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## Looking forward, giving back

Architects and architecture enthusiasts are always mindful of the architectural legacy we leave behind.

However, you may not have thought of leaving a financial legacy to the RIBA. As a registered charity, we rely on the generosity of our supporters to carry out our important work and by leaving a gift in your Will you can help shape the future of architecture and support the next generation of architects.

We fully understand that providing for family and loved ones are your first priorities when writing a Will, but legacies of all sizes have a real impact on what the RIBA can achieve and are gratefully received.

We are fortunate that architects and those with a passion for architecture have a proud history of giving back and nurturing future generations. Even if you are not in a position to support us right now, I do hope you will consider supporting architecture with a legacy to the RIBA in the future.

Thank you.

Ben Derbyshire  
RIBA President



Cover image: Bloomberg European HQ, by Foster + Partners, RIBA Stirling Prize winner 2018  
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Left: RIBA National Schools Programme workshop at Hampton School,  
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# How you can make a difference

## Your choice

You can leave a legacy to the RIBA with confidence that your gift will be used to support the architecture profession and society in order to deliver better buildings and places, stronger communities and a sustainable environment. You may also choose to direct your gift towards a particular area of our charitable work.

## Collections & conservation

The RIBA's Collections are one of the largest and most significant in the world. Created over nearly 200 years they are a unique cultural asset and form part of the collective

memory of the architectural profession globally. The collections contain over four million items including models, drawings, photographs, books and archival documents covering every aspect of architecture and architectural history. The collections are open to all and increasingly available to explore online as we digitise the collections.

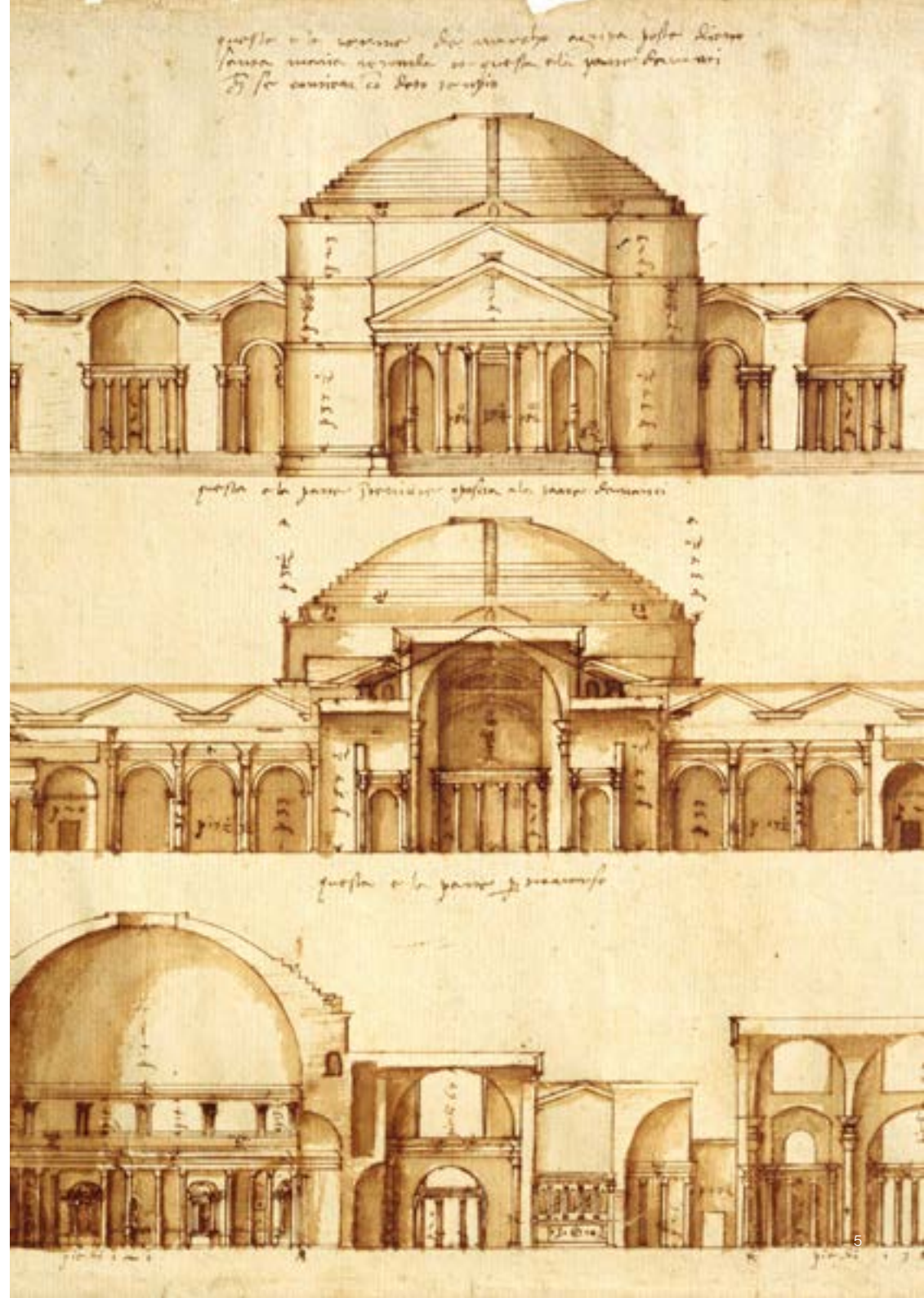
With such significant collections comes the great responsibility to curate, interpret, and conserve them to inspire future generations.

Your support can help us to ensure the collections are safeguarded, accessible and available to inform and enthuse as many people as possible.



Above: The British Architectural Library's Main Reading Room, © Philip Vile

Right: Conjectural reconstruction of the Baths of Agrippa, Rome (c. 1550) by Andrea Palladio (1508-1580), RIBA Collections, © RIBA





## Exhibitions and outreach

The RIBA shares the exciting story of architecture past, present and future through an inventive and accessible public programme.

Keeping our exhibitions free at 66 Portland Place, RIBA North and the V&A, as well as holding informative talks and events, enables us to promote a better understanding of architecture and the built environment among a wide public audience. 66 Portland Place is becoming a centre of excellence for learning and creativity for all ages and backgrounds.

The RIBA National Schools Programme brings architecture into classrooms with hands-on design workshops led by architects engaging and enthusing primary and secondary school children across the country. This is all delivered for free and the programme is only made possible thanks to the generous support of donors and funders.

With your help we can continue this important work.



Left: RIBA exhibition Disappear Here: On perspective and other kinds of space © Bircan Tulga  
Above: RIBA National Schools Programme workshop at Brampton Manor School © Lucie Goodayle Photography

# RIBA Student Support Fund

We believe that anyone dreaming of becoming an architect should have the opportunity to do so.

The length of architecture courses, along with the need for specialised materials, printing services and essential study trips, make architecture one of the most expensive professions to join. As a result talented, ambitious and driven young people are sadly being lost to the profession due to financial constraints.

The RIBA Student Support Fund helps to make architecture accessible to all and since 1997 has assisted hundreds of architectural students most in need.

With your help, we can continue to widen participation from all parts of society, alleviate student hardship and reduce drop-out rates.

## Case Study: Part 1 Student (Year 3)

“ Before receiving my grant I was very unsure about my future and my ability to continue studying architecture. Because of a mini-stroke I could no longer manage the long hours of working to support myself as well as the amount of work I was required to produce for my course. Thanks to the grant I will finally be able to slow down, take care of my health more and continue my third year without such great pressure. The grant will make everything a little bit less stressful and allow me to continue achieving the best results I am capable of. ”

Architecture Student drawing,  
© UCL





# How to leave a legacy

There are four main types of legacy you could consider:

## Residuary legacy

This is a share of (or all) the remainder of your estate once all other commitments have been settled.

## Pecuniary legacy

This is a fixed sum of money, which can be index-linked to ensure its value doesn't depreciate over time.

## Reversionary gift

This is a way to leave your estate or an asset to your loved ones for their lifetime, with the interest transferring to the RIBA when they pass away.

## Specific legacy

This is a legacy of specific personal assets, such as property, stocks and shares, or art, antiques and books. If you are considering leaving an item or collection of material for our permanent collections, our curators would welcome the opportunity to discuss your plans.

## Tax

It is worth bearing in mind that, as a charity, legacy gifts to the RIBA are exempt from inheritance tax. In addition, anyone donating 10% of their taxable estate to charity qualifies for a reduced rate of any Inheritance Tax payable (36% rather than the standard rate of 40%).



Left: UTEC – Universidad de Ingeniería Y Tecnología, Peru, by Grafton architects with Shell Arquitectos, RIBA International Prize winner 2016 © Iwan Baan  
Right: Architects at work, © RIBA



## Including a gift to the RIBA in your Will

A suggested form of wording that you can take to your legal advisor is below:

*'I give [% of the residue of my estate / sum of money / specific item or asset] to The Royal Institute of British Architects (Registered Charity No. 210566) of 66 Portland Place, London, W1B 1AD and the receipt of the Chief Executive or the proper officer for the time being of The Royal Institute of British Architects shall be a complete discharge to my executors.'*

If you wish to leave your legacy towards a specific area of our work, please get in touch to discuss your plans to ensure that we will be able to accept your gift.

**Please note that the RIBA strongly recommends that you consult your legal advisor when writing or amending your Will and we cannot guarantee that the suggested wording will be suitable for use in all Wills.**

Left: Newport Street Gallery, Caruso St John, RIBA Stirling Prize winner 2016 © Hélène Binet  
Right: Inspire at RIBA © Paul Cochrane



## Saying Thank You

If you have decided to remember the RIBA in your Will, please do let us know so we can express our thanks to you and keep you informed and involved with the RIBA.

All legacy gifts received will be acknowledged in our Annual Report and other ways as appropriate.

## In Memory Gifts

At a time of sadness and reflection, a gift in memory of a loved one who has died can mean a great deal.

All in memory gifts received by the RIBA are gratefully received and will help us continue our work shaping the future of architecture.

# Getting In Touch

We appreciate that these are important decisions you will want to make in your own time. If the time is right for you, we would welcome the opportunity to discuss your options with you in confidence.

You might also like to attend one of our informal legacy events. These provide an opportunity to learn more about our work and how a gift in your Will could help to support the work of the RIBA.

**For further information or to discuss any queries you may have, please do not hesitate to get in touch.**

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Right: RIBA Lions detail at 66 Portland Place,  
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