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## Today's News - January 24, 2003

Mincing no words about WTC designs: "the architecture profession's avant-garde is hopelessly mired..." – Mincing no words about Kennedy Center plan: "...a platinum-plated, New Jersey toll plaza...and a tad reminiscent of something out of Albert Speer" (ouch!) – Candidates for Lincoln Center re-do all "marquee architects" (it's a long list). – L.A. River and urban renewal. – London's experiment to solve urban gridlock. – NATO HQ to be futuristic. – Much-needed low-cost housing project in Tanzania hopes to be model. – Edinburgh development hopes third design plan will be better than "a Moscow suburb" (we hear suburbs in Moscow are pretty upscale these days). – A conference opens the door to the future of cities. – Art and the art of healing. – Graves to speak about the state of architecture today: "I don't like to be negative." – Some interesting responses to a query about architecture and mathematics. – Coming to a college campus near you: a veritable who's who in architecture.

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Op-Ed: Deconstructing The Decons: The World Trade Center Project Spotlights The Empire's Newest Clothes: ...profession's avant-garde is hopelessly mired in a failed past. By Nikos Salingaros and Michael Mehaffy- PLANetizen

The Art of Pork: Next stop, the Kennedy Center's New Jersey toll plaza! - Rafael Viñoly [images]- Slate

Editorial: Water, Water Everywhere: ...Viñoly's plan deserves applause-Washington Post

Creating a Cultural Commons: With a team of soon-to-be- named architects, Lincoln Center may leave its fortress style behind- NY Newsday

New Idea Floated for L.A. River: Giant inflatable rubber dams would create an artificial lake downtown that could serve as a centerpiece for urban renewal- Los Angeles Times

Time for a solution to urban gridlock: City authorities all over the world will be scrutinising the results of the London experiment.- Financial Times (UK)

NATO unveils plans for futuristic new headquarters - Skidmore, Owings & Merrill; Assar (AP)- SF Gate

Tanzania to Spend \$2m On Low-Cost Housing Plan- AllAfrica

£30m flats bid for bus depot back on board: earlier attempts...labelled 'good enough for a Moscow suburb'- Edinburgh Evening News

The future is all about the flow: Doors of Perception conference...the most-grounded thinking came from designers working on the future of cities and the flow of people through "place."- Fast Company

Arts are good for your health: British Medical Journal- The Scotsman (UK)

Architect right on target: Graves brings affordable, accessible design to a new generation [images]- Go Memphis

Query: Why (not how) is mathematics used in architecture? A few responses-Nexus Network Journal

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East Meets West on the Waterfront: Esplanade - Theatres on the Bay by Michael Wilford & Partners; DP Architects; Theatre Projects Consultants; and Artec Consultants [images]- ArchNewsNow

- Coop Himmelb(I)au + Partner: Musée des Confluences, Lyon, France
- NOX: D-Tower, Doetinchem, The Netherlands
- A visit to: R. M. Schindler's Buck House, Los Angeles, California
- Álvaro Siza: University of Santiago de Compostela, Spain

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