



Rory Browne, D.Phil.

Brought up within sound of the lions roaring and the sea lions barking in the venerable London Zoo, Rory Browne is an Oxford University-trained historian who now specializes in the history of zoos and of animals. He has been involved with the Franklin Park and Stone Zoos ever since he and his wife moved to Massachusetts in 1991, bringing the students from his courses at local colleges to the zoos and giving talks and tours to both staff and visitors, and he currently serves on the Board of Directors for Zoo New England, the non-profit managing both zoos. Although Dr. Browne has had the opportunity to communicate his enthusiasm for wildlife and its conservation on radio and television, he has most enjoyed delivering verbal valentines to live audiences at the zoos in previous years and looks forward to sharing a virtual happy hour with both human and other animals in February 2021.

Pictured above: Rory at the Ngorongoro Crater on ZNE's safari to Tanzania in February 2020