

## Today's News - Thursday, July 26, 2007

Museums, museums everywhere: Crocker gets a Gwathmey expansion. – An in-depth look at MSU's Broad Art Museum presentations and jury comments. – First look at Ullens Center for Contemporary Art in Beijing. – A museum in Germany is one of two Chipperfield's on Stirling shortlist. – Are the "stately wrecks" of England hopeless "basket cases"? – Razing Coney Island: not all are pleased. – Vintage buildings in Phoenix dodge the wrecking ball via moving to new neighborhoods. – Is L.A. ready for teeny tiny apartments? – A green light for London tower (slightly shorter). – Tijuana grows upward - sorry: public not welcome. – New Florida town proud of - but not pushing - Catholic roots. – The next green hotel slated for British Columbia. – Neighbors not happy about green light for green home in Marin County. – Planned renovation of Toronto synagogue "causing a communal identity crisis." – Nobel's third installment of his starchitect trilogy: he builds "this kinda tower" and the critics weigh in. – Call for papers: XXIII UIA World Congress Torino 2008. – Wright's spirit haunts Taliesin West (great slide show!). – Paul Revere Williams documentary explores "a legend in architecture" (funded by demolition).

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[Can you picture this? \\$85 million expansion for Crocker Art Museum: ...expansion that will more than triple its size. A courtyard will separate the two Victorian mansions that currently house the museum from a strikingly modern addition clad in white aluminum and gray zinc panels. -- Gwathmey Siegel \[images\]](#)- Sacramento Bee (California)

[Building a \\$30 million tree house: We don't know yet who will design MSU's Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum, but one of the blue-ribbon jurors...has a warning. "If you build what we recommended, you're going to need a bigger airport"... -- Coop Himmelb\(l\)au; Kohn Pedersen Fox; Zaha Hadid; Randall Stout; Morphosis \[link to images\]](#)- Lansing City Pulse (Michigan)

[A Belgian Couple Will Give Beijing a New Home for Contemporary Art: Baron Ullens is to announce the details of his plans for one of the largest contemporary art spaces in China. -- Wilmotte & Associates \[slide show\]](#)- New York Times

[David Chipperfield wins two Stirling Prize nominations: ...joined on the shortlist by Foster + Partners, Office for Metropolitan Architecture \(OMA\), Haworth Tompkins and Glenn Howells \[images\]](#)- Building (UK)

[The stately wrecks of England: English Heritage's 'basket cases' need huge amounts of money to repair them, but cannot recoup the cost-](#) Guardian (UK)

[Coney Island history may get razed: ...a controversial makeover planned for the storied peninsula. \[slide show\]](#)- AM New York

[Downtown vintage buildings dodge the wrecking ball: It's becoming more common for residents, with the city's help, to pluck vintage buildings out of the path of development and put them in new neighborhoods.-](#) Arizona Republic

[An L.A. big enough for tiny apartments: Planners propose units as small as 250 square feet. After all, New York and Paris have them...part of a package of proposed zoning changes...already drawing criticism...fear overcrowding and slum conditions if the market goes sour and the units are too densely packed.-](#) Los Angeles Times

[Ian Simpson's London Beetham tower given go-ahead: Southwark council gives 52-storey skyscraper overlooking Blackfriars Bridge the green light \[images\]](#)- Building (UK)

[Tijuana is growing up: Rising prices for land, need for security create demand for gated high-rise units...After years of growing outward, Tijuana is beginning to grow upward as well.-](#) San Diego Union-Tribune

[Ave Maria Not Just for Catholics: ...builders...have been struggling to get the message out that anyone can live here ever since Monaghan's headline-grabbing comments in 2005... -- Cannon Design; EDAW \(AP\)](#)- Washington Post

[Development Permit Approved For Sustainable Hotel: ...ntended to be one of the most environmentally sustainable hotel resorts on the Pacific Rim..."It will show what Ucluelet has to offer and will get the worlds attention" -- Folio Architecture-](#) Westcoaster (Canada)

['Green' home OK'd despite opposition...by residents who declared it was a poor fit for the North Marin neighborhood..."Once \[Sunset Breezeshouse\] is built, I think the residents...will realize that it's not as bad as they believed it to be." -- Michelle Kaufmann-](#) Marin Independent Journal (California)

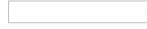
[Renovation of Storied Toronto Synagogue Opens Cracks in Congregation: What began as a grandiose plan for renewing a jewel of the synagogue world has ended up causing a communal identity crisis... -- Diamond + Schmitt-](#) The Forward (NY)

[In My Backyard: Our columnist's first built work casts a slightly different light on criticism. By Philip Nobel-](#) Metropolis Magazine

[Call for papers: XXIII UIA World Congress Torino 2008: Transmitting Architecture: deadline: October 19-](#) International Union of Architects (UIA)

[Frank Lloyd Wright's spirit lives on at Taliesin West: "thinking outside the box" was shorthand for only being a little more original than everybody else. Wright wanted to destroy the box... \[slide show\]- C/Net](#)

[The Wild Ride of Paul Revere Williams: A new documentary gives the Roosevelt Historic District architect the big build-up...You could write the story of famed architect...in Long Beach with a wrecking ball.- District Weekly \(California\)](#)



[-- Foster and Partners: Millau Viaduct, Gorge du Tarn, France](#)

[-- Competition winner: Mecanoo architecten, Municipal Offices and Station, Delft, The Netherlands](#)

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