

Today's News - Thursday, June 14, 2007

A shortage of architects in Scotland (they're all heading to London). – Extending conservation areas in Wales, but will there be "joy" in new architecture? – A home of the future in Ireland. – Starck takes on the "barbarians." – Second-guessers might threaten a master's design. – Philadelphia museum's facelift (fabulous slide show, too). – Hume picks 7 wonders of Canada. – Vote to save Stonehenge. – Scotland's best contemporary buildings (in two parts). – Madrid by design. – The first review we've seen of Lisbon Architectural Triennale. – Burj Dubai on view in NYC and why the city is keeping a low profile. – Spanish design wows them in Shanghai and Beijing. – "Bathing Beauties" takes a bow.

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[Scotland loses out as architects go for gold at London Olympics: ...the country that has traditionally produced a stream of world-renowned architects is now suffering a severe shortage in one of its most revered professions.](#)- The Scotsman (UK)

[Where do solar cells fit on a Victorian building? Councils are extending some conservation area boundaries to give themselves more control over appearances..."Current needs and expectations have to include environmentally responsible design, but there must also be joy."](#)- icWales

[The time is now for Irish firm's home of the future: ...zero-carbon "Lighthouse" on the BRE \(Building Research Establishment\) plot in Watford...built to show that advanced sustainable homes can be constructed by and for most people.](#) – Sheppard Robson
Irish Times

[Designer Starck wants to fight the "barbarians":...thinks design is less important now than taking on the "barbarians" -- those not helping to care for the environment.](#)- Reuters

[It's pretty late to be changing TCC design: But Ed Bass says proposed sunken plaza needs a second look...challenging the design of a key part of the new Tarrant County College campus...Even adjustments that seem minor to outsiders could undermine the power of the design, which would be a steep price to appease the second-guessers.](#) – Bing Thom- Fort Worth Star-Telegram (Texas)

[Philadelphia Museum of Art gets a facelift: ...spending \\$31 million... to seal and restore its enormous limestone-clad 1920s temple...](#) – Frank Gehry; Vitetta Group [slide show]- Philadelphia Inquirer

[Group seeks to return Wright stuff to seven Milwaukee properties: Frank Lloyd Wright Wisconsin hopes to... inspire others to renovate the four remaining structures and motivate architects to design housing for the disadvantaged.](#)- Guelph Mercury (Canada)

[7 wonders of Canada: It's not the land that has made our country what it is ... it's the way we've shaped it and the things we've built on it...](#) By Christopher Hume- Toronto Star

[Vote now to save Stonehenge! ...a global contest is currently under way to select seven "new" wonders of the world...latest results reveal the famous landmark languishing in the bottom 10 - alongside the Sydney Opera House and the Statue of Liberty.](#)- Guardian (UK)

[The Scotsman recommends: Best contemporary buildings: Who says all 1960s buildings are ugly? -- George Pearce/Scottish Office; Gillespie, Kidd & Coia; RMJM; Richard Murphy Architects-](#) The Scotsman (UK)

[The Scotsman recommends: Best contemporary buildings part deux: The horrendous bill and thought of what talents like Frank Gehry or Zaha Hadid could have made with £430 million...](#) – EMBT/Enric Miralles/Benedetta Tagliabue/RMJM; Gehry; Malcolm Fraser; Gordon Murray + Alan Dunlop Architects; Gokay Deveci [links]- The Scotsman (UK)

[Madrid Sports Sleek Designs at Airport, Hotels, Museum Wings -- Richard Rogers; Jean Nouvel; Zaha Hadid; Rafael Moneo \[links\]-](#) Bloomberg News

[Lisbon ideas fest concentrates on filling in urban gaps: Ireland is putting on an impressive show at the first Lisbon Architectural Triennale. By Frank McDonald -- Siza; Calatrava; O'Donnell + Tuomey; McCullough Mulvin; FKL; A2; Boyd Cody; Tom de Paor; McGarry Ni Eanaigh-](#) Irish Times

[High anxiety: As Dubai rushes to complete the tallest skyscraper on earth, New York is keeping a low profile. Why? "World's Tallest Building: Burj Dubai" at the Skyscraper Museum through the end of August.](#) -- Skidmore, Owings & Merrill (SOM)- Time Out New York

[100 percent design 300 percent Spanish: ...new exhibition...amply demonstrate the flair that has made Barcelona and the rest of the Iberian nation one of the design capitals of the world..."300 percent Spanish Design" at the Shanghai Art Museum through July 9-](#) Shanghai Daily

[Importance of getting Gaudi and gorgeous: ...Spain's most eccentric architect..."Cosmos Gaudi: Architecture, Geometry and Design," is now running at the Capital Museum in Beijing until August 2.](#) - China View

[The Hub: National Centre for Craft & Design, UK, presents "Bathing Beauties"...](#)international exhibition of over 100 scale models designed by artists and architects which re-imagine the British beach hut...[June 15 - September 2](#)- Bathing Beauties (UK)

[Designing Public Consensus: A Conversation with Barbara Faga, FASLA -- EDAW-](#)ArchNewsNow



-- [Peter Zumthor: Brother Claus Field Chapel, Mechemich, Germany](#)

-- [3XNielsen: Concert Hall, Tivoli Gardens, Copenhagen](#)

-- [Polshek Partnership Architects: William J. Clinton Presidential Center, Little Rock, Arkansas](#)

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