



**APPLICATIONS INVITED FOR MEMBERSHIP**

**OF THE**

**FACULTY OF ARCHITECTURE**

Applications are invited from **Architectural Historians** interested in being considered for election as a member of the BSR's Faculty of Architecture.

For further information upon the criteria for election and on how to apply, please see <https://bsr.ac.uk/about-us-governance/>.

The closing date for applications is 11:59 p.m. (BST) on **Wednesday 10 May 2023**.

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After a gap of some 25 years, the Faculty of Architecture, a third faculty to sit alongside the Faculty of Archaeology, History and Letters and the Faculty of the Fine Arts, was re-established in September 2022. Architecture has been one of the principal disciplines of the British School at Rome since its foundation in 1901. In restoring architecture to its former position, the BSR is committed to supporting the study of architecture as both a scholarly and a practical subject. In this respect, architecture is deemed to encompass all aspects of the design of the physical environment, including buildings, interiors and objects, landscape, urban design and planning, heritage conservation and sustainability.

Applications are invited to fill one vacancy, for an Architectural Historian. Applicants should have a strong scholarly reputation in their own fields, and significant experience in academic assessment and an interest in promoting the work of early career researchers. Experience of how academic research functions across interdisciplinary fields is of value because of the research-oriented nature of the BSR and its community, which includes practitioners in architecture and contemporary art practices, and is thus by definition cross-disciplinary. They should have some experience in advisory and administrative roles, and a familiarity with the contemporary challenges their disciplines are experiencing. The term of office is normally for five years. Faculty members are expected to be in a position to have the time to contribute to the responsibilities described below.

**Duties and responsibilities**

The membership's primary duties are to:

- select the recipients of BSR architecture awards;

- provide a forum for advice to, and a possible consulting source for, both the Council in the formulation of policy and the Director of the BSR in carrying it out;
- provide an academic/practice forum to help validate and defend the work of the BSR;
- consider the Director's proposals for BSR Research Fellows;
- undertake such other advisory functions as may be specified by the Council from time to time; and
- provide critical appraisal of the architectural awards in terms of their present and future status.

Members of the Faculty are expected to:

- attend at least two meetings per year (normally in March and November) on a date and place to be appointed by the Chair. These meetings are usually virtual, although may occasionally be hybrid. The meeting in November will be jointly held between the Faculty of Archaeology, History and Letters, the Faculty of the Fine Arts and the Faculty of Architecture;
- serve on the selection and interview panels for award-holders in the activities represented by the Faculty;
- engage in discussions to develop the work of the Faculty and the BSR through committees and projects;
- make a Faculty visit to the BSR in Rome once during their term of office. This will be two–three nights in order to talk to award-holders about their work, give a talk and/or organise a visit to a site in Rome or its environs. The costs of travel, board and lodging at the BSR will be covered; and
- promote the work and activities of the Faculty within the BSR, their own institutions, other organisations and to the wider public.

In addition to serving on the Faculty of Architecture, it is hoped that the architectural historian elected will agree to being co-opted to the Faculty of Archaeology, History and Letters for all stages of the selection process for the distribution of academic awards.

### **Call for applications 2023**

We are looking to fill one vacancy on the Faculty, for an Architectural Historian.

The BSR is committed to equal opportunities and values diversity. We particularly welcome applications from people from ethnic minority groups, or with other protected characteristics, who are currently under-represented on the BSR's committees.

Details of the current membership of the Faculty can be found at

<https://bsr.ac.uk/about-us-governance/>

The BSR's Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Policy can be found here: [https://bsr.ac.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/BSR-Equality-Diversity-and-Inclusion-Policy .pdf](https://bsr.ac.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/BSR-Equality-Diversity-and-Inclusion-Policy.pdf).

### **Selection process**

The Chair of the Faculty and the BSR's Director will be responsible for checking that candidates have the experience and qualifications for the vacancies, and for producing a shortlist of applicants, taking into account the priorities set out above. The shortlisted candidates will be offered for election by the

current members of the Faculty and relevant members of the BSR staff (Director, Head of Research Collections and Registrar).

The election will use a preferential voting system.

In the event of any dispute with regard to the election, the matter shall be resolved by the decision of the Chair of the Council and the Faculty.

### **How to apply**

Applications must be submitted through the BSR's application management platform:

<https://bsrome.slideroom.com>

Within your application, you should indicate two people who have agreed to provide a brief statement of support. They should submit their statements through the platform by the closing date for applications.

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