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The New England Chapter, Society of Architectural Historians invites applications for The John Coolidge Research Fellowship.

Supported by the chapter's John Coolidge Educational Fund, the John Coolidge Research Fellowship assists graduate students at a New England college or university working on topics in architectural history, the built environment, or a related field through an award of \$1,000 to support their research.

The John Coolidge Research Fellowship was established following the death of Dr. John Coolidge (1913-1995), a founding member of the Society of Architectural Historians and an early member of the New England Chapter of the SAH. Coolidge earned his BA from Harvard and his MA and PhD from New York University, writing a dissertation on the work of Jacomo Barozzi da Vignola. Following positions at Vassar College and the University of Pennsylvania, Professor Coolidge taught at Harvard from 1947-1984 and served as director of the Fogg Museum from 1948-1968. Professor Coolidge's book, *Mill and Mansion: A Study of Architecture and Society in Lowell, Massachusetts, 1820-1865* (Columbia University Press), was among the first scholarly studies of American industrial architecture.

Applicants should submit a proposal (not to exceed three pages, typed and double-spaced) explaining the overall project, how the Coolidge Fellowship will support research (such as which archives or sites you intend to visit, collections to consult, etc.), and how this support will contribute to the completion of the larger project. In addition to this proposal document, applicants should submit a budget outlining how the Coolidge Fellowship funds will be used, noting any sources (and amounts) of other current or potential funding for the project, as well as a timeline for completing the research and overall project. The proposal, budget, timeline, and a current curriculum vitae should be submitted electronically as one .pdf file.

In addition to the materials submitted by the applicant, one letter of reference from someone familiar with the project should be submitted under separate cover.

It is expected that the recipient will complete the research within twelve months of receiving the fellowship unless health and travel guidance precludes such travel, in which case the research may be extended over an eighteen-month period. Half of the fellowship amount will be issued to the recipient upon at the time of selection, and the remainder will be issued following a lecture given by the recipient for NESAH at a time and date to be determined by both parties discussing how the Coolidge Fellowship funds were used in context with the larger project.

All application materials are to be addressed to Elizabeth W. Rochefort, Chapter President, and sent to nesah.president@gmail.com. All materials, including reference letter, must be received by February 15, 2021 at 11:59 p.m.

Recent recipients and their projects include:

2020: Eliyahu Keller (Massachusetts Institute of Technology), “Drawing Apocalypse: Architectural Imagination in the Nuclear Age”

2019: Nushelle de Silva (Massachusetts Institute of Technology), “Protocols for the Permanently Peripatetic: The Emergence of the Circulating Exhibition, 1946-1980” / Elizabeth Saari Browne (Massachusetts Institute of Technology), “Modeling the Eighteenth Century: Clodion in Ancien Régime and After”*

2018: C. Ian Stevenson (Boston University), “‘Army Tales Told While the Pot Boiled’: The Civil War Vacation in Architecture and Landscape, 1880-1910”

2017: not awarded*

2016: Elizabeth Kassler-Taub (Harvard University), “At the Threshold of the Mediterranean: Architecture, Urbanism, and Identity in Early Modern Sicily”

*In rare instances, the Coolidge Fellowship has not been awarded, or has been awarded to more than one recipient.