

CONFERENCE SPEAKERS*

*Speakers are still being added.
This list is current as of 5/22/2018.*

Carson Barylak: Campaigns Officer, [International Fund for Animal Welfare](#)

Howard Baskin: Advisory Board Chairman, [Big Cat Rescue](#)

Sarah Blaine: Co-founder and CEO, [Mahouts Elephant Foundation](#)

Scott Blais: CEO and President, [Global Sanctuary for Elephants](#) (South America)

Bobbi Brink: Founder and Director, [Lions, Tigers and Bears](#)

Katherine Connor: Founder, [Boon Lott's Elephant Sanctuary](#) (Thailand)

Roxy Danckwerts: Founder, [Zimbabwe Elephant Nursery](#) (Africa)

Catherine Doyle: Director of Science, Research and Advocacy, [Performing Animal Welfare Society](#)

Chris Draper: Associate Director, Head of Animal Welfare & Captivity, [Born Free Foundation](#) (UK)

Jackie Gai, DVM: Director of Veterinary Services, [Performing Animal Welfare Society](#)

David Hancocks: [Author](#), zoo/museum architect, and former Director of the Woodland Park Zoological Gardens (Seattle, WA), Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum (Tucson, AZ), and the Werribee Open Range Zoo (Australia)

Sangita Iyer: Filmmaker, "[Gods in Shackles](#)"

Bob Jacobs: [Professor of Neuroscience](#), Colorado College

Keith Lindsay: Conservation Biologist and Scientific Advisory Committee Member with the Amboseli Elephant Research Project, [Amboseli Trust for Elephants](#) (Africa)

Lori Marino: Founder, [Whale Sanctuary Project](#); Executive Director, [Kimmela Center for Animal Advocacy](#)

Rachel Mathews: Associate Director for Captive Animal Law Enforcement, [PETA Foundation](#)

Jason Mier: Executive Director, [Animals Lebanon](#)

Ulara Nakagawa: Founder, [Elephants in Japan](#)

Bill Nimmo: Founder and President, [Tigers in America](#)



Brittany Peet: Director of Captive Animal Law Enforcement, [PETA Foundation](#)

Colleen Plumb: Contemporary [photographer](#) exploring the nature of human-animal relationships

Jill Robinson: Founder, [Animals Asia](#)

Naomi Rose: Marine mammal scientist, [Animal Welfare Institute](#)

Dr. Jan Schmidt-Burbach: Global Wildlife and Veterinary Advisor, [World Animal Protection](#) (Thailand)

Maggie Shaarawi: Vice President, [Animals Lebanon](#)

Ed Stewart: President and Co-founder, [Performing Animal Welfare Society](#)

Duncan Strauss: Radio host, "[Talking Animals](#)", WMNF Tampa, Florida. (*moderator*)

Paul Waldau: Professor at Canisius College where he heads the graduate program on anthrozoology, which he founded; Braker Lecturer in animal law at Harvard Law School; and author of a number of books on animal rights and speciesism. [paulwaldau.com](#)

Stephen Wells: Executive Director, [Animal Legal Defense Fund](#)

Delci Winders: Vice President, and Deputy General Counsel for Captive Animal Law Enforcement, [PETA Foundation](#)

Steven Wise: Attorney and President, [Nonhuman Rights Project](#)

Julie Woodyer: Campaigns Director, [ZooCheck Canada](#)

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