

Today's News - Wednesday, November 28, 2007

Heathcote on Asian skylines: "It is unsustainable, it can be...For now, perhaps, all we can do is marvel." – An in-depth look at Liverpool's renaissance as it readies to be European Capital of Culture (and the "staggering" ambition of Liverpool One). – It will also have an expanded Beatles museum. – It's a continuing struggle for a Massachusetts city that was a poster child for urban renewal. – A call for Halifax to give up its obsession with short, ugly, red-brick buildings. – Canadian investment in an environmental education center China had the best of intentions. – An eye-ful of Farrell's design for London's new aquarium. – 10 years and 3 plans later, it looks like U.N. renovation might finally get underway. – A 1,000-foot tower for Brooklyn? – Developer who flattened a listed Goldfinger ordered to rebuild. – A Norwegian professor minces no words about the "modernist apartheid" in architecture schools. – Kamin on Duany and Plater-Zyberk winning Driehaus Prize. – University of Notre Dame students see DPZ win "may reflect a strong relationship between classical architecture and urbanism." – A Norwegian professor minces no words about the "modernist apartheid" in architecture schools. – With few exceptions, São Paulo's architecture biennial is a bit blah. – Calls for entries: ASLA 2008 Awards; Green Good Design 2008 Awards; and American Architecture Awards 2008. – Rockefeller Center Christmas tree lighting tonight: how green it is (right down to being cut with a handheld saw)!

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[Cities on speed make icons of skylines: Asia's skylines have become the laboratories of architecture ...The mix of avant-garde architects...and of international and local commercial architects catching up...is producing some genuinely visionary and extraordinary structures that may change the way we look at buildings. By Edwin Heathcote -- Koolhaas/OMA; Steven Holl; Cesar Pelli; CY Lee; SOM; Kohn Pedersen Fox; RMJM; Ken Yeang; Foster + Partners; DLN Architects- Financial Times \(UK\)](#)

[The Liverpool renaissance: One of Britain's greatest cities has spent decades in the economic doldrums. Now as it prepares to take over as European Capital of Culture 2008, can Merseyside really get back to where she once belonged?- Independent \(UK\)](#)

[Cubit3d to design extension to Fab Four museum: ...The Beatles Story museum on Liverpool's Albert Docks will more than double in size...expected to open in time for European Capital of Culture 2008.- The Architects' Journal \(UK\)](#)

[A city's 'character' changed for good: Newburyport wasn't the first to shun the "federal bulldozer"... But by the mid-1970s, its story was so compelling, its turnaround so quick...it became the poster child for success...Officials from other cities came to learn the nuts and bolts of restoring a downtown.- Daily News of Newburyport \(Massachusetts\)](#)

[No more short, ugly buildings downtown, please: This vision, or lack of it, is disconcerting ...Halifax's fascination with low-rise, red-brick buildings...developers are concerned it might simply kill construction of any high-rise building without considering how the buildings look or what they do for the downtown. -- HRM by Design- The Chronicle-Herald \(Halifax\)](#)

[Arrested development: Museum latest example of Canada's difficulty in finding useful purposes for funds...\\$16-million Environmental Education Centre \[in Dalinor nature reserve\] that the Canadian government helped to build for China...originally intended to improve China's ability to manage its environment and protect its wildlife. -- AldrichPears Associates- Globe and Mail \(Canada\)](#)

[Terry Farrell reveals final London aquarium designs: £90m Biota! Aquarium in Silvertown Quays will be linked to nearby Thames Barrier Park by pedestrian bridge designed by Arup and Patel Taylor. \[images\]- Building \(UK\)](#)

[After 10 Years and 3 Plans, U.N. Renovation Is in Sight: A five-year, \\$1.876 billion renovation of the iconic United Nations complex is set to be approved by the General Assembly soon. -- Michael Adlerstein- New York Times](#)

[Proposed 1,000 foot skyscraper would be Brooklyn's tallest structure: City Tech Tower by Renzo Piano would...include a mix of residential, commercial and office space for New York City College of Technology. \[image\]- NY Daily News](#)

[Developer ordered to rebuild flattened Erno Goldfinger cottage: ...ordered to rebuild it to the architect's original design..."It's clear he doesn't have a love of post-war buildings." \[images\]- BD/Building Design \(UK\)](#)

[Am I just seeing things - or is the modernist apartheid regime still in place? ...majority of designers and architects that graduated from the modernist design schools in the past 50 years has been neither able nor willing to design in any of the other stylistic idioms... By Jan Michl, Oslos School of Architecture and Design- Jan Michl](#)

[Controversial urbanists win top architecture award: Andres Duany and Elizabeth Plater-Zyberk...named the winners of next year's Richard H. Driehaus Prize, which goes annually to a tradition-minded designer and now comes with \\$200,000 in prize money. By Blair Kamin- Chicago Tribune](#)

[The addition of Andres Duany & Elizabeth Plater-Zyberk to the Driehaus Prize laureates means that a majority – four of the seven recipients to date – have been strongly focused on urbanism...may reflect a strong relationship between classical architecture and urbanism.- Stressed Elements/University of Notre Dame](#)

[Biennial Blahs: São Paulo's International Biennial of Architecture suffers by](#)

[comparison to its Niemeyer-designed venue...the grandeur of his architecture spurs one to wonder: Why isn't this exhibition more architectural in form? -- HHF Architects/ZMIK design; Architekturbüro Deutschland; Christ & Gantenbein; Gustavo Penna; Urban Think Tank; Valerio Olgiati; Gion Caminada/Frank Havermans; feld72-](#)
The Architect's Newspaper (NYC)

[Call for Entries: 2008 ASLA Professional and Student Awards; registration deadlines: February 1 \(professionals\), May 9 \(students\)- American Society of Landscape Architects \(ASLA\)](#)

[Call for entries: Green Good Design 2008 honoring design innovation and pioneering achievements in Architecture/Urban Planning/Landscape Architecture; Product and Graphic Design; Corporations; Government; etc.; registration deadline: January 15, 2008-](#) Chicago Athenaeum/European Centre for Architecture, Art, Design and Urban Studies

[Call for entries: American Architecture Awards 2008; open to U.S. architects and architectural firms, and firms headquartered outside the U.S. with projects built, or to be built, in the U.S. deadline: February 1, 2008-](#) Chicago Athenaeum

[Rockefeller Center Tree Is Green, but Is It Green? ...will be lighted for 42 days and draw electricity from a new 363-panel solar energy roof...-](#) New York Times

[A Civic Gateway: Santa Monica Civic Center Parking Structure: The humble parking garage is humble no more with a bold design that makes it a sparkling destination point in itself - oh, it's LEED green, too. -- Moore Ruble Yudell Architects & Planners \[images\]-](#) ArchNewsNow



[-- Kyu Sung Woo Architects \(KSWA\): Nerman Museum of Contemporary Art, Overland Park, Kansas](#)

[-- Erick van Egeraat Associates: Federation Island, Russia](#)

[-- Will Bruder + Partners: Nevada Museum of Art, Reno, Nevada](#)

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