

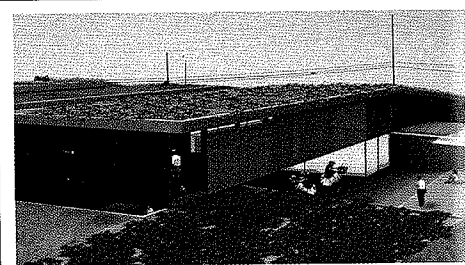
Wallpaper's guide to what will soon appear on a horizon near you **Editor Clare Dowdy**



## Round trip

**Circular Shanghai South station from Arep** <<

Parisian architects Arep are busy as bees in China, having started work there five years ago. There's the Capital Museum of Beijing, which it finishes this year, the recently won Tianfu Square in the Sichuan capital Chengdu and the Shanghai South station (left). This circular extravaganza follows Arep's rebuilding of Nanjing Station in 1999 and has an amphitheatre-like space from which the whole station is visible. As in every Chinese metropolis, it's all about managing high urban growth with the explosion of mechanised transport. The station opens in 2005. [www.arep.fr](http://www.arep.fr)



## Grand dam

**Norway dam home to new hotel and gallery** >

Oslo-based Snøhetta is developing a spectacular gallery and hotel complex by one of Europe's grandest hydroelectric dams, in the steep Tafford valley on Norway's north-west coast. The Galerie Tafford will hover as a transparent glass beam in front of the elegantly curved 96m-high dam, with the dam wall being used to project hi-tech art installations and light shows. The dam also doubles as a structural foundation for 42 shoebox-shaped hotel rooms with floor-to-ceiling glass walls. Bathrooms are partially transparent, allowing visitors to take a bath while contemplating the scenery. The site will open for business next autumn, by which time the hotel will have been named. [www.snoarc.no](http://www.snoarc.no)



## Second class

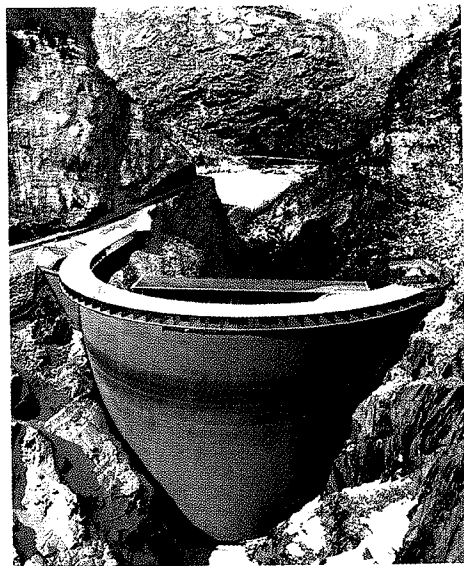
**Eight Inc creates learning centre for Hawaii** >

Hawaii's West Oahu is promised an environmentally responsive culture and education centre, courtesy of designers Eight Inc. The Malama Learning Centre is to be built on a three-acre site near the entrance to the island's Kapolei High School. [www.eightinc.com](http://www.eightinc.com)

## Bankside living

**New apartments in Rotterdam** <<

As part of the Terwenakker area's transformation, 01-10 Architects' scheme, Hoog aan de Maas, will rub shoulders with the Bank of the Netherlands building. Hoog, with its floor-to-ceiling windows and zinc skin, will be ready for occupancy in 2006. [www.eentien.nl](http://www.eentien.nl)



## In brief

Global findings and hot tips

**City Lights Design Competition**, the contest for new street lights in New York, has shortlisted Atelier Imrey Culbert, Skidmore Owings & Merrill and Thomas Phifer & Partners. The winner is due to be announced in October.

The City of Rome is holding a design competition to build a holocaust museum at Villa Torlonia, the one-time home of fascist dictator Benito Mussolini. The museum could open as early as 2006.

Zaha Hadid is working on a new headquarters complex for EuskoTren, the regional public transit authority of the Basque Region in Spain. Building should be finished by 2008.

Jean Nouvel's major extension of Madrid's Reina Sofía modern art museum is to be completed by the end of this year.



## Moor, please

**Prototype floating home launch set for Berlin** >

Berlin architects Grüntuch/Ernst are behind these splendid floating homes, eight prototypes of which are planned for the city's Rummelsburger Bucht waterway. The first ones will be built once a client has committed to the scheme. [www.gea-berlin.de](http://www.gea-berlin.de)