

## NOMINATION FOR AN OCA MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE POSITION\*

to be voted on at the 2025 AGM on 26 Nov 2025

Name of nominee: James Clacherty	
Position / Positions to which nominated: Chairperson	
Confirmation of willingness to stand (signature): <i>Signed</i>	
<b>Brief bio:</b>  Professionally James Clacherty is a social science research consultant who works mostly in the NGO and development sector across sub-Saharan Africa. James also recently started a PhD student in Political Studies at the University of the Western Cape in the Politics and Urban Governance Research Group where he is conducting research into the governance systems surrounding electricity infrastructure in informal settlements in Khayelitsha, Cape Town. James has a background in anthropology and urban geography and has a broad interest in participatory governance processes in global South cities and people-centred approaches to understanding complex social systems.	
<b>Motivation for standing:</b> After serving for one year as the chairperson of the OCA I am excited by the prospect of taking up this position for another year. I feel like the first year was enough to learn about how the civic works and some of the dynamics of civic organisation and I am keen to get busy for another year with a bit more strategic focus to really build some momentum and build the organisational strength and sustainability of the OCA.  Being the OCA chairperson for a year has been very meaningful for me as it has allowed me to interact with the community of Observatory in a way that I would not have had access to otherwise. It has made me appreciate even more how valuable and rare the community we have in our neighbourhood is and I look forward, if elected to supporting the growth of this community for another year.	
Name of Nominator 1: Leslie London	Name of Nominator 2: E Angless
Signature of Nominator 1:  <i>Signed</i>	Signature of Nominator 2:  <i>Signed</i>
Date: 17 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	Date: 18 Nov 2025

\* This form must be submitted via email to [info@obs.org.za](mailto:info@obs.org.za) by no later than 18.00 on Wed 19<sup>th</sup> November 2025.

\*\* The nominee and both nominators must have taken out or renewed membership of the OCA after October 1st and by November 19<sup>th</sup> and have been confirmed as members by the Management Committee.

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