



GILES WORSLEY ROME FELLOWSHIP 2023–4

THE GILES WORSLEY ROME FELLOWSHIP is a research award given for the study of architectural history.

It is open to architectural historians and architects whose research in the field of architectural or urban history would benefit from the opportunity to spend three months at the BSR experiencing the reality of buildings and spaces in and around Rome which are related directly, or indirectly, to their subject of study.

While the research carried out at the BSR may be part of a wider project, the intention is that it should be brought together and presented at the end of the Fellowship as a discrete piece of work.

As the Giles Worsley Rome Fellow, the successful candidate will have exceptional access to the extensive collections of the BSR Library and Archive. They will also form part of the community of artists and scholars resident at the BSR, and be able to benefit from, and contribute to, the intellectual and social exchange that has always been such an important aspect of the life of the BSR.

The Fellowship offers:

- board and accommodation in a study-bedroom
- a monthly research and travel grant
- duration: 3 months (late September–late December 2023).

Applicants must be:

of British or Commonwealth nationality, or have been working professionally or studying at postgraduate level for at least the last three years in the UK or Commonwealth (i.e. since March 2020).

How to apply

For further details see the Architecture Awards page of our website — <https://bsr.ac.uk/awards-residencies-architecture>.

Applications must be submitted through our grant management platform: <https://bsrome.slideroom.com>

Closing date for applications:

Wednesday 15 March 2023

For further information on the BSR: <https://bsr.ac.uk/>

The Fellowship is in memory of Giles Worsley, the distinguished architectural historian and critic, who died of cancer in 2006 at the age of 44. He was an enthusiastic visitor to Italy and a great believer in the importance of Italian architecture of all periods in understanding the development of Western architecture.

Selection criteria

Applications will be considered by a panel including an RIBA representative, British School at Rome representatives and at least one person appointed by Giles's family. Applications will also be reviewed by members of the BSR's Faculty of Architecture (see <https://bsr.ac.uk/about-us-governance/>).

Applications will be assessed using the following criteria:

1. the quality of the applicant's creative and/or academic output (judged on the application and references);
2. the inherent significance and interest of the project proposed;
3. the feasibility of the project being undertaken in three months, and being an end in itself, rather than a means to an end;
4. the suitability of the project for the BSR, bearing in mind its location, resources and access to resources;
5. the potential for the Fellowship to impact on the applicant's professional development and on her/his contribution to architecture and/or architectural history;
6. the suitability of the applicant to contribute to the academic community of the BSR.

The panel's decision is final; and feedback cannot be given on unsuccessful applications.

The award was an unforgettable experience that gave me the opportunity to challenge my creative output. My time in Rome, exploring both scholarly and artistic processes, was really the stepping stone for me to test what this meant to me more specifically.

Mariam Gulamhussein (Giles Worsley Rome Fellow 2019–20)

The resources of the specialist research Library and Archive of the BSR significantly contributed to the development of my project, while the School's vibrant intellectual community greatly benefited the interdisciplinary nature of the research.

Giacomo Damiani (Giles Worsley Rome Fellow 2021–2)

General conditions

Successful applicants must:

- live at the BSR throughout the period of the award
- agree to abide by the BSR's Code of Conduct (<https://bsr.ac.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/BSR-Code-of-Conduct-1.pdf>) and any other relevant policies and codes in place at the time of appointment and tenure
- be prepared to learn some Italian before going to Rome
- take out medical insurance for the duration of their tenure
- submit a report on their tenure.

Family members may be accommodated for limited periods by prior agreement but must pay for their board and lodging at the BSR's prevailing rates. Applicants with caring responsibilities and additional needs are encouraged to get in touch to discuss these with us directly.

Equality, diversity and inclusion policy

The BSR is committed to respect and fair treatment for everyone, eliminating discrimination and actively promoting equality of opportunity and delivering fairness to all. The BSR seeks to be a place where all are welcome regardless of their identity or background, and where all can thrive in an inclusive environment that values and celebrates diversity. The BSR wishes to attract people from a broad range of backgrounds, demographics and cultures, and is committed to promoting equality of opportunity, good relations and respect for diversity among all its community and eliminating unlawful discrimination in its work environment. The BSR's equality, diversity and inclusion policy can be found on our website (https://bsr.ac.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/BSR-Equality-Diversity-and-Inclusion-Policy_.pdf).

The BSR reserves the right to alter any aspect of the Fellowship and competition.

The BSR is a charity registered in England and Wales (no. 314176).

The BSR is registered with the Information Commissioner's Office and adheres to the General Data Protection Registration principles. The BSR's Privacy Policy can be viewed at <https://bsr.ac.uk/privacy-policy/>. Applicants should be aware that information that they provide will be stored in electronic form. It will be provided to those who assess applications and to staff of the BSR, and will be used to compile published lists of award-holders.