

# Prof. Walter Peters Architect & Heritage Practitioner

2 Myrtle Rd, Rondebosch, Cape Town 7700 • Mobile 08455108747

walterpeters71@gmail.com

## Heritage Practice Experience

### 1. QUALIFICATIONS

- 1972 **BArch**, Natal (now UKZN).
- 1974 **MSc (Environmental Conservation)**, Heriot-Watt University, Edinburgh.
- 1981 **Dr-Ing. (sehr gut)**, (now Leibniz-) **Universität Hannover, Germany**.  
(Topic: Architecture of colonial Namibia published as *Baukunst in Südwestafrika 1884-1914*. Windhoek: Namibia Scientific Society, 1981. Currently being updated and translated into English)
- 2017 **Heritage Resources Management**, short course, University of Cape Town.

### 2. PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- South African Institute of Architects / Cape Institute for Architecture (No.3590).
- SA Council for the Architectural Profession (Pr Arch 2991; retired 2022).
- Association of Professional Heritage Practitioners (Accredited Member No. 0047).
- Registered Heritage Practitioner with KwaZulu-Natal Amafa & Research Institute.

### 3. SURVEYING AND GRADING OF HISTORICAL BUILDINGS

- Listing of Buildings of architectural and/or historical interest for NMC Natal / Amafa:
- Ladysmith 1992; Richmond 1993; Greytown 1994; Howick 1995; Old North Coast Road 1996; Old South Coast Road 1997/8; Queensland 2010.

### 4. STUDENT PROJECTS ON THE CONSERVATION OF SMALL HISTORICAL TOWNS (Initiated and carried out during my academic careers at UKZN and UFS; published; funders in parenthesis)

- 1979 **Lüderitz, Namibia (CDM)**.  
(From this project emerged Lüderitz Foundation, a civic organisation.)
- 1987 **Rhodes, N-E Cape (PG Foundation)**.  
(The study was used as the basis for declaring the whole of the village a Conservation Area in terms of the National Monuments Act, 1969.)
- 1991 **Victoria West, N Cape (PG Foundation)**.
- 1991 **De Bult, Carnarvon, N Cape (PG Foundation)**.  
(The project won for the De Bult community the R100,000 SANLAM Prize for Conservation.)
- 1995 **Wakkerstroom, Mpumalanga (FNB)**.
- 1998 **Rhodes Re-Assessed (NMC)**.
- 2000 **Wakkerstroom Re-Assessed Heritage (FNB)**.
- 2006 **3rd Prize in SHiFT Social Housing national student competition**.
- 2008 **First Prize in SHiFT competition**.
- 2008 **A First Prize in the Model Community Library competition**.
- 2013 **Richmond, Karoo, N Cape (UFS)**.
- 2013 **Hanover, Karoo, N Cape (UFS)**.

### 5. HISTORIC BUILDING CONSERVATION

- 1979-81 **Kolmanskop Ghost Town Museum, Namibia (Project)**.
- 1989-90 **Restoration of Goerke Haus (as house museum), Lüderitz, Namibia**  
(completion of project following death of Edda Schoedder).
- 1999 **Ladysmith Town Hall front**  
(with Pieter van der Westhuizen).

### 6. RECENT AND CURRENT HERITAGE PRACTICE

- 2015-2020 **Heritage Impact Assessment for refurbishment of Werdmuller Centre, Claremont**, by architect Roelof Uytendogaardt, 1969-73, with Ashley Lillie, Cindy Postlethwayt, and MLH Architects.
- 2017-18 **Durban City Hall**. Heritage consultant for universal access intervention with Architecture Fabrik.
- 2018 **Paarl Mill**. Heritage investigation for Pioneer Foods.
- 2018 **Tygerberg Hospital Estate, Parow**, by architects Andrews & Niegeman, 1959-76. Architectural assessment for Perception Planning.
- 2019-21 **Lot 600, 72 & 74 Bosch Street, Paarl**. Restoration of historic villa and redevelopment of site with architect Francois Malan.
- 2019 **Hopkins Str, Salt River**. Total demolition and redevelopment with architects Open City.
- 2019 **44 Lancers Rd, Warwick Triangle, Durban**. Conservation of Oldham Building by D. Calvert McDonald, 1938-9, with Architecture Fabrik.
- 2019- **FNB Adderley Str, Cape Town**, by architect Sir Herbert Baker, 1929-33. Heritage consultant for the recycling with architects Design Workshop.
- 2020-21 **Heritage Impact Assessment, Lot 177476, St James**, with Slee Architects.
- 2021 **Heritage Impact Assessment, Clifton School, Durban**, with Emmett:Emmett Architects and Boogertman + Partners.

### 7. APPOINTMENTS ON STATUTORY HERITAGE COMMITTEES

- 1989-2010 **Built Environment Committee, National Monuments Council Natal Region / Amafa aKwaZulu-Natali**.
- 2011 **Served on Appeals Tribunal, Free State Heritage**.
- 2013 **Served on Tribunal of Heritage Western Cape**.
- 2019-2022 **Built Environment & Landscapes Committee (BELCom) of Heritage Western Cape**.
- 2020- **Appointed to the BELCom sub-committee for the conservation of Wupperthal settlement**.

### 8. INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS' HERITAGE COMMITTEES

- 1975-79 **Member: Conservation Committee of Natal Institute of Architects, SAIA-KZN today**.
- 2018- **Member: Heritage Committee of Cape Institute for Architecture**.

### 9. HONOURS

- 1989 **SAIA Writers and Critics Award**.
- 1993 **Floating Trophy of Ladysmith Historical Society for the Survey of Buildings of Architectural and/or Historical Interest**.
- 2004 **SAIA Medal of Distinction**.
- 2006 **Amafa aKwaZulu-Natali Heritage Award**.
- 2009 **Elected 21st Sophia Gray laureate**.
- 2011 **SAIA-KZN Institute for Architecture Scroll of Honour ("respected architectural conservationist")**.
- 2013 **Emeritus status conferred by UKZN (and having uniquely risen through all academic ranks from Lecturer in Architecture to Senior Professor)**.

December, 2022