

I am Rohan Patankar; an architect, urbanist, & entrepreneur. With my skills in inter-disciplinary research & strategy, I am passionate about how design-oriented problem solving shapes the everyday experience of living in the city.



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EDUCATION

2017 - 2018
London School
of Economics

MSc. (City Design and Social Science) in the Dept. of Sociology. Courses included Cities by Design; City Making: the Politics of Urban Form; Housing, Neighbourhoods & Communities, and Social Network Analysis. Dissertation focussed on the impact of short-term rentals (Airbnb etc) on housing and tourism in London. Passed with merit.

Among 50 Indian students to be awarded the prestigious **Chevening Scholarship** by the Foreign & Commonwealth Office, United Kingdom to study at the London School of Economics. [LINK](#)

Among the ten students in the world to be awarded the **Norman Foster Foundation Scholarship** to attend the 2018 'On Cities' Workshop in Madrid led by the MIT Media Lab. [LINK](#)

2008 - 2013
School of Planning &
Architecture, New Delhi

B.Arch at India's leading public school for architecture studies.

Awarded the 2013 **Pidilite Award for Academic Excellence** for being among the top three students of the batch based on grades and extra-curricular activities.

Awarded the **NOKIA-OXFAM Create to Inspire Fellowship** 2013 for Creating the Moving Delhi Project- a public transport awareness campaign for young people.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP

2011 - present
Co-founder

Delhi Dallying is venture where we BLOG-TALK-WALK about how the many layers of the city come together to make our everyday experience of it. With the intention of inciting conversation about architecture, urbanism and contemporary culture, we organize walking tours and workshops, and curate experiences for locals and travelers. [LINK](#)

Concieved and curated the first two editions of country's largest walking tour festival, the **Delhi Walk Festival**, partnering with over 50 walk experts from across the city. [LINK](#)

For the innovative work with Delhi Dallying, featured among the top 50 emerging architects of the country in 2016 by the Architect & Interiors India Magazine. [LINK](#)

EXPERIENCE

Feb 2017 - Aug 2017
Architect- in residence

Sensing Local, Bengaluru is a think-tank that uses the tools of urban planning and strategy to work on issues of waste management, air quality, way-finding etc. I led two projects from the development stage to successful delivery- research for a non-profit on urban vulnerability and a conservation strategy for an urban forest. [LINK](#)

May 2016 - Dec 2016
Access & Urban Design
Architect

Centre for Green Mobility, Delhi is a non-profit dedicated to providing sustainable solutions for urban mobility. I led the preliminary urban design on a 6 km long green-way along a rainwater channel in Delhi, consulting with the Delhi Development Authority. [LINK](#)

Feb 2015 - Jan 2016
Architect

Co.Lab Design, Delhi is young architecture and interior design practice invested in making meaningful and playful spaces. As second to the principal, I led business development for the studio. [LINK](#)

Jun 2013 - Nov 2014
Architect & Strategist

Arch i Platform, Delhi is a non-profit multidisciplinary platform for urban research and sustainable architecture, led by award winning Dutch Architect Anne Feenstra. I independently managed two projects on mapping and exhibition design, and curated the Speaker of the Month series. [LINK](#)

WRITING

2018, Paper on Data & the City to be published in the **Conscious Cities** Anthology No. 3, London. [LINK](#)

2016, Contributing Editor with **Pop-Up City**, a blog on citizen-led urbanism with 70,000 readers. [LINK](#)

2013, Drawings & writing featured in India's upcoming multimedia magazine, **the Scribbler**. [LINK](#) & [LINK](#)

DESIGN

2015, Initiated fund raiser **Art for Nepal**, selling merchandise made from travel drawings to help construct transitional shelters in Nepal. Raised USD 2650. [LINK](#)

2013-present, Lead member of the **Typerventions** Project where we use everyday objects to make positive messages in urban public space. [LINK](#)

2013- 2017, Live sketch notes artist for the **DesignxDesign** Round tables and Curatorial lead of the DesignxDesign 20under35 exhibition. [LINK](#)

MUSIC

2013, Teaching Artist with **Music Basti**, an education initiative for underprivileged children in Delhi. [LINK](#)

2002, Awarded the National Balshree Honour for **Creative Music Performance** by the President of India. [LINK](#)

TOOLS

Adobe Creative Suite, AutoCAD, Google Sketch up, MS Office, QGIS, sketching & drawing, hand-lettering, live note-taking.