

# Designs Revealed For 2 World Trade Center, Which Is Set To Be The Third Tallest Building In The City



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The new 2 World Trade Center would offer setbacks to make it fit in better with the surrounding neighborhood, its architect said.

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The World Trade Center site is about to take a step back.

A Danish architect has unveiled his design for the final skyscraper at the hallowed site — and it is a striking tower with prominent setbacks scaling away from the spot where thousands died on Sept. 11, 2001.

Architect Bjarke Ingels said his stacked design will mark the tragedy of that day yet keep the World Trade Center complex in its city context.

“To complete this urban reunification (the) tower will feel equally at home in Tribeca and the World Trade Center,” he said in a statement issued Tuesday. “From Tribeca, the home of lofts and roof gardens, it will appear like a vertical village of singular buildings stacked on top of each other. ... From the World Trade Center, the individual towers will appear unified, completing the colonnade of towers framing the 9/11 Memorial. Horizontal meets vertical. Diversity becomes unity.”



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At 1,340 feet, the flat-topped building, officially known as 2 World Trade Center, will be just shy of the roofline of record-breaking 1 World Trade Center, which tops out at 1,368 feet, minus the spire. The building will appear to lean back towards the city's tallest skyscraper.

The building is slated to be home to 21st Century Fox and the News Corporation, which will move operations from Midtown. When completed, it will become the third tallest tower in the city.

World Trade Center redeveloper Larry Silverstein said the new building, in the northeast corner of the site, would be an “architectural icon on what will be Downtown’s fully restored skyline.”

The story was first reported by Wired, which has its offices at 1 World Trade Center.