Research Fellowships, Yale Center for British Art

Yale Center for British Art, New Haven, CT, USA, Jul 1, 2027–Jun 30, 2028
Application deadline: Nov 30, 2026

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The Yale Center for British Art (YCBA) offers short-term fellowships to support research projects that engage substantively with the museum's collections. These awards are open to academics, curators, doctoral candidates, and independent scholars seeking funding for up to four weeks of on-site research.

Please note that the fellowship program now operates under a stipend model. Fellowships provide US $5,000 for a four-week research period, with funding prorated for stays of two or three full weeks. Partial weeks cannot be accommodated. This stipend is intended to cover all associated costs, including travel, lodging, and daily expenses.

Application Timeline
Deadline: Monday, November 30, at 5 pm ET
Notification of decisions: Spring 2027
Fellowship period: July 1, 2027 – June 30, 2028 (awards cannot be deferred)

Eligibility
These fellowships are open to curators, academics, independent scholars, and doctoral students working in any area of British visual and material culture. Applicants may be of any nationality. North American predoctoral applicants must have completed all academic requirements except the dissertation to qualify.

Expectations for Fellows
Arrival dates must be confirmed with the Research department in advance, as researcher visits are scheduled to ensure that each visitor has a dedicated desk in the Reference Library, and Study Room space is limited. Access to materials from Rare Books and Manuscripts, Prints and Drawings, and the Archives will be arranged accordingly.
Fellows will be provided a dedicated workspace in the YCBA Reference Library.
Fellows are expected to spend the majority of their time consulting the museum's collections but will also have access to other Yale museums and libraries.
Fellows are encouraged to participate in YCBA programs and to engage with the broader scholarly community at Yale.
During the fellowship, fellows are expected to give a brief presentation on their research to YCBA staff.
Fellows may also be invited to share their expertise with broader audiences through activities such as public gallery talks, object-based sessions in the Study Room, workshops, or other public

programs, depending on the nature of their research and the museum's programming priorities. At the end of their residency, fellows must complete an exit survey, and the YCBA fellowship should be acknowledged in any resulting publications or presentations.

Funding Information
Fellowships provide US$5,000 for a four-week research period, with funding prorated for periods of two or three full weeks. Partial weeks cannot be accommodated. Payments will be made at the start of the fellowship whenever possible; international payments may take several weeks to process.
Fellows are responsible for any taxes associated with their award.

Application Requirements
All materials must be submitted in English by Monday, November 30 (5 pm ET). Letters of recommendation are not required.

Guidance on Strong Applications
Before you apply, click here to review our Guidance on Strong Applications for tips on preparing a competitive proposal.

Questions
For further information, please contact ycba.research@yale.edu and consult the website: https://britishart.yale.edu/research-fellowships-yale-center-british-art

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