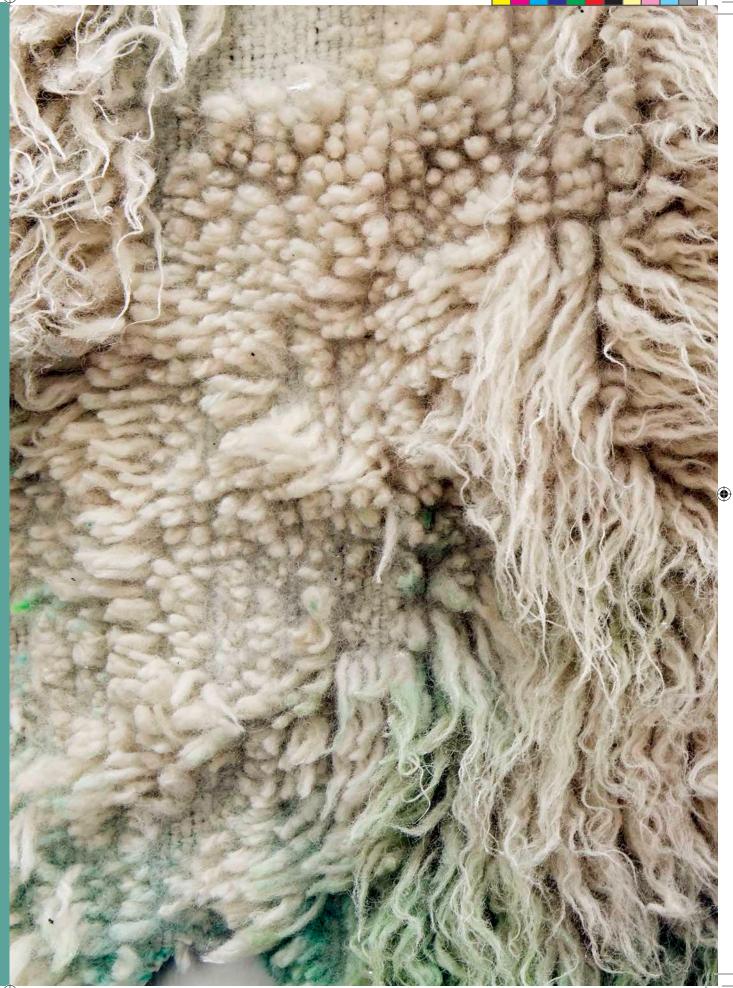


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The **AMERICAN ACADEMY IN ROME** supports innovative artists, writers, and scholars living and working together in a dynamic international community. Each year, the Academy awards the Rome Prize. Those selected for the Prize are invited to Rome to pursue their work in an atmosphere of intellectual and artistic freedom and interdisciplinary exchange. In the pages that follow, you will be introduced to a selection of the most recent Fellows, as well as a number of Fellows from previous years.

L'ACCADEMIA AMERICANA DI ROMA sostiene l'attività di artisti, scrittori e studiosi innovativi che vivono e lavorano insieme all'interno di una comunità internazionale dinamica. L'Accademia assegna ogni anno la borsa di studio Rome Prize. I vincitori del premio sono invitati a Roma a condurre il proprio lavoro in un'atmosfera di libertà intellettuale e artistica e di scambio interdisciplinare. Nelle pagine che seguono vi presenteremo alcuni dei Borsisti di quest'anno ed altri che hanno vinto la borsa negli anni passati.

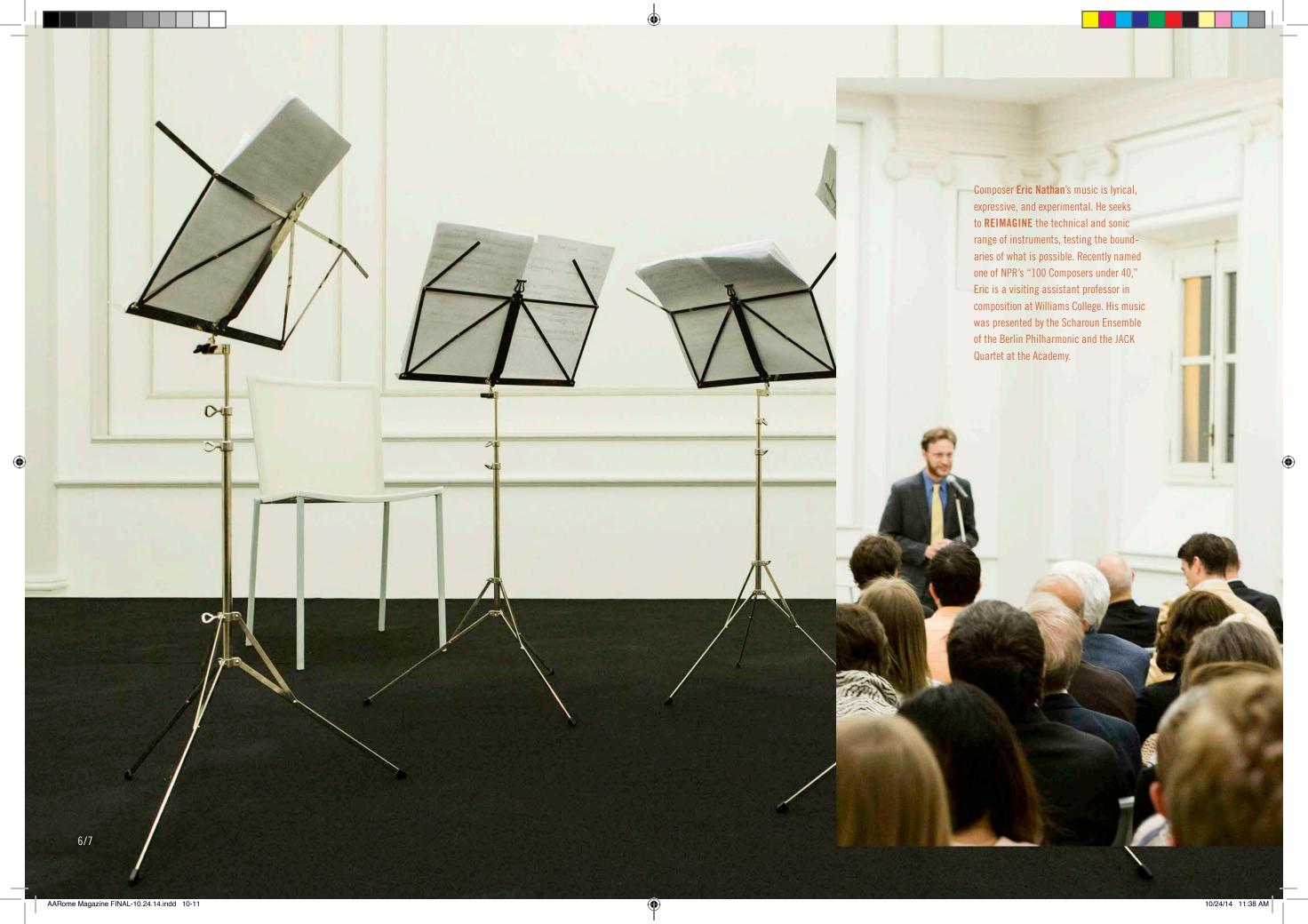


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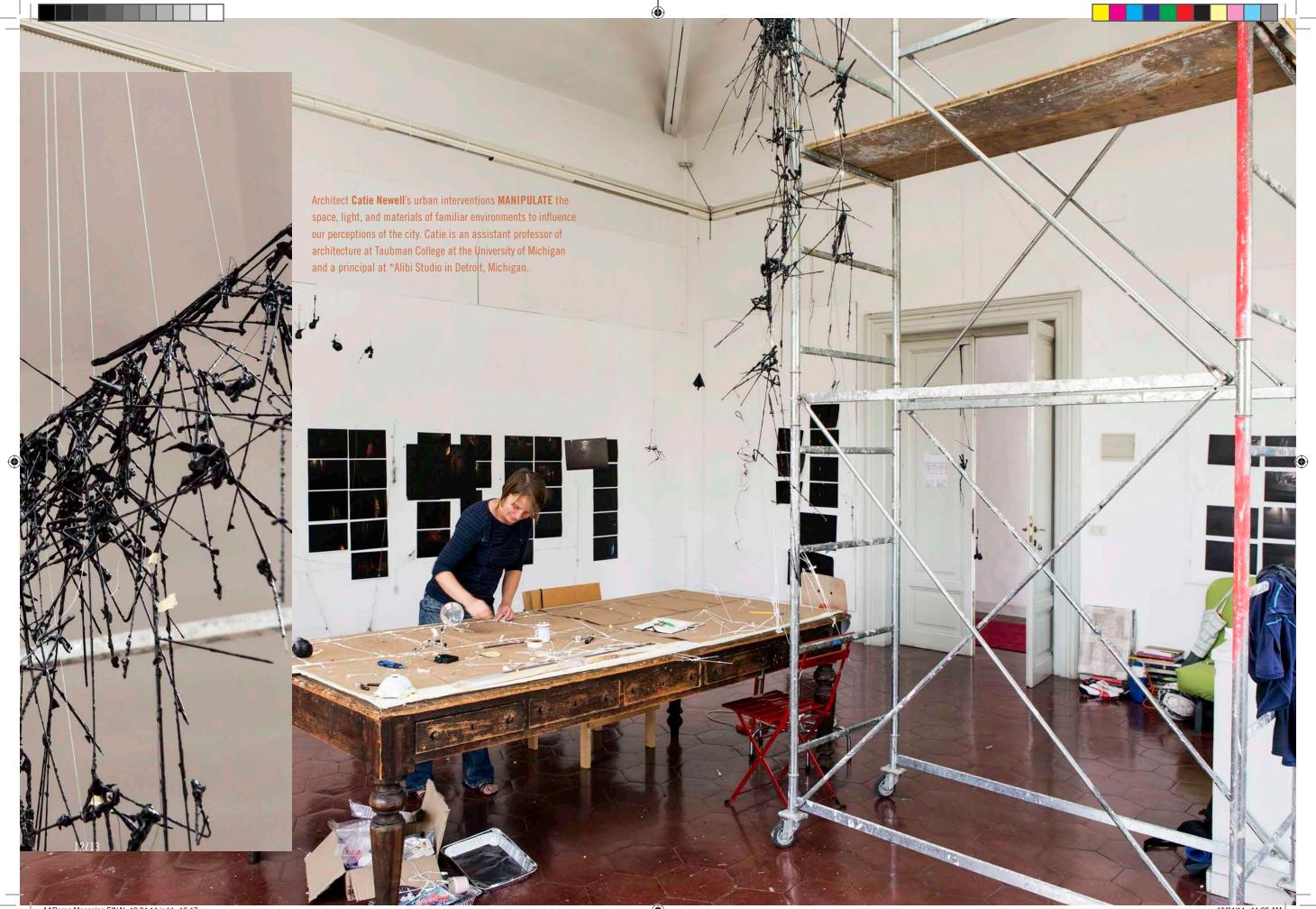


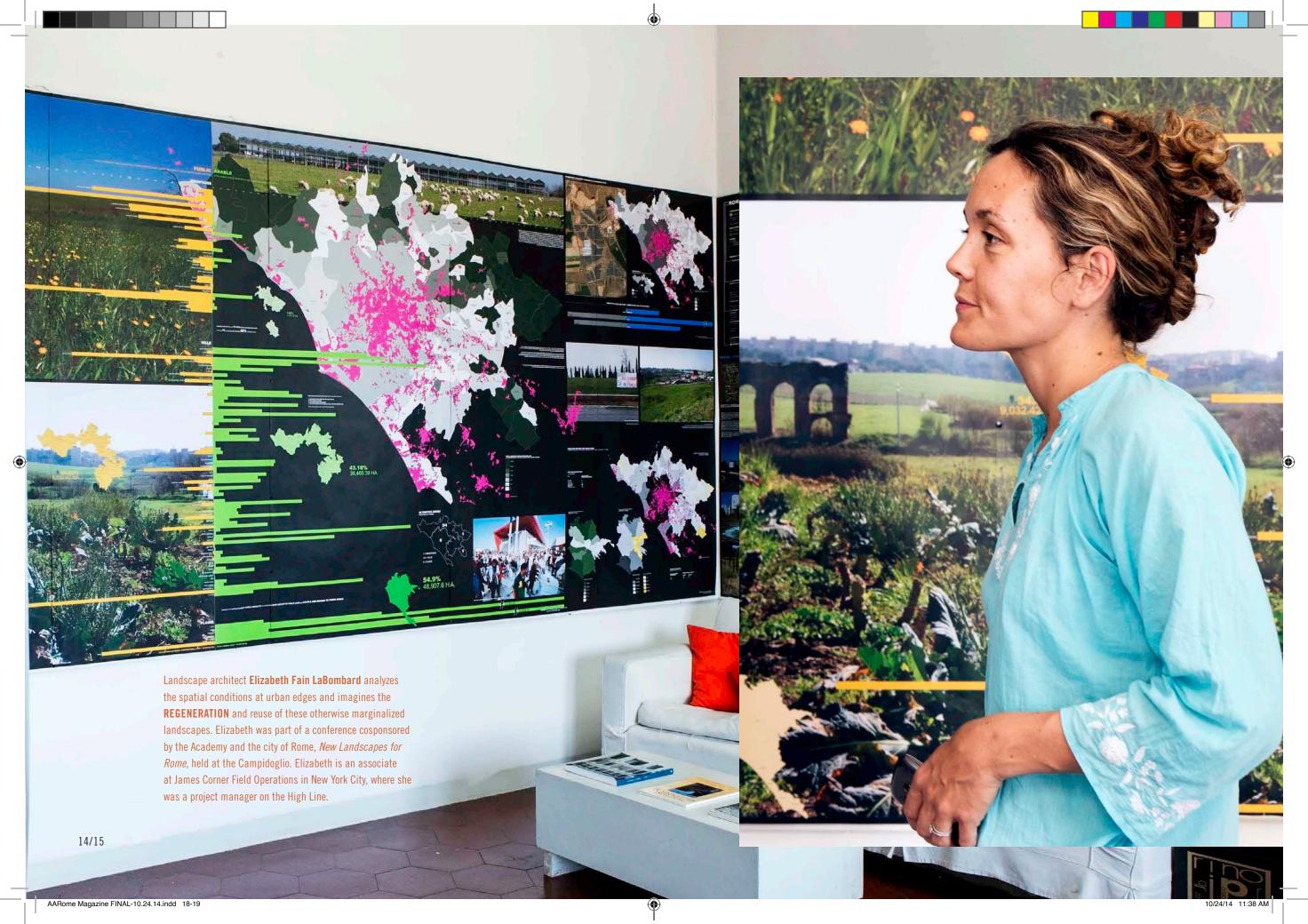
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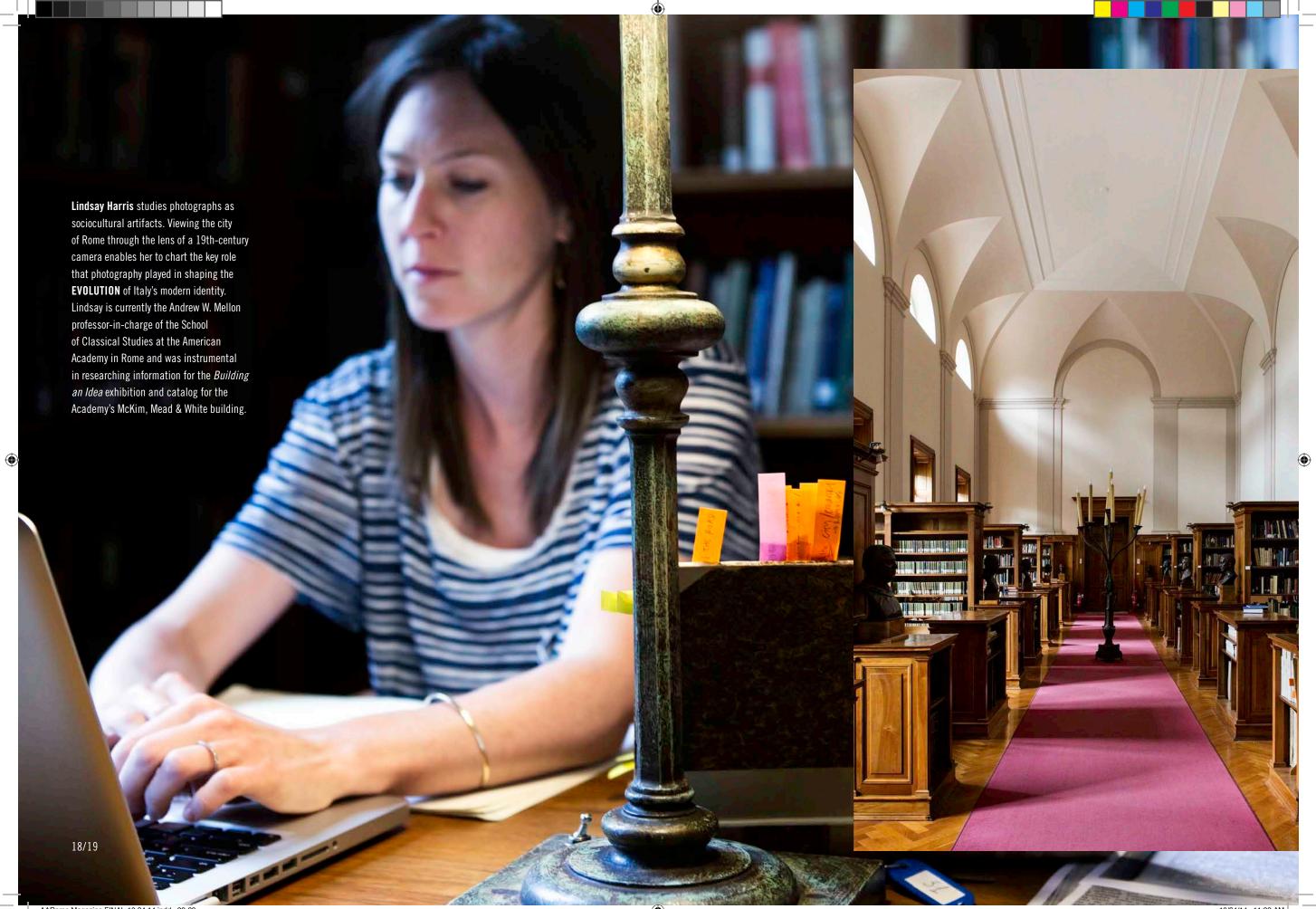








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Welcome to the first issue of the new **AAR MAGAZINE**. This publication is designed to provide a vivid picture of the creative work produced by Fellows each year at the Academy while also underscoring the impact of the unique support it provides to artists and scholars.

The idea of **PROCESS** runs through this inaugural issue, reflecting the complex and often unwieldy chaos from which art and scholarship emerge. For over 120 years the Academy has existed as a grand laboratory, offering a framework for research and experimentation in which Fellows and Residents have the space and time to work independently and within a community. Throughout its history, the Academy has helped fuel the arts and humanities in America, and it is part of our intellectual and artistic infrastructure. Now, in an increasingly global, technological arena, our challenge is to build on the impressive work and historic foundation of the Academy, enhancing its ability to evolve and sustain itself as a meaningful contemporary institution.

I am fortunate to have arrived at the Academy at this dynamic moment in its development: a time of transitions and new beginnings sustained by the good work that has gone before. Future issues of AAR Magazine will continue to celebrate the vital work of Academy Fellows and Residents. Over the coming years it will reflect the complexity of an institution that is always in process—or, as we might say in Italy, "in allestimento": under construction. We wish you a full and productive fall and invite you to join us in this next exciting phase in the history of the American Academy in Rome.

Sono felice di darvi il benvenuto al primo numero della nuova rivista **AAR MAGAZINE**. Questa pubblicazione è pensata per dare un'immagine vivida del lavoro prodotto ogni anno all'Accademia dai Borsisti, sottolineando allo stesso tempo l'impatto del sostegno eccezionale che la nostra istituzione offre agli artisti e agli studiosi.

L'idea di **PROCESSO** percorre quest'intero numero inaugurale, e rispecchia quel caos complesso e spesso difficile da maneggiare dal quale emergono l'arte e il sapere. Da più di 120 anni l'Accademia è un grande laboratorio, che offre quella struttura per la ricerca e la sperimentazione all'interno della quale Borsisti e Residenti, parti di un'unica comunità, trovano lo spazio e il tempo per dedicarsi al proprio lavoro in modo libero e indipendente. Durante tutta la sua storia, l'Accademia ha contribuito ad alimentare le arti e gli studi umanistici in America, intesi come parte della nostra infrastruttura intellettuale e artistica. Oggi, in un'arena sempre più globale e tecnologica, la nostra sfida è quella di proseguire un lavoro di costruzione che poggia sulle solide basi storiche dell'Accademia e sulla sua opera eccezionale, e di potenziare la sua capacità di evolversi e di sostenersi come istituzione contemporanea di grande importanza.

Sono fortunato ad essere arrivato all'Accademia in un momento tanto dinamico del suo sviluppo: una fase di cambiamenti e di nuovi inizi sorretta dal buon lavoro realizzato fino ad ora. I prossimi numeri dell'AAR Magazine continueranno a esaltare l'opera vitale svolta dai Borsisti e dai Residenti dell'Accademia. Negli anni a venire rifletterà la complessità di un'istituzione in costante costruzione, in continuo allestimento. Auguriamo a voi tutti un autunno pieno e produttivo e vi invitiamo a unirvi a noi in questa nuova emozionante fase della storia dell'American Academy in Rome.

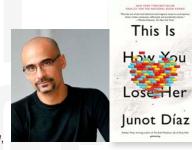
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## CARRIE MAE WEEMS 2006 Fellow, Joseph H. Hazen Rome Prize



JUNOT DIAZ 2009 Fellow

Paul Mellon Post-Doctoral Rome Prize



MARJORIE WOODS 2008 Fellow, Paul Mellon Post-Doctoral Rome Prize



Robert Lehman Pre-Doctoral Rome Prize

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Throughout her career, artist Carrie Mae Weems has endeavored to analyze the present by closely examining politics, gender relations, racism, and her own identity. Her early documentary and autobiographical photographic series, as well as her more conceptual and philosophical works, have placed her at the forefront of contemporary art. Awarded a MacArthur Foundation Fellowship in 2013, she had a critically acclaimed career retrospective at the Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum in 2014. That exhibition, titled Carrie Mae Weems: Three Decades of Photography and Video, included work initiated in Rome during her fellowship. As Holland Carter of the New York Times has noted, she "has long been one of our most effective visual and verbal rhetoricians."

Named by *The New Yorker* as one of the 20 top writers for the 21st century by the *New Yorker*, Junot Diaz speaks of the polyglot diversity of contemporary America in such acclaimed books as *Drown* and *The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao*, which won the 2008 Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Critics Circle Award. His most recent book is *This Is How You Lose Her*, a *New York Times* bestseller and 2013 National Book Award finalist that *Vogue* called "ribald, streetwise, and stunningly moving — a testament, like most of his work, to the yearning, clumsy ways young men come of age." The recipient of a MacArthur Foundation Fellowship in 2012, he is the fiction editor at *Boston Review* and the Rudge and Nancy Allen Professor of Writing at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Professor Marjorie Woods researches the pedagogy of writing in medieval schools, as well as the application of premodern educational exercises in today's classrooms. During her Fellowship at the Academy, Woods completed *Classroom Commentaries: Teaching the Poetria Nova across Medieval and Renaissance Europe*, which won the 2010 Book Prize from the Rhetoric Society of America. She also began work on a book in progress now titled *Weeping for Dido: The Classics in the Medieval Classroom*, which explores how boys performed the speeches of female characters in classical texts. She is Blumberg Centennial Professor of English and University Distinguished Teaching Professor at the University of Texas at Austin.

Peter Jonathan Bell is an art historian who specializes in Italian Renaissance art and an assistant curator of European sculpture and decorative arts at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Bell was the co-curator of *Canova:*The Seven Last Works, a highly regarded 2014 exhibition of plaster reliefs by the Italian artist.

He also led a successful effort at the museum to acquire a pair of important Spanish baroque statues, which will go on public display in early 2015. His research during his Fellowship focused on Italian Renaissance bronze statuettes, and he is co-authoring an in-progress catalog of the Met's renowned collection of Italian bronzes.

### 2014-2015 FELLOWS

### **ANCIENT STUDIES**

Dorothy and Lewis B. Cullman Pre-Doctoral Rome Prize Ivan Cangemi

Mobility and Society in Early Iron Age Central Italy

Paul Mellon/Samuel H. Kress Foundation Pre-Doctoral Rome Prize Nathan S. Dennis

Performing Paradise in the Early Christian Baptistery: Art, Liturgy, and the Transformation of Vision

Andrew Heiskell Post-Doctoral Rome Prize

Sarah Levin-Richardson

Beyond Sex: Society and Identity in Pompeii's Purpose-built Brothel

Frank Brown/Samuel H. Kress Foundation/ Helen M. Woodruff Fellowship of the Archaeological Institute of America Pre-Doctoral Rome Prize

Jessica Nowlin

Reorienting Orientalization: Local Consumption and Value Construction

in Central Italy between the Tyrrhenian and Adriatic Sea

Emeline Hill Richardson Pre-Doctoral Rome Prize

Sailakshmi Ramgopal

Romans Abroad: Associations of Roman Citizens from the Second Century B.C.E. to the Third Century C.E.

National Endowment for the Humanities/Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Post-Doctoral Rome Prize

Heather L. Reid

Philostratus' Gymnasticus: The Rehabilitation of Greek Athletics as Moral Education in Rome

### ARCHITECTURE

Founders Rome Prize Firat Erdim

Peregrine Projections

James R. Lamantia, Jr. Rome Prize

Vincent L. Snyder

Antecedent Armatures & False-Work

### **DESIGN**

Katherine Edwards Gordon Rome Prize

**Rob Giampietro** 

Walk with Me: Responsive Guides to Rome

Cynthia Hazen Polsky and Leon Polsky Rome Prize

Carin Goldberg

Conquering Rome: The Curation of Acceptance

### HISTORIC PRESERVATION AND CONSERVATION

National Endowment for the Arts Rome Prize

John V. Maciuika

The Eternal Palace: Transformations and Reconstructions of the Berlin'Stadtschloss,' 1450–2020

**Booth Family Rome Prize** 

Anna Serotta

The Documentation, Analysis and Replication of Tool Marks on Ancient Stone Sculpture

### LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

Prince Charitable Trusts Rome Prize

Kim Karlsrud & Daniel Phillips

Corsophilia: Uncovering the Biodiversity of the Roman Streetscape

Garden Club of America Rome Prize

**Adam Kuby** 

Urban Ecologies/Temporal Investigations

### LITERATURE

John Guare Writer's Fund Rome Prize, a gift of Dorothy

and Lewis B. Cullman

Krys Lee

Unnamed Novel

Joseph Brodsky Rome Prize, a gift of the Drue Heinz Trust/American Academy of Arts and Letters

Liz Moore

Untitled Novel-in-Progress

### MEDIEVAL STUDIES

National Endowment for the Humanities Post-Doctoral Rome Prize **Marilynn Desmond** 

The Fall of Troy and the Origins of Europe: Homer and the Medieval West

Samuel H. Kress Pre-Doctoral Rome Prize

**David Anthony Morris** 

Apocalypse Now or Later: The Super Prophetas of Pseudo-Joachim of Fiore

### MODERN ITALIAN STUDIES

Marian and Andrew Heiskell Post-Doctoral Rome Prize

Denise Rae Costanzo

Eternal City, New Lessons: Architects at Modern Academies in Postwar Rome

Donald and Maria Cox Pre-Doctoral Rome Prize (year two of a two-year fellowship)

Ruth W. Lo

Feeding Rome: Food, Architecture, and Urbanism of City Markets, 1907–1943

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### Joseph John Viscomi

Fuori tempo/out of time: The end of the Italian communities in Egypt (1937–1967)

Rome Prizes in Modern Italian Studies are made possible in part through a grant from the US Department of Education.

### MUSICAL COMPOSITION

Luciano Berio Rome Prize

Andy Akiho

New Works for Orchestra

Elliott Carter Rome Prize

### Paula Matthusen

Modern Soundscapes, Ancient Structures: Sonic Pathways Between the Ancient Aqueducts and Contemporary Rome

### RENAISSANCE AND EARLY MODERN STUDIES

Phyllis G. Gordan/Samuel H. Kress Foundation

Pre-Doctoral Rome Prize

(year one of a two-year fellowship)

### Michelle DiMarzo

Titian and the Culture of Mid-Century Rome: The Venetian Among the Ruins

Lily Auchincloss Pre-Doctoral Rome Prize

### Margaret Gaida

From Aleppo to Rome: Astrology as a Mirror of Cross-Cultural Transformation, 950–1521

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Post-Doctoral Rome Prize

### Stefania Tutino

Probabilism in Early Modern Europe: Moral Theology, Epistemology, and Politics

### **VISUAL ARTS**

Chuck Close Rome Prize

**Corin Hewitt** 

Compressed Interiors

Joseph H. Hazen Rome Prize

Cynthia Madansky

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Gorham P. Stevens/Jacob H. Lazarus-Metropolitan Museum of Art Rome Prize

### Dave McKenzie

Yuh Was a Spen Time a Mocho (pronounced muk-coh)

Gilmore D. Clarke/Michael Rapuano Rome Prize

### Abinadi Meza

Memory Palace: An Eternal City, an Infinite Film

### 2014-2015 ITALIAN AFFILIATED FELLOWS

AAR/Scuola Normale Superiore di Pisa Exchange Scholar

### Giulia D'Angelo

"Federal" sanctuaries of Latium Vetus

AAR/Scuola Normale Superiore di Pisa Exchange Scholar

### Daniele Giorgi

Pietro Bracci and Late Baroque Sculpture in Eighteenth-Century Rome

Cy Twombly Italian Affiliated Fellow in Visual Arts

### Francesca Grilli (Bologna)

Research on music and censorship in collaboration with the Istituto Centrale per i Beni Sonori ed Audiovisivi and Fondazione Teatro Valle, Rome

AAR/Scuola Normale Superiore di Pisa Exchange Scholar

### Mari Yoko Hara

Illusionism and Ekphrasis: Baldasssarre Peruzzi's Sala delle Prospettive and the Notion of Invention in Renaissance Architecture

Italian Affiliated Fellow in Literature

### Claudia Durastanti (Rome)

A novel based on Fernanda Pivano's life, spanning fifty years of Italian and American history

Italian Affiliated Fellow in Design

### Giorgia Zanellato (Venice)

A design collection involving ancient craft traditions in Rome

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# **CONVERSATIONS | CONVERSAZIONI:**

From the American Academy in Rome

The Academy is pleased to introduce a new series of international programs that highlight the work of Fellows and Residents. Titled Conversations/Conversazioni: From the American Academy *in Rome,* the series presents the most compelling ideas in the arts and humanities across disciplines and media in the form of lectures, presentations, and performances at a variety of venues in New York and Rome. Featured guests include André Aciman, Mary Beard, Craig Dykers, Lyle Ashton Harris, David Lang, Nico Muhly, Francine Prose, Robert Storr, and Giorgio van Straten.

For information on dates and locations, please visit **WWW.aarome.org**/events/series for updated information.

L'Accademia è lieta di annunciare una nuova serie di appuntamenti internazionali dedicati al lavoro dei Borsisti e Residenti. Intitolato Conversations/Conversazioni: (d)all'American Academy in Rome, il ciclo metterà in luce le idee più significative nelle arti e nelle discipline umanistiche rese attraverso le discipline e i media più diversi. La serie si articola in conferenze, presentazioni e performance che avranno luogo in sedi diverse sia a New York che a Roma. Parteciperanno agli incontri André Aciman, Mary Beard, Craig Dykers, Lyle Ashton Harris, David Lang, Nico Muhly, Francine Prose, Robert Storr, e Giorgio van Straten.

Per maggiori informazioni sulle dati e le sedi dei singoli eventi si prega di consultare il nostro sito web alla pagina **WWW.aarome.org**/events/series.



Founded in 1894, the AMERICAN ACADEMY IN ROME is the oldest American overseas center for independent study and advanced research in the arts and humanities. A not-for-profit, privately funded institution, the Academy awards the Rome Prize to a select group of artists and scholars annually, after an application process that begins each fall. The winners, selected by independent juries through a national competition process, are invited to Rome the following year to pursue their work in an atmosphere conducive to intellectual and artistic experimentation and interdisciplinary exchange. Awards are offered in the following categories: Literature, Music Composition, Visual Arts, Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Design, and Historic Preservation and Conservation, as well as Ancient, Medieval, Renaissance and Early Modern, and Modern Italian Studies. The Academy also invites a select group of Residents, Affiliated Fellows, and Visiting Artists and Scholars to work within this exceptional community in Rome.

Fondata nel 1894, l'ACCADEMIA AMERICANA DI ROMA è il più antico centro americano fuori dagli Stati Uniti dedicato allo studio indipendente e alla ricerca avanzata nelle arti e nelle discipline umanistiche. L'Accademia è un'istituzione senza scopo di lucro finanziata grazie all'appoggio di privati che offre ogni anno la borsa di studio Rome Prize a un gruppo di artisti e studiosi. Il processo di selezione è affidato a un concorso nazionale negli Stati Uniti che prende avvio in autunno e che si avvale della valutazione di giurie indipendenti: i vincitori sono invitati a Roma a condurre il proprio lavoro in un'atmosfera di libertà intellettuale e artistica e di scambio interdisciplinare. La borsa di studio premia persone che operano nelle arti (architettura, architettura del paesaggio, arti visive, composizione musicale, conservazione e restauro dei beni storico-artistici, design e letteratura) e nelle discipline umanistiche (studi classici, medievali, sul Rinascimento e sulla prima età moderna, e sull'Italia moderna). L'Accademia, inoltre, invita a Roma alcuni prestigiosi esponenti delle arti e degli studi umanistici (Residenti), borsisti scelti in collaborazione con altre importanti istituzioni e un selezionato gruppo di altri artisti e studiosi a unirsi e a lavorare insieme ai Borsisti all'interno della nostra eccezionale comunità.

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