

Today's News - November 2, 2005

A tribute (from Australia) to a Palm Springs Modernist master. – A scientist describes New Orleans as "a city made possible and made vulnerable by reliance on technology." – Transit-oriented developments (TOD) taking hold in L.A. (and elsewhere) despite their complexities. – Chicago offers grants for green roofs. – A London children's hospital "does for healthcare what the Tate Modern has done for art galleries." – A plea to consider construction and IT as "equally important, complementary and deeply connected." – Rutgers University lines up an impressive shortlist to choose from. – Forget the Fourth Grace Cloud: Alsop proposes something "fantastic and very magical." Opus Architecture Awards include the builders (time to include engineers?). – America's mania for everything large. – Berkeley Prize 2006 student essay competition launches.

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[Tribute: Ernest Stewart Williams, 95: An architectural oasis in the desert..."His modernism took the international style and warmed it up"- Australian Financial Review](#)

[Natural and Unnatural Disasters: Reflections on a city made possible and made vulnerable by reliance on technology...Ironically, New Orleans also faces the contrary risk: being left high and dry.- American Scientist](#)

[Trading the Car for the Train: Los Angeles may be the car capital of America, but there is a growing interest in mixed-use complexes near - or right on top of - transit stations....transit-oriented development \(TOD\)... "new urbanist" features. -- Moule & Polyzoides- New York Times](#)

[Chicago wants to turn green into green: Grants totaling \\$100,000 are to help homeowners and small businesses make roofs green -- with vegetation -- to benefit both the environment and their budgets.- Chicago Sun-Times](#)

[A thoroughly modern children's hospital built on old-fashioned principles: Tactile spaces, lots of sunlight - even a helter-skelter. The first new children's hospital in London \[since 1969\] aims to take the fear out of being ill...Evelina does for healthcare what...Tate Modern has done for art galleries. -- Hopkins Architects- Independent \(UK\)](#)

[Bricks and Clicks: Pay attention to hospital construction as well as IT...My plea is that we think about these two massive areas of investment as equally important, complementary and deeply connected. By Ian Morrison- Health Forum](#)

[Transforming Rutgers' Historic College Avenue Campus: 15 Architectural and Design Teams Submit Qualifications for Competition -- Predock; Beyer Blinder Belle; Ehrenkrantz; Eckstut & Kuhn; Eisenman Architects; Norten/TEN Arquitectos; FXFOWLE Architects; Goody Clancy; Hillier; Koetter Kim; Michael Graves; Morphosis/Mayne; Vonoly; Meier; SOM; Holl- Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey](#)

[New Alsop project will put magic into city: The architect who designed the failed waterfront Fourth Grace Cloud project is making a comeback in the city with a building described as Liverpool's "third Cathedral"- icLiverpool \(UK\)](#)

[Opus Architecture and Construction Awards highlight builder-architect relationships: With builders coming in for a lot of criticism \(and rightly so in some cases\) it's heartening to see cases where contractors are recognised for the skilled, careful and innovative work that they can do.- Irish Times](#)

[XXXL: America's mania for big has reached epic proportions. Bigger is now more than just better--it's ginormous! By Paul Makovsky \[images\]- Metropolis Magazine](#)

[International 2006 Berkeley Prize Undergraduate Essay Competition: "Children and the City" and are dedicated to the UNESCO Growing Up In Cities Program; deadline: December 10- Berkeley Prize](#)

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