

Today's News - November 18, 2003

Tomorrow the WTC memorial finalists will be announced: controversy is already in the air. -- High-density developments: academic evidence of the benefits and progress. -- Is there hope for a "synergistic complex" in another area of L.A.? -- Comparing capital cities with lessons to be learned. -- A grand project lacking quality control. -- A New York neighborhood sells off zoning control. -- An experiment in "epic luxury" on Columbus Circle. -- NRDC HQ sparkles with green. -- Vinoly is a hit in Pittsburgh and Cleveland. -- Twain House museum center is "quiet" and LEED-green. -- Some stunners in U.K. homebuilding awards. -- Louis Kahn film viewed by architecture and film critics. -- A new associate dean for FLW School of Architecture. -- Exhibit examines design in everyday life. -- A tribute to Belluschi.

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[Court Questions Eliminating Trade Center Memorial Entry: "Twin Piers"](#)- New York Times

[INSIGHT: The Might-Have-Been Memorial. By Fred Bernstein](#)- ArchNewsNow

[The Benefits and Realities of High Density Development - Amy Liu, Deputy Director, Center on Urban and Metropolitan Policy \[powerpoint\]](#)- Brookings Institute

[Downtown's Season on the Brink: Don't Forget the Area Around Staples Center...wonder if and when the area is ever going to be developed...into an inviting synergistic complex of hotels, restaurants, retail shops and residences. By Sam Hall Kaplan](#)- LA Downtown News

[Canberra, Flip Side to Washington: one of the world's premier examples of a planned new city shaped by a designer. By Roger K. Lewis - Walter Burley Griffin/Marion Mahony](#)- Washington Post

[Quality control lacking: A county report says builders of the Performing Arts Center of Greater Miami haven't paid enough attention to quality control. - Cesar Pelli](#)- Miami Herald

[Danger Signs: A sneaky piece of legislation is turning a normal New York street corner into another Times Square. By Fred A. Bernstein \[images\]](#)- Metropolis Magazine

[A Towering Price Tag: The costliest U.S. building ever? The \\$1.8B Time Warner Center...a gamble on epic luxury - David Childs/Skidmore, Owings & Merrill; Rafael Viñoly; Ismael Leyva](#)- NY Newsday

[Group Ordered New Offices Sunny Side Up: Natural Resources Defense Council had a building redone as a showcase that provides much of its own light, water and electricity. - Moule & Polyzoides \[image\]](#)- Los Angeles Times

[Pittsburgh's Convention Center Bridges Purpose and Pleasure: ...such extraordinary panache...gives a new architectural lift to the whole of downtown. By Benjamin Forgey - Rafael Vinoly](#)- Washington Post

[Show and tell: Rafael Vinoly's evolving design for the Cleveland Museum of Art \\$225 million expansion and renovation has gotten bigger...hasn't increased in cost... By Steven Litt](#)- Cleveland Plain Dealer

[Welcome Addition: Mark Twain House's new museum center is a quiet building...first museum in the U.S. to be certified as a LEED project. By Michael J. Crosbie - Robert A.M. Stern](#)- Hartford Courant

[They did it their way: Daily Telegraph's Homebuilding and Renovating awards \[images\]](#)- Telegraph (UK)

[Hop on Pop: A riveting new documentary about Louis Kahn, a great architect and not-so-great dad. By Christopher Hawthorne](#)- Slate

["My Architect" draws on Kahn's life: Film unveils private and professional sides](#)- Philadelphia Inquirer

["My Architect": Finding his father and himself - Louis Kahn](#)- Philadelphia Inquirer

[Architect joins Frank Lloyd Wright School of Architecture - Jim Scalise](#)- Phoenix Business Journal

["Strangely Familiar: Design and Everyday Life": Carnegie exhibit takes design concept to new heights - SU11 Architecture + Design; Shigeru Ban; MVRDV; etc. \[images\]](#)- Pittsburgh Tribune-Review

[Pietro Belluschi's grand designs, except one for his own life](#)- The Oregonian

-- Competition winner: Zaha Hadid: High Speed Station, Napoli Afragola, Italy
-- Competition winner: NACO/Foster and Prtners/Arup: Beijing Capital Airport, China
-- Book: "The Architecture of Fumihiko Maki: Space, City, Order and Making" By Jennifer Taylor
-- Book: "Prefab" By Allison Arieff & Bryan Burkhart

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