

Today's News - Thursday, October 4, 2007

We lose Muschamp much too soon: "Has anyone else stirred up so much heated passion about cold bricks?" – Rybczynski on anti-icon architecture "that succeeds without showing off." – King on a tower tussle in San Francisco where the "outcome will show whether good architecture can survive neighborhood politics." – Bayley finds St. Martin-in-the-Fields' makeover "a vast and sensitive job handled with great tact." – Adjaye's Rivington Place ready for its close-up. – RMJM's bid for Glasgow 2014 Commonwealth Games is nothing if not ambitious. – Farrelly muses on Sydney Architecture Festival, and offers high praise for a 15-year-old who took on the federal Environment Minister. – ASLA launching program to lead landscapes to LEED. – A counterterrorism expert offers advice on how to approach urban design and building security. – After 16 years, NYC's African Burial Ground National Monument is ready to open. – Jeff Speck and Barbara Faga share war stories of design democracy in action. – A photographic archive sets out to capture every listed building in the U.K. – Huxtable is eloquent as ever about MoMA's new direction and the Soviet Modernist Architecture show that is "charged with a poignant sense of loss." – Kojima and Akamatsu cultivate architecture at a show in Tokyo. – A photographic archive sets out to capture every listed building in the U.K. – Good reasons to be in NYC, New Zealand, and Dubai over the next few weeks: Open-houseNewYork and Architecture Days New York City; Architecture Week Auckland '07; and World Architecture Congress and Cityscape/Architectural Review Awards in Dubai.

EDITOR'S NOTE: We will be posting from San Francisco for the next few issues, so newsletter will be arriving later than usual.

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[Obituary: Herbert Muschamp, 1947–2007: To many, his views were inflammatory, even dangerous to architecture. "Whoopee," he might have said. Has anyone else stirred up so much heated passion about cold bricks? By Julie Iovine](#)- The Architect's Newspaper (NYC)

[Herbert Muschamp, Architecture Critic, 59: ...wildly ranging, often deeply personal reviews made him one of the most influential architecture critics of his generation... By Nicolai Ouroussoff](#)- New York Times

[In Praise of the Anti-Icon: Architecture that succeeds without showing off. By Witold Rybczynski -- Gehry; Holl; Libeskind; Cloepfil/Allied Works; Foster & Partners; Venturi Scott Brown; Hammond, Beeby & Babka; William Rawn; Tadao Ando; Renzo Piano; Ian Ritchie; Diamond & Schmitt \[slide show essay\]](#)- Slate

[City College of San Francisco, Hilton tussle over proposed tower: The outcome will show whether good architecture can survive neighborhood politics. It's by no means a sure thing. By John King -- Heller Manus Architects; EHDD/Barcelon + Jang \[image\]](#)- San Francisco Chronicle

[A second coming for St Martin-in-the-Fields: After a six-month 'renewal', Trafalgar Square's most striking building is now even more breathtaking...a vast and sensitive job handled with great tact. By Stephen Bayley -- James Gibbs \(1720s\); Eric Parry Architects](#)- Guardian (UK)

[David Adjaye unveils his first visual arts building: Rivington Place is the first public gallery to be opened in London for 40 years \[images\]](#)- Building (UK)

[RMJM designs ambitious athletes village for the Glasgow 2014 Commonwealth Games bid: ...promotes the regeneration and re-use of a brownfield site... \[images\]](#)- Archiseek (Scotland)

[Young citizen canes Turnbull on climate: Monday was...World Architecture Day, with a cheery climate change theme, and the inaugural Sydney Architecture Festival...The day our federal Environment Minister told a worried 15-year-old to "be more upbeat and optimistic" about climate change. By Elizabeth Farrelly -- Alastair Wadlow/Planet Patrol](#)- Sydney Morning Herald

[How Green Are Your Gardens? A new project to create a rating system for sustainable landscape design could...encourage colleges and others to adopt more sustainable approaches...Sustainable Sites Initiative... -- American Society of Landscape Architects \(ASLA\)](#)- The Chronicle of Higher Education

[Global Terrorism, Domestic Security: Balancing Urban Design and Public Safety: Counterterrorism expert and former NYPD Deputy Commissioner Michael Sheehan advises building owners, architects, and design professionals on how to approach urban design and building security. By Barbara A. Nadel, FAIA](#)- Buildings.com

[Nameless Are Memorialized at Old African Burial Site: African Burial Ground National Monument will open on Friday to honor the place where the remains of over 400 enslaved and free Africans were found in Lower Manhattan. -- Rodney Léon/Aarris Architects \[image\]](#)- New York Times

[Secretary to the Mob: Public-outreach specialist Barbara Faga \[of EDWA\] really can't complain about the growing democratization of design...Jeff Speck caught up with Faga in her Atlanta office to share war stories of design democracy in action.](#)- Metropolis Magazine

[View images of English heritage online: A photographic archive compiled by 2,000 volunteers, has set out to capture every listed building and structure in the country. \[links\]](#)- Guardian (UK)

[Soviet Modernist Architecture Is Rediscovered at MoMA: "The Lost Vanguard: Soviet Modernist Architecture, 1922-32"...Richard Pare has produced an unforgettable set of](#)

[images charged with a poignant sense of loss... By Ada Louise Huxtable -- Le Corbusier; Melnikov; Kurochkin; Serafimov; Felger; Kravets; Mendelsohn; Golosov; Shukhov; etc. \[slide show\]- Wall Street Journal](#)

[Cultivating Architecture: "Kazuhiro Kojima and Kazuko Akamatsu / CA: Cultivate" at Gallery MA...in each of these projects the sites are vast, blank slates that give the designer a paralyzing degree of freedom. By Thomas Daniell \[images\]- Artscape \(Japan\)](#)

[5th Annual OpenHouseNewYork Weekend, October 6 & 7: OHNY Event Guide to over 300 sites and programs- OpenHouseNewYork](#)

[Architecture Days New York City October 8-14- Architectural Digest](#)

[Architecture Week Auckland 07: Bloxes: \[Box + Blob\] = Mass Urban Contour: Architecture's role in a design-led city: October 15-19- Architecture Week Auckland](#)

[World Architecture Congress @ Cityscape Dubai + Cityscape/Architectural Review Awards October 16-18- Cityscape Dubai](#)



[-- kk Letter: Three days in Barcelona: Miralles/Tagliabue/EMBT; Arata Isozaki; Jean Nouvel; Herzog & de Meuron; Gaudi](#)

[-- Design Hotel: Hotel Omm, Barcelona -- Juli Capella; Sandra Tarruella/Isabel López; Beth Figueras](#)

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