

# Mihaly Slocombe

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# Nomination statement

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## 1. Candidate details



**Name:** Warwick Mihaly

**Date of birth:** 21 August 1980

### **Qualifications:**

- 2001 Bachelor of Planning and Design, University of Melbourne
- 2006 Bachelor of Architecture (first class honours), University of Melbourne
- 2006 Diploma of Modern Languages (Italian), University of Melbourne
- 2007 Architectural registration, ARBV

## 2. Candidate questions

### **How long have I been an ArchiTeam member?**

I joined ArchiTeam in 2016.

### **What were my reasons for joining ArchiTeam?**

The Melbourne architecture scene is a wonderfully collegiate place to be and offers the opportunity to be part of something bigger than myself. It feels good to be part of a groundswell movement of creative individuals looking to improve things.

ArchiTeam helps me, both individually and as part of a vibrant community, get better at what I do. It allows us all to share our expertise and experiences with one another, an exchange of knowledge and wisdom that's vital for the profession if it's going to survive and thrive. ArchiTeam has an essential role to play in allowing us to generate and support these connections.

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### **What is my record of involvement in ArchiTeam affairs to date?**

I am a current director of ArchiTeam, where I have contributed my insights, experience, enthusiasm and strategic expertise since 2017. In my roles as director and ArchiTeam member, some of my contributions include:

- Creative director of [Making a Living](#), the 2019 ArchiTeam conference
- Co-author of the submission to the [Royal Banking Commission](#), a collaboration with the Australian Institute of Architects and Association of Consulting Architects Australia
- Co-host of [The Naked Architect](#), seasons 1 – 3, a collaboration with Open House Melbourne and the ARBV
- Member of the steering group for [RAsP](#) and co-editor of the RAsP data gathering survey
- Co-author of the ArchiTeam member survey, 2018
- Director in charge of the ArchiTeam events portfolio, 2017 – 2019
- Chair of the ArchiTeam advocacy committee, 2017
- Host of the ArchiTeam Northside Member Night, 2017
- Regular contributor to Datum, the ArchiTeam newsletter
- Endlessly passionate contributor to the ArchiTeam Forum

### **What can I offer the cooperative as a director?**

I am a strategic thinker, engaged business leader, passionate advocate and lover of good architecture. I am also deeply connected to the architecture community in Melbourne and across Australia. I hope to continue to bring these qualities to my role as an ArchiTeam director.

### **Why do I want to be an ArchiTeam director?**

I'm proud to be a director of ArchiTeam and a member of such a vibrant and supportive community. I have dedicated time, energy and passion towards helping ArchiTeam grow and develop over the past two years, and hope to continue my involvement for another two. In particular I look forward to:

- Working with other directors on the ongoing governance of ArchiTeam
- Assisting the creative team behind the 2021 conference
- Continuing my advocacy work on ABIC and the banks
- Seeing through RAsP 1.0 and helping launch the next research project
- Helping ArchiTeam continue to grow, and spreading the good word across Australia

### **What do I see as the purpose of ArchiTeam?**

I believe ArchiTeam is an incubator for small architecture practice, dedicated to supporting us as we build our businesses and grow in our careers. It is nimble, proactive, committed and a little bit scrappy. ArchiTeam has a can-do attitude, a powerful quality I have found very rewarding in everything I've worked on so far.

### **What do I think ArchiTeam should be doing in future that it is not already doing?**

I think the next frontier for ArchiTeam is offering our services to the new colonies on Mars, the asteroid belt and within the outer solar system. Haha, just checking to see whether you've read this far! Actually, I think it's important for ArchiTeam to keep doing what it does best, collaborating with other great organisations in Melbourne and around Australia, and spreading membership across each State and Territory.

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### **What do I want to achieve in my 2 year term on the ArchiTeam board?**

It has been a great experience working so far with the wonderful current and past members of the ArchiTeam board, Fooi, Barbara, Rebecca, Jamie, Zoë and Peter, and the equally wonderful office team, Phoebe, Reggie, Kathryn and Margaret. I have also deeply enjoyed connecting with so many ArchiTeam members at the various CPD events I have hosted and attended, at the conference, MOFL and through the forum.

I look forward to continuing the excellent relationship I enjoy with the team and I look forward to continuing to work on behalf of the membership within my role on the board. I hope to bring my fresh perspective and energy to the things I know best: the culture, practice and business of architecture. I would be honoured to continue my close involvement with Australia's best support platform for small practice architects.

### **3. Candidate biography**

I am a leader in the architecture profession, and instrumental in championing positive change within the industry. I run my own architecture practice, [Mihaly Slocombe](#), together with my wife Erica. I am a director of ArchiTeam and author Australia's most widely read business blog for architects, [Panfilo](#).

In my spare time, I practice yoga a lot and buy LEGO sets that I pretend are for my children.