

## Today's News - May 3, 2002

In our latest feature (click "Home" above), Architect Lorcan O'Herlihy has designed a 21st Century house - meaning it's as close to earthquake-proof as is possible (and required) - wrapped with a mid-20th century Modernism sensibility. The private residence located in the hills above Los Angeles has already garnered a number of reader responses including "drop-dead sexy..." and "wicked Hollywood hideaway" written all over its fine bones." Not your typical architectural discourse, perhaps, but a refreshing take on what architecture can inspire.

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[Energy efficiency lab to open in Portland: designed to encourage architects, building owners and developers to build more energy-efficient buildings](#)- Portland Business Journal

[SouthSide plan gains eateries, interest: \\$170 million retail, entertainment and office complex, where once an LTV steel mill stood \[images\]](#)- The Tribune-Review (Pittsburgh)

[Tied to the land: As wide open spaces fill in, developers seek hard-to-find urban sites](#)- Chicago Tribune

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