

Today's News - November 17, 2006

A tribute to the Underground Railroad on Cincinnati's waterfront. – Architect celebrate the best building in Scotland, but bemoan "'dreary and unimaginative' and poorly constructed public projects"; and a new book on Scotland's lost landmarks is "a heartbreaking catalogue of wanton cultural vandalism and neglect." – Chandigarh hopes to make Cities of Modern Heritage list. – For public art projects in Sydney, it's not always a harmonious alliance between architects and artists. – Alsop brings a big "wow" factor to plans for Bradford, UK. – Connecticut casino has big expansion plans. – Foster thinks tall in Tivoli. – A new urban park for London. – Saffron cheers for design for affordable housing in Philadelphia that outshines upscale rivals (and nary a red brick in sight). – European cities do away with traffic signs with some surprising results. – Hawthorne finds exhibit tying architecture and fashion caught in a disappointing time warp. – Chicago shows off its hot young talent.

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[National Underground Railroad Freedom Center: In Cincinnati. A riverfront museum embodies the geography of escape. By John Meadows, AIA – Blackburn Architects; BOORA Architects \[images\]- ArchNewsNow](#)

[Architects condemn 'potato stamp' homes: Maggie's Cancer Care Centre in Inverness wins best building 2006...£25,000 RIAS Andrew Doolan Award: Architect body's president blames PPP's for pricing out small firms; Scotland does not have open bidding system for buildings common in EU – Page & Park; Richard Murphy; Royal Incorporation of Architects in Scotland; Lighthouse- The Scotsman \(UK\)](#)

[Landmarks wiped off map forever: It is a heartbreaking catalogue of wanton cultural vandalism and neglect...a hard-hitting book "Scotland's Lost Houses" by Ian Gow, curator of the National Trust for Scotland- The Scotsman \(UK\)](#)

[Chandigarh - a World Heritage city? ...will be the only Indian city to find a permanent place in UNESCO's 'Cities of Modern Heritage' list. -- Le Corbusier- Times Now \(India\)](#)

[The art of public expression: Slow art, like slow food, tastes better - but it's not an easy recipe to pull off, especially in an impatient city like Sydney...The architecture/art alliance is not always harmonious. Architects and artists have...a different language. Also, many architects are capable of truly awful designs. -- Peter Davidson/Don Bates/Architectural Lab; Jones Coulter Young- Sydney Morning Herald](#)

[The 'wow' factor: Eye-catching plans to give the heart of Bradford city centre...aims to create a new business district overlooking a park with a shallow lake... -- Will Alsop \[images, links\]- This is Bradford \(UK\)](#)

[Mohegan Sun unveils \\$740 million expansion plan: ...known as "Project Horizon," will include a 38-story, 1,000-room hotel -- Wimberly Allison Tong & Goo \(WATG\); Rockwell Group \(AP\)- Boston Globe](#)

[Norman Foster building will be Tivoli's newest attraction: ...has been selected to design the newest addition to Tivoli amusement park - a luxury high-rise- Copenhagen Post \(Denmark\)](#)

[Bankside Urban Park architects selected: A new urban park extending southwards from Tate Modern towards Elephant and Castle moved a step closer this week... -- Witherford Watson Mann Architects; Ken Worpole; Peter Brett Associates; Intelligent Space Partnership; Bucknall Austin; PRP Architects- London SE1](#)

[A public housing design outshines upscale rivals: Like the best of Philadelphia's new infill housing, the proposal offers a fresh take on the traditional rowhouse...There isn't a red brick in sight. By Inga Saffron -- Interface Studio- Philadelphia Inquirer](#)

[Controlled Chaos: European Cities Do Away with Traffic Signs: Are streets without traffic signs conceivable? Seven cities and regions in Europe are giving it a try -- with good results.- Der Spiegel \(Germany\)](#)

[Design exhibit loses its thread: In trying to show the link between fashion and architecture, MOCA's "Skin + Bones: Parallel Practices in Fashion and Architecture" ends up feeling thin...For a show about interdisciplinary creativity and hybrid practice, this one is oddly sealed off from the world at large. By Christopher Hawthorne -- Zaha Hadid; Foreign Office Architects; Office dA; Bernard Tschumi \[images\]- Los Angeles Times](#)

["Young Chicago" exhibition at the Art Institute of Chicago: commemorates the 25th anniversary of the ...Department of Architecture and Design...Featuring the works of 16 local cutting-edge designers and architects, the exhibition will be open from November 18, 2006 to April 29, 2007- Canadian Architect](#)

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