

## Today's News - Monday, September 24, 2007

Race + architecture: Prasad and Adjaye weigh in (it's not just a British issue); and controversy bubbles up re: Martin Luther King memorial. – Hume re: Calgary: "...not just another overgrown North American suburb wrapped around a decaying historic core." – Ourossoff minces no words re: Barnes Foundation's "secrecy" and "paranoia," assuming that "the less the public knows, the better." – Moscow's Melnikov House: that it's still standing is a marvel. – Campbell gives thumbs-up to "bright young architects" and their visions to save Boston City Hall. – Kamin on a Chicago campus that "strives to restore the urban planning norms that its predecessor shattered." – A call to color all new schools green. – A new L.A. school that even teens will love. – Davidson's back(!) with his take on 40 Bond: what it "lacks in iron, it makes up for in irony." – Foster finds inspiration in Gaudi for Barcelona's Nou Camp facelift. – van Egeraat envisions a \$6 billion+ luxury island shaped like Russia heading for the Black Sea. – Grimshaw's first foray into Russia. – First glimpse of 2012 Athletes' Village. – Musings on the 11-mile blue fence surrounding the 2012 Olympics site: it "may act as an inspiration to other cities, or as a warning." – A \$300 million casino-resort headed for the Northern Mariana Islands. – Call for entries: \$100,000 in prizes in Deutsche Bank/Urban Age Award for project in Mumbai.

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[Architecture schools too white in focus: ...must rethink their focus on the work of white, western architects. RIBA president Sunand Prasad has claimed...at this year's Stephen Lawrence Memorial lecture...](#)- BD/Building Design (UK)

[One giant leap for Britain: You wait around for a building finally to reflect our multicultural society - and then three come along at once \[Bernie Grant arts centre: Rivington Place: Stephen Lawrence Centre\]. Steve Rose meets the visionary architect David Adjaye-](#) Guardian (UK)

[The King Memorial: Dreams at Odds: A quarrel has been bubbling up over plans for the towering three-story Martin Luther King Jr. National Memorial in Washington. -- Lei Yixin: ROMA Design Group; Ed Dwight \[image\]-](#) New York Times

[Toronto can learn a lot from Calgary: The once proud redneck capital of Canada is in the process of reinventing itself...on its way to becoming a genuine urban centre, not just another overgrown North American suburb wrapped around a decaying historic core. By Christopher Hume-](#) Toronto Star

[Designs Solicited. Discussion Unwanted at the Barnes Foundation: This kind of secrecy reinforces the bleak notion that cultural institutions operate at the service of a privileged few rather than the general public. More often than not nowadays, the cynics are right. By Nicolai Ourossoff -- Tod Williams Billie Tsien; Diller Scofidio + Renfro; Thom Mayne/Morphosis-](#) New York Times

[Working with City Hall: Gallery displays ideas for redesigning the controversial downtown site...these bright young architects...think it has lots of problems, but that it is, nevertheless, a magnificent piece of architecture. \(So do I.\) The question is how to save what's magnificent while fixing what's grim. By Robert Campbell -- Kallman, McKinnell and Knowles \(1968\); Höweler + Yoon; kuo.chaouni/uenal karamuk; Moskow Architects; over.under; Single Speed Design; Studio Luz-](#) Boston Globe

[City Landmark on the Edge: It is good news, in a way, that the Melnikov House is in jeopardy: it means that the architectural marvel is still, in fact, standing. This is at odds with the laws of probability...](#)- The Moscow News (Russia)

[Turning back the clock on 'modern' campus: Almost to a fault, the \\$254 million Kennedy-King College campus strives to restore the urban planning norms that its predecessor shattered. By Blair Kamin -- Fitch, Larocca & Carington \(1972\); Johnson & Lee; VOA-](#) Chicago Tribune

[Op-Ed: Green schools: Color them healthy places of teaching and learning: This country's educational infrastructure desperately needs a modernized green school system. Green, high-performance schools are not a panacea. By R.K. Stewart-](#) Seattle Post-Intelligencer

[A School Even Teens Will Love: Can a high school be as enticing to teens as an iPod or a shopping center? Should it? Find out...LAUSD's new West Adams Preparatory High School. By Frances Anderton -- Mary-Ann Ray/Robert Mangurian/Studio Works Architects \[images, podcast\]-](#) KCRW.org (Los Angeles)

[Bond's Latest Gadget: Herzog & de Meuron's new condo building for Ian Schrager puts a swingy, dapper spin on the glass curtain wall...what 40 Bond lacks in iron, it makes up for in irony. By Justin Davidson-](#) New York Magazine

[Foster to give Barcelona's Nou Camp Gaudi-inspired facelift: ...the biggest stadium in Europe...will be given a complete facelift, with a mosaic of multi-coloured tiles...](#) [image]- Guardian (UK)

[Luxury Russia-shaped island to appear in Black Sea by 2014: 250-hectare island, to cost an estimated 155 billion rubles \(over \\$6 billion\), will have two marinas, religious centers, roads, parkland and artificial rivers, mimicking Russia's major rivers. -- Erick van Egeraat \[image\]-](#) RIA Novosti (Russia)

[Grimshaw ready for Russian takeoff: ...set to make its first foray into Russia after winning the competition for a £450 million Pulkovo Airport in St Petersburg. \[image\]-](#)

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[Athletes' Village designs revealed for Stratford City: first images of the £2bn Olympic...development at Stratford City have been released as part of a public consultation on the scheme. -- Fletcher Priest Architects: Arup Urban Design](#)- Building (UK)

[Cordon blue: In the past few weeks an 11-mile blue fence has sprung up around the 2012 Olympics site in east London. Is it a necessary security measure - or a reminder of how divisive the games are? Andy Beckett walks along it...Different Londons will develop on either side...and the consequences will be felt in the city for decades...may act as an inspiration to other cities, or as a warning.- Guardian](#) (UK)

[Architect accord signed for \\$300M Tinian Matua Bay Resort casino-hotel. -- Takamatsu Architect & Associates](#)- Saipan Tribune

[Call for entries: Deutsche Bank Urban Age Award: will recognise a project located in the wider metropolitan area of Mumbai; \\$100,000 prize; deadline: September 30-](#) Deutsche Bank/Urban Age

[Building Information Modeling: The Wave of the Future? BIM promises to reshape the future design, but these basic risk management considerations should be taken into account to determine if BIM is right for you. By Gary Prather-](#) ArchNewsNow

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