

Society of Architectural Historians
Invitation for Nominations
2026 SAH Historic Interiors Article Award

Purpose

This award was conceived by the Historic Interiors Affiliate Group of SAH (HIG) in 2022. HIG is a Board-approved SAH affiliate group that is focused on fostering new approaches to the history of interiors as both an independent line of scholarly inquiry and as an important aspect of the expanded study of the built environment. Although historic interiors are an essential component of the history of architecture, research related to interior spaces including their design, uses, circulation, and meanings have not received as much attention or focus within architectural history. This award will recognize excellence in research of a scholarly article from an English-Language publication that has made a significant contribution to the study of historic interiors.

- **Criteria for Submission**

- Articles nominated for consideration must have been peer-reviewed and published in print or digital format.
- Peer-reviewed articles nominated for this award must have been published (copyright date) within the two years prior to submission for consideration.
- Essays from peer reviewed books are eligible if the article is new and not a reprint of older scholarship.
- Articles must be published in English.
- Subject matter may include a variety of work related to the history of interiors from any period of history and any part of the world. This expansive scholarship can include articles that consider experiential, phenomenological, and theoretical as well as visual explorations of interior architecture and interior design.
- Articles may address historic interiors from an interdisciplinary point of view, creating a multi-dimensional understanding for the production and experience of space through a diverse and inclusive perspective in global history.
- Nominated articles may be submitted by authors, publication representatives, or peers.
- Committee members cannot submit articles that they have authored during their term of service as jurors.

Evaluation of Submissions

In evaluating the submissions, the award committee will focus primarily on the significance of the contribution in terms of its subject matter, well-defined research problem, methodology, materials, theoretical framework, original findings, clarity of its discussion, and ability to place its findings in the field.

The Award

The award consists of a certificate and citation that will be presented at the Society's 79th Annual International Conference in Mexico City, Mexico, April 15-19, 2026. The award will also be announced in the *Journal of the Society of Architectural Historians* and the SAH Newsletter. The winning publication will become part of the Society's permanent collection.

The Committee

The three-member award committee is appointed by the President of SAH and will include at least one HIG member who also serves on the HIG Research Committee as well as, whenever possible, SAH members who are also members of HIG Advisory Board or Working Committees.

To Apply

Please submit the following:

1. Nomination form
2. Statement of 250 – 500 words in support of the article. Justifications should emphasize the significance of the contribution as it relates specifically to the study of historic interiors.
3. PDF of article as published or link to article
4. CV (5 pages max)

Only one article per author may be submitted for consideration.

Nomination documents should be assembled into one single attachment (PDF or Word) in the above numerical order and submitted by September 3, 2025, 11:59 p.m. CDT, via [Dropbox](#).

Submit to Dropbox as a single attachment (PDF or Word) with the following naming convention:

Author last name _article title (may be truncated)

Example: Young_SAH_and_the_New.PDF

Presented by the Society of Architectural Historians for work that contributes most significantly to our understanding of interiors history.

Title _____

Author(s) _____

Author(s) email _____

Publisher _____

Copyright date _____2023 _____2024 (*printed copyright date*)

Has the article been peer-reviewed? _____ Yes _____ No

Nominator _____

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Email* _____