

Today's News - March 1, 2007

Rybczynski revisits Seaside 25 years later and finds its influence "both profound and trivial." – London wants to be the greenest city on earth. – Meanwhile, an olympic leap in London's Olympic budget (and hopes to control public relations damage). – Vancouver's Olympic Village will become an "environmentally sustainable community." – Could the UAE's construction industry be next in line for a green makeover? – A "luxury" labor camp in Dubai (and more to follow - does this signal a new real estate niche?). – The first national monument to slavery slated for Philadelphia's Independence Mall. – A "showdown" looms over Toronto's waterfront regeneration. – Green.O. LA: a prototype to showcase affordable, environmentally friendly housing in New Orleans. – Affordable housing in Chicago is a "stigma smasher." – A first look at BBC's waterfront Media City in Salford. – America's favorite architecture picks should be a wake-up call to AIA for "stacking the deck against the public's tastes." – A Glasgow firm goes co-op. – British Council for Offices conference lands in New York in May. – Structures for Inclusion 7 conference to include design/build solutions to disaster relief.

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[Seaside Revisited: A model town, 25 years later: ...the influence of Seaside has been both profound and trivial: higher density, more walkability, more porches and towers—and many more cute picket fences. By Witold Rybczynski -- Duany Plater-Zyberk; Deborah Burke; Robert A. M. Stern; Steven Holl; Machado & Silvetti; WRT/Solomon \[slide show essay\]- Slate](#)

[How to save £300... and the world: The new Climate Change Action Plan aims to make London the greenest city in the world...- This is London \(UK\)](#)

[Olympics bill leaps to £10bn- This is London \(UK\)](#)

[Builders get sneak peek at Olympic Village plan: ...False Creek village will become Millennium Water, a 1,100-unit...condominium development embodying the City of Vancouver's long-held desire to create an environmentally sustainable community... -- Roger Bayley/Merrick Architecture; Arthur Erickson/Nick Milkovich; Stuart Lyon/GBL Architects; Walter Frank\]- Vancouver Sun](#)

[Developing the environment: Could the UAE's construction industry be next in line for a green makeover?...Once we have a really prominent example of how a green building is saving its owner money, many more developers will hopefully follow.- ArabianBusiness.com](#)

[Dubai opens first 'luxury' labour camp: Eventually, the residential area will include restaurants, groceries, banks, medical centres, cinemas and other retail services. When completed, the city will spread across a total land area of 14 million sq.ft., and have 87,500 beds.- ArabianBusiness.com](#)

[Designer chosen for national monument: ...\\$5.2 million President's House memorial \[on Independence Mall\]...will mark the first national commemoration of slaves. -- Kelly/Maiello Architects & Planners \[image\]- Philadelphia Inquirer](#)

[Drama looms down by the lake: A showdown is looming on the waterfront...No one can say how it will end, but already there are deep concerns about whether waterfront regeneration will live up to expectations. By Christopher Hume -- Diamond and Schmitt Architects- Toronto Star](#)

[N.Y. Architects Go Green in Rebuilding New Orleans's Ninth Ward: Green.O. LA...will be a prototype community...to showcase affordable, environmentally friendly housing to developers seeking to rebuild New Orleans and the Gulf Coast. -- workshop/apd; Global Green- New York Sun](#)

[Architect gives twist to affordable housing: Star designer makes his mark on the fringes of Cabrini-Green..."intended to be a stigma smasher"... By Blair Kamin -- Helmut Jahn- Chicago Tribune](#)

[First view of the BBC Media City: ...three buildings at Quays Point include over 46,000 square metres of office and retail space, plus residential apartments. -- Wilkinson Eyre \[image, link\]- Manchester Evening News \(UK\)](#)

[America's favorite architecture: I would say that modern architecture fared far better than it had any right to expect...Since the AIA has worked for decades to thwart the return of traditional design to contemporary American architecture — stacking the deck against the public's tastes — it's about time its members started listening. By David Brussat- Providence Journal \(Rhode Island\)](#)

[Architect's design on staff co-op: A Glasgow architect who has spent a decade building an award-winning firm is to give his 15 employees an equal share in the business. -- Chris Stewart Architects; Collective Architecture \[slide show\]- BBC News](#)

[British Council for Offices Annual Conference: "World Class Spaces for World Class Cities" in New York City May 2-4- British Council for Offices \(BCO\)](#)

[Conference: Structures for Inclusion 7: "High Impact: Positive Change Through Design/Build" at University of North Carolina Charlotte April 13-15- Design Corps](#)

[Urban Oasis: Gardner 1050: Simple forms and refined materials add high style to a speculative urban infill housing project. -- Lorcan O'Herlihy Architects \(LOHA\)- ArchNewsNow](#)

[Herzog & de Meuron: Forum, Barcelona, Spain](#)

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