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## 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 Colcutt
- 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, MIStructE
- 1967 Sir Nikolaus Pevsner, CBE, FBA, FSA, HonARIBA
- 1968 Dr Richard Buckminster Fuller, FRSA, HonAIA, 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

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

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