

Today's News - August 23, 2004

A review of the upsides of Smart Growth development. – LEED green building standards head to Canada. – Toronto's downtown cooled by lake water. – Time running out for Mies van der Rohe villa in Czech Republic. – Making heritage properties tamper-proof in India. – Shortlisted architects for large Canadian project want the public to see their designs. – Redesign of Beijing Olympic stadium will save big bucks but (hopefully) not the aesthetics. – An Austrian supermarket chain and good architecture = good business. – Two takes on the new National Underground Railroad Freedom Center - mostly positive. – Restored hotel is a "gracious model" for future downtown development. – Gaudí's unfinished cathedral completed in a virtual world. – An architectural firm's office building "transcends suburban sameness" (too bad about the parking lot, though). – Miami's new signage system (in Spanish). – Bawa's pride of place. – When money picks the architect. – Aspen Design Conference ready to start.

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[Investing in a Better Future: A Review of the Fiscal and Competitive Advantages of Smarter Growth Development Patterns](#)- Brookings Institute

[LEED Green-Building Standards Travel to Canada](#)- Metropolis Magazine

['Energy of the future' flows into downtown Toronto: Air cooled by the frigid waters deep in Lake Ontario...reduces electricity use by 75 per cent and will eliminate 40,000 tonnes of carbon dioxide...](#)- Globe and Mail (Canada)

[Mies Villa, Jostled by History, Is in a Race Against Time: One of the monuments of Modernist architecture is falling apart, again. Tugendhat Villa..."The good news is that the Czechs are extremely good at conservation. They just have to get to it."](#) [\[image\]](#)- New York Times

[Pune Municipal Corporation aims to make heritage properties tamper-proof: ...ambitious project of the documentation of 100 heritage properties...](#)- Indian Express (Bombay)

[Release plans for Hill building: Architects who participated in a \\$1.5-million architectural competition for a new building...are calling on the federal government to show the public their designs.](#) - Dan S. Hanganu/Lemay Dorval Fortin Doyle/Mill & Ross; Diamond and Schmitt; Kuwabara Payne McKenna Blumberg/Gagnon, Letellier, Cyr/Barry Padolsky Associates; Provencher Roy/Zeidler Grinnell/Hotson Bakker Architects; Saucier + Perrotte/Dunlop Architects/Cohos Evamy- Ottawa Citizen (Canada)

[Olympics stadium redesign may save \\$336m: ...aesthetics of the stadium would not be affected by the redesign.](#) - Herzog & De Meuron/China Architecture Design Institute [\[image\]](#)- Xinhua News (China)

[Happy shopper: They have glass walls, smart terraces and spectacular views of the Austrian mountains...a revolutionary chain of supermarkets that puts British stores to shame](#) - Heinz Planatscher; Wolfgang Posch; Dominique Perrault; Amin Kathan/Eric Strolz; Rainer Koberl/Astrid Tschapeller [\[image\]](#)- Guardian (UK)

[\[National Underground Railroad\] Freedom Center: Powerful outside, muted inside.](#) By Blair Kamin - Blackburn Architects; BOORA Architects; Jack Rouse Associates- Chicago Tribune

[Slavery Under Glass: New black-history museums try to balance authenticity and uplift...Underground Railroad Freedom Center aims to be America's first therapeutic museum...](#) By Richard Lacayo - Blackburn Architects; BOORA Architects; Jack Rouse Associates- Time Magazine

[New Hotel Montgomery is a stately link to San Jose heritage: ...offers a gracious model for future development](#) - Page and Turnbull- Mercury News (California)

[Gaudí's Unfinished Masterpiece Is Virtually Complete: On the ground, Sagrada Família church is only 40 percent finished. But on CD-ROM, Gaudí's work is done.](#) [\[images\]](#)- New York Times

[Office building gracefully transcends suburban sameness: What a pleasure...to come upon the new home of Plunkett Raysich Architects.](#) By Whitney Gould [\[images\]](#)- Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

[Miami Beach busca mejorar su imagen con un nuevo sistema de señalización](#) - Hillier- El Nuevo Herald

[Pride of Place: Lunuganga, architecture of surprises: Geoffrey Bawa \(1919-2003\) is probably the first Asian to evolve into an international architectural icon.](#) [\[image\]](#)- Philippine Daily Inquirer

[The Art of Giving In to a Giver: Billionaire Eli Broad has donated \\$60 million for a new LACMA gallery. He also got to pick the architect and a board to select works.](#) - Renzo Piano [\[image\]](#)- Los Angeles Times

[ambient: interface: 54th International Design Conference in Aspen August 25-28-](#) IDCA

[Modern Meets Tradition: University of Michigan Museum of Art Expansion/Restoration](#) - Allied Works Architecture [\[images\]](#)- ArchNewsNow

[-- Expansion & renovation: Tétreault Dubuc Saia et associés: Palais des Congrès, Montréal, Québec](#)
[-- Exhibition: "Tall Buildings," MoMA QNS, New York](#)

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