

Professional Profile: Danny Tanzi 2015

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Name: Danny Tanzi

Title: Senior Architect/Assistant Vice President

Company: H2M architects + engineers

Location: Melville, N.Y.

Birthplace: Bad Kissingen, Germany

Education: BSAT in Architecture from NYIT, MSCE in Structural Engineering from Polytechnic

University/NYU

First job outside of real estate: Worked in a record store

First job in real estate or allied field: Designed and built decks and additions for a carpentry firm What do you do now and what are you planning for the future? Currently working with my team to develop some exciting new schematic building designs and getting ready to go into construction on a project that we have spent the past two years developing. Planning to make our baseline projects high-performance, meaningful designs that enhance their communities.

How do you unwind from a busy day in real estate? Longboard surfing

Favorite book or author: Malcolm Gladwell, "The Tipping Point"

Favorite movie: "Fantastic Mr. Fox" by Wes Andersen /adapted from the book by Roald Dahl.

Last song you purchased/downloaded? Courtney Barnett, "Sometimes I Sit and Think, And Sometimes I Just Sit"

One word to describe your work environment: Collaborative

Rules to live by in business: Be honest; the truth always prevails.

If you could invite one person to dinner (living or dead, but not related to you) who would it be and where would you go? I would like to invite Theodor Geisel (Dr. Seuss) to my house for dinner with my wife and kids. He seemed to have understood the beauty of simplicity and not being afraid to break the rules, all while remaining socially aware, engaging, interesting and relevant.

What is your dream job? I enjoy architecture tremendously, but if I were able to have a practice on the beach and work in between surfing and enjoying my family and friends, that would be a dream come true.