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Today's News - September 2, 2005

EDITOR'S NOTE: ArchNewsNow will not be laboring on Labor Day, Monday, September 5 (U.S.); we'll be back Tuesday, September 6. — New Orleans: first reports from cultural institutions: Danzler House, just remodeled to house a Mardi Gras museum, destroyed; zoos o.k. for the most part; an empty space where the Gulfport aquarium used to be. — Several takes on what it will take to recover (including Libeskind). — The "docility" of Cameroon architects (and lack of schools) "exerts a tremendous adverse socio-economic effect on the population." — Another grand plan for Dublin's docklands. — Rhode Island brownfields transformed for upscale living. — A Vermont highway rest stop rebuilt with greenhouse and flushes "green" (we wish they'd name the architect!). — A new museum in Leipzig opts for non-"starchitect" and ends up with "one of Europe's finest new galleries." — A black-owned firm steps up to the plate for Washington, DC's new stadium with its "intimate knowledge of the city.' — RNJM's payroll just got smaller (apparently it wasn't amicable, either). — Sometimes it takes time for "bad boys of architecture" to rise to greatness. — Modernist homes "once abhorred for their brutalist austerity" now considered collector's items (unless it's a Bunshaft). — Weekend diversions: a photographic look at New York then and now. — A new book looks at Tel Aw's architecture, city politics, and the role of the architecture.

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<u>Hurricane Katrina - First Reports [from cultural insititutions]</u>- American Association of Museums

The Jewel of the South: Can New Orleans recover its cultural richness? By Witold Rybczynski- Slate

Future Face of New Orleans Has an Uncertain Look for Now: ...it will face questions of an unimagined scale, beginning with how much of its urban fabric - from the cherished to the derelict - will even be salvageable as a foundation for rebuilding. By David W. Dunlap-New York Times

Architecture: Training Schools Indispensible: Becoming a career architect in Cameroon is one thing, and earning a living from it another...The docility of local architects exert a tremendous adverse socio-economic effect on the population.- Cameroon Tribune (Yaoundé)

€700m plan to create cultural centrepiece at [Dublin] docklands site: The Point Village...would include a four-star hotel, Luas terminal and a revamp of the Point Theatre... -- Scott Tallon Walker Architects- Irish Independent

Eyesore to Upscale, One Brownfield at a Time: A developer is turning old industrial sites in Rhode Island into resort-style living.- New York Times

Vermont Blends 'Green' Flush Toilets and a Greenhouse: ...a system that uses plants and organisms to clean wastewater at a rebuilt rest stop...and the country's first Vietnam veterans memorial, erected in 1982... [image]- New York Times

Light, space and joy for Leipzig: ...has been more than vindicated in eschewing the easy icon and obvious "starchitect", and I hope the architects manage to build on the success of one of Europe's finest new galleries. By Edwin Heathcote -- Hufnagel Putz Rafaelian-Financial Times (UK)

Architects Step Up to the Plate: Black-Owned Firm Is Part of Team to Design Baseball Stadium -- Devrouax & Purnell Architects; HOK Sport; ROMA Design Group-Washington Post

Holyrood architect forced to leave his firm: Brian Stewart has left RMJM. An ex-colleague said 'it was not an amicable separation'...Six other senior staff members have also left...-The Scotsman (UK)

Bad boys of architecture rise to greatness: Thinking out of the box leaves lasting impression -- Frank Furness; Louis Sullivan; Frank Lloyd Wright; Robert Venturi-Inman News

Rebirth of the modern: Modernist homes were once abhorred for their brutalist austerity and stark functionalism. Now...they have begun to win widespread favour as collectors' items. — Amyas Connell; James Gowan- Telegraph (UK)

Documenting New York Places, Both Then and Now: "New York Changing: Douglas Levere Revisits Berenice Abbott's New York" at the Museum of the City of New York [slide show]- New York Times

Book Review: A tale of one city: "White City, Black City," by Sharon Rotbard...discussion of architecture, city politics and the role of the architects (and to be precise, the discourse they create around the built and destroyed objects)...- Ha`aretz (Israel)

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

August '05 Build Business: PR Tips from Two Pros	

<u>-- Latest News: The Øresund Region -- Zaha Hadid, Denmark; Santiago Calatrava, Sweden</u>

⁻⁻ Exhibition: "Dream of Tower" at the Danish Architecture Centre, Copenhagen

⁻⁻ Competition winner: Steven Holl Architects: Sail Hybrid/Albert Place Casino, Knokke-Heist, Belgium

⁻⁻ MVRDV: Gemini Residence, Copenhagen

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