

Today's News - February 1, 2006

Architectural education at a Sydney institution is about to change - but is it for the better? – Another study concludes green is good for business. – Soaring plans for Baltimore Harbor. – Milwaukee project helps Midwest get over its fear of color. – A "master of the background building" takes center stage. – No starchitect billboard needed for Vancouver tower - just name it after the architect. – 19th century insane asylums are an endangered species worth preserving. – Van Alen Institute (finally) names a new director. – I.D. and Icon list their faves.

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[Green is good for buildings and business: A study says a link is emerging between the market value of a building and its environmental qualities. By Frank McDonald -- Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors \(RICS\) \[link to study\]- Irish Times](#)

[\[Baltimore\] Harbor may get tallest building: \\$300 million project has hotel, condos, spa -- Robert A.M. Stern- Baltimore Sun](#)

[Clever use of color cures the blahs: ...hospital's just-completed corporate center wears a coat of many colors...Californians and Floridians have never been shy about using color in architecture. So why are we so timid in the Midwest? By Whitney Gould --Shepley Bulfinch Richardson; Zimmerman Design Group; Bruno Taut; Barragán; Norman Barrientos; Kenton Peters- Milwaukee Journal Sentinel](#)

[Meet Mister Streetscape: With the new Bronx Public Library Center, Richard Dattner, master of the background building, moves toward center stage -- Dattner Architects \[images\]- The Architect's Newspaper \(NYC\)](#)

[Arthur Erickson's new luxury residence "The Erickson" to redefine Vancouver skyline- Canadian Architect](#)

[Richardson complex holds valued place: In the pantheon of art and architecture, 19th century insane asylums are like the rhinoceros. They're huge, ancient and widely misunderstood. They're also an endangered species...By preserving our stately old asylum, Buffalo may inspire other cities.- Buffalo News](#)

[Van Alen Institute for Public Architecture Names New Director: Q&A with Adi Shamir- The Architect's Newspaper \(NYC\)](#)

[I.D. Forty: MoMA's Architecture and Design Department tops this year's list of design's 40 biggest influencers.- I.D. magazine](#)

[21 Most Influential: you'll probably disagree with it completely. But isn't that the point of list stories?- Icon magazine \(UK\)](#)

[Good Neighbor: Hyde Park Miriam Matthews Branch Library: A new library adds to the revitalization of a once riot-torn Los Angeles community. -- Hodgetts + Fung Design and Architecture \[images\]- ArchNewsNow](#)

[-- Competition winner: UN Studio: Te Papa Museum, Wellington, New Zealand](#)
[-- Shigeru Ban: The Nomadic Museum/Gregory Colbert "Ashes and Snow," Santa Monica, California](#)

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