• For some U.S. architects the job axe is beginning to take its toll.
• An EU ruling puts part-time architecture education in question.
• Ouroussoff visits Buffalo and finds it "both pro-density and pro-history"; and its "historic revival so heartwarming" because it's "driven by genuine civic pride in the face of daunting odds."
• A project in Australia is turning a "rubbish dump into an eco research park, dedicated to sustainable housing" at two different ends of the housing market (prefab plays a big part).
• Dyckhoff visits Burj Dubai: "the world's tallest cloud buster" is really "a massive breakthrough in microdesign."
• Coop Himmelb(l)au's new L.A. arts high school holds its own against neighboring icons (graffiti? "I hope that the creativity is stronger than the destructive brain in the art student," says Prix.)
• King hopes San Francisco is serious about creating a vibrant civic space where the public can gather.
• Alsop et al. puts out "zany plans" for Coney Island (and pix to prove it).
• Colossus of Rhodes to be rebuilt, this time as giant light sculpture built, in part, out of melted-down weapons from around the world.
• A visit to Mexico City's Casa Luis Barragán - the only single building on UNESCO's World Heritage list.
• Pearlman visits an apartment overtaken by an alien substance: "hard, glittering, jagged, bright blue crystals."
• The first eco-friendly billboard is coming to Times Square (a good thing).
• St Mark's Square in Venice being taken over by giant billboards (a bad thing).
• Call for entries: Residential Architect International Design 09 Awards; and 2009 ARCHI-TECH AV Awards.
• Archiprix Turkey 2008 honors young architects.
Young architects shape landscape, city & space: Archiprix Turkey 2008 competition...students strive to unify the three guiding principles of architecture: Durability, utility and beauty...Ali Dur, an Istanbul Technical University student, is the winner with a project called Urban Station. - Hürriyet Daily News (Turkey)

-- Zaha Hadid Architects: Neil Barrett Store, Tokyo
-- Under construction: Herzog & de Meuron; 56 Leonard Street, New York, NY