

Today's News - December 2, 2003

Another challenge to the WTC memorial jury. – WTC and 2 Columbus Circle as symbols of Cold War. – Wolfe likes 2 Columbus Circle the way it is. – Architects from U.K. and Tokyo take on housing design in New York conference. – Ipswich, U.K. on the map with innovative urban renovation. – Battling sprawl in Baton Rouge. – "Green" architecture: Selling the "message is that architects are no longer obsessed with form. They are here to help." – Green roofs begin to sprout everywhere. – Starchitects dazzle in Beijing. – "Leave it to an outsider to perk things up" in Chicago. – High praise for museums reworked, salvaged, and restored in Australia, US, and Italy. – A luxury hotel for Louisville. – NY Times Magazine is all about inspiration, from chairs to cellphone towers. – Betsky in Dublin this week. – Damora on view at Yale. – A Philadelphia architect in Dhaka.

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[How 2 Columbus Circle Saved the World: It and the World Trade Center embodied Cold War ideology.](#) - Minoru Yamasaki; Edward Durell Stone; Brad Cloepfil- Wall Street Journal

[Author Tom Wolfe Admires Huntington Museum - Edward Durell Stone \(AP\)-](#)
Atlanta Journal-Constitution

[Conference: "How Does Housing Design Matter?" December 5 in New York City - Thomas Daniell/FOBA architects; Will Alsop/Alsop Architects; Stephen Proctor/Proctor and Matthews Architects; etc-](#) Architectural League of New York

[Innovative approach to urban renovation...springing up in a building bonanza...is putting Ipswich on the map in so many ways.](#) - Barefoot and Gilles- East Anglian Daily Times (UK)

[Developers seek community input on 'neighborhood' plan: ...trying to address Baton Rouge's sprawl problems.](#) - Steven Oubre/Architects Southwest- The Advocate (Baton Rouge, LA)

[Healthy building syndrome: Is today's vogue for "green architecture" a veritable revolution, or just feel-good hype? The best in the field -- Norman Foster, Richard Rogers, Renzo Piano, Richard Meier -- manage to create environmentally sensitive buildings that are also aesthetically ambitious.](#) - Boston Globe

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[Star architects eye Beijing skyline: ...a new generation of city planners have stacked juries in hopes of landing brand names.](#) - Herzog + de Meuron; Paul Andreu; Rem Koolhaas; Norman Foster (Reuters)- CNN

[Dutch architect helps transform Chicago campus: Jahn and Koolhaas have shown how Modernist design can work beautifully on a college campus... It's an encouraging message.](#) By Steven Litt -- Cleveland Plain Dealer

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[Some E.R.! A medieval hospital in Siena, Italy, that is filled with frescoes and priceless archaeological pieces is being converted into a museum complex.](#) [images]- New York Times

[Luxury hotel slated for Seventh and Main: Project will include art museum - Deborah Berke & Partners; K. Norman Berry Associates-](#) Courier-Journal (Louisville, KY)

[-- Inspiration: Where Does It Come From? The most impressive designs are those that seem naturally right, unimprovable, inevitable.](#) - Raymond Loewy; Future Systems
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[-- A Machine for Sitting: Interview with Niels Diffrient](#)
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[-- Building a Better Bra Shop - IDEO-](#) New York Times Magazine

[Tegral Critics Lecture - Aaron Betsky, Director, Netherlands Design Institute. December 4 in Dublin-](#) Archeire.com

["Robert Damora: 70 Years of Total Architecture": ...exhibition of the work of photographer, journalist and exploratory architect-](#) Yale Daily News

[A Philadelphia architect in Dhaka: a conversation between Nathaniel Kahn and Kazi K. Ashraf - Louis I. Kahn-](#) Daily Star (Bangladesh)

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