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New Orleans: Ny offers an eloquent elegy; a sad day for architecture, too; Architecture for Humanity appeals for donations (and too many e-mails to our friends and colleagues in the Katrinaravaged region have bounced back). — An ex-builder is living proof green design and good business don't have to be opposites. — A British master plan for a Manhattan-sized eco-city in China. - Grimshaw on board for lowa rain forest (maybe). — High-tech attention for Guggenheim restoration. — Careful restoration for Jubilee Auditoriums in Calgary and Edmonton. — Demolition in the future for two early Gehry's? — New "convival mood" for new college dorms. — Architecture of the 21st century inspired by sci-fi classics of the past. — Weekend diversions: A new book asks if architects who design art galleries are just "guys in suits that can't paint." — Master architectural photographer Rand ready for his close-up. — NYC's Skyscraper Museum offers experts' picks of their Top 10 favorite NYC skyscrapers (guess which ones Trump picked!).

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New Orleans: Elegy for a Dream Queen. Notes from Robert Ivy, FAIA, Editor-in-chief-Architectural Record

A Sad Day, Too, for Architecture: New Orleans faces the loss of some of America's most notable historic buildings: rich 18th- and 19th-century homes, shops and churches.- New York Times

Hurricane Katrina: ...appeal for donations to support the work of local architects in the reconstruction and repair of the region's hardest hit areas.- Architecture for Humanity

Ex-builder proves business, greenies do mix: ...lan Kiernan is living proof that they are not always opposites. -- Clean Up Australia- Daily Yomiuri (Japan)

British firm designs Chinese Manhattan: Arup...chosen as master planner of the first phase of the multi-billion pound Dongtan "eco-city"- The Sunday Times (UK)

Rain forest backers hire firm as project's future stays unclear: The [\$180 million] project, with its centerpiece indoor rain forest in a tall, worm-shaped structure...includes an aquarium, prairie reconstructions and educational programs. -- Grimshaw/RDG Planning & Design; Chermayeff, Sollogub & Poole-The Des Moines Register (lowa)

Cracks in the Guggenheim Get High-Tech Attention: Museum has embarked on \$27 million worth of complex work in the hope that it will emerge refreshed in 2007, two years before it turns 50. — Wank Adams Slavin Associates; Gwathmey Siegel- New York Times

The delicate surgery of a Jube job: The beloved Jubilee Auditoriums in Calgary and Edmonton have been renovated -- very carefully -- Ronald Clarke (1957); CPV Group/Niels Jordan/Proscenium Architecture- Globe and Mail (Canada)

Campus Is Willing to Live Without Gehry: UC Irvine plans to replace a 19-year-old structure...'It's an ugly little building,' says one student...Gehry-designed Santa Monica Place shopping mall is likely to be demolished.- Los Angeles Times

The New College Mixer: Today's dorms are changing...as college officials try to induce a more convivial mood on campus. — William Rawn Associates; Booth Hansen; Herbert S. Newman and Partners [images, slide show]- New York Times

Buildings are from Mars, people from Earth: Modern architecture in the early part of the 21st Century reflects the visions of science fiction writers and film makers of the late 19th and early 20th centuries, which is perfectly fine as far as Maurice Newman's concerned-lrish Independent

Building galleries that make art look good: A provocative new book [Space: Architecture for Art] asks if architects who design art galleries are just "guys in suits that can't paint." By Frank McDonald — Shay Cleary, Glenn Howells Architects; O'Donnell and Tuomey, McCullough Mulvin Architects; Benson and Forsyth; Des McMahon; Pei; Herzog & deMeuron; Meier; Calatrava- Irish Times

Ready for a close-up: Marvin Rand is primed for a star turn after years behind the camera...In the rarefied field of architectural photography, Rand is one of a handful of masters who have perfected both the art and the craft.- Los Angeles Times

In City of Skyscrapers, Which Is the Mightiest of the High? "Favorites! 100 Experts pick their Top 10 New York towers" at the Skyscraper Museum-New York Times

INSIGHT: Downtown Vancouver's Last Resort: How Did "Living First" Become "Condos Only?" By Trevor Boddy- ArchNewsNow

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