

Today's News - September 26, 2005

ArcSpace brings us a winning design for concert and congress center in Reykjavik, and two new, hip hotels in Spain. -- New Orleans: lessons from Chicago; New Urbanist architects and engineers making plans; and legal issues that could affect rebuilding. -- In Manhattan and Brooklyn, it "isn't looking like a great season for the legacy of Jane Jacobs." -- Disappointment also in grand plans for L.A.'s First Street. -- Holcim Foundation for Sustainable Construction announces Asia Pacific competition winners. -- Melbourne's "new pride and joy" may be the greenest of green, but some disappointment: not a model for affordable sustainability and the "sacrifice of architectural aesthetics." -- Green design no longer considered hippie-chic in Southern California. -- A new Cuban revolution to preserve its golden age of architecture. -- New York design schools hiring "hot architects of the moment" to design new buildings. -- A Dublin car-park turned architects' home base. -- Musings on museums everywhere: Roanoke goes for bold hoping for Bilbao effect. -- Nasher Museum at Duke University - and others - part of a growing backlash against the Bilbao effect. -- San Francisco's de Young "thick with concepts but short on architecture." -- Akron museum has to curb some of its design enthusiasm. -- Tsunami memorial competition (announced in Friday's ANN) called a "bad precedent" by Wildlife Fund Thailand .

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[At W.T.C. and Brooklyn Arena, Death and Life of the Superblock: ...this isn't looking like a great season for the legacy of Jane Jacobs. -- Gehry; Project for Public Spaces; Ourossoff; Gregg Pasquarelli; Calatrava; etc.- New York Observer](#)

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[Building tracks the sun around the CBD: Melbourne's Council House 2 \[CH2\] is a bold experiment in environmentally sustainable design -- Mick Pearce; DesignInc- The Age \(Australia\)](#)

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[How architects turned own mews into airy new building: A Dublin architects' firm bought a car-park and turned its mews building...into a light-filled open-plan office and four apartments. -- Newenham Mulligan and Associates- The Irish Times](#)

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