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Lily Maynard, Ph.D., is vice president of conservation impact at the Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden and the AZA SAFE African Lion Program Leader. Her lifelong connection to zoos, including growing up at the Cincinnati Zoo and working as a conservation manager at Disney's Animal Kingdom, instilled in her a passion for wildlife.

She has worked and traveled extensively throughout Africa, Asia and the Americas on community-led projects. She strives to follow the lead of local communities by asking what support and resources they need and helping improve livelihoods alongside conservation efforts so that people and wildlife can thrive together.

Lily earned a bachelor's degree in biology from Smith College and completed her master's degree and doctorate in wildlife ecology and conservation at the University of Florida. She loves sharing the inspiration wildlife provides and highlighting opportunities to support conservation in our complex and beautiful world.

