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A small exhibition offers big ideas (and inspiration?) for Ground Zero planners. — WTC Environmental Impact Statement draws comments. — Rebuilding neighborhoods pays off. — Waukegan has big plans for downtown and lakefront redevelopment. — Pittsburgh looks to Prague for inspiration: "...we shouldn't be doing what Baltimore did 20 years ago." — Baltimore looks to the future. — Parking plans in Philadelphia: politics as usual? — da Vinci town plans included an early form of prefabricated housing. — Suburban Sydney suffers the "Americanization of global house design...buildings owe nothing to lifestyle but everything to image" (even sociologists are trying to figure it out). — Landscaping makes condos more attractive (now there's groundbreaking concept!). — Everyone is thrilled with Liverpool Museum project (but no one mentions the architect!). — A new downtown library does its job well. — A new school recalls old ideals. — A new stadium scores (sort of). — You, too, can own a Frank Lloyd Wright gas station (fuel not included) or a shoe house (old lady not included). — An architect makes her mark in the world of comic books.

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Environmental Impact of Rebuilding Lower Manhattan- Gotham Gazette

Why Once-Violent Neighborhoods Stayed Calm During the Blackout: publicly financed reconstruction effort that has rebuilt neighborhoods...- New York Times

Waukegan (Ill.) City Council Approves Master Plan for [400-acre] Lakefront and Downtown Redevelopment - Skidmore, Owings & Merrill (SOM)- US Newswire

<u>Pittsburgh city planners look to Prague for inspiration - Edge Studio [images]</u>-Pittsburgh Tribune-Review

West side's stories rising, and with them renewal hopes: Centerpoint ...\$80 million transformation of an entire block into shops, restaurants and rental residences.- Baltimore Sun

Bring people, not parking, to Rittenhouse: ...why is one square getting a glitzy apartment tower and the other a common garage? By Inga Saffron-Philadelphia Inquirer

New town planning, Leonardo-style: design is on a new British Library website... [link]- Guardian (UK)

New suburbia: crowded land of the giants: The biggest house on the smallest block for the lowest price... So is it heaven or an architectural horror?- Sydney Morning Herald

Condo-scaping: Taller, slimmer towers, more competition bring urban landscaping to the forefront - Janet Rosenberg & Associates; Kirkor Architects & Planners; Ferris & Quinn Associates; Starr Landscaping- National Post (Canada)

<u>Liverpool Museum adopts concept of the mall: undergoing a £35m transformation.</u>- Guardian (UK)

[Salt Lake City] Main Library building still draws people: a bright success spot in a troubled downtown - Moshe Safdie; Valentiner Crane Brunjes Onyon- Salt Lake Tribune

Ritter College Prep's design shows openness to surroundings: recalls the days when education was regarded not so much as a problem but as an essential part of the civic infrastructure - Christner Inc.- St. Louis Post-Dispatch

In new \$295 million Lambeau Field, the inside wins: Glassy atrium scores, but traditional brick exterior is not much of a leap. By Whitney Gould - Ellerbe Becket [images]- Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

Cloquet's famous Frank Lloyd Wright gas station could get new owner, function [image]- Minneapolis Star Tribune

A fairy-tale existence could be yours: A shoe-shaped house that draws tourists near York, Pa., is for sale. Asking price: \$129,000. (AP) [link to image]- Philadelphia Inquirer

Interview: Lark Pien: "Comics and Architecture both are engaged principles of design."- Silver Bullet Comicbooks

INSIGHT: A Story of a Place: Placemaking is the art of architecture connecting spaces to communities. By Alexander Wu- ArchNewsNow

- Bernard Tschumi: Construction start: New Acropolis Museum, Athens, Greece
- Frank Gehry & Partners/Herbert S. Newman and Partners: University of Connecticut School of Fine Arts at Storrs
- <u>- Rem Koolhaas/Office for Metropolitan Architecture: Paard van Troje (Trojan Horse), Hague, The Netherlands</u>
- Snøhetta: Final design phase: Museum and Hotel, Tafjord, Sunnmøre, Norway
 Santiago Calatrava: Preliminary design: Woodall Rodgers Extension Bridge,
 Trinity River Corridor Project, Dallas
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