicago's challenge in going for 2016 Olympic gold. – Campbell and Hume on Jacobs. – A university builds a city. – A cornerstone of Remaking Bamsley (UK) ready to start. – Stuttgart's new Mercedes-Benz museum "might happily be described as computer baroque...a magical mystery tour well worth taking." – "Planet of Slums" a necessary (but depressing) read. – Q&A with Pritzker winner only slightly more optimistic. – A Korean architect's "lonely fight" to save an historic temple. – New kicks in store for Route 66. – Glass, glass, and more glass, from Dubai to L.A. – Some intriguing, amusing, and informative articles in LA Times special section - you pick.

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[– Maya Lin: Confluence Project, Cape Disappointment State Park, Ilwaco, Washington](#)
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[The plight of the orphan space: Abandoned, they need our help. It's finally coming...Tiny gestures, everyday urbanism says, make a difference.](#)- Toronto Star

[SFMOMA Announces Winner of Sculpture Garden Architectural Competition: Jensen & Macy Architects to Design Rooftop Space \[link to images\]](#)- San Francisco Museum of Modern Art

[Building Recognition: The star system spurred insatiable global demand for serious architecture. Only the next generation can satisfy it now. By Cathleen Mcguigan – Gehry; Hadid; Herzog & de Meuron; Nouvel; Abalos & Herreros; Casariego/Guerra; Sancho-Madrdejos; Jürgen Mayer H.; Foreign Office Architects; Mendes da Rocha; MAD; Adjaye; Urbanus; MADA s.p.a.m.; Yung Ho Chang; Calatrava; Ando; wHY; Cloepfil; Gang-](#)Newsweek

[Iconic stadium or a 'tin shed'? If Chicago wants the Olympics, it'll need a bigger arena. But the architect's dream, at \\$1 billion, is the accountant's nightmare. By Blair Kamin – Tigerman; Gang-](#) Chicago Tribune

[She began a city-planning revolution: Jacobs thought small but smart. By Robert Campbell-](#) Boston Globe

[Jacobs' ideas valid, but we need new solutions: Although we may still manage to save our cities, it's still not clear that they will survive in any form Jacobs would have recognized...Change or die, that was her message, one we ignore at our peril. By Christopher Hume-](#) Toronto Star

[A Community Comes to a University: The Simon Fraser University Community Trust...is building UniverCity, a residential community for 10,000 people on 200 acres of densely forested land \[in British Columbia, Canada\]. – Hotson Bakker Boniface Haden Architects-](#) New York Times

[All set for work on prestigious £10 million Bamsley Digital Media Centre...one of the cornerstones of the Remaking Bamsley initiative... – Bauman Lyons \[image\]-](#) Sheffield Today (UK)

[Twist and shout: Thanks to its two spiralling ramps, the new Mercedes-Benz museum is a magical mystery tour well worth taking...compelling, immensely subtle and a joy to explore. By Jonathan Glancey – UN Studio; Werner Sobek; Arnold Walz \[image, links\]-](#) Guardian (UK)

[A slum prospect: "Planet of Slums" by Mike Davis...There could be few things more depressing for an architect than a book like this. By Edwin Heathcote-](#) Financial Times (UK)

[City of Dreams: Q&A with Pritzker Prize winner Paulo Mendes Da Rocha: "We never learned how to edit nature. Instead, we simply consumed wilderness..."-](#) Newsweek

[Architecture, not merely about building: During a recent debate on the restoration of the Hwangryongsa Temple in Gyeongju...Seung H-sang put up a lonely fight saying the temple, one of the country's most historic sites, should be left alone. – Iroje Architects & Planners-](#) Korea Herald

[Cap lifted on Route 66 attraction: ...ground breaking of Pops – a gas station, convenience store, restaurant and Route 66 museum that will open next spring... – Rand Elliott + Associates-](#) The Oklahoman

[Bent-Glass Facade Will "Eternally Light" New Dubai Skyscraper: 51-story landmark tower to anchor new business city. What happens when creative form and function meet searing 115 degree desert heat? – TVS Architects \[images\]-](#) AIArchitect

[Seeing through glass walls: It may have started as a Bauhaus trademark, but it became L.A.'s signature. Glass — from the Bradbury Building to the Case Study houses to car windshields — is the city's cornerstone. By Christopher Hawthorne – Renzo Piano; Marmol Radziner; Jennifer Siegal; Ray Kappe; Gehry; Neutra; Koenig; AC Martin; Moneo; etc. \[slide show\]-](#) Los Angeles Times

[125th Anniversary Special Home Section: A History of Paradise: What were they thinking? Urban sprawl is an L.A. concept. We should've trademarked it; Vanishing points: Even though preservationists have been busy since 1894, the city tends to let go of its past, etc.](#)- Los Angeles Times

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