

Today's News - July 17, 2002

Though not an unbiased news source, we lead today's news with a link to the Lower Manhattan Development Corporation site because it offers the most complete set of visuals (including animations) of the 6 preliminary plans for the World Trade Center site. Rather than follow with rehashes of wire service reports from other papers, we present today's editorials from New York City's leading papers. (We've also repeated the ANN story that "connects many of the dots" involved in the WTC redevelopment process, including links to the "Imagine New York: An Exhibition of Ideas" that opens today, the "Listening to the City" town hall meeting scheduled for Saturday at the Javits Center, and other concerned coalitions and organizations).

There is other news, of course: Take a tour of London's new "glass egg" cum City Hall; Canadians are pleased (for the most part) with Frank Gehry's first homeland commission; a tribute to William Lim, the "grand old man of Singapore's building design scene," pays as much homage to his hair as his accomplishments; Washington DC seems an appropriate setting for the new Spy Museum; and another Soviet-era hotel bites the dust...foreign design proposals welcome.

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[Six Plans for the World Trade Center site: includes models, site plans, skyline elevations, animations](#)- Lower Manhattan Development Corporation

[Editorial: The Downtown We Don't Want](#)- New York Times

[Editorial: A Fair First Draft: ...the range of ideas advanced yesterday was tentative, but well-conceived](#)- New York Post

[Editorial: Rent controls Ground Zero: The opportunity to create something special, something grand and visionary, may have been lost](#)- NY Daily News

[Opinion: WTC Plans: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly: Politics doesn't often serve up miracles. Bureaucracies don't typically create beauty](#)- NY Newsday

[\[Real Estate\] Execs: Plans Call For Too Much Space: Say 10M square feet for offices not needed](#)- New York Newsday

[Six Plans for Ground Zero, All Seen as a Starting Point: ...could consider a seventh possibility, a new design without some of the requirements for office and retail space that shaped the initial proposals](#).- New York Times

[A Conversation With Madelyn Wils, head of Community Board 1 and a member of the Lower Manhattan Development Corporation, for the World Trade Center site. \[transcript\]](#)- Gotham Gazette

[Ground Zero: A Week for Unveilings, Exhibitions, Discussions, and Debates](#)- ArchNewsNow

[One Man's Urgent Struggle to Keep L.A. From Demolishing Its Past: One Man's Urgent Struggle to Keep L.A. From Demolishing Its Past](#)- Brady Westwater- Los Angeles Times

[Inside London's new 'glass egg': Take a 360 degree tour of London's new City Hall, a striking glass and steel structure...](#) - Sir Norman Foster [images]- BBC

[Smooth, but no vintage: Cheers! Canada is finally getting its long-awaited Frank Gehry design. But, LISA ROCHON asks, will his firm realize its vision of a cathedral to the glories of winemaking?](#)- Globe and Mail (Canada)

[Happy Birthday With No Limits: Architecture icon William Lim turns 70 on Friday. But he still behaves like a young maverick who thrives on challenges and minor controversies \[images\]](#)- The Straits Times (Singapore)

[Declassified: A Spy Museum Opens in Washington: SmithGroup Architects; Adamstein & Demetriou; Gallagher & Associates](#)- New York Times

[Fate of windows determined: Archdiocese to move stained-glass designs to Howard parish](#) - John G. Waite Associates; Beyer Blinder Belle- Baltimore Sun

['Give us power to fight urban decay': The Observer conference verdict: cities can heal themselves - if only Government allows](#)- The Observer (UK)

[Tverskaya to Bid Minsk \[Hotel\] Adieu: Construction on a \\$60 million three-star hotel, office and retail complex ...local and foreign \[design and construction\] companies will be invited to participate](#).- Moscow Times (Russia)

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