

Today's News - April 11, 2005

ArcSpace takes a fresh look at the High Line and a new book about nanoarchitecture. – Koolhaas strikes the right chord (twice) with Casa da Musica in Portugal. – Championing placemaking: Architecture+DesignScotland launches today; hopefully to correct "erratic planning." – Planning from the inside out makes the Lincoln Presidential Museum "an architectural flop" (that's the most polite phrase in the review). – Trying to save portable cubes for affordable housing in Toronto. – Modern minimalism wins Architecture Association of Ireland awards. – Sometimes designing a good copy is the right thing to do. – Walker Art Center ready for its close-up (and hopes are that it makes people smile). – Meier learns his lesson well. – Interesting take on 2012 Olympics. – Gehry's Ground Zero performing arts center put on back-burner? – Pelli takes on a theme-less hotel-casino in Las Vegas (or: architecture as theme - what a concept!). – Landscape architects no longer in the background (it's about time). – Inaugural awards for that most glamorous building type: pharmaceutical manufacturing facilities.

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[– Book: Nanoarchitecture: A New Species of Architecture By John M. Johansen; photographed by Michael Moran](#)

[Sublime madness in the new houses of music: Rem Koolhaas in Porto, Henning Larsen in Copenhagen. What about London? By Hugh Pearman \[images\]- HughPearman.com \(UK\)](#)

[Rem Koolhaas Learns Not to Overthink It: The recently completed Casa da Musica is something new for the architect — a building whose intellectual ardor is matched by its sensual beauty. By Nicolai Ouroussoff \[slide show\]- New York Times](#)

[Designs on a better quality of life for us all: Architecture+DesignScotland \(A+DS\) is the new public body to champion placemaking in Scotland...launched today. By Raymond Young, chairman, A+DS- The Scotsman \(UK\)](#)

[Leading architect accuses council of erratic planning in attempt to save Glasgow's skyline: The architect appointed \[A+DS deputy chairman\]...to champion good design in cities has berated Glasgow for its scattergun approach to erecting high-rise buildings. – Malcolm Fraser; Murray and Dunlop- Sunday Herald \(Scotland\)](#)

[Lincoln Land: The new Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum in Springfield is more theme park than adventurous architecture...hits a disappointing low, shackling rather than liberating creativity. By Blair Kamin – Hellmuth, Obata + Kassabaum; BRC Imagination Arts- Chicago Tribune](#)

[Legalities block cube-ist's vision; Architect wants permission to move...the trio of large green metal cubes... By Christopher Hume – Ben Kutner- Toronto Star](#)

[Suddenly it's hip to be square: The Architecture Association of Ireland awards have been scooped by cube-shaped minimalist affairs... Boyd Cody; Niall McLaughlin; Henchion & Reuter; Moyard- The Times \(UK\)](#)

[Kennedy-Warren's \[apartment building\] Welcome Addition: Copying, of course, is not a fashionable thing to do these days...remains the right thing to do in certain cases. By Benjamin Forgey – Joseph Younger \(1931\); Hartman-Cox; Johnson-Berman; Hartman Design Group- Washington Post](#)

[Walker Art Center: Expansion on the edge: "What we've achieved, I hope, is a building that makes people smile" – Edward Larrabee Barnes \(1971\); Herzog & de Meuron \[image\]- Minneapolis Star Tribune](#)

[For Act II, Architect Gets More Hands-On: Perry Street experience was exasperating...but it taught him an important lesson: how crucial it is to have greater control over the construction and the interior design of his projects. – Richard Meier- New York Times](#)

[Contenders vie for 2012 games: From Britain, with much apathy...a leading member of the International Olympic Committee publicly said that the previous favorite Paris is now "neck and neck" with London. \[slide shows\]- NY Newsday](#)

[Towers Site Campaign to Bypass Theaters: It might have gone unnoticed amid the pomp of Thursday's news conference...that Gretchen Dykstra had been named the president of the World Trade Center Memorial Foundation...the campaign to raise \\$500 million...will not include the performing arts center being designed by Frank Gehry.- New York Times](#)

[Pelli to Design Themeless Casino: MGM Mirage hires the architect to create a 4,000-room hotel-casino, part of a \\$4.7-billion project to be built on the Las Vegas Strip. "When you don't have a theme, the attraction of the building has to rest in the beauty of the architecture"- Los Angeles Times](#)

[Reclaiming an industrial past: All too often, landscape architects are the afterthoughts of the design world...Michael Van Valkenburgh calls this "putting parsley around the pig." By Whitney Gould \[images\]- Milwaukee Journal Sentinel](#)

[Top International Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Facilities to Be Honored as Finalists for the Inaugural Facility of the Year Award - Parsons; Whitney Bailey Associates; Shimizu Corporation; Foster Wheeler; NNE A/S \[images\]- International Society for Pharmaceutical Engineering](#)

[Discovery and Collaboration = Chemical Reaction: University of Missouri-Columbia Life Sciences Center. By Gregory Blackburn, AIA - Anshen+Allen Architects/BNIM Architects \[images\]- ArchNewsNow](#)

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