

DIRECTOR NOMINATION STATEMENT 2024

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Candidate Details

Name **Karen Erdos**

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Did you attend the ArchiTeam Information Session for potential new directors? Yes No



Candidate Qualifications:

BARCH (Honours) UNSW, Arch Registration (NSW + VIC), Passive House Certified

Candidate Questions

1. How long have you been an ArchiTeam member? **Four years**

2. What were your reasons for joining ArchiTeam?

PI insurance + community + events

I had just moved to Melbourne from Sydney, and wanted to meet local architects/ establish myself here

3. What is your record of involvement in ArchiTeam affairs to date?

Member of Advocacy Committee

4. What can you offer to the cooperative as a director?

I have 22 years' experience practicing as an Architect - 17 of those in Sydney. I am hoping to tap into the Sydney community to help increase the membership there (where Architeam is lesser known).

I have been certified as a Passive House designer for the last 4 years, and have built strong affiliations in that community. I am very passionate about the responsibility of architects to be environmentally responsible, and so hope to tap into these connections as much as possible also to bolster the relationship between Architeam and APHA.

5. Why do you want to be an ArchiTeam director?

I have a lot to offer in terms of my practical, academic and previous Board experience in a Sydney based NFP called Pocket City Farms.

Architeam offers a valuable service to small practitioners like myself- and I feel that I could add some experience and diversity of opinion to the Board to assist Architeam in its services.

There is also a personal professional development component- and I am excited to expand my knowledge and experience in a diverse field that is away from the drawing board.

Candidate Questions (Cont.)

6. What do you see as the purpose of ArchiTeam?

Architeam is an accessible and welcoming Architecture community that supports smaller/ single practitioners like myself. To me, this has been over and above the education, administrative and advocacy benefits. Particularly having moved from Sydney, I really value this community and have benefited greatly over the past 4 years.

I have also valued the access to insurance, contracts, and the members hive mind forum.

7. What do you think ArchiTeam should be doing in future that it is not already doing?

The recent development of Architeam's relationship with APHA has led to some valuable collaborative events, however, I am enthusiastic to further strengthen this relationship with a greater emphasis on Passive House and/or other environmentally responsible design focusses such as materials etc.

I would be supportive of a shift to greater environmental standards across all categories in ArchiTeam's awards as I believe that we should only be celebrating and commending environmentally responsible architecture

8. What do you wish to achieve in your 2 year term on the ArchiTeam board?

- Bolster / increase connections with Sydney community
- Continue with established relationship with Passive House community
- Create a focus on materials and embodied energy

Candidate Biography (max 120 words)

Registered Architect in NSW & VIC

Certified Passive House Designer

Graduated from UNSW (2002)

Currently tutoring at RMIT and Monash

Career in single residential and in recent years focused on 'sustainability' as the core guiding design principal. It is behind my every design move.

I am a mother of 3 young children (7,9 &11). I work independently in my own Practice.

My focus when not architecting is on health and fitness and my family. I strive for a health work/ life balance and love surfing, yoga and painting/ fine art.

Signature:



Date: 3 / 1 / 1 / 0 / 2 / 0 / 2 / 4

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This form must be received via email by ArchiTeam by 10.30am on the Thursday 7 November 2024.