

A photograph of the Guangzhou Opera House, a modern building with a unique, sail-like design. The building's facade is composed of large, triangular panels that create a complex, crystalline pattern. The interior is visible through large glass sections, showing a modern stage and audience seating. In the background, a tall, slender skyscraper, the Canton Tower, rises into the sky. A crowd of people is gathered in front of the opera house.

Today in History

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▲ Iraqi-born British architect Zaha Hadid, whose dramatic designs include the Guangzhou Opera House (pictured above) in China, died aged 65

1861: The body of Napoleon Bonaparte was reinterred in Les Invalides in Paris 21 years after his death

1889: The Eiffel Tower was opened in Paris. At 324m, it was the world's tallest man-made structure

1913: A record 6,745 immigrants arrived at Ellis Island in New York City

2014: UN climate change experts predicted dire consequences if greenhouse gas emissions were not reduced immediately