• GET INVOLVED IN A COMMUNITY BUILDING PROJECT!
Working with our local AIAS chapter, the Architecture Department has made a commitment to work on the upcoming “Rebuilding Together Hartford” project, coming up on Saturday, April 26. This one-day event will take place in the neighborhoods of Hartford, where we will be helping people to rebuild and improve their homes and communities. Many Hartford Architecture students have already signed up to take part in this event. You don’t have to be skilled or an expert with a saw—there are plenty of ways you can help. Please visit the Rebuilding Together website at rhartford.org for more information. If you want to be part of it, please email Architecture Chair Mike Crosbie at: crosbie@hartford.edu, or stop by to see him in his office.

• LECTURE APRIL 17: JAMES WINES—ARCHITECT AND ARTIST
Internationally recognized architect and artist James Wines of the firm SITE is the next presenter in the Department of Architecture’s ongoing lecture series. The title of his lecture is “GREEN LIGHT: Re-thinking Public Space in the 21st Century.” Wines is president and founder of SITE Environmental Design, an architecture and environmental arts organization that explores a more socially and environmentally responsive approach to the design of buildings, interiors, public spaces, and commercial products. The current focus of SITE’s work is green architecture, the fusion of buildings with landscape, and advocacy of a new role for all building arts in the global environmental protection movement. The lecture begins at 7:00 PM, after the reception for the Architecture Student Exhibit, in Wilde Auditorium in the Harry Jack Gray Center and is free and open to the public. For more info visit SITE’s website at: siteenvirodesign.com.

• ARCHITECTURE BANNER WINNER
A design for a new Architecture Department banner for the entrance to our home in the Harry Jack Gray Center has been selected, and the winner is: second-year student Artur Kropiewnicki. Artur’s banner design should make its appearance before the end of the semester.

• SUSTAINABLE DESIGN ELECTIVE
Registration starts this week, and you should know that a new elective on Sustainable Design will be offered in Fall 2008. The course, STW 390: Sustainable Design, will include a small construction project that students will complete during the semester. The course will be taught by Adjunct Professor Linda Reeder, LEED AP (new to the department) who is a New Haven-based architect with lots of experience in sustainable design and construction. Details will be posted on the bulletin board in the department office area.