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## SONAL KHULLAR SELECTED AS 2024–2025 HARVARD RADCLIFFE INSTITUTE FELLOW

Cambridge, Mass. (May 10, 2024)—Harvard Radcliffe Institute is pleased to announce the selection of **Sonal Khullar** as a Hilles Bush fellow for the 2024–2025 academic year.

A yearlong Radcliffe fellowship provides the rare opportunity to intensely pursue ambitious projects in the unique environment of the Institute. Each fellowship class is drawn from some of the most thoughtful and exciting contemporary scholars in the humanities, sciences, social sciences, and arts—along with writers, journalists, playwrights, and other distinguished professionals. For this year's historic 25th anniversary class, Radcliffe accepted just 3.3 percent of applicants.

Khullar, the W. Norman Brown Associate Professor of South Asian Studies in the Department of the History of Art at the University of Pennsylvania, will work on a book on art and war in Sri Lanka across the long 20th century that proposes new ways of understanding the aesthetics and politics of remembrance, recovery, and reconstruction in postcolonial societies.

"As a former fellow and dean of the Institute, I know firsthand the impact that a Radcliffe fellowship can have. In the current moment, I have never felt more certain that Radcliffe's approach—its embrace of interdisciplinary research and discourse across difference—is crucial to generating transformative art, scholarship, and writing" said **Tomiko Brown-Nagin**, dean of the Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study, Daniel P.S. Paul Professor of Constitutional Law at Harvard Law School, and professor of history in the Faculty of Arts and Sciences. "This talented class of fellows promises to do great things that will deeply impact how we live in today's world."

This year's Radcliffe fellows will be part of a unique interdisciplinary and creative community that will step away from routines to tackle projects that they have long wished to move forward. Throughout the academic year, fellows convene regularly to share their work in progress with the community and public. With access to Harvard's unparalleled resources, Radcliffe fellows develop new tools and methods, challenge artistic and scholarly conventions, and illuminate the past, present, and future. Alumni are quick to say it was the best year of their career.

Khullar is thrilled to join this distinguished intellectual community and work with scholars and resources at Harvard and in the Boston area during the fellowship year.

The full list of the 2024–2025 cadre of fellows is online here.

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