Nyssa Mildwaters

Kia ora my name is Nyssa Mildwaters, I’m an Australian born, UK educated conservator currently working in Aotearoa New Zealand. I’m standing for the Ordinary Member position as I’m passionate about promoting and sharing conservation with as wide an audience as possible while also supporting new and emerging conservators.

I believe I am suitable for this position as I am driven and passionate when it comes to conservation and having spent the last four years as the president of NZCCM, I know the work that is involved in volunteering myself for this type of position. I am someone that absolutely thrives of building networks and collaborations and bringing people together that might not know each other or have different perspectives. I also have experience of managing a range of collaborative projects from local and regional through to international, having been part of the local organizing committees for two international conferences in the past six years, so know how to work as part of large multiple talented teams.

Working in NZ I’ve been lucky enough to have my Eurocentric conservation approach and thinking challenged, something that I have found very enlightening. As such I’m committed to continuing to learn from and make room for other voices and perspectives in conservation. This something I know IIC is already working to do, and I would love to be part of helping to grow and expand that aspect of the organization as well as supporting the huge range of other work IIC already does.