

SPRING WILDLIFE CONSERVATION EXPO

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WCN
Wildlife Conservation Network

In April, we will be hosting our Spring Wildlife Conservation Expo where hundreds of wildlife enthusiasts come together to experience an intimate, in-depth look into conservation. **Join us in celebrating wildlife** and the inspiring conservationists who strive to protect our planet's most spectacular animals.

At Expo you can witness, through their stories, the incredible transformations these heroes are bringing about to ensure wildlife and people co-exist. Their approaches are as varied as the species they protect. Some are experts at tried-and-true policy work, like the Global Penguin Society who collaborates with national governments to create protected marine reserves for penguins and other marine species. Others take less conventional approaches, like Save the Elephants who are using bees to prevent elephants from destroying crops, thereby reducing conflict with farmers. Whatever their methods, **these conservation heroes are solving some of the most challenging problems** facing wildlife today.

Join us for this unforgettable Expo day. Connect with conservationists and learn how you can support their efforts.

We look forward to seeing you there!

WCN's mission is to protect endangered wildlife by supporting conservationists who ensure wildlife and people co-exist and thrive. Through our Partner Network and Crisis and Recovery Funds, we are saving endangered species in over 65 countries around the world.



SATURDAY, APRIL 13
11AM-5PM
CAÑADA COLLEGE
REDWOOD CITY, CA

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\$50 GENERAL ADMISSION
\$25 STUDENTS

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FEBRUARY 26, 2019

The flagship
Wildlife Conservation Expo
will return to San Francisco
on October 12, 2019.

SPEAKERS

Tell me, what
is it you plan
to do with your
one wild and
precious life?
—Mary Oliver



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DR. PABLO BORBOROGLU **GLOBAL PENGUIN SOCIETY** WORLDWIDE

Penguins have always been important in Pablo's life. He founded the Global Penguin Society to study and protect all 18 species of penguins in the Southern Hemisphere. Pablo works closely with communities, local governments, and other conservation groups to establish guidelines for penguin conservation. So far, over 32 million acres of marine and coastal protected areas have been created, thanks to his tireless efforts. Pablo is a 2018 Whitley Gold Award winner and a recipient of the 2018 National Geographic/Buffer Award for Leadership in Conservation.

11:00 AM-12:00 PM



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BRITZ MALEPE & LEANNE VAN DER WEYDE **CHEETAH CONSERVATION BOTSWANA** BOTSWANA

Cheetah Conservation Botswana (CCB) was founded by Rebecca Klein in 2002 to protect Botswana's cheetah population. CCB protects Botswana's cheetahs through scientific research, community outreach and education activities, and reducing human-cheetah conflict incidents through their livestock guarding dog deployment. Britz, CCB's education officer, and Leanne, CCB's research coordinator, work with local communities to address the threats that affect the long-term survival of Botswana's cheetahs.

12:15-1:00 PM



**GUEST
SPEAKER**

DR. SAM WILLIAMS **MACAW RECOVERY NETWORK** COSTA RICA

With just 1,500 individuals left, the magnificent great-green macaw teeters on the edge of extinction. Macaw Recovery Network—founded by Dr. Sam Williams—collaborates with partners across the parrots' range to boost their population in the short term while protecting and reconnecting habitat for the long term. They hope to see thriving populations of these charismatic birds flying over protected forests throughout their range.

2:00-2:45 PM



JOHN LUKAS & LUCAS MEERS

OKAPI CONSERVATION PROJECT DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

Over three decades, the Okapi Conservation Project (OCP) has combated threats to the survival of okapi by supporting efforts of wildlife rangers to control illegal mining, deforestation, and poaching within the Okapi Wildlife Reserve. John Lukas, OCP founder and president, with support from program officer, Lucas Meers, applies a holistic approach to okapi conservation—promoting local and national understanding of and appreciation for okapi, their habitat, and the Reserve, while assisting communities with developing sustainable ways to co-exist with endangered wildlife.

3:15-4:00 PM



DR. LUCY KING

SAVE THE ELEPHANTS KENYA

Save the Elephants (STE) is a leader in the effort to fight the elephant ivory crisis sweeping across Africa. Together with WCN they have created the Elephant Crisis Fund to address poaching, trafficking, and demand for ivory. STE was founded by Dr. Iain Douglas-Hamilton during his pioneering career spanning more than 50 years in elephant research and conservation. Dr. Lucy King is the head of STE's Human-Elephant Co-Existence Program, and founded the Elephant & Bees Project, an ingenious initiative that reduces damage from crop-raiding elephants using their instinctive avoidance of African honey bees.

4:15-5:00 PM

SCHEDULE

11:00-12:00 **GLOBAL PENGUIN SOCIETY**

12:00-12:15 BREAK

12:15-1:00 **CHEETAH CONSERVATION BOTSWANA**

1:00-2:00 LUNCH

2:00-2:45 **MACAW RECOVERY NETWORK**

2:45-3:15 BREAK

3:15-4:00 **OKAPI CONSERVATION PROJECT**

4:00-4:15 BREAK

4:15-5:00 **SAVE THE ELEPHANTS**

The above information is subject to change. For the most recent updates, please visit our website wildnet.org/events.

A boxed lunch is available for purchase at the event for \$15. Vegetarian and vegan options will be available.

The Expo is full of fascinating, inspiring presentations by conservationists from around the world. In between sessions, please have a look around and talk with the conservationists and the **dozens of exhibitors** selling curios and sharing information about their worthy wildlife-related causes.



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