

## Today's News - February 27, 2003

One of ANN's sources said, "The vote went quickly." The unconfirmed news was on the AP wire by 6:56 last night - just in time for Peter Jennings to announce it at the end of World News Tonight (right after "Mini-millions," a report on the fortunes spent for models to win competitions - the focus was Viñoly). Of course, the official announcement comes at 11:00 a.m. this morning (Lower Manhattan time). The question remains: how much of Libeskind's design actually has a chance at being built? John King proposes an even broader question: "What comes next? Not just in Lower Manhattan, but to skylines across the United States." We would add "across the world."

What is apparent to us in this emotionally-charged saga of the World Trade Center site is that it has not only galvanized the 'vox populi' of New York, but has brought to the front page of even the smallest local papers important issues raised by developments of every scale and impact. The public is letting its voice be heard - and in many cases, it is being listened to. What is most encouraging is the public vocabulary that now includes "bold" and "visionary." There can be no turning back. — KR

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[Going for the bold: Designs for new WTC will reshape skylines beyond Manhattan.](#) By John King- San Francisco Chronicle

[Editorial: Involving the public in the process: The Tampa museum's design was important because it foreshadowed how public input would factor into many other planning decisions.](#) - Rafael Vinoly- St. Petersburg Times (Florida)

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[Creating a sticky situation: There are just a few small problems with duct tape...consider the way this entire Homeland Security initiative advances architecture into new, uncharted territories.](#) By Lisa Rochon- Globe and Mail (Canada)

[Creating 'kaleidoscopic moments': UN Studio vying to design Portland's tram...stands apart from its competition with a track record of eye-catching architecture](#)- The Oregonian

[Beijing to Invest 7 Billion yuan \(US\\$854 million\) on Museums](#)- People's Daily (China)

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- Allmann Sattler Wappner: Südwestmetall Reutlingen, Baden-Württemberg, Germany  
- Dorte Mandrup Architects: Neighborhood Center, Copenhagen, Denmark  
- Rafael Viñoly Architects: Carl Icahn Laboratory, Lewis-Sigler Institute for Integrative Genomics, Princeton University, New Jersey

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