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Isn't It Ironic?
The Museum of Modern Art plans to destroy Williams and Tsien's gem.

IN THIS ISSUE of RECORD, we explore works of architecture as urban catalysts—buildings that raise the stakes for design in their neighborhoods while successfully engaging the surrounding context.

So it was a brutal irony to learn, as we were closing the following pages, that the Museum of Modern Art in New York plans to demolish its next-door neighbor, the stunning former home of the American Folk Art Museum, designed by Tod Williams Billie Tsien Architects, the 2013 AIA Architecture Firm Award recipient.

Williams and Tsien's museum, which opened in 2001 (RECORD, May 2002), is the epitome of an urban catalyst: a beautiful and inventive jewel of a building that enriched its streetscape and the city when it opened in the dark days not long after the 9/11 attacks. Its modest scale (the 30,000-square-foot structure sits on a site just 40 feet wide) was humane, a reminder of the townhouses that once lined that Midtown Manhattan block. Its dazzling facade of pockmarked bronze-alloy panels was a tour de force of contemporary craftsmanship—an artwork that begged to be touched.

The story of the Folk Art Museum's fate is full of sad ironies, as I recently wrote on archrecord.com. The most obvious is that MoMA was the first museum to establish a department of architecture and design, and is now both judge and executioner of an acclaimed modern building by one of America's most distinguished practices.

When the small museum opened, MoMA, on its eastern edge, was in the throes of constructing a mammoth expansion, completed in 2004. Williams and Tsien had been invited to submit a design for the new MoMA (irony no. 2), but were beaten by the minimalist scheme of Yoshio Taniguchi. Another contender in that competition, Rem Koolhaas and his firm OMA, tweaked MoMA's expansionist ambitions by putting the words "MoMA, Inc." on their proposed plans (irony no. 3)—and, of course, OMA lost MoMA.

Unfortunately, the Folk Art Museum had overreached in creating a new facility, and in 2011 its board was forced to sell the building to meet debt obligations of nearly $32 million. MoMA was an eager buyer. (It got it for less than the price of a good Picasso!) Its director, Glenn Lowry, had once tried to swap the Folk Art Museum’s site for property that MoMA owned just west of it, to create a contiguous plot for the museum in the future, but the Folk Art folks turned the deal down (irony no. 4).

So when MoMA bought the Williams and Tsien museum last year, it was not adding a building to its collection so much as acquiring a coveted piece of real estate. MoMA has failed in its stewardship of a work of modern architecture at least once before: after the widow of Gordon Bunshaft bequeathed his East Hampton beach house to MoMA, the museum sold it to Martha Stewart, who gutted it and later sold the unfinished shell. It has since been demolished (irony no. 5).

At first, there was hopeful speculation that MoMA might keep the Williams and Tsien museum as a home for its department of architecture and design. But much bigger plans got in the way. MoMA had sold its last piece of land in 2007 to the Hines company (including that lot on the west side of the Folk Art site), where the developer will construct a skyscraper designed by Jean Nouvel. It will include galleries for MoMA. The museum maintains that the William and Tsien building can’t be adapted as a link between the current MoMA building and the Nouvel structure because of varying floor heights. In addition, according to the New York Times, MoMA officials said the opaque bronze facade is “not in keeping with the glass aesthetic of the rest of the museum.”

(We can’t help but wonder how that argument will sound when Nouvel’s macho-man behemoth is breathing down on MoMA’s smooth ladylike skin.)

MoMA's board chairman, Jerry I. Speyer, may not miss the Williams and Tsien museum as much as the rest of us because he gets to go home every night to one of their buildings, a Manhattan townhouse that he and his wife commissioned from the architects (irony no. 6).

If only the process that led to this decision had been as transparent as that glass aesthetic that MoMA loves. But it all took place behind closed boardroom doors, not unlike the controversial plans unveiled by the New York Public Library to radically alter part of its interior with a design from Foster + Partners.

Like the library, MoMA is in both the real-estate and the culture business. Yes, these are nonprofit institutions with heavy financial burdens in an era of ever-diminishing government support. But they—and their buildings—are part of the public realm. Whether we borrow books or look at art, we are citizens who support them, through our taxes and through tax relief. Not every significant building can remain standing in perpetuity—but decisions to destroy or alter key works of architecture should be made transparently and openly. And the voices of the public should be heard.

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Second Time Around: Will Scott Brown Get Her Pritzker?

BY WENDY MOONAN

As of April 15, 8,500 people had signed an online petition demanding that Denise Scott Brown be given a retroactive Pritzker Architecture Prize as the equal partner and collaborator of her husband, Robert Venturi, who won the prize in 1991. Scott Brown says she is “thrilled” about the petition, which was launched in March by two students at Harvard Graduate School of Design (GSD), Caroline James and Arielle Assouline-Lichten, a few weeks after they read that Scott Brown had told the Architects’ Journal in London that she deserved her own Pritzker. The petition was delivered to Martha Thorne, the executive director of the Pritzker Prize. In an interview, Scott Brown asked philosophically: “I am a prize loser, but which of the prize winners could have been the cause of a petition signed by more than 8,500 people?”

Should Scott Brown be given the prize retroactively? Those who signed the petition say an emphatic yes. So did several architects interviewed for this article. Traditionally, the Pritzker Prize has been awarded to only one person, almost always a man. Very few women have served as jurors. The Pritzker’s mission is “to honor a living architect whose built work demonstrates a combination of those (continued)

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—Phyllis Lambert in an April 3 interview in the New York Times about her book Building Seagram (Yale University Press), which was released last month

London’s New National Theatre Pop-Up Puts On a Show of Its Own

Designed by Denys Lasdun and Peter Softley in a Brutalist-Corbusian mash-up, London’s National Theatre opened in 1976 on the South Bank. Since April, a campus addition has turned commuters’ heads as they cross the Waterloo Bridge: British architecture firm Haworth Tompkins designed an enigmatic temporary venue clad in rough-sawn, red-painted wood, a nod to the theater’s board-formed concrete. Four chimneys protrude from the roof of the square, windowless volume and are key to its low-energy profile: they exploit the stack effect in order to naturally ventilate the 225-seat auditorium inside. The architects have been at work for five years on the National Theatre’s master plan. The steel-frame Shed, as the new venue is called, allows it to maintain three theaters while one, the Cottesloe, is closed for redevelopment for a year. “The theater is a really important building, and we can do things on a temporary basis that we could never do permanently,” says architect Paddy Dillon. “We can experiment, have fun, and explore. It’s been a real luxury.” Laura Raskin

Though the Shed will be razed in a year and most of the materials recycled, architect Paddy Dillon says it has become a prototype for future energy-efficient, “light-touch” buildings.

For the complete story, visit architecturalrecord.com/news.
qualities of talent, vision and commitment which has produced consistent and significant contributions to humanity and the built environment through the art of architecture." Of the 38 prizes awarded since 1979, only two women have won: Zaha Hadid in 2004 and Kazuyo Sejima in 2010, the latter with her partner, Ryue Nishizawa, of SANAA. The only other architects who have won as a partnership are Jacques Herzog and Pierre de Meuron. Last year the jury awarded the prize solely to Wang Shu, even though he works with his architect wife and partner, Lu Wenyu. (Wang has signed the petition.)

Clearly, the prize criteria are inconsistent, particularly at a time when more and more young architects are engaged in collaborative practices that no longer even go by the names of the principals. When Venturi accepted the prize, Scott Brown refused to attend the ceremony. Few members of the 1991 jury are still alive, and one of them, Lord Jacob Rothschild, refuses to be interviewed. Another, Kevin Roche, of Kevin Roche John Dinkeloo and Associates, is not at all contrite about his vote. "I was the one who proposed Bob and pushed him," Roche recalls. "It was more about his writing [referring to Complexity and Contrast in Architecture, Venturi's book from 1966] and thinking than about his actual work. Denise's name really never came up. At the time the ground rules were that the prize would be given to one person."

But times have changed. "The starchitect model is outmoded; there is not one lone genius handing down all the ideas in any practice," says Peggy Deamer, a New York architect who also teaches at the Yale School of Architecture. "There are many, many examples of partnerships where it's impossible to disengage one partner's work from the other."

The online petition could also be seen as a feminist fist pump, attempting to right a perceived wrong and show that women architects need to step out of the shadows of their male counterparts, whether married to them or not. In 2002, architect Beverly Willis established the Beverly Willis Architecture Foundation in New York to "expand knowledge about women's contribution to the built environment." "I worked my ass off for 35 years and finally realized that just because I was a woman, there was no way my legacy would ever be known," she says. "I want to get women architects into the history books and change the culture of architecture."

One former Pritzker juror said, "Don't discount the negative role that prickly personalities play." Most could not be reached.

Thorne responded via e-mail: "The Laureate is chosen annually by a panel of independent jurors. Those jurors change over the years so this presents us with an unusual situation. The most that we can say at this point is that I will refer this important matter to the current jury at their next meeting." To which Scott Brown says, "I suggested the inclusion ceremony to Martha Thorne three years ago."

Former Pritzker Prize winners who have already signed the GSD petition include Venturi, Hadid, Herzog & de Meuron, and Rem Koolhaas. Other prominent architects who have added their names to the list include Toshiko Mori, Frances Halsband, Deamer, Deborah Berke, Hani Rashid, Farshid Moussavi, and Jeanne Gang. Will Scott Brown finally get the award? "Are the Pritzkers just going to remain silent?" asks Laurie Hawkinson, a New York architect and partner with Henry Smith-Miller. "What's wrong with recognizing partners in architecture? Someone has to stand up and say, 'The buck stops here.' The Pritzker is considered to top of the pile. The jury should be setting an example and reflecting the world as it is today."
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“STEVE SAID that he was at the nexus of art and science,” said Peter Bohlin, referring to the late Steve Jobs, the Apple founder and his most famous client. “We are at the nexus of people and places.” Bohlin used the analogy to explain the success of the Apple stores designed by his firm, Bohlin Cywinski Jackson, after receiving ARCHITECTURAL RECORD’S Good Design Is Good Business Lifetime Achievement Award at the American Architectural Foundation’s (AAF) Accent on Architecture gala on March 22.

He was one of three honorees at the event, which packed the Andrew W. Mellon Auditorium in Washington, D.C. While Bohlin won for his firm’s designs, real-estate developer Gerald Hines accepted RECORD’S lifetime-achievement award on behalf of his eponymous company’s patronage of architecture. The AAF conferred its own Joseph P. Riley Jr. Award for Leadership in Urban Design on Oklahoma City Mayor Mick Cornett.

After presenting Bohlin with his award, RECORD editor in chief Cathleen McGuigan asked him in an onstage interview about working with Jobs. He related his work on the Pixar building in Emeryville, California, completed a little more than a decade ago, to the nearly 20 (and counting) Apple stores his firm went on to design. “Jobs was certainly fully involved in the early years, and we found the right solutions together,” said Bohlin. “As time went on, he trusted us more and more.”

RECORD’s other honoree is familiar with reshaping skylines. “Long before anyone coined the word ‘starchitect,’ Gerald Hines understood that good design added value to commercial real estate,” said McGuigan. From Philip Johnson and John Burgee’s 1976 Pennzoil Place in Houston to the Norman Foster–planned CityCenterDC taking shape a few blocks from the event, Hines’s company has long hired prominent designers for ambitious projects. “Great design is helpful, but what it really meant to us was that we could be a very major symbol in a city,” he said. “If we can achieve that, then we’re going to be the last to lose a tenant and the first to gain one.”

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Starchitects Face Off in New Film

BY LAURA MIRVISS

Jean Nouvel may have regretted letting the cameras roll as he asked his staff, through gritted teeth, if their painstaking design for a new art museum was meant for pigeons. It was one of his milder moments in a new documentary film about architecture competitions.

The Competition features the offices of five starchitects—Frank Gehry, Dominique Perrault, Zaha Hadid, Norman Foster, and Nouvel—as they fight to win the commission for the first National Museum of Art in Andorra, a tiny country of fewer than 100,000 people sandwiched between Spain and France in the Pyrenees. Shot in 2009 by a team of Spanish architects turned novice moviemakers, the film is in its late editing stages and has been publicly shown three times—once in Spain and twice in the U.S. this spring.

It offers a rare and comical look at the inner workings of some of the most prestigious firms in the business and sheds light on the ways starchitects carefully curate their public images.

Madrid-based architect Angel Borrego Cubero, who has spent the last five years working on the film, was slogging through his own competition in 2007 when he decided that his next project would be a commentary on the intense pressure of those events. Late that year he got a small grant from a visual-arts center in Spain to start filming a documentary. After six months of searching, he heard about a restricted competition in Andorra open to Pritzker Prize winners or those with similar honors.

The Andorra government welcomed the publicity, Cubero says. It updated the design brief with the stipulation that the firms offer unrestricted access to a film crew, which would also record the final jury presentations. Cubero hired a crew of five young Spanish architects and gave them a monthlong crash course in filmmaking. The plan was for one crew member to spend three months at each of the five offices.

But that turned out to be wishful thinking. “It ended up being a power struggle,” says Cubero. Foster backed out of the competition completely before filming started.

While the cameraman at Nouvel’s office had full access, the other architects were more restrictive. One crew member was in Los Angeles for nearly two months before he was granted a one-hour interview with Gehry—the only time he was allowed to set foot in the office. Perrault was more generous, allowing the filmmakers to record the progression of an ever-evolving design by two of the architect’s perspective news

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young Japanese staffers, who proposed a building resembling a person making the "Y" motion in the YMCA dance. Hadid, who is virtually absent from the film, sent an envoy to present to the jury because of a scheduling conflict. She granted access only to group meetings with engineering consultants, who met regularly in a tiny conference room with magenta chairs. "In the end, Nouvel was the most courageous," says Cubero.

Despite the hiccups, the filmmakers were granted access to all jury presentations, where delivery tactics ranged from the professorial to the theatrical. Gehry, wearing all black, had more than a dozen models, largely stacks of wood blocks and stones in different configurations. "We had many more, but we didn’t bring them," he says in the film, going on to explain that he hates doing competitions because you can’t have a back-and-forth with the client. He passes around a sample of aerated aluminum for the jury members to touch as he explains enthusiastically: "It looks a bit like Star Wars."

To date, none of the architects has seen the movie, and Cubero plans to keep things that way until it’s finished and ready for release. If you want to know who won the competition, you’ll have to watch the film. •
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Cecilia Alemani
High Line and Frieze Curator

BY WILLIAM HANLEY

CECILIA ALEMANI's favorite work of public art is Maurizio Cattelan's massive statue of a hand that stands in front of the stock exchange in her native Milan, with every digit severed but an insouciant middle finger. While Alemani enjoys the provocation, she mostly admires the way it confounds expectations about what public art should be.

As the director and curator of High Line Art, she brings that spirit of disruption to the elevated New York City park designed by James Corner Field Operations (with Diller Scofidio + Renfro). Since taking the job in 2011, Alemani has exhibited a pickup truck with a brick-filled bed and artist-designed billboards that riff on commercial imagery, among many other works along the park's route. This season a new exhibition, titled Busted, shows artists tweaking the tropes of monumental portrait sculpture. As the show opens, Alemani is also reprising her role as curator of Frieze Projects, programming presented alongside the Frieze Art Fair. Begun in London 11 years ago, Frieze has its second turn in New York from May 10 to 13. Once again, it will occupy a 1,500-foot-long tent designed by Brooklyn architecture firm SO-IL, pitched on Randall's Island, a grassy stretch in the East River.

The Frieze fair will shift the New York art world's center of gravity to an out-of-the-way island for a few days. How does your programming respond to that?

This year, we're showing work by five artists. They're all pretty young and almost all female. The idea is to highlight the communal spaces that people create out there—we want to emphasize squares, plazas, and benches. Andra Ursuta is even creating a cemetery for art. Andra says when she grew up in Romania the only way she saw art was traveling to visit churches. In a way, that's similar to what you do when you take a ferry to Frieze: you go on a pilgrimage.

The High Line draws a much wider audience than just art pilgrims. How is it different?

Last year we had 4.4 million visitors, so it's definitely about creating a dialogue with an audience that is not an art audience. Visitors don't expect to see art. They encounter it, and the encounter could be disturbing. It could be pleasant. It takes them by surprise. The architectural and horticultural side of the High Line is so perfect, I see the art as an intervention to disrupt the beauty.

How do you determine where to intervene?

I just invite artists to come and take a walk with me. I want to see an artist's take on something that shapes a location, something that breaks it or makes it even better. We use the city as a pedestal, but the tricky thing is, the landscape and the cityscape changes every week—you walk by one day, and wow, that building went up five more stories. The High Line has been criticized for contributing to skyrocketing development in nearby neighborhoods. How do you respond?

It's easy to blame the High Line, but galleries moved into Chelsea in the 1990s, and that was already part of its gentrification. The

Alemani has organized a series of installations, talks, and other programming for the Frieze Art Fair in New York, held in a snaking tent designed by SO-IL.

High Line could have been torn down and you would just have more buildings, but now it's a free public amenity.

How will the High Line's third phase and Hudson Yards development affect your work?

I'm excited, because half of section three will be renovated like the rest of the park, but half will be left wild. There I could see big monumental sculptures, but I really don't have any idea yet. I usually just go to an artist I like, and I'm usually pleasantly surprised.

Arcosanti Architect Paolo Soleri Dies at 93
Paolo Soleri, the iconoclastic architect and urban theorist and one of the last living students of Frank Lloyd Wright, died on April 9 at 93. Born in 1919 in Turin, Italy, Soleri was best known for Arcosanti, his "urban laboratory" on a mesa in central Arizona.

Weiss/Manfredi to Design Kent State Design School
Kent State University in Ohio announced in late March that it has chosen Weiss/Manfredi's concept—three-tiered, rectangular glass volumes—for the College of Architecture and Environmental Design. The New York-based firm was selected from a preliminary list of 30 international firms.

12 Firms Short-Listed for New Nobel Foundation Home
The short list for a new Nobel Center at Blasieholmen, a small peninsula in Stockholm, includes OMA, Herzog & de Meuron, BIG, SANAA, Snøhetta, and David Chipperfield. The building will house a museum, education and research facilities, an event space, a restaurant, café, and shop.

Architects to Reimagine Madison Square Garden
As the New York City Planning Commission debates Madison Square Garden's future above Penn Station, the Municipal Art Society has asked Diller Scofidio + Renfro, Santiago Calatrava, SHoP Architects, and Skidmore, Owings & Merrill to present, on May 29, ideas for reenvisioning both.

Growth Eases, ABI Still Up
Though the March Architecture Billings Index (ABI) score of 51.9 reflects a continued demand for design services, the drop from February's score of 54.9 signals that "the recovery has been uneven across the major construction sectors," said AIA chief economist Kermit Baker, and that therefore the pace of growth has eased.
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Ranked by retail construction starts 1/2011 through 2/2013

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PROJECT: Macy's Herald Square Renovation
ARCHITECTS: Studio V Architecture, Highland Associates, Charles Sparks+Company, Kevin Kennon Architects
LOCATION: New York City

$250 MILLION
PROJECT: World Financial Center Winter Garden Renovation
ARCHITECTS: Spector Group, Pelli Clarke Pelli Architects, OmniPlan, Morrison Dilworth + Walls, ArvoKO, BCV Architects
LOCATION: New York City

$105 MILLION
PROJECT: Mall at Bay Plaza
ARCHITECT: Altoon Partners
LOCATION: Bronx, NY

$101 MILLION
PROJECT: City Point, Phase II
ARCHITECTS: CookFox Architects, SLCE Architects
LOCATION: Brooklyn, NY

$91 MILLION
PROJECT: Brickell CityCentre
ARCHITECT: Arquitectonica
LOCATION: Miami

MOMENTUM INDEX SUSTAINS UPWARD TRENDS
In March, the Dodge Momentum Index rose 5.9%, to 109.4. The increase, the fourth in a row, indicates that owners and developers see an improved climate for construction.

The Dodge Momentum Index is a leading indicator of construction spending. The information is derived from first-issued planning reports in McGraw-Hill Construction's Dodge Reports database. The data leads the U.S. Commerce Department's nonresidential spending by a full year. In the graph to the right, the index has been shifted forward 12 months to reflect its relationship with the commerce data.

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Laura Bush took a lead role in the design of the new presidential library, as she did once before with the family ranch house.

BY INGRID SPENCER

The George W. and Laura Bush Residence
Crawford, Texas
David Heymann, Architect

WITH THE George W. Bush Presidential Center by Robert A.M. Stern Architects opening in Dallas this month, it is worth taking a look at another architectural commission from “W.” The rarely seen ranch house in Crawford, Texas, was designed by David Heymann of Austin in 1999. A vacation house, of course, is very different in scope and intent from a presidential library. But the two architects involved in each project agree that the principal client for both the house and the library was the former first lady, Laura Bush, who encouraged them to design to the highest environmental standards. She assumed her role as an architecture client easily: Laura Welch Bush had grown up in Midland, Texas, the daughter of a home builder. “I was surrounded by construction projects,” she says, “and architectural plans were lying around our house all the time.” Her father often moved the family into
the latest house he had built, giving the client-in-waiting much exposure to residential architecture.

The house at Prairie Chapel Ranch, the Bushes' 1,580-acre tract of land in Crawford (population 712), was dubbed the "Western White House" during Bush's two terms. About 100 miles northeast of Austin, the modest, well-engineered, modern dwelling sits comfortably in the Texas terrain. Despite the anemic environmental regulations that characterized the Bush presidency, back home the Bushes are patient stewards of their land, living in a house that is environmentally sustainable.

In 1998 a friend of the couple, Deedie Rose, a Dallas arts and architecture patron (her own house was designed by Antoine Predock), heard Heymann give a lecture at the University of Texas at Austin. Heymann, then associate dean of the undergraduate programs at UT's School of Architecture, talked about his environmental strategies. "Deedie later told me, 'I have your architect,'" says Laura Bush.

The Crawford residential complex comprises three separate structures totaling less than 4,000 square feet for the interior spaces. Heymann sited the main house, a narrow rectangle broken into an arc, on a slight crest with views to the north and a grove of live oaks to the west. He then placed a two-bedroom guest cottage and a garage southwest of the main house. The wood stud-framed house is clad in Lueders roughback limestone, quarried locally. "People usually wanted smoothly hewn limestone then," says Heymann, "so the roughback was considered waste. But the Bushes liked the idea of using a leftover material for the house." The limestone's insulative characteristics keep the house cool in summer and warm in winter, helped by its thickness: walls may be 16 inches deep to accommodate pocket screens for the steel-framed windows and doors.

Within the main house, 40-foot-wide, gang-nail trusses, spaced 2 feet apart, allow column-free living areas with deep porch overhangs (typically 10 feet) on all sides. "President Bush asked if there could be accessibility to the outdoors from every room," says Heymann. "We went farther. To get from one room to another you go outside and then back in, sheltered by the deep porch." For strong prairie rains, a gutter wraps around the house at grade, collecting water through rocks and a mesh filter and depositing it in a 42,000-gallon underground cistern. The water is used to irrigate the plants around the house, along with treated gray- and blackwater from the sinks, showers, and toilets. A geothermal system heats and cools the dwelling. "The house is a true mediator between those who live there and the landscape," says Heymann. Although the Bushes now have a home in Dallas too, the Crawford ranch offers them a calm refuge, albeit with an ever-present Secret Service detail.
The George W. Bush Presidential Center
Robert A.M. Stern Architects

THE GEORGE W. Bush Presidential Center, designed by Robert A.M. Stern Architects and located on the campus of Southern Methodist University (SMU) in Dallas, does not reflect the colorful nature of the 43rd president’s personality. Nor does it symbolically suggest the fact that Bush was the first president of the 21st century. Although the three-story brick-and-limestone building is the first presidential library to contain e-mails—some 200 million—its design is traditional, not contemporary. The 260,560-square-foot structure, which also houses galleries, a museum store, policy institute, restaurant, and 360-seat auditorium, succeeds best as a sedate and sustainable (LEED Platinum-certified) piece of abstracted classical architecture, meant to fit in with SMU’s early-20th-century Georgian Revival buildings. Freedom Hall, the museum’s central area, is topped by a 67-foot-high limestone-and-glass lantern that dramatically ushers in natural light by day and glows at night. Below the lantern, a 20-foot-high, 360-degree, high-definition LED screen displays changing digital artwork.

The exhibitions promise to keep us pondering, with interactive “What would you have done?” scenarios, historical objects, a re-created Oval Office, and an authentic, reassembled White House Situation Room. Yet the architecture might reveal more about the taste of former librarian and schoolteacher Laura Bush, who was, according to Stern, “the principal client throughout the process.” Her touch can be seen everywhere, including in a Texas-style White House Rose Garden, complete with native plants from the Bushes’ Crawford ranch, and carpets in the institute by Afghan rug company ARZU. The latter were executed as part of the Bush Institute’s Afghan Women’s Project, which the first lady began championing during her husband’s presidential terms.

Laura Bush’s choice of the architect was boosted by recommendations from her design committee, whose members included developer Roland Betts, George W. Bush’s fraternity brother at Yale and co-owner of the Texas Rangers baseball team with him from 1989 to 1994; family friend Deedie Rose, whose husband, Edward “Rusty” Rose, was also involved in the ownership of the Rangers; and architect and professor Witold Rybczynski, whom the Bushes appointed to the U.S. Commission of Fine Arts in 2004. Stern is also the dean of the architecture school at Bush’s alma mater. “And SMU is my alma mater,” says Laura Bush. “It was a perfect fit.”

The 15-acre site around the library offered space for the Bushes’ real love, the Texas landscape. Landscape architect Michael Van Valkenburgh teamed up with Stern to create a public park surrounding the building that is expected to mature into a re-created Texas prairie. Stormwater runoff and underground cisterns will irrigate the native grasses, meadows, and indigenous trees.

After eight years of controversial decisions and with the president’s approval rating at 22 percent when he left office, both Bushes perhaps hope the park and the library/museum will encourage visitors to reflect upon his highest actions.

“We did not talk about approval ratings,” says Stern of his many discussions with Laura Bush. “This is a building about the dignity of the presidency. It’s designed to bring people back again and again.”
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The architect set the stucco ground level into the hillside and pushed the house back from the street (above). The perforated-metal screens on the third floor conceal balconies overlooking a basalt-edged lap pool (right). The basalt floor is carried inside to the kitchen and living spaces on the second floor, where it complements bright furnishings (left).

IT'S PROBABLY safe to bet that most architects have designed their dream house—on paper, in their heads—many times over. Bob Hale, of Rios Clementi Hale Studios, was lucky enough to make one of his iterations a reality in Los Angeles's Cheviot Hills neighborhood. The three-story, 5,000-square-foot house replaced a 1940s structure that could not be adapted (Hale donated the scrap material to Habitat for Humanity).

Set partially into a hill, the new house's concrete-masonry lower level contains a separate apartment with its own entrance. "We wanted to think about it as multigenerational," says Hale, who has two grown children. The main living spaces on the second floor are encased in glass and lead to a terrace and pool. But it's the third floor, which appears to float, that provides the poetry. This steel-moment-and-wood-frame level is wrapped in corrugated-aluminum panels with perforations that spell ahava—"love" in Hebrew. "We tend to not open the screens because it's almost like they're not there," says the architect. "They read more like a cloud and create great shadows."

They represent something immaterial, too. His first wife of 23 years died in 2006, and, he says, "I was fortunate enough to fall in love again." It is Hale's new wife, Maxine Morris, who had the idea for the ahava perforations. "It was like, OK, let's really start over and make a new way," says Hale. "I didn't start out to make a home wrapped in love, but in fact that's what I ended up with."
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OPEN THIS book and you cannot help but think of Great Leap Forward, the 2001 tome generated by Rem Koolhaas and his colleagues at the Harvard Design School Project on the City. Both books are university-based, research-driven, essay-enhanced, muddy-photography-filled studies of urbanism in the Pearl River Delta (PRD), the manufacturing center of China. The dozen years between Great Leap’s “initial overview” and this “critical evaluation” have been filled with enormous progress (or, some say, regress). In Factory Towns of South China, editor Stefan Al provides an in-depth guide to the changed and changing landscape of the PRD, adding all-important detail to what many experience only through media sound bites.

The first part of Factory Towns includes texts on urbanization, demographics, economics, and infrastructure in south China. By fitting 12 essays and numerous charts into 60 pages, Al chose breadth over depth. This is not a bad thing, as it covers many key topics and contains writing of high quality. Works ranging from Claudia Juhre’s data-filled essay on environmental degradation to Minnie Chan’s journalistic take on worker strikes to Rex Wong’s thoughtful discussion of the effects of governmental policy on design are much more than CliffsNotes to the PRD. I would have liked a detailed text on the factory towns that have been abandoned or converted to other uses, a new phase of development that Al and others only hint at. But this is a minor quibble with an otherwise thorough introduction.

The second part—the bilingual “illuminated guidebook” of the subtitle—looks at factory towns in six metropolitan areas: Hong Kong, Shenzhen, Dongguan, Guangzhou, Foshan, and Zhongshan. The highly visual guidebook form (think Eyewitness, not Lonely Planet) is a clever device, as it is likely that most readers will never actually visit, say, Donghuanjie Town’s Video Game Machine Factory. Detailed research from graduate students in the urban-design program at the University of Hong Kong takes the armchair traveler there. The guide includes brief histories of each city’s development, descriptions of the products made in each factory, and steps along the production line—specifics that make a place interesting. Precise maps and clearly rendered isometric drawings of factories and associated housing say “you are here.” Some aspects of the guide—repetitive pictures of canteen lunches, interviews with workers who reveal little, and somewhat overwrought graphic design—are less successful. But it is fun to flip through the book, to look through a window into a world that has such import on the rest of the planet. For me, though, the book’s essays are the place where readers will want to spend the most time.
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According to Daniel LeBlanc, senior sustainability manager at YR&G, the high-performance Serious Glass on the north, south, and east facades, along with electronically tintable glass from Sage Electrochromics on the west facade, helps lower solar heat gain and reduce peak loads, even on hot days when the building is fully occupied. LeBlanc, whose team used Autodesk Ecotect modeling software to study solar radiation on the facades, says SageGlass was "exactly what we needed for the design goal we were trying to achieve—a transparent cube without a lot of distraction." Keeping the two-story, 5,000-square-foot cube transparent was also important for security, as the space is open around the clock.

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Vertical custom steel fins wrap around the building. While the sunshades were originally conceived as a design element, the client was attracted to them as an extra layer of sun control, says Matthew Edmonds, project manager at Studiotrope. But after daylighting modeling studies confirmed that external fins would not help control glare or heat, the client had already fallen for the aesthetic, says Edmonds, so they remained. Reaction to the Cube has been positive, he says: "It's rewarding to see an all-glass box in Colorado that has stayed comfortable from a thermal standpoint." sageglass.com CIRCLE 200
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cambridgearchitectural.com
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Cities are complex organisms, each with its own cultural and architectural metabolism. Add a new building to a particular place and you alter its physical context, the flow of people around and through it, even its social character. The seven projects featured here contribute to their settings—activating streets, engaging communities, addressing layers of history—all while raising standards of architectural design. Instead of creating individual icons that scream for attention, the architects of these works have inserted dynamic buildings that connect with their neighbors. The strategies they’ve used vary greatly—from punching an enormous hole in a convention center to restoring the cast-iron facades of a building with a vital link to a neighborhood’s past glory. But all of them show that fitting in doesn’t mean sacrificing their identity.
Columbia University’s quirky but tough field house bridges the divide between its gritty surroundings and the athletic playing fields beyond.

**GAME CHANGER**

Columbia University’s quirky but tough field house bridges the divide between its gritty surroundings and the athletic playing fields beyond.

**BY FRED A. BERNSTEIN**

**PHOTOGRAPHY BY IWAN BAAN**

**THERE ARE FEW** American campuses more urban than Columbia University’s; even its athletic fields are in Manhattan, grouped together in the cramped Baker Athletics Complex at the island’s northern tip. For years, the rinky-dink facility “was not a welcoming place,” says William V. Campbell, a former Columbia football captain and head coach who became an entrepreneur and Columbia trustee. The complex was a morale buster for both its users—the coaches and varsity athletes who had to commute back and forth to the main campus five miles south—and the surrounding community, which, at Broadway and 218th Street, overlooked a cinder-block equipment shed.

Now that corner is home to something much livelier: a 48,000-square-foot building named for Campbell and designed by Steven Holl Architects for athletes and their coaches. Holl, who has taught architecture at Columbia since 1981 but never previously built for the university, and his partner, Chris McVoy, a Columbia graduate, designed the $30 million building as a series of gangly forms that rise from the sloping site like a scissor lift.

In elevating the east side of the building on spindly legs, the architects have created a gateway to the larger complex, offering views and access. And the building’s bulky forms respond to the erector-set-like Broadway Bridge linking Manhattan to the Bronx (across the Spuyten Duyvil Creek);

**ANCHOR TENANT**

Seen from below the elevated subway tracks (opposite), the building appears as a blocky volume. Its porosity is apparent when it is viewed from the southwest (below). The aluminum used for the cladding appears at the building’s base and on its balustrades with an abstracted laser-cut pattern.

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credits
ARCHITECT: Steven Holl Architects – Steven Holl, Chris McVoy, design architects; Chris McVoy, partner in charge; Olaf Schmidt, associate in charge; Marcus Carter, Christiane Deptolla, Peter Englaender, Runar Halldorsson, Jackie Luk, Filipe Taboada, Dimitra Tsachrelia, Ebbie Wisecarver, project team
ENGINEERS: Robert Silman Associates (structural); ICOR Associates (m/e/p); Hirani Engineering (civil)
CONSTRUCTION MANAGER: Structure Tone/Pavarini McGovern
SIZE: 48,000 square feet
COST: $30 million
COMPLETION DATE: March 2013

SOURCES
GLASS: Viracon
BUILT-UP ROOFING: Siplast
ENTRANCES: Blumcraft
FIRE-CONTROL DOORS: McKeon Door

1 MAIN ENTRANCE
2 STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING
3 OFFICE
4 STORAGE/Mechanical
5 AUDITORIUM
6 HOSPITALITY SUITE
7 STUDENT-ATHLETE STUDY CENTER
8 STUDENT-ATHLETE LOUNGE
9 FOOTBALL SUITE
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11 FIELD MAINTENANCE
to the elevated subway tracks; and to other pieces of the city's rugged infrastructure, which has fascinated Holl since he arrived in New York in the 1970s. It's like "a train that jumped the tracks," McVoy says of the building. Much of that train is clad in sanded aluminum, mimicking the industrial facilities to the east. The rest is glass, which reflects the brick prewar apartments to the south. The Campbell center is also an expression, says McVoy, of the diagrams that football coaches draw, with the zigzag stairs hung off the front facade, and their laser-cut aluminum balustrades, suggesting a particularly tricky play. In addition to these elements, the architects created terraces and nooks to extend the building out to both the fields and the surrounding neighborhood.

Inside, a strength and conditioning area ringed by mezzanine-level offices is a focal point. Above are a hospitality suite for visiting alumni, a student lounge, and a study room, as well as a lecture hall with seats big enough for the burliest football players ("There was only one company that makes them this size," says McVoy). Muscular, exposed structural elements and utilitarian finishes throughout the interiors communicate the building's role as the Baker complex's "back of house," while ample daylighting and framed views animate the rooms, which feel like capsules suspended over the playing fields and the rough edges of the borough's periphery.

And what of views to the building? For the residents of Inwood, a stolid middle-class neighborhood, the industrial aesthetic may take a little getting used to, as will the building's ungainly form. Nonetheless, the facility demonstrates an awareness of context and community. Nearby, the school will soon unveil its James Corner Field Operations-designed Boathouse Marsh, a waterfront park open to the public. Campbell will never offer that kind of community access. But with its jaunty stature and its vague suggestion of open arms, it is about as welcoming as a field house can be. Holl and Columbia, while meeting the needs of varsity athletes, have given an oft-overlooked building type, as well as an oft-overlooked corner of New York City, an architectural high-five. ■
THE SKY'S THE LIMIT

The expansion of a vast trade-fair complex satisfies demanding exhibition-hall requirements and figures into a city's plans for urban renewal.

BY CHRIS FOGES

PHOTOGRAPHY BY IWAN BAAN
TUCKED TIGHT against Switzerland's border with both France and Germany, Basel is a small city that has made room for big business. Its pharmaceutical giants operate from gated compounds, but another of the city's economic engines, the century-old trade-fair site (Messe or Convention Center), is woven into the fabric of a mixed-use urban neighborhood. After many mutations and extensions throughout the 20th century, the Convention Center now comprises an eclectic group of buildings around Exhibition Square, with a long tail stretching down the city's busy Riehenring. The latest addition, a jagged take on the typical stack of boxes, by Basel-based Herzog & de Meuron, bridges the western end of the square and extends a long row of exhibition halls.

The new building was designed to meet the particular needs of the flagship watch and jewelry show, Baselworld: exhibitors all want to be on the same floor, with room for three-story booths. This required a radical reworking of the existing complex. The architects demolished two outmoded halls dating from the 1930s and 1970s. In their place they constructed a new three-story building that expands a large, glazed 1990s hall, breaking through on its second level to create one continuous floor. It is nearly 1,300 feet long.

The new wing is topped by a generous 26-foot-high, 720-by-295-foot exhibition space on the third floor. Rather than block the busy thoroughfare it crosses, the design team lifted the structure over the street—to allow for vehicular and pedestrian passage below—resting it on a pair of glazed podiums. They pierced through the center of the suspended exhibition halls to form a giant oculus, which floods the resulting underpass with sunlight by day. This incision hovers above a covered public space, dubbed the City Lounge. Flanked by the addition's transparent entrance foyers, this inviting plaza links the square to Clarastrasse, which runs west to the city center.

Though the large void reduces the real estate and flexibility of the exhibition floors above, it was a crucial concession to the community. According to the firm's partner in charge,
THROUGH STREET

Pierced by a supersized oculus, the building bridges a busy thoroughfare that links historic and new parts of town, allowing for vehicular and pedestrian traffic. The resulting public plaza—dubbed the City Lounge—is open to the sky and maintains the area's vibrant buzz and flow rather than cutting off its circulation.
Stefan Marbach, the project had to be approved by local referendum, so the architects needed to "somehow balance the functional concerns of the Convention Center, as a private investor, with the public interest." Conscionous that a big box would detract from established public spaces, the architects made sensitive use of both form and program to enhance them. By truncating Exhibition Square, formerly open to the west, they created a defined container that invites occupancy, and by setting the new building apart from an adjacent parking structure, they devised a new path into the square, refining rather than eradicating the city's grain. Additionally, newly installed shops and restaurants rimming the lobbies are turning the lackluster area into a destination.

Remaining elements of the urbanscape that were left untouched reinforce the sense that the City Lounge is a public space. A familiar cobweb of overhead tram wires passes under the building, where there is a convenient tram stop directly beneath the oculus. Here, too, the expansive sweep of glazing adds a layer of permeability between the private interior and the public exterior zones. Concave balconies peel back from the foyers' curvilinear glass walls, drawing the eye into the building and increasing the apparent size of the outdoor room.

Nothing, however, could compromise the ultimate functionality of the orthogonal exhibition halls. So options to ameliorate the building's bulk were restricted to the perimeters of the upper levels. To do this the architects stacked the top two floors, offsetting them in plan and twisting them to vary the building's silhouette, as well as to respect the "right to light" of the neighboring buildings. They wrapped the seven resulting facade planes in a reflective mesh made of aluminum lamellas shaped to form gill-like openings. Though there are 15,000 individual rigid panels, the cladding reads as a single flexible element, a textile stretched taut over corners and slumping into gentle folds on the long elevations. The ribbonlike lamellas were cut and bent according to a parametric script that translated two-dimensional elevation designs into a three-dimensional model replete with all fabrication information, allowing fast revisions during design development. With just 22 months allowed for construction, there was no margin for error, so a section of the facade was mocked up at full scale to test both the subcontractors' capabilities and the designers' data.

The architects' ability to wring powerful effects from ordinary materials is evident in the resulting exhibition halls. Painted a deep charcoal gray and set behind rows of fluorescent tubes, ceilings textured with exposed structural and service grids work as a neutral backdrop for the exhibition stands while retaining a strong tectonic character. The fusion of light, shadow, and layered materials produces a perceptual ambiguity characteristic of Herzog & de Meuron's work. With the development of the Basel Convention Center, this skill has been successfully deployed at an urban scale to stitch the city into the trade-fair ground. •
credits

ARCHITECT: Herzog & de Meuron – Stefan Marbach, partner in charge; Jacques Herzog, Pierre de Meuron, Wolfgang Hardt, partners; Tobias Winkelmann, associate/project director; Roland Schrieber, project architect

ENGINEERS: Ribi + Blum, Gruner, WITO, ARGE Gruner, Ernst Basler (structural); Lippuner Energie- und Metallbautechnik, CM Engineering, Plodeck Kurt ECS (HVAC); ARGE Scherler, Aicher De Martin Zweng, Herzog Kull Group (HVAC/electrical); Huustechnik Rechberger (m/e/p); Lippuner Energie- und Metallbautechnik (mechanical); Burger + Partner (civil)

CLIENT: MCH Swiss Exhibition (Basel)

DESIGN/BUILD CONTRACTOR: HRS Real Estate

CONSULTANTS: Feroplan Engineering, Neuschwander + Morf (facade); Zimmermann + Leuthe (building physics); Ingenieurbüro Stefan Graf (sustainability); Bartenbach LichtLabor (lighting); Vogt (landscape)

SIZE: 896,600 square feet

COST: withheld

COMPLETION DATE: February 2013

SOURCES

FACADE CLADDING: Novelis; Rytz Industriebau; Marx Flachdach

GLAZING: Aepli Metallbau; Steindl

LIGHTING: Zumtobel (exterior/interior); Leurocom (electronic displays)
LIVE/WORK
The 1870 building by Nicholas Whyte (left) was first used for manufacturing on the upper floors and retail on the ground. Restoring it took eight years and involved repairing 1,300 pieces of cast iron, including 320 that were recast. The third-floor studio (below) looks the same as it did in Judd’s day but now has double-glazed windows and new insulation.
With a light touch, a New York firm restores the base of minimalist master Donald Judd.

BY CLIFFORD A. PEARSON
PHOTOGRAPHY BY JAMES EWING

**WHILE HE** was redefining the boundaries of art in the 1960s, '70s, and '80s, Donald Judd reconfigured 101 Spring Street, his New York City home and studio, into a supersized piece of sculpture. Judd, who bought the 1870 cast-iron building in SoHo in 1968 for $68,000, transformed the industrial relic into an architectural version of his iconic boxes. He treated it as a five-story laboratory for displaying art, both his own and that of friends such as Dan Flavin, Frank Stella, and John Chamberlain. In the process, it became a vibrant hub of the art scene that blossomed in SoHo in that era. But as the area changed in recent years from art center to upscale shopping mall, 101 Spring stood suspended in time, a somewhat forlorn reminder of the days before Prada, Banana Republic, and Uniqlo changed the neighborhood.

In 2005 the Judd Foundation—including the artist's son, Flavin Judd, and daughter, Rainer Judd—decided to restore 101 Spring, which remained a repository of the artist's work
credits

ARCHITECT: Architecture Research Office – Adam Yarinsky, principal in charge; Jeff Hong, project architect; Jejon Yeung, James Henry, Zac Stevens, Katy Barkan, Jeff Jordan, Matt Azen, project team

EXTERIOR RESTORATION ARCHITECT: Walter B. Melvin Architects

ENGINEERS: Robert Silman Associates (structural); Arup (m/e/p, fire and life safety); Langan Engineering (civil)

CLIENT: Judd Foundation

CONSTRUCTION MANAGER: F.J. Sciame Construction

SIZE: 14,500 square feet (including below-grade levels)

COST: withheld

COMPLETION DATE: June 2013

SOURCES

FACADE CAST IRON: Robinson Iron
WOOD WINDOWS: Artistic Windows
GLASS: Competition Metals
SMOKE BAFFLES: Electro-Kinetics
MOTORIZED SHADES: Lutron
MILLWORK: Humboldt Woodworking
after his death in 1994, and open it to the public for the first time. The project posed complex challenges in terms of bringing the building up to code and accommodating visitors. "We wanted to retain the character of a house and studio," says Michele Saliola, director of programs for the foundation. "We didn't want it to feel like a museum."

The project's scope encompassed both major work on the building's exterior and radical surgery on its interiors. Adding all the new mechanical systems meant "essentially inserting a new building inside the existing one, while making everything invisible," explains Adam Yarinsky, the principal in charge of the project for Architecture Research Office (ARO), the firm overseeing the renovation.

Working with Walter B. Melvin Architects (exterior restoration) and Robert Silman Associates (structural engineering), ARO restored the building to the look of its 1970s glory days as a hotbed of artistic creation, not its original 1870s sweatshop mode—a decision approved by New York's Landmarks Preservation Commission. They repainted it the color Judd used (battleship gray), not the cream tone from the 19th century. Inside, they kept the fluid, open areas Judd created for his work and family. They even restored a secret cupboard-like space tucked under the building's main stair on the second floor, which Rainer revealed to this writer on a recent visit and explained was used by her and her brother to put on puppet shows. ARO inserted restrooms and offices for the Judd Foundation in the cellar and meeting rooms in the subcellar, with restored glass blocks in the sidewalk bringing daylight to both lower levels. A new
steel-plate stair at the north end of the building provides access to the two floors below the street.

On the exterior, Robert Bates of Walter B. Melvin Architects oversaw the work of stripping and restoring in place the cast-iron columns, removing and restoring all window frames and spandrel panels, and recasting 320 pieces of architectural ironwork such as broken capitals and cornices. He replaced all the glass above the first floor with insulated double glazing, using restoration glass that imitates the original on the inside and low-iron glass on the outside.

To accommodate a new air-handling system, sprinkler pipes, electrical conduit, and security and fire alarms, ARO waged a stealth architectural insurgency on the original building envelope—finding ingenious ways of weaving new mechanical equipment behind walls and in small spaces stolen from old uses. Some of that space was liberated by placing major mechanical equipment on the roof, which had to be rebuilt with new steel structural elements to support the weight.

Walking through the building now, you feel Judd's presence everywhere—from the wood dining table and chairs he made himself to the drawing tools still spread out on his desk. It's a little creepy, but in the same way that any house museum is. Judd believed that each floor should have a singular function, so you find cooking/eating facilities on the second floor, his studio on the third, a big space for socializing on the fourth, and places for sleeping on the fifth. The first floor, which the artist often used for meeting with students, will now host talks, parties, and other events—the only floor that will have a flexible role.

Judd saw history as something to be engaged, not treated as an artifact, says Yarinsky. ARO took a similar approach in renovating 101 Spring, preserving the worn treads of the wood stair running along the east edge of the building, for example, while inserting a new pivoting glass-and-steel door in the below-grade offices. On the fourth floor, the firm faced a tricky problem of maintaining the flowing space around the stair landing where Judd had removed partitions. To keep the area open while meeting fire codes, ARO devised a pair of smoke baffles set into existing walls, elements that swing or spring into action only if there's a fire. As with so much of what the firm did on this project, Yarinsky hopes no one will notice the architects' clever solution.

Surrounded by the frenetic shopping culture of today's SoHo, 101 Spring will not magically return the area to its heyday as an arts mecca. But with the Judd Foundation now in its cellar and the public allowed inside, it will stand as an active lesson about a key moment in modern art.

ART SCENE

After Judd's son was born in 1968, Dan Flavin created a light piece that still runs along much of the fifth floor (above). On the opposite wall, pieces by (front to back) John Chamberlain, Judd, and Claes Oldenburg are back where they had been in the 1970s.
STACKING HISTORY ARO created offices for the Judd Foundation in the cellar and subcellar, using a pivoting glass-and-steel door and glass floor panels to bring daylight inside (above). The firm also installed a new steel-plate stair (right) to access the lower levels. Judd's drawing instruments still grace his desk on the third floor (top right).
CLIMBING THE WALL

A design team weaves a new convention center into the fabric of an ancient hilltop city virtually unscathed by the ravages of time.

BY DAVID COHN

PHOTOGRAPHY BY DUCCIO MALAGAMBA
THE DESIGN for a convention center in central Spain's historic city of Toledo presented Rafael Moneo with a fascinating problem: how to insert a modern, 400,000-square-foot building into a city that has scarcely changed since El Greco painted it in the 16th century.

The Spanish architect's approach is essentially mimetic. He has introduced a platform, or terrace, into the existing mix of buildings and vegetation on the steep, fortified flanks of Toledo as it rises on a high bluff overlooking the Tagus River. Despite a few contemporary flourishes, El Greco Congress Center has a discreet presence, whether viewed from a distance or up close, as visitors climb the Paseo del Miradero from the city gates to the central Plaza de Zocodover at the top of the rise.

The building forms part of a master plan developed by the Barcelona urbanist Joan Busquets in 1993, which sought to improve access to the hilltop core of this UNESCO World Heritage site and to promote new activities. Toledo was an important center under the Romans, Visigoths, and Moors, and was the capital of Catholic Spain for nearly 600 years before enduring centuries of decline. More recently, the regional government of Castile-La Mancha and a public university have occupied many of its historic buildings, bringing greater diversity but worsening traffic congestion. Busquets's plan included new parking areas at the hill's base, with escalators to the city above. Working with the planner, Moneo suggested moving the parking to the site of an unattractive existing garage, replacing the structure with a new building that also includes a conference facility originally planned for another site.

The center's outer wall replaces sections of old rubble walls, in poor condition and of no historical value. The excavation behind it accommodates five levels of parking for 600 cars and the convention center with a 1,000-seat auditorium, a multipurpose hall with a capacity for 500, a restaurant, and four smaller conference rooms, all topped by a terracelike roof that has become a popular evening attraction.

Moneo marks the entry to the building with a series of studied formal gestures that constitute his contemporary contribution to the urban fabric. A covered, porchlike plaza connects to the Paseo del Miradero via various ramps and stairs, including a pedestrian bridge that swoops out from the walls over the void below, supported by a sculptural, three-armed concrete pillar. Runs of escalators descend from the plaza along the inside face of the building's exterior wall to the street below, where they connect with a drop-off point for tour buses and to the main bus and train stations, located a few blocks away. The building thus functions as a key connector between transportation hubs and the city.

Moneo developed the project over 12 years, adjusting the design in response to severe
credits
ARCHITECT: Rafael Moneo – Oliver Bieniusa, project architect; Julie Hui-Guang Kaufman, Fernando Iзнаola, Edgar Sarli, Dirk Schlupkotten, team ENGINEERS: Jesús Jiménez (structural); Rafael Úrculo (mechanical) CONSULTANT: Higini Arau (acoustic) GENERAL CONTRACTOR: Acciona CLIENT: Ayuntamiento de Toledo SIZE: 487,800 gross square feet (including parking and outdoor spaces) COST: $56 million COMPLETION DATE: December 2012 SOURCES ELEVATORS/ESCALATORS: ThyssenKrupp ACOUSTIC CEILINGS, CUSTOM WOODWORK: Frapont HARDWARE: Assa Abloy FIXED SEATING: Rafael Moneo for Poltrona Frau
The facade (left), which abuts existing structures, consists of granite rubble bands with concrete trim. The “buttresses” are vents for the parking garage. Escalators (far left) drop nine levels from the entry plaza to link the city center to nearby bus and train stations. Moneo designed the signage for the porchlike entry (below), which opens to the street leading up to the city center. Stairs and exterior paving are made of basalt, and walls are of poured concrete.
cost restrictions and construction delays. Some of the center’s weaknesses might be attributed to these factors, particularly the rough quality of the exposed concrete, whose defects are magnified by its yellowish pigmentation, which was selected to blend into the color palette of the city but remains jarring to the eye.

The main facade, which is highly visible when seen from below, is finished to resemble other sections of the city walls, although in broader, contemporary proportions, with horizontal strips of coarse granite stonework separated by bands of concrete. The surface is interrupted by the vertical piping of vents for the parking garage, which emulate the stone and brick buttresses of nearby retaining walls. The vents are another discordant presence, finished in concrete and arranged rather weakly at different heights and spacing. A more regular spacing, like that employed by the surrounding houses, might have been more convincing.

“We had to make many adjustments over many years, and worked with very limited resources,” says Moneo in response to these criticisms, while underscoring the relevance of his imitative approach. “We were always clear about the basic strategy—and that is what’s important. If the strategy is correct, everything that accompanies the project becomes secondary. And so it can be forgiven that the masonry is not strictly traditional, or its trimming is of concrete instead of brick.”

To what degree does Toledo’s memorable cityscape depend on the quality of each of its individual buildings? Zeroing in with a critical eye on any one of the anonymous structures that make up most of the urban fabric, you may find it lacking in one way or another—a dubious modernization, a drab exterior finish. Likewise, the crude workmanship, jarring color, and busy entry structure of Moneo’s design may strike a discordant note at first sight. But take a step back, and everything blends into a harmonious whole. Given time and familiarity, Moneo’s convention center will certainly join in Toledo’s forgiving accumulation of historical periods. As the architect explains, “The building is there, but it is inconspicuous. It contributes to the life of the city, but it doesn’t declare its presence.” But had he chosen to make it more decidedly of its own period, perhaps its contribution to Toledo’s image would have been more positive—one of dialogue and encounter.
TOP DOWN A stair (above) descends from the entry level through a skylit well. It is the focal point of the circulation spaces, which have floors of gray Sierra Elvira limestone and cedar-paneled surfaces. The main auditorium (right), finished in cedar and oak, rises four levels from the stage, with upper seats close to the ceiling due to height limits. Moneo first designed the seating for his Kursaal Auditorium in San Sebastián, Spain (RECORD, May 2000). The restaurant space on the lowest level (opposite) opens to a terrace at the foot of old city walls uncovered during excavations.
AS A LATECOMER to San Francisco's performing-arts district, SFJAZZ, a 30-year-old concert series, had to figure out how to fit into the Hayes Valley neighborhood. Working against the backdrop of the Beaux Arts–styled San Francisco Conservatory of Music and War Memorial Opera House, Mark Cavagnero Associates set out to design a modern building for the jazz center that would look as if it had always been there. "We wanted to lock it into the street," says principal Mark Cavagnero, "and to have the sidewalk and the lobby and the café all open up into the public realm." Pointing out the center's diaphanous glass facade, he adds, "There's no opaque wall between you and the SFJAZZ Center. It's as transparent as we can make it."

When the new building for SFJAZZ opened in January, it became the first stand-alone venue specifically built for jazz in the U.S. (Jazz at Lincoln Center's Rose Hall in New York is part of the Time Warner Center.) This musical arrival to the neighborhood replaced a muffler shop that had not extended all the way to the sidewalk. To integrate the center into the streetscape, the architects massed the upper two levels of...
the three-story building to align with those of neighboring structures and pulled back parts of the top floor to echo, in an abstract manner, the pattern of a mansard roof next door. Along the building’s south side, a concrete wall bookending the upstairs balcony juts out in front of a neighboring church. To avoid blocking the sun on the church’s facade, the architects added a slotted opening that lets daylight through.

The architects conceived the 36,550-square-foot structure as a living room for the neighborhood. The central volume, a concrete box housing a state-of-the-art auditorium, carries the building’s entire seismic load so the L-shaped perimeter, containing public amenities, can have as much uninterrupted glass as possible. Such spaces—including porchlike lobbies on the first and second levels, a sidewalk café run by restaurateur Charles Phan, and an ensemble room for rehearsals or smaller performances, which are visible to passersby—stay open both day and night.

To build an auditorium that would recall the intimate experience of a jazz club, the architects discarded the traditional shoebox layout with a proscenium stage and a narrow block of seats. Instead, they took inspiration from a nonmusical typology: a cube-shaped community room along the lines of Frank Lloyd Wright’s Unity Temple in Oak Park, Illinois (1908). With a customized acoustics system aided by a large steel-tube canopy and baffles behind the musicians, the architects (with theatrical consultants Auerbach Pollock Friedlander) were able to arrange seating on all sides of the performers. Flexible elements, such as movable risers, an adjustable stage, and acoustic screens—which block unfilled seats from view—allow the space to make a transition in scale and configuration from a small dance floor surrounding the musicians to a 734-seat concert hall.

By giving the seats a steep rake, the architects set up a personal relationship between the audience and performers. “The musicians look at people’s faces and not at the tops of their heads,” says Cavagnero. “They like that feeling of being
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ARCHITECT: Mark Cavagnero Associates — Mark Cavagnero, design principal; Kang Kiang, principal in charge; Goetz Frank, project architect; Cameron Cooper, job captain

ENGINEERS: Forell/Elsesser Engineers (structural); WSP Flack + Kurtz (m/e/p, lighting)

CLIENT: SFJAZZ

CONSULTANTS: Auerbach Pollock Friedlander (theater); SIA Acoustics (acoustical); McClintock Facade Consulting (facade)

SIZE: 36,550 square feet

COST: $33 million

COMPLETION DATE: January 2013

SOURCES

RAINSCREEN: Swisspearl

METAL AND GLASS CURTAIN WALL, GLAZING: Zetian Systems West

ENTRANCE DOORS: PRL Glass Systems; Dorma USA (floor closers)
Asymmetrically arranged seating for more than 700 wraps the auditorium stage on four sides (above). The center is designed to draw the public inside day and night (below) with a lobby on two levels and other amenities.

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immersed in the audience. There’s a sense of energy they get from a steeply raked house.”

To extend that spirit of exchange to the building edge, the architects used low-iron glass for the facade. Its balance of transparency and reflectivity picks up nearby buildings, trees, and passing cars so that the perimeter seems to dissolve into the cityscape in the daytime. At night, the center’s lights restore the building’s edge, revealing the activity within. Through a swath of glass that cuts from the café to the stage, passersby looking in before a concert can see the piano bathed in a spotlight.

Cavagnero sees the building’s relationship with its surroundings as a reciprocal one. “Once you start engaging the neighborhood,” he says, “the neighborhood can benefit from you. But you can benefit from it, too.” Using glass on three sides of the second-floor lobby, for instance, makes the narrow, 25-foot-wide hall appear much more spacious. To visually extend its boundary, SFJAZZ installed large black-and-white photos of jazz personalities in the windows of a vacant school across the street. Suddenly, “the lobby isn’t 25 feet, it’s 125 feet,” says Cavagnero. “You bring that into your building, and it further reinforces—subtly, almost subliminally—the sense that SFJAZZ is part of the neighborhood. It’s all just one big urban space.”

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MEDICINE CHEST
In Vancouver, a new campus building for pharmaceutical studies conceived by Gilles Saucier makes a bold statement while reshaping its context.

BY JAMES GAUER
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ICONIC DESIGNS don’t always make good places. Photogenic buildings that assert themselves as individual landmarks may ignore their context and fail to enhance the public realm. Yet the University of British Columbia (UBC) Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences and Centre for Drug Research and Development, a new 275,870-square-foot research, teaching, and office facility, succeeds on both individual and community levels. Designed by Saucier + Perrotte Architectes (S+P) of Montreal with Hughes Condon Marler Architects (HCMA) of Vancouver, it’s already famous for the Cubist collage of glass volumes that animates its west facade. The entire structure, intended to promote creativity and collaboration among its 790 students and 55 faculty members, provides UBC with a state-of-the-art building worthy of its international reputation. And it transforms a nondescript corner of the campus into a prominent gateway.

UBC occupies 1,005 acres eight miles west of downtown Vancouver and serves almost 50,000 students. Its architecture ranges from Collegiate Gothic to an International Style of concrete, brick, and glass. The campus enjoys a natural setting of breathtaking beauty on a wooded promontory overlooking the Strait of Georgia—but not on its lackluster southeast edge, where the pharmacy school occupies a 2-acre site. Yet the building more than fulfills new campus guidelines intended to increase density, strengthen a sense of place, and promote design quality. Its powerful rectangular form, cantilevered over a recessed ground floor, anchors a busy intersection and a well-traveled pedestrian path. It also frames outdoor space and displays its academic activities in a highly transparent, signature work, whose taut glass skin—in six shades from clear to black—provides a suave counterpoint to a banal parking garage next door and the trio of red-brick masses across the road that house the life-sciences department.

Saucier + Perrotte and HCMA articulated the building’s program by looking to nature. “The idea of a root system growing over time into a tree with an extensive network of branches serves as an allegory for the development of modern medicine,” says S+P design principal Gilles Saucier. “The image of two trees and their foliage, fused and intertwined, provided the conceptual underpinning of the building.”

In trying to link the metaphor of trees to a sleek glass enclosure, Saucier urges you to “think of the image of two trees with overlapping canopies. Then visualize this image pixelated, transforming the

Watch a video of this project at architecturalrecord.com.
organic shape of the foliage into a more Cartesian geometry.” (You have to squint a bit, but it works.)

The pixelated geometry reaches its climax on the iconic west facade, where the planar glass curtain wall that clads the other facades explodes into a sculpture of cantilevered cubes. This tectonic tour de force overlooks a plaza whose abstract design extends the building’s ground plane into the landscape with concrete and wood benches meant to evoke tree roots. Above, the glazed cubes contain seminar rooms, some clad in mirrored glass, which will reflect foliage at the opposite end of the plaza once the trees have grown tall enough.
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**ARCHITECT:** Saucier + Perrotte Architectes and Hughes Condon Marler Architects – Gilles Saucier (S+P), design principal; André Perrotte (S+P), Roger Hughes (HCMA), managing principals; Bill Uhrich (HCMA), Craig Lane (HCMA), project architects; David Moreaux (S+P), design coordinator

**ENGINEERS:** Glotman Simpson Consulting Engineers (structural); Stantec (mechanical); Applied Engineering Solutions (electrical)

**CLIENT:** University of British Columbia Properties Trust

**CONSULTANT:** Perry + Associates (landscape)

**SIZE:** 275,870 square feet

**COST:** $90.5 million

**COMPLETION DATE:** September 2012

**SOURCES**

**CURTAIN WALL:** Inland Glass and Aluminum; Glasstech

**ZINC AND ALUMINUM SOFFITS AND ROOFING:** Kerrian Metalhouse

**SKYLIGHTS:** Echo Glass Installations
The tree analogy serves as a placemaking exercise inside as well, where a monumental public space on the ground floor makes the organic parti palpable. There, within the pharmaceutical center’s sleek glass enclosure, the metaphorical tree roots are tilted planes of rough, board-formed concrete, resawn cedar planks, and black glass, which dramatically heave up from a polished concrete floor. The cedar planks extend upward to cover skewed ceiling planes and parapets edging two obliquely shaped atriums. Concrete elevator cores are painted black, as are steel stairs leading to a mezzanine surrounded by a black glass railing. Recessed theater entrances, painted bright yellow, provide relief from the otherwise somber palette.

The amorphous space around the theaters is a lively if dimly lit student commons with a café and an exhibition on the history of medicines, elegantly installed in vitrines and wall panels. With entrances on all four sides and an envelope of clear glass, this dynamic and densely textured public space can be easily seen by passing pedestrians.

High above, the “tree trunks” grow into two light wells that naturally illuminate the interior. Cubic white “treehouses” of fritted glass and crisply detailed wall panels contain laboratories for pharmaceutical research and development. Offices and meeting rooms are placed at the perimeter, like branches and foliage. “The difficulty of this project,” Saucier notes wryly, “was knowing when to stop referring to the transformation of trees, because, of course, in the end it’s about the spaces.” Luminous circulation paths wrap around the skylit atriums in an arrangement that provides, according to HCMA managing principal Roger Hughes, “spaces for chance encounters and cross-pollination of ideas.”

Metaphors don’t always yield good architecture, but Saucier’s building-as-trees is surprisingly and subtly successful. Its elegant glass volume gives the site a much-needed dose of urbanity, enlivening the pedestrian paths and open space that surround it while showcasing its functions in the highly articulated interior. If the finishes used on the ground floor to elaborate the metaphor create a rather lugubrious effect, apparently it hasn’t dampened the spirits of the students and faculty. “I love it,” says one undergraduate. “It’s our building.” Proof of their enthusiasm is the student-performed lip-dub video “It’s Always a Good Time”—a bouncy, dance-along tour of the new UBC building that anyone can check out on YouTube.

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Light Beam
On the north edge of the sixth floor (above), a narrow skylit shaft brings natural illumination into the interior, separating the offices (banked on two levels) from the higher-ceiled laboratories. The skinny light well runs perpendicularly to the two large cedar-clad atriums in the interior of the block.
SEAN GODSELL is a surprise. I’m expecting a rising rock star of an architect, a Melbourne Bjarke Ingels, with more success than he knows how to use. The man I find is almost the opposite—more in the mold of Glenn Murcutt, with a small, dedicated practice, an intense seriousness about the job, and a staunch devotion to making architecture from first principles.

Godsell’s reputation, like Murcutt’s, is bigger than his buildings, which are themselves remarkably Murcuttesque, with their orthogonal forms, underdressed materials, and attenuated plans. Mostly boxes, they range from Future Shack, the 1995 parasol-sheltered habitable shipping container that first put Godsell on the international stage, through a series of widely published steel-and-timber houses (RECORD, April 2008, page 90). They stand in contrast to the typical Melbourne shtick, which implies that architecture is a bit of a giggle and repeatedly reenacts Venturi with the multicolored, the stuck-on, the decorative. Godsell is undisturbed by this, saying, “I’m happy to work in isolation.”
ARCHITECTS: Sean Godsell Architects - Sean Godsell, Hayley Franklin
ARCHITECT OF RECORD: Peddle Thorp Architects - Chris Godsell, James Hampton, Raf Nespolo, project team
ENGINEERS: Felicetti (structural); AECOM (mechanical/electrical)
CONSULTANT: Aurecon (project manager)
GENERAL CONTRACTORS: Watpac (base building); Brookfield Multiplex Australia (fit-out)

CLIENT: RMIT University
SIZE: 140,000 square feet (gross)
COST: withheld
COMPLETION DATE: July 2012

SOURCES
FACADE: Permasteelisa Group
METAL PANELS ON ROOF
PAVILIONS: Umicore Group
GALVANIZED-STEEL GRATING: Rhino Grating
Why the box? All architects fear being boring, says Godsell. The box is just the hardest form to make interesting. What is no surprise is that Godsell's latest triumph, the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology (RMIT) Design Hub, is yet another box (or rather two), writ tall.

Highly nuanced and spatially serene, this project works on several levels and scales. From a distance, at the clash of two street grids that marks one of Melbourne's messiest and least charming precincts, it reads as an exercise in cool self-possession: translucent, ordered, its glowing skin folded with loose precision, kimono-like, about a solid core.

Closer up, you notice that the skin on one box has nearly 16,250 sandblasted-glass discs, which can be used for applied solar research and one day may fuel the building. (More on the facade on page 110.) Get even closer and you see that the discs become more opaque, their tessellation more dominant. The discs rotate (vertically on three walls, horizontally on the other) to reduce solar gain; when they do, the building becomes more textural, acquiring a reptilian scaliness.

Australian universities can be divided into those established long ago on their own sprawling campuses and Johnny-come-lately institutions that are more scattered but also more urban. The latter stand at the forefront of current commitments to urban reinvestment and community connectivity, a vogue on which RMIT wholeheartedly capitalizes.

Margaret Gardner, RMIT's vice chancellor and the primary client for the Design Hub, says she wanted a building that would unify the design disciplines across this most urban of campuses, providing flexible studio spaces (or "warehouses") for transdisciplinary postgraduate research teams while drawing the life of the city in and through it.

It's a nice program and well fulfilled by Godsell's design, with its pair of boxes: an eight-story stack of flexible studio
and exhibition spaces, and a two-story archives wing. A broad, café-lined pedestrian space ramps between the two buildings, linking the street at one end of the site to a forthcoming commercial development at the other.

Structurally, the tall building is pretty conventional, with steel-clad concrete columns supporting partly-post-tensioned floor slabs from which the facade is hung. The low archives wing offers a visual and structural counterpoint, with a set of rectilinear steel tubes slipped one inside the other.

In the tall box, each main floor has a vast “warehouse” space for changing, project-based design teams and a parallel “long room” that serves as circulation, exhibition, and gathering space. On top of the building, four steel-portal pavilions house seminar rooms that open onto a roof deck.

A glance at Godsell’s oeuvre suggests a rationalist, Miesian approach. And Mies is certainly there. But less predictable influences can be seen too, in five “tributes”—to Shinohara, Corbu’s Ahmedabad, Michelangelo’s San Lorenzo Chapel, Palladio’s Il Redentore, the slender off-form columns in the main building’s basement workshop and foyer (Corbu’s Ahmedabad), and, most enchanting, the long, ruthless Shinohara stair that drops 29 feet in a slot 195 feet long and 6 feet wide that runs through the archives on the ground floor.

But one influence is the most surprising and entrancing of all—John Soane. At first glance, Soane’s house in London seems to represent everything that Godsell’s boxes preclude: complexity, darkness, symbolism, intrigue, romance. Yet Godsell says, “There’s a lot of Soane in this building.” He’s right. The winding route, the choreographed glimpses (one spanning the length of the Shinohara stair), the use of darkness as a ground for light, the way delight is deployed to enrich commodity; pure Soane. If good architecture involves complexity that appears simple, minimalism that feels rich, and pragmatism fleshed out with beauty, then this is it.

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Buildings Show Off New Moves

To enhance environmental performance and create dramatic visual effects, architects devise facades that adapt to changing conditions. By Russell Fortmeyer

The outer layer of the double-skin facade for the Design Hub at the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology (RMIT) consists of more than 16,000 individually mounted translucent glass discs repeated on all four elevations of the eight-story main building. The repetition of cellular units has long interested the Design Hub’s Melbourne-based architect, Sean Godsell, an alum of RMIT. In this case, selected groupings of the discs automatically pivot around a vertical axis in response to the sun’s position. This use of a dynamic system represents the latest—and largest—investigation of kinetic technology by Godsell’s eponymous firm (see page 104), as well as one of the more distinctive examples of the rapidly developing genre of dynamic facades.

In past projects, such as a house in Glenburn, Australia, completed in 2007, Godsell has used low-tech devices like metal louvers or grid-like mesh screens to shade glazed facades, an approach adopted by other architects. For the Design Hub, he was asked to pursue a more innovative strategy that would speak to the multidisciplinary design programs planned for the building. “The university was keen to demonstrate its interest in solar technology and green buildings, so we gave them a smart facade that could evolve,” he says.

The outer facade consists of 774 panels, each with 21 sandblasted glass discs, 3/8 inch thick. The panels sit in a steel frame separated by about 3 feet from the building’s inner facade—a more conventional double-glazed, argon-filled curtain wall. In each seven-disc column of the outer skin’s panels, the top three discs are fixed. The bottom four, which are in the occupants’ line of sight, are operable.

The west, east, and north facades, exposed to the harsh Australian sun, contain the movable components. They pivot in waves based on the time of day and year. Over the course of an hour, the discs open as little as 5 degrees up to a maximum angle of 80 degrees. However, their movement, which is controlled by actuators, is so gradual it is hardly noticeable to passersby. The university has the option of one day installing electricity-generating photovoltaics on the discs as part of a technology-development and -testing program.

Dynamic facades, like the one cloaking the Design Hub, are a response to the industry’s latest preoccupation: performance. With architects no longer satisfied to merely decorate a shed, facades have become the primary platform for energy efficiency, thermal comfort, cost savings, branding, and image.

The industry has yet to formally agree on terminology, so it’s easy to find labels like adaptive, transformable, movable, and kinetic applied to these building-envelope systems. But dynamic, in its clear opposition to static, emerges most often as the choice among architects, facade consultants, and manufacturers. “In the most straightforward sense, a building with sensors, controllers for adjustable blinds, and dimmable lighting all tied together is a dynamic system,” says Mic Patterson,
RMIT DESIGN HUB: This eight-story building in Melbourne is cloaked in more than 16,000 ½-inch-thick translucent glass discs (left). These are divided into 774 panels, each three discs wide and seven discs tall. Within each panel, the top three discs are fixed; the bottom four, which are in the occupants’ line of sight, are operable. The movable discs pivot (far left and below left) based on the time of day and year, opening as little as 5 degrees up to a maximum of 80 degrees over the course of an hour.

director of strategic development for the national facade design-build contractor Enclos. He views projects like the 52-story New York Times Building, designed by Renzo Piano Building Workshop with FXFowle, as essentially dynamic (RECORD, February 2008, page 94). Even though the veil of 3-inch-diameter ceramic tubes that cloaks the Midtown Manhattan tower is fixed, he points out, the curtain wall, manufactured by Portland, Oregon–based Benson Global, is integrated with other building systems, such as lighting and interior shades, to affect solar-heat gain, daylighting, glare, thermal comfort, and, ultimately, energy performance.

The conventional wisdom regarding dynamic building envelopes is that they are costly, require burdensome ongoing maintenance, and are best suited to a Northern European climate. Such industry challenges did not deter architects at Solomon Cordwell Buenz (SCB) from proposing a dynamic facade for the Richard J. Klarchek Information Commons, completed in 2007 at Loyola University in Chicago (RECORD, May 2007, page 241). SCB’s ultimate success with that building’s double-skin, fully glazed curtain wall, automatic venetian blinds, and operable windows laid the groundwork for a series of recent projects for the university that deploy similar strategies, resulting in significant energy savings and highly transparent, comfortable facilities that have been a hit with Loyola’s students, faculty, and administration.

Devon Patterson, the principal at SCB who has led the design effort for Loyola (no relation to Mic Patterson), built on his experience with the information commons to implement a natural-ventilation strategy for the university’s Marcella Niehoff School of Nursing and Center for Collaborative Learning, a 60,000-square-foot, four-story classroom and office building opened in August 2012 at the medical school’s campus in Maywood, Illinois. Working with a team that was almost identical to that on the earlier Loyola project–local mechanical firm KJWW Engineering Consultants, the New York office of the German energy-efficiency consultant Transsolar, and Enclos—the architects devised two glazed solar chimneys for the nursing-school building’s south elevation. These bookend a glazed facade with fixed shading louvers. The chimneys feature double glazing with a low-emissivity coating and a relatively high solar-heat-gain coefficient (SHGC) of 0.62. (SHGC, expressed as a number between 0 and 1, measures the solar radiation transmitted through a glazed unit. The lower the number, the less radiation transmitted.) In contrast, the building’s typical vision glass, enclosing spaces where heat gain is less desirable, has an SHGC of 0.25.

During the so-called shoulder seasons of the spring and fall, automated windows on the north facade open to provide cross-ventilation to the building’s public spaces and offices. The air, assisted by a combination of the stack effect and external pressure differences, exits the building through the solar chimneys. In the winter, the operation of the chimneys is reversed, with air-handling units in the basement drawing fresh air from louvers at the roof. Solar gain along the glazed chimneys preheats the fresh air before it is distributed throughout the building. The strategy results in a 40 percent improvement over the ASHRAE 90.1-2007 energy standard and an energy-use intensity (EUI) of 43 kilotons square foot (EUI is a standard way to gauge the annual energy consumption of a building relative to its size). Typical academic buildings have EUs well above 50.
MARCELLA NIEHOFF SCHOOL OF NURSING Each facade on a new building for Loyola University's Maywood, Illinois, campus is treated differently. For example, the south elevation (left) features a set of solar chimneys that bookend a glazed facade shaded with fixed louvers. The chimneys, which rely on the stack effect and pressure differentials, play a key role in the building's natural-ventilation scheme. The triple-glazed west elevation (below left) has exterior stainless steel blinds.

Erik Olsen, the managing director of Transsolar's New York office, says that shading devices, as well as dehumidification, are critical for the proper function of a natural-ventilation scheme—especially in Chicago, with its hot and humid summers. The nursing school's east facade abuts another structure, but the triple-glazed west elevation features automated external blinds. These are made of stainless steel blades approximately 1/8 inch square in section with 1/16-inch gaps between them—an interval that allows daylight to be reflected into the building off the top surface of each blade, while reducing radiant-heat gain by 90 percent. Without these operable shading elements or the south facade's fixed shading louvers, the building would have needed a much larger HVAC system, says Olsen.

Transsolar also advised on the master plan that informed the 133-acre Gardens by the Bay project in Singapore, designed by Bath, England–based landscape architects Grant Associates and London-based Wilkinson Eyre Architects and opened in June 2012. Unlike the Loyola buildings, which are focused on human comfort and energy efficiency, the Singapore project sought to maintain optimum daylight levels for the plants housed in two gridshell- and arch-supported glazed conservatories enclosing over 200,000 square feet. The architects needed to achieve approximately 4,200 foot-candles of sunlight without overheating the interior of the bulbous structures, which, from some angles, look like humpback whales surfacing in the ocean.

Singapore has a hot, humid climate with ample sunshine, but it is also cloudy and rainy for a large portion of the year. The envelope had to adapt to these changing conditions to maintain daylight levels and minimize heat gain. The design team investigated several options, including balloons tethered overhead and venetian blinds, but finally settled on external shades because they could be more easily integrated and automated, according to Matthew Potter, a Wilkinson Eyre associate director. “We also wanted the shades to have some spectacle,” he adds, describing the fractal pattern of the deployed shades as similar to the surface of a pinecone or pineapple.

The shades are controlled by sensors that monitor light levels, as well as temperature and humidity, throughout the interior landscapes. When light levels increase beyond acceptable thresholds, motors automatically unfurl triangular pieces of tightly woven canvas rolled up and concealed within the buildings' structural components. The shades unroll from one arch, pulled in an almost continuous loop configuration by a cable that spoons on a rod concealed in the opposite arch. As they are pulled across the double-glazed envelope, the shades visually interlock but allow some light transmission even when fully extended.

The movement of dynamic envelope systems isn’t always as dramatic as at Gardens by the Bay. Sometimes a facade’s operation is almost completely invisible, as it is at an office building designed by architects and engineers at Nikken Sekkei for Sony in Tokyo and completed in 2011. The 25-story, 1.3 million-square-foot structure, which the corporation recently sold as part of a reorganization of its assets, features a “bioskin” inspired by unglazed ceramic water jugs seen throughout Southeast Asia. As water evaporates through the porous walls of these traditional containers, it helps keep the drinking water inside cool on hot days, explains Tomohiko Yamanashi, chief architect on the
With that in mind, he and his Nikken engineering colleagues developed the steel-cable-framed structure that hangs approximately 7 feet off the exterior of the Sony building's double-glazed curtain-wall facade. The resulting cavity forms balconies for every floor, and the cable frame supports a series of horizontal ceramic pipes reminiscent of traditional Japanese bamboo-and-string curtains. Rainwater captured from the building's roof circulates within these porous elements.

Yamanashi's original hypothesis assumed that the evaporative cooling of the pipes, which are approximately 3 inches tall and 4 inches wide in section, would reduce solar gain on the building, resulting in improved energy performance. Nikken Sekkel extensively mocked up the facade, collaborating extensively with the project team to refine the design.

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with toilet manufacturer Toto on the design of the ceramic pipes.

Simulation work carried out by the University of Tokyo predicted a reduction in surface temperature of the external facade layer, but not enough to warrant installation of a smaller mechanical-cooling system. However, the researchers discovered an unexpected benefit of the bioskin—the studies indicated that the facade would reduce ambient air temperatures in pedestrian areas surrounding the building by 2 degrees Fahrenheit. Yamanashi contends that the research was too conservative, but he is pleased that the system helps mitigate the urban-heat-island effect. "We tend to think of green architecture selfishly, as in having better energy efficiency for only our building," he says. "But the Sony building is more altruistic, and the bioskin can improve Tokyo's concrete jungle."

Subsequent monitoring has confirmed that ambient air temperatures at the building's ground level are consistently 3 degrees Fahrenheit lower than the rest of the neighborhood. Although the project didn't achieve its original ambitions, Yamanashi considers such experimentation with dynamic facades critical. Investigation is necessary for gaining a better understanding of the most effective ways of reducing buildings' environmental footprint, he says. It's a point on which many of his peers in architecture agree.

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Sony Corporation
For a 25-story office building in Tokyo (above), designers from Nikken Sekkei created a hydronic facade they dubbed a "bioskin." The system, which is reminiscent of bamboo-and-string curtains, consists of hollow ceramic pipes supported by a cable-frame structure (above left). Rainwater captured on the building's roof circulates through the pipes, helping reduce outdoor ambient temperatures.
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Tailor Made
New York City

Adjaye Associates brings Proenza Schouler's brand of tough luxe to the fashion house's first store in its hometown.

By Asad Syrkett
DAVID ADJAYE, the Tanzanian-born British architect, and Jack McCollough and Lazaro Hernandez, the wunderkinder behind fashion house Proenza Schouler (pronounced pro-EN-za SKOOL-er), have a lot in common: both parties found relatively early success and have been hailed for pushing the envelope in their respective design fields. It’s fitting, then, that Hernandez and McCollough commissioned Adjaye to create their company’s first store in their home base, New York City.

The 3,000-square-foot boutique occupies a double-height ground-level retail space in a historic Neoclassical residential building on Manhattan’s Madison Avenue. Sandwiched between a hair salon and a jeweler, its facade stands out, particularly with its bronzed-steel door, out of which dozens of triangles have been cut. This motif is a nod to both the fashion house's sumptuous garments—which are frequently woven, hammered, and scored with geometric patterns—and the hard-edged aesthetic that characterizes McCollough and Hernandez’s work. “We played with using their name for a while, and their old logo, before settling on something more architectural,” says Russell Crader, the project architect for Adjaye Associates. The store took five months to complete, with concept and design lasting about two months, Crader explains, and construction about three.

Certain aspects of the $1.5 million project, such as removing an existing floor to create the double-height entry space and replacing a masonry lintel in the entryway with a steel bar, required approval by the New York City Landmarks
Preservation Commission. Luckily, the design passed scrutiny, as “the steel screen is really part of the overall Proenza Schouler strategy for identity,” says Crader.

The exterior foreshadows the interior’s rich yet rough-hewn aesthetic. In the entrance foyer, which separates the shop from the residences above, the design team treated the brick walls with an ash wash that’s “rubbed in and gives the wall a stained effect,” says Crader. Ghosts of structural elements past, like holes in the wall left behind by joists, or discoloration masonry, remain and become points of aesthetic interest.

On the first of two sales floors (the second occupies a mezzanine level accessed via a staircase at the back of the store), the combination of walnut-stained Parallam-wood walls and ceilings and halogen spot lighting sets a mood akin to an haute cave. Smaller goods—accessories, handbags, and shoes—sit atop short metal shelves that employees can rearrange by positioning them in various notches in the timber columns that run the length of the store. A platform at the rear of the boutique also accommodates product displays. “When they want to pair items in a collection, they have the flexibility to choreograph the space however they want,” says Crader.

Precast-concrete panels on the floors and walls of the second level lend the upper spaces heft without the darkness of the entry floor. Jackets, skirts, and larger ready-to-wear items hang from sales racks suspended from tubes of bronzed steel. Fitting rooms on this level are lined with soft, sandy-hued buffalo leather. On a recent visit, the punchy greens, yellows, and blues of the spring 2013 collection vibrated against the gray of the walls and floors. “While the space is not a blank canvas, it is a neutral environment,” says Crader. “There’s just enough of a background to allow shoppers to focus in on the colors. It gives everything a bit of life.”
Building Types Study: Retail

Section A-A

Credits:

Architect: Adjaye Associates - David Adjaye, principal; Russell Crader, project architect; Liz McDonald, Glenn DeRoche, project team

Architect of Record: AS3 Design Studio - Al Smith III

Engineer: Buro Happold (m/e/p, structural)

Consultant: Focus Lighting

Client: Proenza Schouler

General Contractor: Apogee Construction

Size: 3,010 square feet

Cost: $1.5 million

Completion Date: July 2012

Sources:

Metal Panels: Mistral Architectural Metal + Glass

Concrete: Terrazzo (precast panels)

Paints and Stains: Dyebrick (soot wash)

Lighting: Lightolier (downlights)
CITY SCENE: Proenza Schouler's concrete-and-steel interior reflects minimal New York City's sidewalk style. The floors and walls of the second-floor retail space...
"We see the inside and outside acting as one," says Kjøle principal Mark Dytham. Merging the two together, low-E glass encases most of the shop, while textured screens composed of individual T-shaped concrete blocks—1,750 in all—make a bold statement to the street. Signage by graphic designer Kenya Hara points the way in.
BOOKSTORES MAY be closing right and left in cities all over the world, but in January 2012 Tokyo welcomed Daikanyama Tsutaya Books with an enthusiastic embrace. A new, 140,000-volume shop designed by the Tokyo-based firm Klein Dytham architecture (KDa), the building started out as a rebranding project for the media giant Tsutaya, which has 1,440 bookstores and CD-rental outlets throughout Japan. In addition to upgrading the company image, it resulted in a novel retail destination.

From competition to completion, the project took just 20 months, despite delays during construction caused by the 2011 earthquake. KDa’s winning solution entailed three discrete, staggered volumes connected by a web of external walks and internal axes. Known for eye-popping elevations and clever contextual engagement, the architects got their conceptual foothold from the Tsutaya logo: a bold yellow T on a cobalt-blue background. “It was obvious what to do in three minutes,” says KDa principal Mark Dytham.

To refer to the logo, large Ts adorn the three glass, shed-like spaces. Each large T is composed of small ones carved from glass-reinforced concrete. Nodding politely to the 45,274-square-foot site’s surroundings—an elegant, leafy avenue in front, residential and small-scale commercial development in back, and Fumihiko Maki’s Hillside Terrace complex next door—the letters subtly act as signage but are fully integrated with the architecture. While the large Ts’ horizontal flanges turn into screening devices that wrap the building tops, their vertical spines correlate with the central cores running the length of each building.

The entire shop is equally accessible from all sides, thanks to 14 entrances distributed around its perimeter. (In Japan, where theft is rare, security is not an issue.) “It’s a really permeable thing,” explains Dytham. Inside, a matrix defined by the central cores and “Magazine Street,” a 20-foot-wide corridor containing 30,000 periodicals, divides the ground floor into 11 discrete book-sales areas, a café, and a convenience store. The second floor holds six music spaces in the east wing, six film sections in the west wing, and a lounge in the two-story middle building. The third floors of the two end buildings contain rental apartments. Escalators, copper-clad stairs, and elevators link the levels, while the exterior walks at grade level and covered bridges at the second floor unite the three structures.
Unlike other large bookshops, Daikanyama Tsutaya does not carry a broad inventory. Instead, it caters to the predilections of SO-somethings—Japan's largest population segment. “With the kids gone, they have more time and money to hang out and shop,” explains Dytham. Accordingly, the store stocks carefully chosen books and merchandise related to art, architecture, design, cooking, photography, cars, travel, and other topics of appeal to that age group. In addition, each section employs concierges, or specialists in their subject matter who offer advice, source hard-to-find titles, and even, in the case of the travel section, book hotel reservations.

The unique book selection, the high level of service, and the extended business hours (the shop is open daily from 7 a.m. to 2 a.m.) are not the only reasons people of all ages are flocking to the store. “The client envisioned a new cultural center, kind of like a living room for Tokyo,” says Dytham. In keeping with this concept, KDa chose warm, friendly materials and fashioned custom furniture and lighting to match. Blending inside and out, exterior stone pavers become interior flooring and the full-height glass skin yields light-filled, airy spaces where the ceiling soars to 11 feet. To preserve this openness, KDa lined the window walls with movable furnishings, such as shelves, seats, lamps of various shapes, and, in the music areas, listening tables, which clip onto the building’s steel-frame structure. Overhead, large, lanternlike pendant fixtures provide soft lighting while masking exposed ductwork and steel decking. By contrast, the book areas within the cores, where the ceiling drops to 9 feet, are lined with unpolished wood flooring and shelves to create a “bookstore-y feel,” says Dytham.

Though there is nothing nostalgic about Daikanyama Tsutaya, the shop's mission is to “welcome back books,” Dytham says. In both conceptual and concrete terms, it acknowledges the simple pleasure of reading and browsing for books—a shortcoming of e-commerce and even e-books. “Even in Japan, a country with a highly developed Internet culture, people like to touch things, to own things,” concludes the architect.

credits
ARCHITECT: Klein Dytham architecture (KDa) - Astrid Klein, Mark Dytham, partners in charge; Yukinari Hisayama, Yoshinori Nishimura, project team
ARCHITECT OF RECORD: RIA (Research Institute of Architecture) January 2012
ENGINEERS: Structured Environment (structural); EOS Plus (electrical); Nichiei Architects (mechanical)
CONSULTANTS: Furuuchi Design Studio (landscape); FDS Corporation, EOS Plus (lighting)
GENERAL CONTRACTOR: Kajima
CLIENT: SO-TWO
SIZE: 60,358 square feet
COST: withheld
COMPLETION DATE: January 2012
SOURCES
STEEL FRAME: Kawagishi Bridge Works
CURTAIN WALL: Yamaki Kogyo
CUSTOM WOODWORK: Asahi Building Wall
1 ENTRANCE 9 CARS
2 MAGAZINE STREET 10 FASHION
3 CAFÉ 11 PHOTOGRAPHY
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Miami

Rene Gonzalez's second Alchemist store in the famed 1111 Lincoln Road parking garage is a cool respite from a hot city.

By Linda Lee
RENE GONZALEZ’S new Alchemist shop on Miami’s Lincoln Road has some tough competition. It stands on a popular plaza opposite a garish movie theater, the Regal South Beach. It is at the base of the 1111 parking garage by Herzog & de Meuron (RECORD, June 2010, page 134), a destination for architourists and the star of numerous photo shoots and television ads. And it has to, if not best, then at least match the success of Gonzalez’s previous Alchemist store on the fifth floor of the garage, notable for its austere glass-box beauty and the tightly curated high fashion inside, including the designs of Rick Owens and Givenchy.

The fifth-floor shop, which opened in May 2010, has been widely published and is a financial success. Gonzalez compares it to elite stores like Colette in Paris and the boutiques on Corso Como in Milan, known to the discerning few: “If you are a follower of these brands, you go to Milan, you go to Corso Como; you go to Paris, you go to Colette. People who come to Miami come here.”

Roma Cohen, owner of Alchemist with his wife, Erika Sussman, says Alchemist on the fifth floor and the 1111 parking garage complement each other. “People come to see the building and then they see our store, or they come to see our store and then they see the building,” he says.

But for an outpost on the ground floor, a different approach was needed. “We wanted to connect with the traffic and the people outside,” Cohen says, referring to foot traffic on the plaza, also designed by Herzog & de Meuron, in collaboration with landscape architect Raymond Jungles. So he and his wife turned again to Gonzalez. Their conversations, which started in 2011, focused on mood and materials. The word “energy” was tossed around; the Cohens in particular liked the youthful feel of the Harajuku and Aoyama shopping streets in Tokyo. “We were very much inspired by the visual energy there,” says Cohen.

Gonzalez, meanwhile, was thinking in a different direction. The glass box upstairs was all about ethereality, looking out to the sky, the views. The new Alchemist shop would look inward; it would be a refuge. “Rene’s idea was that it would be a cocoon setting,” Cohen says. “We were even thinking about it as a Styrofoam cooler dropped on the beach.”

In common with all the other storefronts at the base of 1111, the entry facade has glass walls in a sawtooth pattern. Gonzalez carried the sawtooth inside, with melamine foam
At the rear of the store in the dressing-room "cabana," the foam paneling is replaced with pine boards on the floor and the ceiling. Cove LEDs accentuate the drama of the angled walls. The niches in the walls hold merchandise within easy reach. At the front of the store, in foam shelves angled toward the street, are items deemed more informal than those sold at the upstairs Alchemist. Sunglasses (a top seller), books, skin-care products, flashy Pierre Hardy shoes, and smartly tailored cropped jackets and relaxed dresses hang in serried ranks that peek out from behind the angled walls.

The ground-floor store draws people inside—it's like entering a white tunnel, an effect accentuated by LED lights behind the foam. Especially after dark, those lights create a forced perspective. The mood changes at the rear of the store, where the 2-inch-thick foam is replaced by pine boards in the dressing rooms. Gonzalez refers to this space as the "cabana." A pair of Zaha Hadid's zoomy benches provide places for friends to perch and wait. Inside one custom bench is a foam cooler holding Jugofresh juices, a new Miami cult. "That's to get people excited about coming in," says Cohen. Animating the cabana area, and entertaining those waiting, are high-resolution art films (palm trees, sunsets, waves) made by the Cohens' friend Paris Kane.

The owners, who wanted youthful energy, and the architect, who wanted a cocoon, are both happy with the result, and especially with the attention it drew from high-profile visitors (and spenders) during last December's Art Basel. "It's important that a place be cared for by the owners," says Gonzalez. "So it's important that they love it."

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A dynamic image-arts center emerges from a former brewery warehouse; a new public library shines from within a wooded setting; an overlooked Ivy League library moves into the 21st century. Each is a hub of inspiration and study transformed by an infusion of daylight offset by creative lighting systems. All three projects not only serve their users but also reach out to their respective communities with an assertive—and welcome—presence.
THE INDUSTRIAL yellow-brick building one block north of Toronto's Dundas Square in the heart of the city has been home to the Ryerson University School of Image Arts since the late 1960s. But it was no match for the school's growing reputation in photography, film, and digital media. The former brewery warehouse and bottling plant, built in 1953, was windowless, cramped, and technologically out of date. It also lacked good exhibition spaces. But the recent gift of one of the most significant compendiums of 20th-century photojournalism—the Black Star Collection—motivated the university to transform the serviceable building into a dynamic media center that radiates with the energy of the activity and contents within it.

Given by an anonymous donor, the nearly 290,000 black-and-white photographs, amassed by the New York-based Black Star agency between 1910 and 1992, came with $7 million in seed money. Initially, university officials wanted to modify the existing structure to accommodate conservation-standard storage, curatorial spaces, and a rooftop gallery for the collection, which would be managed as a separate entity from the school program. But according to architect Donald Schmitt, as the administrators reviewed the options it became clear that the time was right for a more extensive overhaul.

"On the one hand, they needed to have total darkness and cool temperatures to preserve the delicate artifacts," says Schmitt, design principal at Diamond Schmitt Architects (DSA). "On the other hand, photography is about light. So we explored the potential for establishing a luminous presence in the city, one that could be understood as a place for viewing artwork made with light."

Stretching the limits of the tight urban site, the architects organized the building to create distinct yet linked entrances and domains for the School of Image Arts and the newly created Ryerson Image Centre (RIC).
which will manage the collection. They added seismic reinforcement, IT infrastructure, and
a state-of-the-art HVAC system, then extended
the building out as much as 16½ feet around
three sides, opening the lower floors with
fritted glazing to bring sunlight into public
areas, faculty offices, and student lounges.
This added layer of transparency also provides
welcoming views into the once impenetrable
facility, inviting the public to enter through a
glass portico and visit the RIC or one of the
student galleries DSA tucked into the ground
floor. Large translucent photo images, printed
on vinyl, along the window bank above this
long entry foyer serve as a subtle "sign" and
an outdoor extension of the works on display.
A vibrant LED double-skin facade wraps
the remainder of the old brick, luring pass-
ersby after sundown with a colorfully curated
digital display. Developed by DSA together
with Consulux Lighting, the curtain wall
is made of removable 3-by-8-foot panels of
white laminated glass held by an aluminum
support system. To prevent shadows and hot
spots, the cross-framing at the base of each
panel is bordered with a strip of individual,
addressable DMX-controlled RGB LEDs that
reflect off the existing reclad building enve-
lope, which has been insulated and coated
with white stucco.

The designers wanted the lighting to be
intelligent and as future-proof as possible,
so the system is Ethernet-capable, explains
lighting designer Ion Luh. But neither she nor
the architects realized the implications of its
potential until the building's creative occu-
pants got involved. Intrigued by the protocol,
new-media faculty member David Bouchard,
along with students and artist-in-residence
David Rokeby, took it upon themselves to
create an interactive smart-phone application,
accessible and free to the public via the
Internet. So anyone can use a touch sc reen
to draw sweeping lines around the walls that
mingle with other emerging artworks to
form a spirited communal mural—in a range
of over 13 million possible color combinations.
"It's fantastic," says Schmitt. "The university
controls the gate, but when it's open there
are at least 50 students, or whoever, around
the building playing with the surface."

The Black Star Collection and the new-
media wall attracted over 67,000 visitors
when the RIC opened during Toronto's 2012
Nuit Blanche, an all-night arts festival in
September. It continues to draw 200 or more
museumgoers a day, plus plenty of students
gravitating to the playful skin and daylit
lounges. Renewed and illuminated, the quiet
institution has become a lively destination
generated by the power of light.
LIGHT BOX Wrapped in fritted, low-iron glass, the building is pristine by day, a serene backdrop for the pedestrian plaza, once a vehicular route (above). The student lounge features birdlike Artemide Mouette fixtures (left).

credits
ARCHITECT: Diamond Schmitt Architects - Donald Schmitt, principal in charge; Peggy Theodore, project architect; Steve Bonder, Liviu Bondar, Zvonimir Cicvaric, Andreas Sokolowski, architects
LIGHTING DESIGNER: Consullux - Ion Luh, designer
ENGINEERS: Halcrow Yolles; CEL (m/e/p)
CLIENT: Ryerson University
SIZE: 100,000 gross square feet
COST: withheld
COMPLETION DATE: September 2012
SOURCES
CURTAIN WALL: Kawneer; Viracon; Schott
EXTERIOR LIGHTING: GVA (fixtures); Ecue (controls)
INTERIOR LIGHTING: Sistemalux; Lightoller; Selux (ambient, downlights); Lutron (controls)
Los Gatos Public Library
Los Gatos, California
Noll & Tam Architects/
Illuminosa
By Lamar Anderson

COMMUNITY BEACON Like a lantern in the woods, the modern library is visible from a distance despite a setback site and plentiful tree cover. The design team infused the LEED Gold-certified building with carefully shaded daylight and installed an energy-efficient lighting system that enhances the user experience and establishes a welcome presence in the community as it radiates a gentle luminance.

WITH AN expansive glazed facade and warm wood ceilings that subtly reflect light, the Los Gatos Public Library emits a soft glow at all waking hours, but the best time to see it is at dusk. That’s when the lighting program switches on and slowly sends a wash of amber (or blue or purple) across a band of frosted-glass panels tucked at the base of the second-floor windows. The color change, which spreads from the center of the facade outward, takes about 40 minutes to complete and happens almost imperceptibly. It’s the kind of touch that helps the already lamplike library advertise itself as a beacon for this small, mountain-edged city south of San Francisco Bay. The stretch of glass that houses RGB color-changing LEDs was originally meant to be empty, a leftover space from the raised-floor ventilation and electrical system. “We were just going to put a blank thing there,” recalls Chris Noll, principal of the Berkeley, California–based firm Noll & Tam Architects. “And I went, ‘Oh, I want to do something with that. Why don’t we have some fun?’”

Working with Illuminosa lighting consultants, the architects chose the concept of a lantern in the woods for the usual associations between knowledge and light, but also to help the public see the building on a site with a large setback and ample tree cover. They designed the steel-frame building as a long, transparent rectangle and oriented the facade to capture northern light. At two stories and 30,250 square feet, the LEED Gold-certified library triples the size of its old quarters inside the neighboring civic center. The new building,
LIFE LINE The architects inserted a 35-foot-high central spine along the length of the structure and installed clerestory windows on either side to bring light all the way through the core of the 175-foot-long building. Comfortable, pop-out reading rooms are surrounded by louvered windows, which provide sun and heat protection as well as a bit of privacy.

which opened in February 2012, includes stacks and storage for the library's 120,000-item collection, a children's library, a reading room, a computer lab, and a community meeting room, as well as a teen center and a local-history section that pop out from the north and south facades, respectively, in a matched pair of cantilevered bay windows.

In keeping with the woodsy setting, the architects surfaced the facade with a natural palette of stone veneer, wood-veneer composite paneling, and ceramic tile. These choices, though, almost read as the backdrop for the interior of the library, whose light-washed maple ceilings seem to push out through the windows and become part of the exterior. "You don't see the vertical surfaces when you're approaching the building; you see the lit ceilings," says Alice Prussin, principal of illuminosa. "If there's light bathing those surfaces, that is what reflects through the windows."

Though the wide site gave the architects an ideal north-south orientation, the designers needed to bring light all the way through the 175-foot-long building. They solved this problem by inserting a tall central spine along the length of the structure, 35 feet above the ground floor. Then they lined the length of the raised roof with clerestory windows that bring
daylight into the core. Lower wings on either side provide cozy dropped ceilings over the stacks that enable the light from recessed fluorescent strips to reach the bottom shelves. Along the north and south faces of the building, the ceiling kicks back up a foot to boost the amount of daylight at the perimeter. As dusk approaches, additional fluorescent ceiling fixtures, on dimming and sensor controls, gradually illuminate the extended window walls. “You need a space that’s filled with light to make the building glow,” says Noll. “If we brought the stacks out to the edge, it wouldn’t work as a concept.”

Punctuating the rows of stacks, large, loopy wood-veneer fixtures by Spanish designer Miguel Herranz hang from the ceiling. “With such a long spine, you want to help people be aware of the whole volume but not make it seem too narrow,” says Prussin. On the ground level, the children’s library gets even more playful. Because of structural beams above the ceiling here, the architects couldn’t jack up the height the way they did on the floor above. Instead they captured the space between the beams with a custom-fabricated undulating aluminum ceiling. Cutouts of spaceships and galaxies, backlight by yellow pendant fixtures, give the room a celestial theme.

It was the library-as-lantern approach that helped sell the tradition-minded town on a modern building, says Noll. “They were going, ‘Ahh! It’s going to be steel and glass and stone; it’s going to be cold and modern and not inviting,’” he recalls. “The lighting is a big part of achieving that warm and welcoming feeling. So we got a very modern building past the design-review people.”

credits
ARCHITECT: Noll & Tam Architects – Christopher Noll, principal in charge; Danniele Sergent, design project manager; Abraham Jayson, construction manager; Matthew Wadlund, project designer; Tad Costerison, project architect; Trina Goodwin, interiors architect
LIGHTING DESIGNER: Illuminosa – Alice Prussin, principal
ENGINEERS: Ingraham DeJesse Associates (structural); Glumac (m/e/p); Sandis (civil)
SIZE: 30,250 gross square feet
COST: $12.7 million
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To foster a sense of place in the renovated reading room, New York-based Joel Sanders Architect (JSA) devised a carefully considered lighting scheme that creates two discrete “zones,” one for communal studying and reading, the other for relaxing. In doing so, JSA has given the students of Wilson College a more modern, comfortable place to work and gather.

The library, which occupies a 1960s-era concrete building called Wilcox Hall, was founded as a “gentleman’s library,” says Wilson College master and English professor Eduardo Cadava. “The idea was to fill it with the books that all gentlemen ought to be familiar with,” Cadava explains with a laugh. In its 21st-century iteration, “Princeton wanted a dynamic space that allows students to gather around digital devices,” says architect Joel Sanders.

The primary challenge presented by the old library was its compartmentalization. So JSA opened up the space by removing a masonry wall in the foyer and installing wide, tiered seats that step up toward a large communal workbench. This amphitheater-like area serves as a visual and spatial link between the entry and the main reading room, which is accessed via a ramp to the right and brings daylight beyond the entry and into the whole space.
STUDY HALL The library entry (opposite, top) can accommodate individuals or groups of students in an amphitheater-style area for work and lounging. In its previous iteration (opposite, bottom), the vestibule was closed off from the spaces beyond by a masonry wall, which the architects removed. In the newly open reading room (below), two zones—a lounging zone rendered in blue and a studying zone characterized by wood paneling—are visually and spatially linked.

Sixteen round lighting fixtures, installed within a ceiling grid painted the same shade of bright blue as the furnishings in the space, provide an ambient glow over the seating area. JSA carried this circular motif into the main reading room, installing disk-shaped fixtures that create pools of light along the area designated for lounging and reading (also dressed in the punchy blue of the vestibule soffit). “We thought a lot about using lighting to differentiate spaces from one another,” says Sanders. Bands of fluorescent strips above communal tables in the “quiet studying” area provide even, bright illumination. “We’re also highlighting some vertical surfaces and, in doing so, making the space seem more generous overall,” says Washington, D.C.-based lighting designer George Sexton, who worked with JSA on the project. Halogen lamps highlight shelves built into the reading-room walls and give computer stations a bit of vibrancy.

All these changes have brought a welcome contemporary edge to the mid-century library, says Cadava. “We really wanted to provide students with a space that was more useful and relevant to the ways they’re learning today,” he says. “It’s been a real success.”

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By Rita Catinella Orrell

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BY JoAnn Gonchar, AIA

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2. Describe the key structural elements of the tower and its facade.

3. Explain the structural and construction challenges presented by the tower's geometry.

4. Describe how construction methods were adapted for the harsh desert environment.

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More Than One Way to Skin a Building

Four curtain wall case studies show different ways to address daylight while achieving superior aesthetics and performance in new and renovated buildings

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Building facades have become more than the sum of their parts, particularly when curtain wall systems are used. Advances in materials, digital tools, fabrication techniques, and multidisciplinary collaboration mean that modern facades are being used to regulate entire building environments in terms of daylight, ventilation, and energy use. The cutting-edge technology of many curtain wall systems, coupled with good design principles, is saving energy while providing indoor environments that are focused on the needs of the users. The result is an impressive combination of design and performance coming together for new and renovated buildings.

OVERVIEW OF CURTAIN WALL SYSTEMS

A curtain wall system is defined as a complete exterior envelope facade system which provides a non-structural, relatively lightweight, weather-tight covering on buildings. Being lightweight, it reduces both the load that must be supported and the manpower needed to erect it. In the case of small, low-rise projects, the system may be field fabricated or "stick built" and glazed using standard components similar to a storefront system. However, curtain wall components are notably different in design and performance characteristics with typically much better results compared to storefront components. Larger projects may justify full factory fabrication with panels prepared and glazed ready to be placed directly onto the building structure, minimizing the number of joints in the facade. Curtain wall systems are generally installed outside of the structural system of a building running past floor slabs and other structural elements. They are then attached via tiebacks directly to the building structure at floors, columns, and beams. This installation process means that all wind loads and dead loads imposed on the system are compartmentalized and transferred directly to the building structure. Hence the curtain wall system carries only its own weight and loading while the building structure absorbs all imposed loads.

The strength of curtain wall systems lies in its high overall performance, particularly when compared to a storefront system. This is true in terms of wind resistance, water management, and thermal performance. From a design standpoint they are easy to customize, are available with a variety of interior and exterior aesthetic appearances, and allow a virtually
unlimited range of installation locations, configurations, and opportunities. Specific decisions can be made early related to anchoring options, accommodation of specified glazing thickness, and other details. Most curtain wall manufacturers also offer accessory items such as sun shades or light shelves to enhance daylighting approaches for the overall building.

Perhaps the single most important material common to curtain wall facades is glazing using all manner of glass products. Long marketed as architectural statements, the current generation of all-glass buildings is increasingly being promoted as an energy-efficient, environmentally friendly solution that enhances occupant experience as well as building performance. Technological advances are responsible for this performance boost with glazing currently available that can manage heat and glare, feature low-emissivity, and provide user privacy without compromising light transmission.

In concert with the pace of technological innovation, it has become increasingly important that good architectural design respond to a variety of basic human needs. In particular, recent investigations into the effect of the indoor environment on people suggest that basic design choices regarding the building facade—notably natural daylighting and ventilation—can dramatically affect the performance of a building, and by extension its users. No longer viewed as just an assembly of materials providing environmental separation between conditioned space and the exterior environment, the curtain wall facade is now recognized as an integral component of high-performance building systems.

With all of the above in mind, we will explore four different buildings that have successfully achieved the appropriate balance of technology, design, installation, and user satisfaction that each of these well-designed projects required.

1 MILSTEIN FAMILY HEART CENTER
DESIGNING FOR DAYLIGHT AND ENERGY
The Vivian and Seymour Milstein Family Heart Center at New York Presbyterian Hospital in New York City is one of the world’s leading pioneers of cardiac treatment. In order to maintain this edge, the institution recently built a $240-million, 125,000-square-foot addition to its 165th Street hospital complex.

Design Program: Improved Patient Care Through Daylight
Seeking to provide more than just room for the latest in medical advances, the hospital leadership and key donors, including the Milsteins, wanted a building that would buoy its patients’ morale—giving the gift of hope to those facing life-threatening illness.

A dynamic double curtain wall delivers energy performance and optimism for the cutting-edge medical community at the Milstein Family Heart Center.

Design Approach—A Very Transparent “Climate Wall”
Ian Bader, the project’s lead designer for architects Pei Cobb Freed & Partners, knew immediately how to deliver this kind of reassurance in the form of architecture: The site, a cramped plot at the southern edge of the hospital’s upper West Side campus, overlooked a breathtaking panorama of the Hudson River and Palisades. Bader intended to bring this view to the interior, opening up the Milstein Family Heart Center facility to the soothing effects of unfiltered daylight in the process. The problem was how to do so without also causing wild swings in temperature. His solution was to enclose the building in a four-story-high glass climate wall—a dynamic double curtain wall that tracks the diurnal course of the sun, controlling incoming daylight while keeping the hospital’s occupants in immediate touch with the glory of the natural world. “Looking outwards becomes an event of hope,” explains Bader. Thanks to superb thermal performance and unrivaled craftsmanship, the facade system also helped the project to earn a LEED Gold rating.

More than just an expansion of the hospital’s facilities, the addition creates a new entry sequence to the Milstein Heart Center, ushering visitors in from Fort Washington Avenue along a curving passageway that opens into a naturally illuminated four-story atrium. Glass-floored bridges cross the atrium, spanning between the addition and the existing Irving Pavilion and linking directly to corridor waiting areas that abut the curving climate wall. Constructed of custom steel box beams, the bridges support a structural glazing floor system that allows daylight to pass freely through the space’s water white glass curtain wall and skylight. A single, mid-span vertical cable suspended from the atrium roof above is used only to control deflections and vibrations. The bridges connect the neighboring Irving Cancer Center with the floors of the new building, facilitating continuity between medical departments.

Structural System Coordination—Cables Tie into Building Structure
The four-story atrium is constructed with both a glass ceiling and an approximately 45-by-70-foot glass facade. The paramount aesthetic goal was that the structural support of the atrium facade be as willowy as possible in order to leave views of the Hudson River and beyond unobstructed. An efficient single-plate steel girder system spanning between the new addition and the existing Irving Pavilion supports the atrium roof. The gravity load of the atrium wall is supported by small-diameter bright drawn stainless steel 316 S 1x19 strand cables hung from the atrium trusses above. The lateral support of the vertical wall is provided by pre-stressed, Vierendeel horizontal trusses.

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constructed of a thin plate and pre-stressed horizontal cable.

Curtain Wall System—Cable Support System and Cavity

The glazing is supported from the structural systems with stainless steel glass point support hardware. Rising to the west of the atrium, the addition’s climate wall is composed of a 22-millimeter-thick laminated glass outer wall and a 44-millimeter-thick insulated glass inner wall separated by a 3-foot cavity. The layer of air in the cavity mediates solar heat gain in warm months and acts as insulation during the winter. When outdoor temperatures rise, the building’s exhaust air is drawn into the lowest level of the wall by convection currents, allowing built-up heat to rise naturally to the top elevation where it is expelled through a rooftop vent. In winter, this vent is closed off, holding in the air and creating a thermal blanket for the building.

The wall’s double-laminated glass panels are a variety of sizes, though they are generally 5 feet wide and 16 or 17 feet high depending on floor-to-floor heights. The wall does not rely on a mullioned framing system, but upon structural glazing and custom-designed point supports. The point supports attach to a system of crisscrossing post-tensioned fine ground brush drawn 304 stainless steel rods that hang from the ceiling and are drawn down by coil springs at the wall’s base. This system kept the 3/8-inch-diameter rods as slim as possible, as the structures in tension require significantly less material to handle the applicable loads. Rods also tie the tensioned system back to the floor plates to absorb lateral forces, primarily wind loads.

Daylight Control Strategies—Adjustable Vertical Shades Move with Sun Patterns

As with the atrium, the climate wall’s glass panels are composed of clear insulated glass units, meaning that the light that comes through is unadulterated by high-performance coatings, which tend to tint the sun’s full-spectrum rays. “We live in a filtered world,” muses Bader. “I tried to avoid that here.” The tradeoff, of course, is that the glazing offers little in the way of shading. To make up for this, Bader and his team designed a system of computer-controlled fabric louvers, essentially motorized vertical blinds that track the trajectory of the sun. In the evening, the system is completely open, at midday it is closed, and between these two extremes the panels adjust accordingly, optimizing the amount of light passing through at any given time. “Typically, a high-performance glass would have a shading coefficient of .6 to .4.5,” says Bader. “The shading coefficient of this system is very low—.1 or .05. You would have to have a virtually opaque wall to get that.” In addition to the blinds, the airspace features a stainless steel catwalk system, a custom grating supported by small-diameter pipe members integrated into the climate wall support structure that allows easy access for maintenance.

Behind its sophisticated stainless steel and glass corset, The Milstein Family Heart Center now stands as a hopeful refuge for patients and their families, with enlarged details of Hudson River School painters’ landscapes on the walls of the waiting areas and lobby imbuing a natural vibrancy and depth to the center’s interior and reiterating the addition’s strong ties with the natural world. Luminous between New York Presbyterian’s older masonry structures, “all the elements of the center were carefully engineered like pieces of jewelry—each item has its own special identity and purpose,” says Bader. “And while the existing buildings are not architecturally distinguished, they are of archaeological value, allowing a layering of stories to happen. The dialogue is alive and well here.”

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HARLEM HOSPITAL PATIENT PAVILION
MAKING A STATEMENT

The new patient pavilion at Harlem Hospital is proving that modernization need not be at the expense of historical significance.

Design Program—Create a Unified, Modernized Complex

The modernization of this 100-plus-year-old teaching hospital was needed to make room for improved patient care and community outreach in the Harlem section of New York City. The recently completed project will house new emergency and surgery departments, diagnostic and treatment services, a critical care suite, and a modern radiology center—all centered around an expansive full-height atrium to create a unified health care complex out of seven disparate structures spread over two city blocks.

Design Approach—A Unifying Facade

The project’s design, undertaken by HOK’s New York office in association with Bronx-based architect Jack Travis of Studio/JTA called for constructing a new six-story, 150,000-square-foot pavilion to connect to the existing Martin Luther King Pavilion and the existing Ron Brown Ambulatory Care Pavilion. Though the plan is rooted in bringing the most up-to-date medical care and teaching facilities to Harlem, at its creative center is the restoration of the hospital’s historic WPA-era murals painted by some of the most famous African American artists of the 1930s, including Charles Alston and Vertis Hayes. While the original artwork, depicting themes of medical science, life in Harlem, and experiences of black people in America, will be displayed in the new pavilion’s lobby gallery, Hayes’s work Pursuit of Happiness is replicated on the building’s six-story curtain wall facade in the form of a 180-by-65-foot glass mural mounted on a concealed steel structure.

Structural System Coordination

The unusual project posed several challenges to the design team, who worked with structural engineer Robert Silman & Associates to realize the new pavilion’s structural design. Pavilion spaces needed to be organized to flow into existing portions of the hospital campus. Perhaps most importantly, the design had to anticipate plans to build two additional floors atop the new pavilion in the future. Using steel for the structural frame provided the necessary flexibility in both cases, but the team found that the unique mural curtain wall design approach prevented them from using more efficient cross-braced
frames to address lateral loading. Therefore, the building's lateral system (with the exception of a double-height mechanical space) is designed as a series of moment frames. This required large W14 x 342 and W24 x 117 girders, both of Grade 50, A992 steel, to keep lateral drift to acceptable limits. The double-height mechanical space at the seventh floor created a "soft story" where moment frames were inefficient, so the design team instead used perimeter-braced framing for better lateral load resistance.

With the facility's expansion goals in mind, the structure is designed to carry two more floors in the future. In order to anticipate the additional stresses on the building that those future floors presented, the team developed several structural models to determine appropriate seismic and wind requirements prior to the addition. Because the hospital is set back one bay at the sixth floor, large W44 x 335 transfer girders support the new floors and the potential floors above.

Column layout also presented a challenge to the design team. Because of the hospital's desire to create open, light-filled spaces in line with modern health care standards, the architects set column lines on the north and west sides of the building 9 feet 6 inches back from the building edge. The design team used cantilevered stub beams moment connected to the columns to create corridor areas free of vertical structural elements.

Curtain Wall System—Digital Printing on Glazing

The unique space created by the structural alignments was designed to accommodate the hospital's new Pursuit of Happiness glass mural onto Lenox Avenue. Aside from visible horizontal mullions at each floor line, the atrium's west wall is structurally glazed, presenting an uninterrupted canvas for Hayez's work. Each of the curtain wall's 429 panels was printed with a new digital, direct-to-glass colored ceramic printing technology much like putting ceramic frit on glass. The digitized artwork is printed on the #3 surface of the six-layer insulated glass units, directly under a PVIN interlayer laminating it to the outer lite. To accommodate the building's show-stopping curtain wall, bent plates of 3/8-inch-thick A36 steel form the edge of the slab along the west facade. Three quarter-inch-diameter, embedded head steel studs (attached to the inside face of the bent plates) provide the additional capacity necessary at the slab edges for the curtain wall attachment. Because the printed curtain wall was part of a separate design-build contract, Silman's engineers worked with curtain wall engineer Arup to develop connections to the bent plates that could accommodate the necessary vertical deflection at the slab edge, as well as the lateral movement of the building. As with many design-build curtain wall systems, the hospital's steel sub-frame needed to be designed for maximum flexibility at the attachment points. Because the slab edge at the west mural wall was cantilevered out as much as 1 foot - 10 1/2 inches, the spandrel beam design uses HSS members connected with full-height stiffeners to keep them from rotating.

Strategy at Night—Backlighting

Because interior corridors pass behind the glass, it will remain unobstructed by furniture. At night, the fluorescent back-lit image comes alive thanks to the illuminated column-free space behind it, highlighting the historic scene from the past—the hospital's new face—for all who pass by.

3 LEARNING SPRING SCHOOL

CONTROLLING LIGHT

The Learning Spring School (LSS) is not your average New York City independent educational institution. Established by a group of concerned parents in the fall of 2001, LSS was conceived, built, and staffed for children with high-functioning autism spectrum disorders.

Design Program—Educating Children With Autism

Not long after opening up in a small commercial building, the school realized that its facilities were inadequate to meet the very specialized needs of its student body. Adding to the challenge, as early intervention for children in the autism spectrum became more and more prevalent, admissions applications began pouring in, and enrollment quickly exceeded the capacity of the space. To address both of these shortcomings, LSS commissioned New York architectural firm Platt Byard Dovell White (PBDW) to design a dedicated building that would meet the school's growth projections and create an environment conducive to educating children with autism.

Design Approach—A Sheltering Curtain Wall

Whereas in some projects the purpose of a curtain wall system is to maximize views and daylight, the objectives in this specialized urban school were to mitigate harsh sunlight and minimize visual stimuli. With complete transparency not an objective, the architects initially explored a window wall system because of cost, but changed to a curtain wall system in order to ensure a more reliable enclosure. The design was made of glass, zinc, and an aluminum sunshade system that lets filtered daylight in while keeping autistic students calm and focused on the lessons at hand. What makes the facade unusual is that such systems are not generally used to enclose educational settings. However, to help foster the school's mission of enabling autistic children to succeed academically as well as socially and emotionally, PBDW laid out an extensive 34,000-square-foot building accommodating occupational therapy, drama and music, lifestyles, culinary arts, fine arts, science and computer labs, plus a library.

For the fourth case study and complete project details, see the online version of this article.

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As a movable structure used to open and close an entrance, a door has many jobs. Doors admit people, ventilation, and light. They create privacy, distance, and space from the other aspects of a building. They keep cold or heat in or out, control the spread of dust, and noise, and provide security. In commercial applications, the list of door functions and objectives grows to include the efficient passage of people and goods, the ability to withstand moderate and heavy traffic, and the capacity to separate building functions coupled with ease of maintenance and aesthetic qualities consistent with the look of the facility.

Opening with a light assist and closing automatically in a safe, gradual manner, double acting traffic doors are one option that achieves these goals. As opposed to doors that swing one way, and open and close manually via a knob, lever, push bar, or related device, double acting traffic doors open easily in both directions, simply by pushing on them, after...
which they automatically return to their closed position. Used extensively in restaurant, retail, institutional, and industrial situations, double acting doors allow personnel and materials to travel more quickly between two sections of a building while acting as a separation between public and backroom operations. In commercial scenarios where bottom line considerations are key, double acting impact traffic doors represent a basic cost-effective strategy for efficient movement, while providing necessary screening functions. This article will discuss the basics of double action doors, their applications and various hinge scenarios, focusing on where and how to specify them to meet goals.

**DOUBLE ACTING TRAFFIC DOORS—THE BASICS**

Double acting describes a door that swings in both directions, in and out. Because of this feature, the door always swings away from the person or load passing through it, allowing easy and safe passage. In addition to being bi-directional, double acting doors open upon impact, automatically center in the opening upon closing, and do not typically close against a door stop. Double acting doors facilitate small or very large openings by using a single panel or a double panel, or a pair configuration. In the most efficient double acting traffic doors, impact "shock" is spread throughout the door components so it is absorbed without damage. The doors open with minimal impact (typically less than 10 pounds of pressure) and then automatically return to the closed position.

Impact traffic doors are constructed utilizing a variety of core and cladding materials and construction methods. Panel cores can be wood or foam and are clad with high-pressure laminate (HPL), stainless steel, aluminum, or impact-resistant plastic. Some models feature stainless steel edge caps or internal steel reinforcements for increased durability. Some typical benefits include:

**Efficiency**

Because double acting doors do not close against a stop, they facilitate smooth, efficient traffic flow in either direction. There is no need to stop open the door, operate knobs or levers. The doors simply open upon impact from personnel, hand trucks, pallet jacks, or even forklifts and then close automatically after the traffic has passed through the opening.

**Physical and Psychological Screens**

Double acting traffic doors act to separate various functional spaces in a facility, restricting access and screening cluttered or unsightly work areas, stockrooms, and the like. In addition to visual separation, they provide thermal and environmental separation and sound attenuation as well as a visual barrier between disparate operations that reinforces the facility’s commitment to maintain an aesthetic public space for customers and patrons.

**Quick Installation**

As a result of pre-drilled frames that are correctly sized for the door opening and reinforced at all hinge locations, some 36-inch by 84-inch traffic doors can be installed in 30 minutes or less by one person, while other traffic doors take more than 60 minutes to install with a two-person crew—a factor that can result in a significant cost savings, particularly when numerous doors are required in one facility or in a chain with multiple facilities. By eliminating on-site drilling for the hardware, hole location errors are minimized, further reducing installation time and costs.

**Energy Efficiency**

Double acting doors improve efficiency and reduce energy costs as they are less likely to be propped open during loading and unloading of product in refrigerated areas such as coolers and freezers and in temperature-controlled processing areas.

Insulated double acting doors provided with perimeter gasket seals are effective in minimizing the flow of air, moisture, dust, and particulate matter through the opening. This is particularly important in temperature-controlled environments.

**APPLICATIONS**

No one door will fit all requirements, and there are a multitude of models available on the market to suit a wide variety of applications. Cladding materials are available to match the surrounding décor and options can be applied to the door to provide protection against impact from pallets, carts, forklifts, and other traffic utilizing the opening. Vision panels can be sized and located to meet regulatory and safety needs.

As has been mentioned, double acting doors are used primarily where a separation of areas is needed for visual, thermal, environmental, or sound control. For example, kitchens in restaurants, hotels, resorts, and institutions take advantage of the easy passage for waiters to carry food to and from the customers' dining area without having to use their hands to open the door. Retail stores use double acting doors to maintain a separation from the not-so-attractive warehouse area to the customer sales area. Gate or café-style doors are popular options in restaurant and retail environments, particularly in convenience store applications. Food markets also find the doors useful for efficient stocking from the storage areas. Perimeter gaskets allow double acting doors to be used in an area where a temperature differential exists as in walk-in coolers. See above chart listing applications for double acting doors.

With restaurants, presentation is key. Double acting doors are a good choice for kitchen to dining area openings where it is important to separate the sights and sounds of the kitchen from patrons. New product options for double acting doors include flush windows and internally hidden or externally concealed hinges. Doors with internally hidden hinges are typically 1-1/2 inch thick overall and doors with externally concealed hinges are typically 3/4 inch thick overall. A combination of flush windows and hidden or concealed hinges creates a sleek, attractive door panel suitable for upscale restaurants, banquet halls, country clubs, and hotels. The surface of the door panel is available in an almost limitless selection of HPL choices or stainless steel.

With a wide range of door construction, cladding, and custom graphic options, decorative possibilities abound. Some choose...
to design the look of their double acting doors simply for aesthetic appeal, while others choose a more functional approach. For example, some restaurants utilize two separate door openings allowing for one-way traffic into the kitchen through one opening and one-way traffic into the dining area through the other. In one case, a restaurant owner designed these one-way doors with red laminate on one side and green on the other so that his employees knew which door to safely pass through. With the use of vinyl overlays and silk screening, double acting doors can be designed to include logos and graphics. Sports bars, for example, have opted to incorporate images of beer bottles and sports images into their double acting doors. Double acting doors can even be built with a white board laminate so that management can remind servers to ask about dessert or to inform customers about the “special of the day.”

Doors for retail environments tend to be unique, with solutions customized to a particular style from elegant to contemporary to playful. For example, a national sporting goods chain that sought a rough, rustic look to match the appearance of their distressed wooden door frames opted for a “hammered” metal finish on their double acting door. Custom graphics can work to inform and reduce maintenance costs. A national arts and crafts chain attached an “Employees Only” sticker to their traffic doors. Over time, the stickers peeled off, leaving a gummy residue on the doors. They opted to have their message silk screened on the vision panel, which proved to be more attractive and eliminated the cost and issues associated with the sticker.

Double acting doors are well suited for use in supermarkets as they open and close easily and are built to take the abuse present in sales to stockroom applications. The double acting nature of these doors maximizes efficiency as pallet after pallet of groceries and dry goods slam through these openings on a daily basis. Insulated models are frequently used in coolers as the primary door and in freezers as a secondary door.

It is important to note here the requirements of the Federal Energy Independence and Security Act (EISA) of 2007, which became effective January 1, 2009. The purpose of the act is several fold: to move the United States toward greater energy independence and security; to increase the production of clean renewable fuels; to protect consumers; to increase the efficiency of products, buildings, and vehicles; to promote research on and deploy greenhouse gas capture and storage options; and to improve the energy performance of the federal government. To be in compliance with the act, walk-in coolers and freezers installed in the U.S. and occupying less than 3,000 square feet in floor space have to meet a new set of rules. Among them, there must be:

- Automatic door closers that firmly close all walk-in doors that have been closed to within 1 inch of full closure, with the exception of doors wider than 3 feet 9 inches or taller than 7 feet.
- Strip doors, spring hinged doors, or other method of minimizing infiltration when doors are open.
- Wall, ceiling, and door insulation of at least...
R-25 for coolers and R-32 for freezers.

If the walk-in cooler/freezer has reach-in doors, it must have a window of triple-pane glass with either heat-treated reflective gas or gas fill. Alternatively, the window must comprise double-pane and heat reflective treated gas and a gas fill.

Double acting EISA-compliant cooler doors are available in several finishes, including ABS, anodized aluminum, and stainless steel. Each model is filled with CFC-free high-density urethane foam. Optional triple pane, argon gas-filled windows are available as required. As with all double acting doors, these R-25 cooler doors open upon impact and close easily, maximizing efficiency.

**HINGE CHOICES**
The service life of a double acting traffic door depends on the integrity of its hinge. No one hinge serves all applications, so it is important to make an appropriate selection based on the required function of the door. Each hinge type offers distinct features and benefits, with typical options including:

- **Roller and cam gravity hinge**
- **V-Cam hinges (90 x 90 degree)**
- **V-Cam hinges (90 x 180 degree)**
- **Top-mounted only gravity hinges**

**Roller and Cam Gravity Hinge**
Top-mounted hardened steel cam plate and rollers, combined with a hardened steel bottom pivot pin, create a durable and dependable hinge system that allows the door to open with minimal impact and close automatically, while offering smooth, quiet operation. Because these hinges open with minimal impact, the force required to open them is reduced, thereby minimizing damage to the door panel itself. Roller and cam gravity hinges are faster and easier to install than V-Cam double acting door hinges. Doors equipped with these hinges easily meet ADA requirements regarding the amount of force required to open a door.

This type of hinge is available in several configurations, including gate and café models and double Dutch configurations in which one door is mounted above the other to fill extremely high openings. Optional features include lower hinge guards as well as an integrated hold open feature that allows the door to be propped open for clean up or at stocking time.

Various door types are suitable for this type of hinge, including the following:

**Lightweight partition doors.** These doors can be fabricated from a variety of materials suitable for different applications. Material options range from .063 aluminum (tempered and anodized), 16-gauge stainless steel, or .063 anodized aluminum with a high-pressure laminate.

**Solid core partition doors.** Core consists of exterior grade plywood clad with aluminum (tempered and anodized), 20-gauge stainless steel, high-pressure laminates, or ABS.

**Insulated partition doors.** Core consists of a rigid PVC full perimeter frame filled with CFC-free urethane foam. Panel thickness options are 1.5 inches and 3.5 inches (EISA compliant). Cladding options include ABS impact-resistant thermoplastic, anodized aluminum, or stainless steel.

**Rotationally molded insulated doors.**

- The 1.5-inch-thick monolithic door panel is rotationally molded and features an outer skin made of recyclable linear low-density polyethylene (LLDPE). The core is foam-in-place with CFC-free urethane foam for enhanced insulation properties. Internal vertical tubular steel reinforcements stabilize the panel. This type of door is suitable for retail, walk-in coolers, and light industrial applications.

**V-Cam Hinges**
Typically the upper V-Cam casting is ductile iron or stainless steel and features a ramp that is available in low or standard rise configurations. The roller assembly attaches to the upper hinge post and the door rises upon opening as the roller travels up the ramp in the V-Cam.

Because they offer greater resistance to opening, doors equipped with V-Cam hinges are more resistant to blowing open due to high wind or negative or positive pressure in the opening. V-Cam hinges are usually preferred when the impact traffic door will be subjected to high volume or highly abusive forklift traffic. A spring assist option is available for applications where increased resistance to opening is desired, typically where high wind or draft, or pressure conditions exist, such as on dock openings.

V-Cam hinges are typically more difficult to install as a top seal must be used and the roller assembly must be drilled and pinned to the upper hinge post. Greater impact is necessary to open these doors, but they are usually compliant with ADA opening force requirements (unless equipped with spring assist).

Typically, V-Cam hinges are available in 90- x 90-degree or 90- x 180-degree configurations. The 90-degree x 90-degree swing configuration mount in the center of the doorjamb and allows the door to travel 90 degrees in each direction. The 90-degree x 180-degree configuration mounts on the corner of the door jamb and allows the door panel to travel 90 degrees in one direction and 180 degrees in the other direction. The 90-degree x 180-degree cam allows the door panel to literally "wrap around" the wall in one direction in applications where traffic passing through the opening makes a sharp turn before clearing the leading edge of the door. Other options include low or standard rise cams, lower hinge guards, and spring assist for high draft or pressure conditions.

Designed for heavy-duty industrial impact traffic situations, doors with V-Cam hinges are designed with a heavy-duty internal steel framework or are monolithic in design with internal steel reinforcements. Typically, the outer cladding is either ABS impact-resistant plastic or rotationally molded LLDPE. In either case, the core is foamed in place with high-density CFC-free urethane foam.

One factor to note is that in order for traffic doors with V-Cam hinges to center properly in the opening, the supplied roll pin used to lock the roller assembly in the proper position must be installed. Otherwise, frequent adjustments may be required, as the roller assembly mounted to the upper hinge post will move as the door is impacted.

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Folly is a competition cosponsored by the Architectural League and Socrates Sculpture Park that invites emerging architects and designers to propose contemporary interpretations of the architectural folly, traditionally a fanciful, small-scale building or pavilion sited in a garden or landscape to frame a view or serve as a conversation piece. The 2013 Folly winner is tree wood, designed by Toshihiro Oki, Jen Wood, and Jared Diganci. For more information, visit archleague.org.

Theaster Gates: 13th Ballad
Chicago
May 18–October 6, 2013
Chicago-based artist Theaster Gates has designed a new large-scale installation at the Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago. The installation consists of objects and materials from the Huguenot House, a public-architecture project in Chicago and Germany, a set of repurposed pews from the University of Chicago's campus church, and a monumental double-cross sculpture. Gates created an ecclesiastical ambience to suggest that art museums, like churches, are sites of pilgrimage and thoughtful contemplation. 13th Ballad is accompanied by a series of collaborative performances. For more information, visit mcachicago.org.

A New Sculpturalism: Contemporary Architecture From Southern California
Los Angeles
June 2–September 2, 2013
The Museum of Contemporary Art Los Angeles presents the first extensive, scholarly examination of the radical forms that have become prolific in Southern California architecture during the past 25 years. The exhibition aims to rethink how museums display architecture, allowing visitors to experience architecture primarily in its three-dimensional form with models, full-scale maquettes, and full-size built structures. For more information, visit moca.org.

Ongoing Exhibitions

Voices of Design: 25 Years of Architalx
Portland, Maine
Through May 19, 2013
This interactive exhibition at the Portland Museum of Art celebrates the 25th anniversary of Architalx, a nonprofit organization that hosts talks and other educational programming for architects and designers in Maine. Visitors can browse Architalx’s archive of voice, text, and images from lectures by many of the leading architects and designers of the last quarter-century. For more information, visit architalx.org.

Lebbeus Woods, Architect
San Francisco
Through June 2, 2013
This exhibition at the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art brings together 75 works from the past 35 years by one of the most influential architects working in the field. Recognized beyond architecture, Woods (1940–2012) has been hailed by leading designers, filmmakers, writers, and artists alike as a significant voice in recent decades. His works resonate across many disciplines for their conceptual potency, imaginative breadth, jarring poetry, and ethical depth. For more information, visit sfmoma.org.

Jim Olson: Art in Architecture
Bellingham, Washington
Through June 9, 2013
This retrospective at the Whatcom Museum is devoted to the career of Jim Olson, one of the Northwest’s most significant architects and founder of the Seattle-based firm Olson Kundig Architects. The exhibition spans Olson’s first 50 years in architecture, exploring his built work as well as his artistic, cultural, natural, and personal influences. For more information, visit whatcommuseum.org.

Loos: Our Contemporary
Vienna
Through June 23, 2013
The continuous influence of Adolf Loos (1870–1933) on the building culture of the past 100 years is the focus of the exhibition Loos: Our Contemporary at the Austrian Museum of Applied Arts (MAK). Loos’s minimalist-aesthetic paradigms and concept of ethical architecture influenced the oeuvres of numerous modern-era architects. For more information, visit mak.at.

The Woolworth Building @ 100
New York City
Through July 14, 2013
A masterpiece of early-20th-century art and technology, the Woolworth Building celebrates its centennial year in the process of conversion, with office space remaining below and luxury residences planned for the upper floors.
tower. Still radiant on the Lower Manhattan skyline, the landmark heralds both the past and future of New York. For more information, visit skyscraper.org.

Green Schools
Washington, D.C.
Through January 5, 2014
The National Building Museum is hosting the first-ever museum exhibition dedicated to the greening of American schools. Featuring more than 40 exemplary projects, from new construction to rehabs to modular classrooms, the exhibition will survey the breadth of green school design in the United States through sample building materials, photographs, video, and green products. For more information, visit nbm.org.

Lectures, Conferences, and Symposia

New Models for Modular Housing
New York City
May 9, 2013
A panel of architects will discuss the latest innovations in the design of modular multi-unit housing. Presented by ARCHITECTURAL RECORD and the Architectural League of New York, the event is being held at the McGraw-Hill Auditorium, 1221 Avenue of the Americas, New York City. The symposium, sponsored by VaproShield, begins at 7 p.m. with a reception to follow. For more information, visit archrecord.com.

Sharjah Biennial 11
Sharjah, United Arab Emirates
Through May 13, 2013
For Sharjah Biennial 11, curator Yuko Hasegawa has solicited a selection of artworks that reassess the Western-centrism of knowledge in modern times. A selection of architects and cultural practitioners from Lebanon, India, Belgium, Japan, Spain, and elsewhere have been asked to create temporary architectural interventions that connect Sharjah’s historic area and its courtyard typology with the larger city. For more information, visit sharjahart.org.

Modular Construction Summit
Brooklyn, New York
May 16, 2013
Do modular structures last as long as stick-built buildings? Are they environmentally sustainable? Can they be as attractive as their traditionally built counterparts? The answer to all of these questions is yes. This conference, cohosted by the Modular Building Institute and the Pratt Institute, will distinguish fact from fiction in the burgeoning field of modular design. For more information, visit modular.org.

Booming Boroughs: Redesigning Aging-in-Place in NYC
New York City
May 18, 2013
Organized to develop innovative urban-housing models that are socially and economically viable and sustainable for seniors, enabling residents to continue their lives happily, safely, and independently in urban communities, this charrette at the Center for Architecture hosts five interdisciplinary teams of participants that will produce innovative design solutions at a range of scales, from an individual apartment to an adaptive reuse of an entire building. For more information, visit boomingboroughs.org.

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Centennial Exhibition
through July 14, 2013
For information & programs: www.skyscraper.org.
International Design Festival
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Through May 19, 2013
What makes an object useful, engaging, and beautiful? What is it about a distinct design that conveys calm, wonder, and excitement in the user and helps us recall a moment in time? This free, three-month-long multidisciplinary celebration of design at Artisphere features The Next Wave: Industrial Design Innovation in the 21st Century, a 4,000-square-foot exhibition exploring innovation in product design from Spain, Italy, Belgium, the U.K., Scandinavia, and the United States over the last 13 years. For more information, visit artisphere.com.

GIS International Architecture Expo Conference
Bucharest, Romania
May 27-28, 2013
The third edition of the GIS International Architecture Expo Conference focuses on interior architecture and design in offices, hotels, and commercial-building projects. General topics also include product design, lighting design, and engineering. Held at the JW Marriott Grand Hotel, the conference also features special guest Giorgio Borruso, an Italian architect and designer best known for his innovative experimental designs for fashion houses and retailers. For more information, visit iegis.ro.

Michigan Modern: Design That Shaped America
Bloomfield Hills, Michigan
June 13-16, 2013
This four-day symposium at the Cranbrook Educational Community brings together architects, critics, designers, historians, business leaders, and others to discuss Michigan's central role in the development of American Modernism, which created the foundation for Michigan's strong design and engineering industry today. This symposium and the companion exhibition celebrate Michigan's contributions to modern design and the stories of the people who made it happen. For more information, visit michiganmodern.org.

Competitions
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