## Today's News - June 3, 2004

Wal-Mart discovers architecture. — China's Thames Town inspired by Birmingham; vicar not pleased with spire plans. — Irksome dispute over Freedom Tower fees. — New report says hospital design affects patients, staff (haven't we already figured that out?). — Rivals join forces to rival Gehry for Kansas City stadium project. — Gensler gets new airport terminal project in Detroit. — 2 Columbus Circle: shabby lollipop or landmark? — Not everyone in Needham likes new library design (too much glass? where are the bricks?). — de Menil's Modernist mansion in Texas restored. — Deadline looms for emerging architecture awards. — A new biographical dictionary of forgotten African American architects (women included). — A new book looks at malls aging badly. — Spanish architect wows them in Budapest. — Long lost Breuer chair found.

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Massive Markets: In an effort to thwart neighborhood opposition, Wal-Mart is employing some of the same tricks used by real estate developers...architecture... By Karrie Jacobs- Metropolis Magazine

Wal-Mart targets Tega Cay: Supercenter to anchor \$80M project near city's new entrance...pledged to build a store that will fit with the architecture...a look of Main Street...- Charlotte Business Journal

Brindleyplace inspires China's 'English' city: Birmingham's canalside pubs are the unlikely inspiration for new watering holes in a giant English-style city in China.- icBirmingham (UK)

Vicar Cross at China Church: ...questioned architects' motives for replicating the 250-foot spire and other aspects of his 19th Century church in a satellite town 6,000 miles away in Songijang, near Shanghai. - Atkins- This is Bristol

Silverstein Irks Those Libeskinds On Tower's Fees: A series of letters...reveal just how personal this dispute has become, and how hard feelings from last year's design conflict are still lingering.- New York Observer

Better designs may improve care: ...a new report argues that the way [hospital] facilities are designed will have a direct impact on how patients and staff will fare.- Record Searchlight/Scripps

Arena design pledge issued: local team of architects is vying with architecture superstar Frank Gehry... - HOK Sport+Venue+Event/Ellerbe Becket/Heinlein Schrock Stearns/CDFM²; Gehry/Crawford Architects- Kansas City Star

Metro Airport selects Gensler: Firm to design \$428-million North Terminal project at Detroit Metropolitan Airport.- Detroit Free Press

Lollipops and Circles of Influence: With road work and landscaping under way, there's just one shabby remnant left to mar Columbus Circle...the Iollipop building [2 Columbus Circle]. - Edward Durell Stone; Brad Cloepfil/Allied Works

Architecture- New York Times

New library design spurs debate: Some surprised as old plan shelved...new wing would clash with the 1915 portion... - J. Stewart Roberts; Ann Beha Architects [image]- Needham Times (Massachusetts)

A House That Rattled Texas Windows: When de Menil built the first great Modernist house in Texas, in 1950, not everyone was thrilled. Now, a look at its \$3.3 million restoration. - Philip Johnson; Charles James; Stern & Bucek Architects [images]- New York Times

<u>ar+d 2004 emerging architecture awards; deadline: September 17- The Architectural Review</u>

A Book Remembers Forgotten Architects: "African American Architects: A Biographical Dictionary 1865-1945," profiles 151 mostly unknown practitioners, including nine women.- New York Times

Book Review: "Call of the Mall" by Paco Underhill: Like the Valley Girls who made it famous, the suburban mall is now on the wrong side of forty- The Atlantic

Will you be able to discover the vision inside? "Labyrinth" - Exhibition of the work of Spanish architect Oscar Tusquets Blanca (OTB)- Budapest Sun

African Chair by Marcel Breuer Recovered [image]- Art Daily

Metaphors for Motion: University of Connecticut Farmington Musculoskeletal Institute by AHSC Architects [images]- ArchNewsNow

- -- Under construction: Peter Eisenman: Field of Stelae, Berlin
- -- UN Studio: Living Tomorrow Pavilion, Amsterdam
- -- TEN Arquitectos/Taller de Enrique Norten Arquitectos: Hotel Habita Polanco, Mexico City
- Finalists: International Competition Canadian Museum for Human Rights, Winnipeg, Canada
- -- Competition winner: Zaha Hadid Architects: EuskoTren Headquarters, Durango, Spain

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