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Mincing no words about Ground Zero plans: "Never has the amnesiac cast of the collective American consciousness been more disturbing than in this mad rush to create a new Tower of Babel;" and one architect's vision called an eyesore. — Praise for the art of the models (finally!). — A real-time lab for high-rise safety. — Safety conference in Australia to highlight high-rises. — NBBJ forsakes Pioneer Square. — Big plans for Philadelphia's Old Town. — A glittering new dance center in London. — Raising dunes for beach views makes waves. — New museum puts Ft. Worth on the map for international culture wiltures. — Campus construction: "Gehry Gothic" possible at Princeton; major projects at Williams and Duke. — Questioning cost overruns for auditorium project in Milwaukee. — WTC Proposals: Who's Saying What Worldwide (updated archive).

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Opinion: A New Horror: powerful influence-peddlers and media organs are putting their muscle behind Libeskind's...grotesque, anti-urban, anti-commercial eyesore... By Steve Cuozzo- New York Post

An Architectural Lilliput: Erecting great structures on a small scale. The models in the Winter Garden capture an art in transition.- Wall Street Journal

7 World Trade Center: A Post-Sept. 11 Laboratory in High-Rise Safety-Skidmore, Owings & Merrill [image]- New York Times

Buildings under attack: Safety in Action conference: Are Australian buildings better equipped to survive a terrorist attack than the WTC?- Infolink (Australia)

Allen woos away big tenant: NBBJ's move is not good news for Pioneer Square-Seattle Times

\$75 million Development planned for Old City: transform section of historic Philadelphia...would feature five main buildings to be used for homes and businesses. - Barton & Associates- Philadelphia Inquirer

It shimmers, it pirouettes, it changes colour... and it certainly brightens up Deptford. Jonathan Glancey admires London's new centre for dance - Herzog and de Meuron- Guardian (UK)

\$250m to pump up beach views raises fears: developers plan to raise the site by two metres- Sydney Morning Herald

Fort Worth Museum Frames Art in Wide Open Spaces - Tadao Ando [images]-New York Times

Unique design offered for new science center: University proposes a five-level, 85,000-square-foot building..."Gehry Gothic"- Princeton Packet

Major projects in the works for Williams College campus - William Rawn; Polshek Partnership; Bohlin Cywinski Jackson [image]- Berkshire Eagle

Long-range plan for redesigning Central Campus includes monorail: make Duke University a "walking campus," according to CD distributed to interested developers and architects. [images]- Duke University Chronicle

<u>Tab for Auditorium project soars: question architect and construction managers</u> about what was known and when. - VOA Associates- Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

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