

Today's News - October 1, 2004

Autumn in New York: perfect time (and weather) for Architecture Week. – Reports from 1st Architecture Biennial: is there a culture clash brewing? – Local team wins Kansas City arena (they brought lots of pictures; Gehry brought none). – Robert Campbell says of Boston's new convention center: "As architecture, this may well be the best of its kind in the country." (But the roof leaks, and the client "think the design team, paid \$36 million for their work, owe the taxpayers a refund.") – The battle of Ground Zero spills into print (surely we've not heard the end). – Plans along the Clyde River include a Foster-like "gherkin" and a golden glowing tower: "Glasgow now seems to be cottoning on to the benefits of being a river city." – Weighty results in Portland's skinny house design competition. – Should historic sites be modernized? (It worked for the Louvre.) – Is San Francisco pushing out its home-grown industries? – A big celebration for Rapson's 90th. – U.K. battle between the professionals: a "futile war." – Don't be an inspiration-killer. – Exhibitions: Italian architecture to inspire Toronto; transforming urban nights with urban lights in Duisburg, Germany; Josef and Anni Albers Bauhaus beauties in New York.

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[Overseas architects challenged by Chinese culture: report from the first Architectural Biennial Beijing 2004 - Koolhaas; Tschumi; Andreu; Herzog + de Meuron; Zhu Qi; Zhang Zaiyuan; Hackenbroich Architekten; Riken Yamamoto; Lab studio](#)- China Daily

[Architectural harmony: 1st Architectural Biennial Beijing \(ABB 2004\)...The problem of losing China's unique cultural identity in cities and towns is the hottest topic discussed...The conquering of foreign architects to win the contract for China's civic buildings is also a hot debate...](#)- Beijing Weekend

[KC team takes arena prize: Group of local architecture firms wins heated competition for project: "They knocked it out of the park" - HOK Sport/Ellerbe Becket/360 Architecture/Rafael Architects; Frank Gehry/Crawford Architects \[images\]](#)- Kansas City Star

["Time to settle up": \\$850 million Boston Convention & Exhibition Center...it is hard not to come away impressed by the building...a few problems...firms are responsible for "millions of dollars of damages" in errors and omissions at the convention center, according to the lawsuit... - Rafael Vinoly Architects; HNTB; R.G. Vanderweil Associates; Shen Milsom & Wilke](#)- Boston Globe

[The battle of Ground Zero spills into print: Architect tells of feuding with rivals over twin towers site - Daniel Libeskind; David Childs/SOM](#)- Guardian (UK)

[Tower plan to bring Clyde's glitter back - Gordon Murray and Alan Dunlop Architects; Page and Park architects](#)- The Herald (Scotland)

[Vision on skinny houses widened, narrowed: Portland design contest for houses on skinny lots...49 designs chosen in the first stage of judging are among 426 entries...in November will pick up to 25 designs that can be built under current city codes and more realistic budgets.](#)- The Oregonian

[Narrow Lot House Designs of Excellence 1st Stage Winners \[images\]](#)- City of Portland

[Change could be brewing over on Mariposa Street: Anchor Brewing Co. says zoning plan may force him to hoist anchor...latest proposal relaxes protections for industrial businesses.](#)- San Francisco Chronicle

[Should historic sites be modernized? A dramatic design that aims to catapult one of the nation's most historic buildings into the 21st century has triggered a debate on the future of Welsh monuments.](#)- icWales

[Architect Ralph Rapson to be honored on 90th birthday: He's locked horns with Frank Lloyd Wright and Tyrone Guthrie, built landmarks and helped revolutionize modern architecture.](#)- Pioneer Press (Minnesota)

[RIBA must kiss and make up with Architects Registration Board: The RIBA's latest challenge to the Arb marks yet another battle in a futile war.](#)- BD/Building Design (UK)

[The Bottom Line: Motivating Your Staff with Inspiration: Don't be an inspiration killer.](#)- New York Construction News

[Maintaining ancient connection: Exhibit of Italian architecture "Architecture and Water: Verona Waterfront Project" relevant to city of Toronto - Gabriello Anselmi; Bonaventura Romano](#)- Tandem (Canada)

["Illuminated Cities Illuminated Art" invites speculation into the possibilities of the transformation of the urban night through illuminated works by fine artists. Lehbruck Museum, Duisburg, Germany, October 17-January 30 \[links\]](#)- Nonstarving Artists

[Exhibition: A Bauhaus Couple Lived Their Less-Is-More Credo: "Josef and Anni Albers: Designs for Living" at the Cooper Hewitt \[images\]](#)- New York Times

[INSIGHT: Ticking the Right Boxes: In today's quest to add value at all costs, are we not losing sight of the most important aspect of all - the architecture itself? By Austin Williams](#)- ArchNewsNow

[Metamorphosis and Transcending Hype: Observations from the Field: The Venice Biennale offers a message of optimism and exuberant anticipation for architecture in a post-9/11 world -- for the most part. By Margaret Helfand, FAIA \[images\]](#)- ArchNewsNow

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