

Today's News - August 7, 2006

ArcSpace takes to Essen where Koolhaas does coal and SANAA does a school. – Environment - and the bottom line - spurs on green building. – Global mindset needed to combat climate change. – Seattle mayor brings Kyoto to the backyard to stem city sprawl. – What urban developers call "smart growth," others call "vertical sprawl." – Farrelly asks why, after six years, Sydney's Olympic Park remains a white elephant mired in rhetoric. – Does Melbourne need another icon? – NYC's Center for Architecture shows off 52 cultural projects worth \$2.8 billion - can the city support so much? (Yes, if the buildings "have a purpose other than satisfying some kind of edifice complex.") – The Louvre recalls Pei for a "drastic rethink" of his glass pyramid. – Is new "modern" architecture progressive or too "image-oriented" and showy? – St. Paul, MN, is "on a weird architectural diet that allows anything to be built so long as it's free of inspiration." – Nashville is buying into contemporary architecture. – Because of less bureaucracy, German architect for South Africa's 2010 World Cup stadiums says there's enough time. – Ando brings "unusual beauty" to the Berkshires. – Toronto Reference Library renovation is a Moriyma family affair. – Restoration of a Chicago Art Deco tower brings back its "jaw-dropping, Jazz Age drama." – Hope in sight for Kahn's Trenton Bath House. – Dunlop offers an eloquent appreciation for Charles Harrison Pawley.

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[Combating Climate Change Requires a Global Mindset. By Roger K. Lewis- Washington Post](#)

[Seattle's Green Mayor Brings Kyoto to the Backyard: Greg Nickels is proposing a host of "green" initiatives, like urging Seattle dwellers to build rental units in their backyards to stem city sprawl and get people to live closer to downtown...meter readers ride electric motor Segways... \(Reuters\)- Environmental News Network](#)

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