

Today's News - August 1, 2006

New wings take flight at the Portland Art Museum. -- LMDC folds, leaving Lower Manhattan cultural projects in limbo. -- Kahn's Trenton Bathhouse "needs a savior -- badly and quickly." -- High-rises changing the face of Bangkok (some for the better). -- In addition to NIMBY and BANANA, add to the lexicon: BIMBY, GITS, and Garden Grabber. -- Two proposals for Milwaukee project have "generated beautiful architecture" (though Gould has her fave). -- Dublin green lights new rugby stadium, but the neighbors are none too pleased. -- Shortlist selected for new state park at a former rail yard in L.A. -- A call for papers for green rooftop conference. -- Eco-friendly Idea House full of ideas. -- You know green must be cool when MTV covers eco-friendly designers. -- An in-depth look at the architects behind Brighton's planned "astounding seaside observation tower." -- Designing a back-up plan for humanity on the moon (or just a really cool museum). -- MoMA's new architecture curator sees he has some catching up to do in "exploiting the public's infatuation with architecture." -- U.K. architect cleared of manslaughter in Legionnaires deaths; her "fine would have been more but for her 'limited means'." -- Coney Island's Parachute Jump has a bright future. -- Auckland Architecture Week in September celebrates the joy of architecture.

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[Northwest Expansion: Portland Art Museum: Sensitive historic restoration combined with contemporary design expands a museum into a dynamic new art center. -- Ann Beha Architects; SERA Architects \[images\]- ArchNewsNow](#)

[Arts Funds in Limbo Downtown After Demise of Lower Manhattan Development Agency: ...has left cultural groups wondering whether a government entity with teeth will emerge to ensure that the arts have a place in the neighborhood. -- Snohetta; Gehry; Calatrava- New York Times](#)

[Bathhouse's life draining away: Architectural gem needs help soon... On Sept. 4, it may close forever, subject to the whims -- or benign neglect -- of whoever purchases it from the Jewish Community Center...needs a savior -- badly and quickly. -- Louis Kahn \(1957\); Susan Solomon; Farewell Mills Gatsch Architects; Phillips Gelfand Architects; Peter Eisenman; Ken Smith; Docomomo- The Times \(New Jersey\)](#)

[The Sky is the Limit: With high-rise apartments and condominiums gaining popularity, the face of design in Bangkok is changing. -- dwp cityspace; WOHA; Sumet Jumsai- Thailand Property Report](#)

[Rise of the garden grabbers: From Nimbys to Bimbys: Build in my Back Yard. Kevin McCloud salutes a controversial solution to our 21st-century housing needs..."Garden grabbing" -- or "town cramming" -- relieves the pressure on local authorities to use former industrial brownfield sites....- The Times \(UK\)](#)

[Better design melds new, old: It's a mark of how far we've come that the two developers vying to buy and develop a county-owned parcel...have both generated beautiful architecture. By Whitney Gould -- Johnsen Schmalzing Architects; Arquitectura \[slide show\]- Milwaukee Journal Sentinel](#)

[Lansdowne Road gets green light but locals plan appeal: ...say the sheer scale of the proposed 50,000-seater \[€365m\] arena will have a detrimental impact on their quality of life. -- HOK/Scott Tallon Walker- Irish Independent](#)

[3 Firms Are Finalists to Design Park at Cornfield Site in L.A.: Each group will get \\$25,000 to create master plans for the 32-acre parcel near Chinatown. -- Mia Lehrer and Associates; Hargreaves and Associates; Field Operations- Los Angeles Times](#)

[Call for Papers: 5th Annual Greening Rooftops for Sustainable Communities Conference, Awards and Trade Show \(April 29 -May 2, 2007\); deadline: September 29- Green Roofs for Healthy Cities](#)

[Eco-friendly house filled with innovative ideas: Sunset magazine's Idea House uses recycled materials, is energy efficient and disaster resistant. -- Henry Siegel; Chad De Witt \[images\]- Miami Herald](#)

['I'll Take The Hemp Chair': Home Design Goes Green, Sprouts New Careers: Eco-friendly architects, designers seeking to reform housing industry. -- Jessica Helgerson; Lucinda Bailey; Marilyn Crenshaw; Global Green USA/Brad Pitt- MTV](#)

[The Eye and the needle: The architects behind one of London's most prominent features are now planning an astounding seaside observation tower...Brighton i360 -- Marks Barfield Architects \[images, links\]- Telegraph \(UK\)](#)



[Life After Earth: Imagining Survival Beyond This Terra Firma: The Alliance to Rescue Civilization advocates a back-up for humanity by way of a station on the Moon replete with DNA samples of all life on Earth..."... if it's all for nothing, we'll have a nice museum." \[image\]- New York Times](#)

[Bergdoll Offers Glimpse of Upcoming MoMA Tenure: The problem...is that other New York museums seem far ahead of MoMA in exploiting the public's infatuation with architecture. By Fred A. Bernstein- Architectural Record](#)

[Architect fined over deadly outbreak of disease: Council and department head guilty of health and safety failings over Legionnaires infection...Gillian Beckingham was cleared of manslaughter but fined £15,000- Yorkshire Post Today \(UK\)](#)

[Illuminating the Parachute Jump: A Conversation with Leni Schwendinger...discusses lighting the Coney Island landmark and its potentially brighter future. -- STV; Leni Schwendinger Lighting Projects \[images\]- Metropolis Magazine](#)

[Announcing Auckland Architecture Week -- the Joy of Architecture - September 6 -12- Scoop \(New Zealand\)](#)

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- [-- Competition winner: LAB architecture studio, Newcastle Region Art Gallery, Newcastle, NSW Australia](#)
 - [-- Schwartz/Silver Architects: Shaw Center for the Arts, Baton Rouge, Louisiana](#)

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