

Today's News - February 2, 2007

In their own words: how Gehry, Hadid, Nouvel, and Ando envision their cultural venues in Abu Dhabi. -- Boddy outlines what Vancouver can learn from Seattle. -- Debunking myths about sprawl and our car-happy culture. -- Inner-ring suburbs push for renewal. -- A raft of new ideas floated for L.A. River. -- Copycat claim for a Dutch project, praise for Perth sorta-look-alike. -- Q&A with Tigerman: urges architects to do good and build green. -- Yale wants to be the greenest (it rated B+ in sustainability report we posted yesterday). -- Gehry's mega-project in Utah (this time with images). -- University of California, Irvine tears its Gehry down. -- A critic changes his mind about new courthouse in North Carolina. -- And yet another thumbs-up for Libeskind's adventure in Denver. -- Quebec Order of Architects names 30 finalists for Architecture Awards of Excellence (and you can vote for your fave). -- Impressive long list vying for 2007 Gulbenkian Prize. -- Weekend diversions: Ouroussoff offers high praise for Robert Moses exhibitions. -- "The Green House" proves sustainability doesn't mean one has to live "in a contraption of tubes and tanks, or a yurt."

  

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[In Their Own Words: Abu Dhabi Cultural District: How Gehry, Hadid, Nouvel, and Ando envision their cultural venues on Saadiyat Island. \[images\]](#)- ArchNewsNow

[Seattle exerts a little peer pressure: In examining Seattle's Belltown and its newly-opened Olympic Sculpture Park...there are ways to achieve medium-density downtown living other than with Vancouver's relentless formula of skinny condo towers on townhouse bases. By Trevor Boddy -- Weiss/Manfredi](#)- Globe and Mail (Canada)

[5 Myths About Suburbia and Our Car-Happy Culture: ...suburban sprawl and automobiles are rapidly acquiring a reputation as scourges of modern American society...anti-suburbs culture has fostered many myths about sprawl and driving, a few of which deserve to be reconsidered. By Ted Balaker and Sam Staley](#)- Washington Post

[Aging Areas Around Cities Push Suburban Renewal: Their plight has attracted the interest of scholars and even earned them a name: inner-ring or first suburbs...](#)- Wall Street Journal

[Costly L.A. River plan contains a raft of new ideas: Proposed \\$2-billion makeover of the ugly concrete waterway calls for a string of parks, housing and offices. \[slide show\]](#)- Los Angeles Times

[Architects cry copycat over Federation Square: "All architects are influenced by other architects ... but this project in Holland is a little bit too close for comfort"...more complimentary about the Perth Arena project... -- Lab Architecture: Ashton Raggatt McDougall; Cameron Chisholm & Nicol](#)- The Age (Australia)

[Tigerman Urges Architects to Consider Doing Good and Building Green: Q&A about how architects can embrace social causes and sustainable design to shore up the profession's moral foundation. -- Tigerman McCurry Architects](#)- Architectural Record

['A Big Difference': Yale President Richard Levin explains his plan to make his university the greenest in the United States.](#)- Newsweek

[Proposed Frank Gehry-designed megaproject will include tallest building in Utah: ...85-acre development will be a multi-billion-dollar project... \[images\]](#)- Deseret News (Utah)

[UC Irvine destroys Frank Gehry building: ... officials said it was never intended to be permanent and was falling apart...Architecture and art history experts condemned the razing. \(AP\) \[image\]](#)- San Diego Union-Tribune

[Guilty of distinction: Bright light and classical touches deliver a welcoming and stately look to new Mecklenburg County Courthouse...I haven't been a fan...I've changed my mind. -- KMW Architects; SchenkelShultz Architecture; HDR \[slide show\]](#)- Charlotte Observer

[Art is off to new heights in the Mile-High City: The recently completed expansion of the Denver Art Museum is pointedly different -- and entirely exciting. -- Daniel Libeskind](#)- Christian Science Monitor

[Quebec Order of Architects unveils 30 finalists in the 24th edition of the Architecture Awards of Excellence \[pdf, images\]](#)- Quebec Order of Architects (OAQ)

[Long list announced for UK's £100,000 2007 Gulbenkian Prize for museums and galleries](#)- Gulbenkian Prize

[Complex, Contradictory Robert Moses: This sweeping, scholarly exhibition that breathes fresh air into one of the most tired, overworked and misunderstood subjects in the city's history. By Nicolai Ouroussoff \[slide show\]](#)- New York Times

[Book review: Homes both handsome and healthy: "The Green House: New Directions in Sustainable Architecture" by Alanna Stang and Christopher Hawthorne...for those who still think "sustainability" means living in a contraption of tubes and tanks, or a yurt, this book shows just how convenient \(and classy\) green living can be. -- Brian MacKay-Lyons; John Petrarca; Michelle Kaufmann](#)- Globe and Mail (Canada)

[Curtain Up: Billy Wilder Theater at UCLA Hammer Museum: Los Angeles has a new cultural "living room." -- Michael Maltzan Architecture \[images\]](#)- ArchNewsNow

[Exhibition: Museums in the 21st Century: Concepts Projects Buildings, Lentos Kunstmuseum Linz, Linz, Austria -- Diller Scofidio + Renfro; Spacelab Peter Cook/Colin Fournier; Anamorphosis Architects; Fumihiko Maki; Cloepfil/Allied Works Architecture;](#)

[Zaha Hadid; Shigeru Ban/Jean de Gastines; Gehry Partners; Rafael Viñoly; Jun Aoki; Renzo Piano; Tadao Ando; Mario Botta; etc.](#)

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