The 2013 Conference will embrace the royal palace and abbey of Westminster, covering the archaeology, history and art history of the complex of religious and secular structures from their origins to the fire of 1834.

Speakers will include: Jeremy Ashbee, Steven Brindle, Nicola Coldstream, Mark Collins, John Crook, Richard Foster, John Goodall, Roland Harris, David Harrison, Stuart Harrison Edward Impey, Virginia Jansen, Dick Jones, John McNeil, Richard Mortimer, Julian Munby, Warwick Rockwell, Marie Louise Sauerberg, Jane Spooner, Tim Tatton-Brown, Pamela Tudor-Craig and Christopher Wilson.

We will have two private visits to the Abbey including the triforium and there will be open access at public opening times. Arranged site visits will include: Norman Undercroft, Pyx Chamber, Shrine of Edward the Confessor, Coronation Chair, Cosmati pavements, Chapter House, Jerusalem Chamber, Library and Museum. There will be visits to parts of Westminster School, including the remaining medieval fragments, and Ashburnham House. Visits to the Palace will include Westminster Hall, St Mary Undercroft, St Stephen’s Cloister and the Jewel Tower.

Applications are invited for student scholarships. The conference will run from lunchtime on Saturday 20th July to lunchtime/early afternoon of Wednesday 24th July, 2013 and scholarships will only be awarded to those who attend the conference in its entirety.

The scholarship will cover the entire conference which includes, as above, lectures, site visits, sandwich lunches for five days, teas and coffees, three dinners and maps and plans.

Applicants should send a letter of application via email setting out in detail why they wish to attend the conference with information about their studies. Please attach a curriculum vitae and an academic reference. These should be sent to the conference organiser katedavey203@btinternet.com. Please note that it is the responsibility of the applicant to send the academic reference with the application; the BAA will not chase references.

The closing date is 16th March, 2013. Applicants will be notified by 30th March, 2013.

Scholarships will be allocated by the conference conveners and are usually given to those studying medieval art or architecture at postgraduate level. The scholarships are funded by the generosity of BAA members and the number of scholarship varies according to funds available (usually around six). Successful applicants are expected to join the BAA if not already members and may be required to write about the conference for the BAA website.

Apart from scholarships there will be no student discounts available. All existing BAA members will be sent an application form for ordinary delegate places by February 16th and the booking form and information will be posted on the website.