

Today's News - Tuesday, July 17, 2007

EDITORS NOTE: We're shuffling off to Buffalo early this morning (there may – or may not – be a newsletter tomorrow). ——— Glancey finds a housing scheme where design quality and liveability are given proper weight. – A stellar team for Penn Station. – Architecture making the British seashore sexy again. – New life for a Chicago Burnham beauty. – Manchester's new, "flamboyant" justice center. – Kahn's FDR memorial back on track - maybe. – Gehry's fado fantasy to take center stage. – NYC Art Commission Design Award winners. – Can there be too much green space? – Paris takes to bikes. – Profiles: an eco-architect in Israel, two rising stars in Miami, and one of our favorite critics. – On view: Hadid in London show (no twiddling of thumbs). – CCA gives Rudofsky his due. – A tribute to Pugin. – Move over Pitt: DiCaprio goes green for Eco-Town.

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[Is this what you mean, Gordon? Jonathan Glancey on a housing project that could be just what the new PM wants...New Islington Project is showing what can be achieved if design quality and liveability are given proper weight. -- dMFK \(de Metz Forbes Knight\); Will Alsop; FAT \(Fashion Architecture and Taste\); Stephenson Bell-](#) Guardian (UK)

[SOM, Foster, and KPF to remake Penn Station: ...includes the existing Penn Station, Madison Square Garden, and two office towers. One and Two Penn Plazas. -- Skidmore, Owings & Merrill \(SOM\); Foster + Partners; Kohn Pedersen Fox-](#) Architectural Record

[How the seaside got sexy: The British seaside resort is enjoying a revival and, as Tom Dyckhoff discovers, it is architecture that is leading the way -- Thomas Heatherwick; Mendelsohn/Chermayeff \(1930s\); John McAslan; Ian McChesney \[images\]-](#) The Times (UK)

[The Reserve?!! Why not the Grand Pacific? One of Daniel Burnham's last buildings, set to be converted into a hotel, rises on the site of what was once one of the world's great hotels. By Lynn Becker -- Lucien Lagrange \[images\]-](#) Repeat (Chicago)

[Top drawer: Talk about a cabinet reshuffle - Denton Corker Marshall's flamboyant design for Manchester's Civil Justice Centre has brought dynamism to the heart of the legal establishment. \[images\]-](#) Building (UK)

[Is Louis Kahn's FDR Memorial Back on Track? Great monuments often take years to complete, but...now feeling pressure from a competing scheme pegged for the same site...decisions regarding the remaining portion of Southpoint will depend on fund-raising—and the Roosevelt Memorial's fate. -- Mitchell/Giurgola \(1974\); Mark K. Morrison \(2003\); WRT \[images\]-](#) Architectural Record

[Gehry builds fantasy with fado singer: All Mariza had to do was sing...has moved Gehry to turn the stage of the Walt Disney Concert Hall...into a cozy tavern...will last a single night, October 28. \(Reuters\)-](#) Washington Post

[Awards From a Better-Designed City: Projects honored in the New York City Art Commission's 2007 Design Awards -- Choi Ropiha; Perkins Eastman; William Fellows; Marble Fairbanks; Toshiko Mori; Mathews Nielsen; Polshek Partnership; Dean/Wolf; Grimshaw; etc.-](#) New York Times

[Region's Parks Are a Source of Pride, but Can There Be There Too Much Green? ...not every public park works well...Labeling "green space" on a plan is no guarantee that it will yield an attractive, functioning park. By Roger K. Lewis-](#) Washington Post

[A New French Revolution's Creed: Let Them Ride Bikes: Paris is trying to reduce traffic congestion by launching an ambitious bicycle program...-](#) New York Times

[Eco-architect from Israel builds environment-friendly homes for the future: Isaac Meir's specialty, passive low-energy architecture \(PLEA\), is an internationally recognized form of development...-](#) ISRAEL21c.org

[Chad Oppenheim's world: simple, complex structures: ...buildings are complex, in that they venture into new ground for Miami, but their complexity derives \(to invoke a kind of oxymoron\) from their simplicity -- buildings driven by a singular idea. By Beth Dunlop \[images\]-](#) Miami Herald

[Allan Shulman blends the old and the new: ...has emerged as a deft creator of a kind of hybrid tropical architecture taking shape around Miami. \[slide show\]-](#) Miami Herald

[Thoroughly Modern Whitney: Loved, hated and feared, Journal Sentinel architecture critic Whitney Gould has had a huge impact on the city's sense of design. But the fiercely private person is an enigma.-](#) Milwaukee Magazine

[Hadid, Queen of Curvy Design, Has Life's Work on View in London: While her designs were not being built during the 1980s and early '90s, Zaha Hadid wasn't twiddling her thumbs.-](#) Bloomberg News

[Railing against the tyranny of expertise: In life, Bernard Rudofsky fought a losing battle versus modernism. In death, he's being vindicated...As far as \[he\] was concerned, architecture was too important to leave to architects...exhibition at the Canadian Centre for Architecture...examines in depth the career of a man who hoped to change the world. By Christopher Hume-](#) Toronto Star

[Lost in time: Without AWN Pugin - the architect who designed Big Ben - Britain would look utterly different today. Yet he remains strangely obscure...the life and death of a wayward genius... "leader and ... most able pioneer" of Victorian architecture...-](#) Guardian (UK)

[Leonardo DiCaprio, Discovery Channel team up for Eco-Town: ...a reality TV series chronicling the eco-friendly rebuilding of Greensburg, a Kansas town destroyed by a tornado...on new cable network Planet Green.-](#) CBC (Canada)

[Water Walls: Digital Water Pavilion: A building made of water that will flow at Expo Zaragoza in Spain next year. -- MIT: carlorattiassociati \[images\]-](#) ArchNewsNow



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