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Today's News - July 1, 2002

Hot-off-the-press: Steven Holl has won out over David Chipperfield, Herzog & de Meuron, Machado & Silvetti, and Norman Foster & Partners for the LA County Natural History Museum. (We'll have to wait until fall 2003 for a glimpse of the \$200-300 million master plan, and construction won't start until 2006.)

Then, there's the rest of the news that includes: an Edward Durell Stone-designed museum in Massachusetts gets more respect than his Columbus Circle (Manhattan) endeavor; the head of the Guggenheim is praised and accused for being more interested in architecture than art; Renzo Piano in San Francisco next week; Michael Sorkin eloquently explores planned communities in India; and new housing news from China lists one participating architects as "the eldest son of famous architect leoh Ming Pei" and "noted US designers" (now, there's a research project for usl).

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Natural History Museum Picks Architect for a Radical Renovation: The New Yorker plans to demolish all post-1920s additions to the Exposition Park complex. - Steven Holl- Los Angeles Times

Is the Go-Go Guggenheim Going, Going . . .: ...Krens could not have succeeded were it not for a general social bias that favors architecture over art. - New York

Architects of Their Communities: AIA Dallas program keeps going and growing-AIArchitect

Consider a Memorial of Moments, Not Monumental Proportions, in Lower Manhattan. By Roger K. Lewis- Washington Post

July 10 Lecture: An Evening With Renzo Piano Golden Gate Park - Ticket distribution begins today, July 1st- AIA/San Francisco

A Museum Is Restored, and Maybe an Architect's Name - Edward Durell Stone; Michael Singer; Blackbird Architects [images]- New York Times

RIBA awards the best in UK housing design - Haworth Tompkins Architects; Burrell Foley Fischer; Proctor Matthews Architects; Shed KM; Feilden Clegg Bradley Architects- The Architects' Journal (UK)

Utopia Now: India is a magnet for planned communities, from the spiritualist Auroville to the capitalist New Oroville. By Michael Sorkin [images]- Metropolis Magazine

Tilonia's Barefoot campus, now the bare facts: Delhi architect shares Aga Khan award belatedly after lodging protest - Neehar Raina- Indian Express (Bombay)

<u>Tired-Looking Buildings Are Getting Makeovers</u>- New York Times

Street wise: Most of us live in cities yet few of us have any idea how they work. Can Manchester's Urbis enlighten us? By Jonathan Glancey - lan Simpson Architects [image] - The Guardian (UK)

Mayor's ambitious park plan is appealing, but problematic. By Blair Kamin-Chicago Tribune

'Green' approach ripening: Houston is slowly joining the movement toward environmentally friendly building practices.- Houston Chronicle

China-US housing demo project starts in Beijing - Frank Williams; Pei- China Daily

Marketing exec plans high-rise that he can call home: a 40-story tower...with some unusual features to entice buyers...- Crain's Chicago

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