

Today's News - August 29, 2003

Editor's note: We're heading into the Labor Day weekend (U.S.); the ANN newsletter will return on Tuesday, September 2.

Project costs Australian architect his life. – Urban sprawl causes midriff sprawl. – Holyrood headaches continue. – Architects choose fashion over function. – Developers go for style. – CABE chairman does not mince words: launches "broadside at the UK's housebuilders...champions the cause of good design and the need for buildings to create public space." – Modern country homes cause debate. – Public housing project gets landmark nod. – New towers for Liverpool (but no observation deck). – The punch of Guggenheim Bilbao in a bungalow. – Birmingham's own Bilbao almost ready to draw the crowd. – Ando reshapes Tokyo. – Starck may reshape Boston brick. – Weekend reading: Trailer parks (great slide show) and Russel Wright.

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[Obituary: John Walsh, 49: Workplace accident kills architect](#)- Port Macquarie News (Australia)

[Urban sprawl makes Americans fat, study finds \(Reuters\)](#)- Environmental News Network

[Holyrood: 300 design changes in July point to even more delays to come: 36 architects on site working on drawings](#)- Building (UK)

[Architects choose fashion over function: These days, little thought is given to a building's ability to 'grow old with grace.'](#) By Arrol Gellner- Staten Island Advance

[Offering a sense of style: Builders try out bold designs, pricey materials to stand out - Harwick and Partners; Humphreys and Partners Architects; RTKL; Womack and Hampton Architects](#)- Dallas Morning News

[Developer who sees the world differently: chairman of the Commission on Architecture and the Built Environment \(CABE\)...feels comfortable with lambasting the property establishment - Sir Stuart Lipton](#)- Financial Times (UK)

[Countryside goes modern: a proliferation of intriguing, new rural homes...have sparked furious debate: New English Country House exhibition at the Royal Institute of British Architects \[images\]](#)- This is London (UK)

[Byker estate, from 1970s outrage to a bit of heritage: Official recognition for housing estate which was subject of awe, hilarity and controversy - Ralph Erskine](#)- Guardian (UK)

[Award for Byker Wall set to open a few doors: hope...means more funding \[for\] essential upgrading and refurbishment work. - Ralph Erskine](#)- icNewcastle (UK)

[Twin towers plan near Liverpool's waterfront - Allford Hall Monaghan Morris \[image\]](#)- icLiverpool (UK)

[Gehry says first UK project is better than Guggenheim: Maggie's Dundee cancer therapy centre packs punch of Bilbao into building the size of a large bungalow. \[images\]](#)- Building (UK)

[Birmingham shows its metal: Selfridges's new department store...likely to attract people to Birmingham in the same way Frank Gehry's Guggenheim brought people to Bilbao. - Future Systems \[image\]](#)- This is London (UK)

[Japan's maverick architect fashions new face for Tokyo - Tadao Ando](#)- MSNBC

[From 'under arrest' to possibly arresting: Former police station will get postmodern makeover if team gets nod to develop - Philippe Starck/Yoo Ltd.; Burt Hill Kosar Rittelmann Associates](#)- Boston Globe

[Trailer Joes: Do two new books on trailer parks signal the second glorious age of the RV? \[slide show\]](#)- Slate

[The Russel Wright way to live 'Easier'](#)- USA Today

[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

- Rem Koolhaas/Office for Metropolitan Architecture: Paard van Troje (Trojan Horse), Hague, The Netherlands

- Snøhetta: Final design phase: Museum and Hotel, Tafjord, Sunnmøre, Norway

- Santiago Calatrava: Preliminary design: Woodall Rodgers Extension Bridge, Trinity River Corridor Project, Dallas

- Cruz & Ortiz Architects: Final draft: New Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam

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