ZSL Fellowship Conference Saturday 20 April 2024



Your engagement session options are below. Please pick 2.

Ah Ah Ah Staying Alive: Basic Animal First Aid

Stephanie Isaac, Registered Veterinary Nurse, Royal Veterinary College

Come and join exotic veterinary nurse Stephanie Isaac to learn some tips and tricks of exotic animal first aid. Perfect for those with veterinary and animal experience or those who want to learn something new. You will even have the opportunity to put your hand at bandaging and animal CPR!

The Chagos Brain Coral Rescue Mission and the Future of corals at London Zoo Colette Gibbings, Curatorial Lead Keeper (Marine), ZSL

Showcasing the experience of an expedition in 2023 to save The Chagos brain coral – Ctenella chagius and to safeguard its future within a captive environment. Providing details on how this coral is doing in captivity and the future for all corals at ZSL going forward.

Master planning and Curatorial: How do you plan for the future of ZSL?

Robin Fitzgerald, Head of Capital Projects and Sarah Forsyth, Curator of Mammals, ZSL

What is the future of our two conservation sites? How do we decide what species are our priority? How do you manage historically listed buildings? Join the ZSL team as they answer these questions. They will introduce you to the decision-making process behind what species at our Zoos are best placed to communicate our conservation story as well as how to ensure ZSL is future proofed for the next 200 years.

Time for a Trus-tea

Peter Higgins, Jim Smith, Paul Wilson, Loraine Woodhouse, Trustees, ZSL

Ever wondered what it takes to help steward one of the largest conservation organisations throughout the year? For nearly 200 years our Trustees have been at the helm of ZSL each step of the way. Come and speak with our Trustees to learn more about their role, how they are representatives for Fellows and how you get involved with the governance.

ZSL 200 – a 'History Hive' of activity

Tina Campanella, Bicentenary Project Manager

Bicentenary Project Manager Tina Campenella will give a brief overview of where ZSL is with bicentenary celebration planning, before giving participants a sneak peek at the project's first media moment, which will take place on April 29th – the launch of ZSL's History Hive, marking the two-year countdown to the big year.

The History Hive project will call on members of the public to submit images, footage, stories and objects connected to ZSL, to help bring our history to life in new ways in 2026. Fellows will be actively encouraged to submit to the Hive, and participants of this engagement session will be able to see firsthand some of the artefacts ZSL already has in its archives, before brainstorming what we might expect to receive post launch and how these might be used in 2026.