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The Society of Architectural Historians Receives Grant from The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation to Develop Innovative Online Journal

Chicago, IL-February 25, 2009 The **Society of Architectural Historians (SAH)** has received a \$213,000 grant from The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation to develop the first online architecture journal that will incorporate moving images, sound, and Google Earth maps into articles about the built world. The journal, *JSAH Online*, will be published jointly by the Society of Architectural Historians and University California Press. The first issue will be released in March 2010.

In 2006 SAH received an initial grant from the Mellon Foundation to plan how to create an online version of Society's award-winning print journal, *JSAH*, that would take full advantage of the latest developments in online publishing. Over a two-year development period, SAH created new type of online journal that will allow the simultaneous viewing of both article text and dynamic images including film and video clips, sound, zoomable images, sophisticated digital maps that interface with Google Maps, and born-digital 3D models of buildings and cityscapes. ***JSAH Online* will be the first online journal devoted to the arts and humanities that incorporates such cutting-edge features.** Previously, such innovations were seen rarely, and only in online scientific journals. The vision for *JSAH Online* was articulated by Professor Hilary Ballon of New York University, who collaborated with scholars at SAH and computer programmers at ARTstor, the New York-based online digital library, to develop the full potential of *JSAH Online*. Now, with a second grant secured, *JSAH Online* will be realized, using the Atypon publishing platform at University of California Press. Current *JSAH* Editor David Brownlee, who will select the articles that will appear in the inaugural issue of *JSAH Online*, is seeking authors who will take full advantage of the new capabilities offered by the online presentation of their scholarship.

About SAH: The Society of Architectural Historians is the leading international not-for-profit organization that promotes the study, interpretation, and preservation of the built environment worldwide. Founded in 1940, the Society is an Illinois 501 (c) (3) tax exempt membership organization that has 3,500 members in North America and around the world. **SAH has been publishing *JSAH* in print since 1941 and it is the journal of record for the field of architectural history.** To learn more about the Society, please visit www.sah.org

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