

# SIR JOHN SOANE'S MUSEUM FOUNDATION

Annual Gala Celebration held each year in New York City

*with the presentation of the*

## SOANE FOUNDATION HONORS

Every year the Soane Foundation celebrates Sir John Soane's singular contributions as an architect and educator by bestowing Soane Foundation Honors on present day innovators, leaders, and visionaries in the fields of architecture, design, urban planning, architectural education and philanthropy at a celebratory dinner in an architecturally significant venue in New York City. In the last number of years, we have focused on professionals working specifically with museums and cultural institutions, as Sir John Soane was the architect of the first purpose-built public picture gallery (what we call a museum) at Dulwich in 1811.

Gala proceeds benefit Sir John Soane's Museum Foundation and ultimately the Soane Museum in London, a renowned museum of architecture set in the home of one of the most venerated architects in history.

## GALA 2016 HONOREES

**THOMAS PHIFER, ARCHITECT · THOMAS PHIFER AND PARTNERS**

**MICHAEL BIERUT, PARTNER · PENTAGRAM**

### *Previous Recipients of the Soane Foundation Honors*

- 2015 · **Annabelle Selldorf** - Selldorf Architects
- **Charles Jencks**
- **Thomas Heatherwick** - Heatherwick Studio
- 2014 · **David Adjaye** - Adjaye Associates
- **Phyllis Lambert** - Founder, Canadian Center for Architecture (CCA)
- 2013 · **Norman Foster**, Lord Foster of Thames Bank OM - Foster and Partners
- **The Frank Lloyd Wright Archives Partnership** *with* Avery Architectural & Fine Arts Library at Columbia University *and* The Museum of Modern Art
- 2012 · **Diller Scofidio + Renfro**  
*with* Architects and Designers Elizabeth Diller, Ricardo Scofidio, Charles Renfro
- **Michael Bruno**, Founder of *1stdibs*
- 2011 · **Allan Greenberg** - Allan Greenberg Architects
- *A salute on the 20th Anniversary to the Founders of the Soane Foundation* in the United States, past Board and Advisors
- 2010 · **A. Eugene Kohn** - Kohn Pedersen Fox Architects
- **Susan Weber**, Founder and Director of the Bard Graduate Center
- **Yale University Press** *accepted by* John Donatich
- 2009 · **Jaquelin T. Robertson** - Cooper Robertson Architects
- **Rizzoli International Publications** *accepted by* Charles Miers and David Morton
- 2008 · **Robert A. M. Stern** - Robert A. M. Stern Architects
- **The Monacelli Press** *accepted by* Gianfranco Monacelli
- 2007 · **Richard H. Driehaus**
- **David Macaulay** (author and illustrator)



Bronze Presentation Medallion designed by Robert van Nutt

**Sir John Soane's Museum Foundation** was established in 1991 to provide a lively forum in the fields of art, architecture, and the decorative arts within the Soanean tradition and to financially assist Sir John Soane's Museum. **Sir John Soane** (1753 - 1837) died at the age of 84 after a long and distinguished career as an architect, teacher and collector. He left his London home, located at Lincoln's Inn Fields, to the nation. It has become the beloved Museum that we know today and remains the best example of his genius in design. *The Times of London* recently in a survey of museum's worldwide, listed the Soane as the fourth in a roster of fifty — with the Smithsonian as first, the British Museum as second, the Acropolis Museum as third.

SOANE FOUNDATION · 25<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION · 1991-2016  
THURSDAY, 29 SEPTEMBER 2016 · THE RAINBOW ROOM · NEW YORK CITY

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### 2016 HONOREES

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Architect, Thomas Phifer and Partners

#### MICHAEL BIERUT

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THOMAS PHIFER is an accomplished modern architect whose projects integrate light, timeless materials, contemporary technology and are embedded in the landscape. His firm has designed numerous museums and cultural institutions including the Corning Museum of Glass and the North Carolina Museum of Art. Ongoing projects include the Glenstone Museum in Maryland, and Warsaw Poland's Museum of Modern Art and TR Warszawa Theatre. Thomas Phifer has received more than 20 AIA honor awards. He received the Rome Prize from the American Academy in Rome in 1996 and will receive the AIA New York President's Award this year. He is the appointed Louis I. Kahn Visiting Professor of Architectural Design at the Yale School of Architecture for Spring 2017 and this November will give the Royal Institute of British Architects 2016 keynote lecture in London.

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MICHAEL BIERUT has made contributions to the world of graphic design through his early work with Massimo Vignelli and for more than the last twenty-five years with Pentagram. A graphics genius whose work you see around you every day in street signage and graphic logos, through visitor experiences at museums, the design of publications and so much more, Michael is widely admired in the creative world and beyond for his intelligent contributions to the design field, his expertise as a cultural critic, and his tireless role as a mentor and educator. His work is represented in the collections of the Museum of Modern Art (MoMA), the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Cooper-Hewitt, Smithsonian Design Museum, and the Library of Congress and in other collections worldwide.

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