

Today's News - July 27, 2006

Sadly, Miami loses a master by his own choice. – Three U.S. cities in the running for 2016 Summer Games. – Shortlist for Denver's Still museum will get shorter. – Big Kansas City downtown redevelopment finally breaks ground. – A look at how British developers use the cachet of starchitects "to broaden the appeal of their forthcoming attractions to planners and purchasers." – For one U.K. museum project, the big name just didn't help make the funding cut. – A foundation that funds "green" walks the talk. – A Chicago firm that uses technology and sustainability "to create buildings of startling humanity and variety." – A '97 Chicago tower designed to go higher - does. – Edifice wrecks: Chicago updates its "roster of uncomeliness" (some architects named). – Rybczynski weighs in on what Gehry flick "does and doesn't say about the famous architect." – As two iconic Disney hotels undergo transformation, a nostalgic behind-the-scenes look at what went into Graves's Swan and Dolphin. – News of next RIBA president plays out in the political pages. – BBC's Restoration starts a new season sets out to save a rural building at risk. – A "petting zoo" of materials with some surprising sources. – A new book looks at how Bangalore became the garden city is "a surprising blend of history, landscape architecture and culture."

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[Obituary: Charles Harrison Pawley, 73, Designed Little Haiti landmark](#)[Caribbean Marketplace](#)- Miami Herald

[3 U.S. Cities Vie for 2016 Summer Games: Chicago will vie with two other iconic American cities -- San Francisco and Los Angeles...USOC eliminated Houston and Philadelphia from the running \(AP\)](#)- New York Times

[5 vie to design Clyfford Still Museum: ...will meet with representatives of the firms Sept. 12-13 and then pick three finalists...final choice is set for Nov. 8. By Kyle MacMillan -- Allied Works Architecture; David Chipperfield; Diller Scofidio + Renfro; Ohlhausen DuBois Architects; SANAA](#)- Denver Post

[Power & Light District: Future comes into focus...construction starts on 450,000 square feet of retail and condos, and theater restoration...\\$800 million downtown redevelopment... -- Beyer Blinder Belle; 360 Architecture; Booth Hansen; STK Architecture; Helix Architecture + Design; Young & Dring \[slide show, video\]](#)- Kansas City Star

[I'm a celebrity, get me into there... if you want to sell your building: It is refreshing that star architects are designing an increasing number of homes, but are they being too clever for their own good? -- Farrell; Foster; Rogers; Gehry; Koolhaas; Piano; Skidmore Owings & Merrill; MAKE](#)- Telegraph (UK)

[Heritage Lottery Fund turns down Mary Rose museum bid...did not consider the project was currently in a position to deliver "a world-class museum" -- Wilkinson Eyre](#)- 24dash.com (UK)

[Kresge Foundation's Not-So-Little House on Prairie Shows How to Go Green: ...unassuming presence belies the powerful statement its new headquarters makes: that we don't have to retreat to caves to reduce our impact on the environment. By James S. Russell -- Valerio Dewalt Train Associates; Farr Associates](#)- Bloomberg News

[Behind the Curtain: In Chicago, America's greatest architecture city, Studio Gang is using technology to reinvent the process of building...melding digital tools, new methods of construction, and a sophisticated logic of sustainability to create buildings of startling humanity and variety. By Andrew Blum \[images\]](#)- DigitAll magazine

[24 more stories coming to Blue Cross building: ...existing 33-story building...built it in 1997...\[with\] ability to add to the top...the skyscraper will reach its designed height of 57 stories upon completion in 2010. -- Goettsch Partners](#)- Chicago Tribune

[Edifice wrecks: Two years after...a list of the Loop's ugliest buildings, we now update that roster of uncomeliness... By Blair Kamin and Patrick T. Reardon](#)- Chicago Tribune

[Frank Gehry on Film: What a new documentary does and doesn't say about the famous architect. By Witold Rybczynski](#)- Slate

[Understanding the Swan and Dolphin: ...five-year makeover...there will be few mourners of the attempt of Michael Graves to capture the Disney spirit... the story disappeared almost 15 years ago when neither cast members nor guests understood nor appreciated this postmodern story that was the beginning of Eisner's entertainment architecture legacy.](#)- MousePlanet



[BNP member fails in RIBA presidency bid: The vote was won by Sunand Prasad, who will become the first Asian to head up the institute.](#)- Guardian (UK)

[An idea built on wobbly foundations? As a BBC programme \[Restoration\] sets out to save a rural building at risk, Ellis Woodman questions the underlying concept, while Richard Dorment casts an early vote...Watts Gallery \(1904\)...the only purpose-built art gallery devoted to a single artist.](#)- Telegraph (UK)

[Material World: Need a new polymer \(or glass, metal, or fiber\)? Material ConneXion is a petting zoo for the latest, greatest resources known to humans](#)- DigitAll magazine

[Book review: Birth of a city: urges readers to look at how Bangalore became the 'Garden City'. "Deccan Traverses: The Making of Bangalore's Terrain" by Anuradha Mathur and Dilip da Cunha...a surprising blend of history, landscape architecture and culture...](#)- The Hindu (India)

["G" is for Genome \(and Green\): Terrence Donnelly Center for Cellular and Biomolecular Research: A new campus building is a symbolic and physical bridge between an academic community the city -- architectsAlliance; Behnisch Architekten \[images\]](#)- ArchNewsNow

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- [-- Competition winner: LAB architecture studio, Newcastle Region Art Gallery, Newcastle, NSW Australia](#)
 - [-- Schwartz/Silver Architects: Shaw Center for the Arts, Baton Rouge, Louisiana](#)

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