

Today's News - Thursday, September 6, 2007

Hume calls for adding the pleasure principle to environmental regulations and planning rules. -- BBC wimps out on climate special (it's not their job to save the planet). -- A facelift planned for Brussels' European quarter (design competition info not yet available). -- Elephant & Castle tower and theatre by Rogers gets the green light. -- Scottish Ballet looking for last £1 million for a new home in Glasgow. -- Office building transformed into light-filled expansion for Philadelphia Museum. -- Cornell's Milstein Hall faces more challenges. -- Gould has glowing words for Predock's Indian Community School in Wisconsin. -- Rural Studio creates an unusual animal shelter for Hale County. -- Hard Rock Hotel Las Vegas bets big bucks to update its party image for the rich. -- Trump writ large is too large for Jones Beach historic park. -- Finally: complete list of Aga Khan Award winners (and link to lots of great pix!). -- National Building Museum to honor Gehry with Turner Prize for Innovation in Construction Technology. -- A big shortage in construction professionals in the U.K. and the U.S., and two programs trying to stem a potential crisis. -- International Design Management Conference coming up in Virginia explores the changing role of design and design management. -- The mystery of Alsop's missing wind turbine.

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[Pleasure at the heart of a city: Embracing gratification in urban affairs might just be the way out of our civic doldrums...what if we framed, say, transportation policy, environmental regulations or planning rules on the basis of pleasure? By Christopher Hume](#)- Toronto Star

[BBC switches off climate special: ...has scrapped plans for Planet Relief..."It is absolutely not the BBC's job to save the planet"....](#)- BBC News

[EU promises 'facelift' for Brussels' European quarter: ...design of the new buildings on Rue de la Loi will be subject to an international architecture competition...Date as yet unspecified](#)- EurActiv

[Green light for Elephant & Castle tower and theatre: ...a 44-storey tower on the site of the London Park Hotel to provide 470 new homes and a permanent base for Southwark Playhouse. -- Rogers Stirk Harbour + Partners \[images\]](#)- London SE1

[Stepping out in search of £1m...for a new home for Scottish Ballet, to be built as an addition to the redeveloped site \[Tramway\] in the south side of Glasgow, which is primarily now known as a visual arts and concert venue. -- Malcolm Fraser Architects-](#) The Herald (UK)

[The Philadelphia Museum Expands Into a Landmark: Ruth and Raymond G. Perelman Building... \\$90 million addition, in the former headquarters of the Fidelity Mutual Life Insurance Company...a light-filled central space with offshoots of galleries. -- Gluckman Mayner Architects-](#) New York Times

[Echoes from the Wall: Deconstructing Milstein: A stalled building project, high-profile departures and internecine conflict leave Cornell's top-ranked College of Architecture, Art and Planning in a state of disarray. The College faces a wide range of complex issues... -- Mohsen Mostafavi; Koolhaas/Office of Metropolitan Architecture \(OMA\)-](#) Cornell Daily Sun

[Honoring ancestry, landscape: ...new Indian Community School is an eye-popping departure from its modest, hemmed-in predecessor...full of beguiling surprises...The architecture itself offers lessons in the skillful use of metaphor, honesty in materials and sensitivity to site. By Whitney Gould -- Antoine Predock \[images\]](#)- Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

[Rural Studio brings animal shelter to Hale County: The most striking part about the facility...is its massive size and unusual shape. -- Andrew Freear, Joe Faruggia/GFGR Architects-](#) Demopolis Times (Alabama)

[Party Central, for a Richer Crowd: The Hard Rock Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas is expected to emerge from a \\$750 million renovation with its party image intact but with a more upscale clientele. -- Zeff Design \[images\]](#)- New York Times

[A Catering Hall With a Big-Name Owner: Officials who have seen the architect's latest rendering for Donald J. Trump's project at Jones Beach say it breaks the rules for a building in the historic park. -- Hawkins Webb Jaeger \[images\]](#)- New York Times

[Nine projects Receive 2007 Aga Khan Award for Architecture -- Foster + Partners/GDP Architects; Vladimir Djurovic; Laurent Séchaud; Selma Al-Radi/Yahya Al-Nasiri; Wong Mun Summ/Richard Hassell/WOHA Architects; Dick van Gameren/Bjame Mastenbroek/ABBA Architects; Anna Heringer /Eike Roswag \[link to images\]](#)- Aga Khan Development Network

[National Building Museum Awards Gehry Firms: annual Henry C. Turner Prize for Innovation in Construction Technology awards ceremony will be held October 3,-](#) Interior Design Newswire

[20,000 construction jobs remain unfilled: Shortage of graduates and unscrupulous recruitment agencies is also hitting the industry says new report-](#) Building (UK)

[ACE Mentor Program Launches National Initiative to Introduce Students to Careers in Architecture, Construction and Engineering: Created to address the growing need for](#)

[skilled professionals...a shortage that could become a crisis if current trends continue...- BusinessWire](#)

[Hurricane builders: How can 500 years of English craftsmanship help reconstruct the devastated city of New Orleans? -- Prince's Foundation for the Built Environment-Guardian \(UK\)](#)

[32nd International Design Management Conference: Thinking Ahead > The Changing Role of Design and Design Management in Business; Williamsburg, Virginia, September 23-26- Design Management Institute \(DMI\)](#)

[The Palestra wind turbine mystery: Eight months after the much-vaunted wind turbines were temporarily removed from the roof of Palestra in Blackfriars Road, confusion surrounds the reasons for the removal of the devices. -- Will Alsop- London SE1](#)

[INSIGHT: The Cultural and Environmental Differences of Global Project Types: As the world's economy becomes more global, western developers, designers, and engineers must keep developing innovative ideas for efficiency improvement if they want to keep ahead. By Reg Monteyne, P.E., and Gary H. Pomerantz, P.E./Flack + Kurtz \[images\]- ArchNewsNow](#)

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