
Royal Gold Medallists

The Royal Gold Medal for the promotion of Architecture, instituted by Her Majesty Queen Victoria in 1848, is conferred annually by the Sovereign on some distinguished architect, or group of architects, for work of high merit, or on some distinguished person or group whose work has promoted either directly or indirectly the advancement of architecture.

- 1848 Charles Robert Cockerell RA
- 1849 Luigi Canina , Italy
- 1850 Sir Charles Barry, RA
- 1851 Thomas L Donaldson
- 1852 Leo von Klenze, Austria
- 1853 Sir Robert Smirke, RA
- 1854 Philip Hardwick, RA
- 1855 JI Hittorff, France
- 1856 Sir William Tite
- 1857 Owen Jones
- 1858 August Stuler, Germany
- 1859 Sir George Gilbert Scott, RA
- 1860 Sydney Smirke, RA
- 1861 JB Lesueur, France
- 1862 Rev Robert Willis
- 1863 Anthony Salvin
- 1864 E Viollet-le-Duc, France
- 1865 Sir James Pennethorne
- 1866 Sir M Digby Wyatt
- 1867 Charles Texier, France
- 1868 Sir Henry Layard
- 1869 CR Lepsius, Germany
- 1870 Benjamin Ferrey
- 1871 James Fergusson
- 1872 Baron von Schmidt, Austria
- 1873 Thomas Henry Wyatt
- 1874 George Edmund Street, RA
- 1875 Edmund Sharpe
- 1876 Joseph Louis Duc, France
- 1877 Charles Barry
- 1878 Alfred Waterhouse, RA
- 1879 Marquis de Vogue, France
- 1880 John L Pearson, RA
- 1881 George Godwin
- 1882 Baron von Ferstel, Austria
- 1883 Francis Cranmer Penrose
- 1884 William Butterfield
- 1885 H Schliemann, Germany
- 1886 Charles Garnier, France
- 1887 Ewan Christian
- 1888 Baron von Hansen, Austria
- 1889 Sir Charles T Newton
- 1890 John Gibson
- 1891 Sir Arthur Blomfield, ARA
- 1892 César Daly, France

1893 Richard Morris Hunt, USA
 1894 Lord Leighton, RA
 1895 James Brooks
 1896 Sir Ernest George, RA
 1897 Dr PJH Cuypers, Holland
 1898 George Aitchison, RA
 1899 George Frederick Bodley, RA
 1900 Professor Rodolfo Amadeo Lanciani, Italy
 1901 (Not awarded, owing to the death of Queen Victoria)
 1902 Thomas Edward Collcutt
 1903 Charles F McKim, USA
 1904 Auguste Choisy, France
 1905 Sir Aston Webb, PPRA
 1906 Sir L Alma-Tadema, RA
 1907 John Belcher, RA
 1908 Honoré Daumet, France
 1909 Sir Arthur John Evans, FRS, FSA
 1910 Sir Thomas Graham Jackson
 1911 Wilhelm Dorpfeld, Germany
 1912 Basil Champneys
 1913 Sir Reginald Blomfield, RA, FSA
 1914 Jean Louis Pascal, France
 1915 Frank Darling, Canada
 1916 Sir Robert Rowand Anderson, FRIAS
 1917 Henri Paul Nenot, Membre de L'Institut, France
 1918 Ernest Newton, RA
 1919 Leonard Stokes
 1920 Charles Louis Girault, Membre de L'Institut, France
 1921 Sir Edwin Landseer Lutyens, OM, KCIE, RA, FSA
 1922 Thomas Hastings, USA
 1923 Sir John James Burnet, FRIAS, RA, RSA
 1924 Not awarded
 1925 Sir Giles Gilbert Scott, OM, DCL, RA
 1926 Professor Ragnar Östberg, Sweden
 1927 Sir Herbert Baker, KCIE, RA
 1928 Sir Guy Dawber, RA, FSA
 1929 Victor Alexandre Frederic Laloux, France
 1930 Percy Scott Worthington, FSA
 1931 Sir Edwin Cooper, RA
 1932 Dr Hendrik Petrus Berlage, Holland
 1933 Sir Charles Reed Peers, CBE, PPSA
 1934 Henry Vaughan Lanchester, PPTPI
 1935 Willem Marinus Dudok, Holland
 1936 Charles Henry Holden, MTPI
 1937 Sir Raymond Unwin
 1938 Professor Ivar Tengbom, Sweden
 1939 Sir Percy Thomas, OBE, JP, MTPI
 1940 Charles Francis Annesley Voysey
 1941 Frank Lloyd Wright, USA
 1942 William Curtis Green, RA
 1943 Professor Sir Charles Herbert Reilly, OBE
 1944 Sir Edward Maufe, RA

1945 Victor Vessnin, USSR
 1946 Professor Sir Patrick Abercrombie FSA, PPTPI, FILA
 1947 Professor Sir Albert Edward Richardson, RA, FSA
 1948 Auguste Perret, France
 1949 Sir Howard Robertson, MC, ARA, SADG
 1950 Eliel Saarinen, USA
 1951 Emanuel Vincent Harris, OBE, RA
 1952 George Grey Wornum
 1953 Le Corbusier (CE Jeanneret), France
 1954 Sir Arthur George Stephenson, CMG, AMTPI, Australia
 1955 John Murray Easton
 1956 Dr Walter Adolf Georg Gropius, USA
 1957 Hugo Alvar Henrik Aalto, Finland
 1958 Robert Schofield Morris, FRAIC, Canada
 1959 Professor Ludwig Mies van der Rohe, USA
 1960 Professor Pier Luigi Nervi, Italy
 1961 Lewis Mumford, USA
 1962 Professor Sven Gottfried Markelius, Sweden
 1963 The Lord Holford, ARA, PPTPI, FILA
 1964 E Maxwell Fry, CBE
 1965 Professor Kenzo Tange, Japan
 1966 Ove Arup, CBE, MICE, MSTRUCTE
 1967 Sir Nikolaus Pevsner, CBE, FBA, FSA, HonARIBA
 1968 Dr Richard Buckminster Fuller, FRSA, HonALA, USA
 1969 Jack Antonio Coia, CBE, RSA, AMTPI, FRIAS
 1970 Professor Sir Robert Matthew, CBE, ARSA, FRIAS
 1971 Hubert de Cronin Hastings
 1972 Louis I Kahn, USA
 1973 Sir Leslie Martin
 1974 Powell & Moya
 1975 Michael Scott, Ireland
 1976 Sir John Summerson, CBE, FBA, FSA
 1977 Sir Denys Lasdun, CBE
 1978 Jørn Utzon, Denmark
 1979 The Office of Charles and Ray Eames, USA
 1980 James Stirling
 1981 Sir Philip Dowson, CBE
 1982 Berthold Lubetkin
 1983 Sir Norman Foster
 1984 Charles Correa, India
 1985 Sir Richard Rogers
 1986 Arata Isozaki, Japan
 1987 Ralph Erskine, CBE
 1988 Richard Meier, USA
 1989 Renzo Piano, Italy
 1990 Aldo van Eyck, Holland
 1991 Colin Stansfield Smith, CBE
 1992 Peter Rice, DIC(IC), MICE
 1993 Giancarlo de Carlo, *Italy*
 1994 Michael and Patricia Hopkins
 1995 Colin Rowe, USA
 1996 Harry Seidler, Australia

- 1997 Tadao Ando, Japan
- 1998 Oscar Niemeyer, Brazil
- 1999 The City of Barcelona, Spain
- 2000 Frank Gehry, USA
- 2001 Jean Nouvel, France
- 2002 Archigram
- 2003 Rafael Moneo, Spain
- 2004 Rem Koolhaas, The Netherlands
- 2005 Frei Otto, Germany
- 2006 Toyo Ito, Japan
- 2007 Jacques Herzog and Pierre de Meuron, Switzerland
- 2008 Edward Cullinan CBE

Please note that the above list includes honorific titles at the time of the award and professional but not academic qualifications.