

Today's News - March 16, 2005

Concrete Canvas: an inflatable cement tent as an emergency building. – Sydney has big plans for redevelopment, but could be heading for big headache. – Auckland mayor takes on "shonky development and bad architecture." – Canada finding new life for decommissioned military bases. – Right note/sour note for Piano in L.A. and NYC. – New and renewed Murphy Jahn's in suburban Chicago. – Philly tower by Pelli with grand plans to reinvigorate a neighborhood. – The last Anglican cathedral almost finished: "It is Gothic. Perpendicular Gothic, to be precise..." – A Disney-esque theme park on the banks of the Ganges - with Indian mythological characters instead of Mickey Mouse. – The European Commission lowers the boom on architectural competition and bidding processes. – An interdisciplinary colloquium convenes to examine how the 60s shaped Montreal. – Green building awards for housing - and dollhouses. – We couldn't resist: a California gas station restroom fit for Vegas (ya gotta see it to believe it).

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[Landmarks Panel Questions Whitney Museum Plan: ...so far failed to persuade them of the need to demolish two Madison Avenue brownstones to make way for a museum expansion... - Renzo Piano](#)- New York Times

[\[Murphy\] Jahn Goes On: In suburban Chicago, one developer plans a green Jahn, while an ower wants greenbacks for an older Jahn. \[images\]](#)- The Slatin Report

[Philadelphians Take In Rare Sight: A Tower Rising: the building promises to propel efforts to reinvigorate the riverfront and University City neighborhood... - Cesar Pelli \[images\]](#)- New York Times

[Return of the Goths: the last Anglican cathedral is nearly finished. And built to last 1,000 years. By Hugh Pearman - Stephen Dykes Bower \(1943-88\): Gothic Design Practice \[images\]](#)- HughPearman.com (UK)

[NRI support for hi-tech Indian mythological park: Ganga Dham...to be set up in India on the lines of Disneyland with characters like Hanuman instead of Mickey Mouse.](#)- Express Newsline (India)

[Public procurement: European Commission acts to enforce EU law in Spain \(procedure used in the architecture competition\), UK \(Holyrood contracts\), Portugal and Italy...](#)- European Commission

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