

Nominations for Honorary Fellowship

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The International Institute for Conservation of Historic and Artistic Works (IIC) is uniquely positioned in the world as an independent international professional institute and learned society that has been at the forefront of inquiry and discovery in the field of conservation since its founding in 1950. IIC brings together conservation professionals from around the world - educating, enabling and recognising excellence.

At the heart of the Institute is its Fellowship. Today IIC has a strong global network of distinguished Fellows, elected by peer review, and entitled to use FIIC after their name. IIC Council can also confer Honorary Fellowship, which is the highest accolade that the Institute can bestow upon a member of our society.

We would like to extend a special invitation to members to nominate an individual, whom they believe has made an outstanding and remarkable contribution to heritage preservation or the work of IIC for consideration for Honorary Fellowship.

The first Honorary Fellowship was awarded to Edward Forbes in 1958, with Joyce Hill-Stoner being the latest to be awarded in 2021. IIC Honorary Fellowship exists to honor the dedication and inspirational achievement of a person to the field of conservation or who has given exceptional service to IIC. A full list of our Honorary Fellows can be found [here](#).

We are excited to receive nominations recognising individuals whose efforts, leadership and forward-thinking contribute to and enrich the field of conservation.

The Role of the Honorary Fellowship

The primary responsibility of an Honorary Fellowship is to function as a representative of IIC and its core values. Honorary Fellows serve as an inspiration to our Fellows and members worldwide by demonstrating their unwavering commitment and accomplishments in the field of cultural heritage. They are distinguished leaders and advocates for IIC, with their multifaceted activities in the profession.

This is a lifetime achievement award, and the Honorary Fellow will no longer pay Fellowship fees and will be entitled to use Hon FIIC nominals after their name.

Nomination process

The procedure for nominating an individual is **confidential** and must be done by IIC members following the process outlined below:

1. The candidate must be an IIC Fellow in good standing or a non-IIC member who has made an outstanding contribution to the field of conservation or the work of IIC.
2. One nominating and two supporting persons must be IIC Fellows or members in good standing and must work within the cultural heritage profession.

3. The nominating and supporting individuals must each submit **supporting statements** (750 words max.). These statements should include a summary of the candidate's career, dedication and commitment to their field, and confirmation of their eligibility for the Honorary Fellowship.
4. The **complete application** should contain the following:
 - The candidate's name, status, affiliation, and full contact details.
 - The name, status, affiliation, and full contact details of the Nominating person.
 - The name, status, affiliation, and full contact details of the two Supporting persons.

We welcome nominations for candidates living and working in any country around the world.

Criteria to consider in a nomination statement:

- Is the candidate an active advocate for the vision, mission, and values of the IIC?
- Is the candidate's achievements and professional influence recognized within and beyond their area of specialism?
- Do they promote cultural heritage and its conservation via innovative work and outreach in their own countries, regions or globally?
- Do they create platforms for supporting future conservators by building national and international networks and opportunities?
- Does the candidate keep up with the latest challenges and requirements to help conservation become an internationally celebrated profession in the future?

Nomination statements must tell the story of the candidate's achievements, offering examples of their contributions to the cultural heritage field and reflect the criteria above.

An Honorary Fellowship will not normally be awarded to a serving member of Council, a member of the Awards and Grants Committee, or a student, early career member or individual member of IIC.

Nomination and Selection Dates

Nominations deadline: **Friday 6 September 2024**

Additional guidance

Nominations, which should be made in confidence, will be acknowledged but no other correspondence will be entered into. IIC Council will make the final decision and the recipient will be selected at the September Council meeting. The recipient will be contacted directly by the Chair of the Awards and Grants Committee, and on acceptance of the award, their name will be formally announced at the AGM by the President of IIC. The Honorary Fellowship will be presented at a special awards ceremony following the IIC Annual General Meeting on 27 January 2025.

Please send completed applications to iic@iiconservation.org. Any questions regarding the nomination process should be directed to the Chair of the Awards and Grants Committee, Duy Çamurcuoğlu or Secretary General, Jane Henderson via the IIC Office email iic@iiconservation.org

The Honorary Fellowship Working Group

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Deadline

Fri, 06/09/2024 - 17:00