

Dr. Malu Celli



Malu Celli joined the ZNE family late 2019 as the VP of Animal Care.

She was born in Brazil but her career has taken her to Asia, Africa, Europe and N. America over the last two decades. She received a B.S in Biology and a Master and PhD in primatology from Kyoto University, studying in Guinea and Japan. Malu worked in wildlife documentaries in Namibia and is passionate about connecting others with wildlife and wild places.

Her zoo career started at ZSL London Zoo as an interpreter and keeper, but she went on to also work at Bristol Zoo and Woburn Safari Park, in many capacities.

Prior to moving to Boston, Malu spent 9 years as a curator at Calgary Zoo, helping transform the culture, design and open two multi-million dollar exhibits, and re-building the zoo after a devastating flood. She is mission driven and hopes to help ZNE become a leader in animal welfare and wildlife conservation.