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## **Sir John Soane's Museum Foundation names 2011 Traveling Fellowship in honor of Keith B. Irvine**

New York, NY— Sir John Soane's Museum Foundation of the United States announces the naming of the 2011 Soane Travel Fellowship in honor of the late Keith B. Irvine, a past president of the Board of Directors of the Sir John Soane's Museum Foundation and a long-time supporter of the Soane Museum in London.

The 2011 Keith B. Irvine Fellowship Award has been awarded to David Pullins, a Ph.D. candidate in the History of Art and Architecture Program of Harvard University. Mr. Pullins will be studying the chinoiseries of the English designer Robert Adam.

Born in Aberdeen, Scotland, Mr. Irvine was a major figure in American design and decoration who created an eclectic style that became synonymous with old money and whose celebrity clients included such major figures as Jacqueline Onassis and Rex Harrison.

The noted design writer Chippy Irvine, Mr. Irvine's widow, is also a former President, and current member, of the Board of Directors of the Soane Foundation.

Established in 1995 to support research in art, architecture and the decorative arts in the Soanean tradition, the Soane Fellowship Program gives graduate students in the history of art, architecture and the decorative arts a grant to travel to England to pursue research projects related to the work of Sir John Soane and the Soane's Museum collections.

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