Student Member Candidate

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Election Statement

As a Sri Lankan architecture student, I am honored to stand for the position of Student Member on the RIBA Council. Coming from a background where architecture is deeply intertwined with community, climate, and culture, I believe I can bring a fresh and globally conscious perspective to the Council. Architecture students today face unique challenges — from mental health pressures and financial struggles to the urgent need for sustainability and inclusion in our education. I am passionate about creating space for underrepresented voices and supporting a more transparent, supportive, and forward-thinking architectural education system.

If elected, I will work to:

- Amplify student voices from diverse backgrounds, especially from the Global South;
- Promote mental health and wellbeing initiatives across architecture schools;
- Encourage more accessible pathways for students to engage with RIBA's resources;
- Advocate for curriculum reform that reflects real-world concerns including climate justice, ethics, and equity in design.

With your support, I hope to be a bridge between the student body and RIBA leadership bringing bold ideas, cultural sensitivity, and a commitment to meaningful change. Let's shape a more inclusive future for architecture, together.