



Fellow Panthera Co-Founder Dr. Thomas S. Kaplan and Dr. Rabinowitz in the Brazilian Pantanal

Comments on the Life and Legacy of Dr. Alan Rabinowitz

DR. THOMAS S. KAPLAN

[Read Dr. Kaplan's tribute to Dr. Rabinowitz here.](#)

DR. FRED LAUNAY *Panthera CEO and President*

“The conservation community has lost a legend. Alan was a fearless and outspoken champion for the conservation of our planet’s iconic wild cats and wild places. As a lifelong voice for the voiceless, he changed the fate of tigers, jaguars and other at-risk species by placing their protection on the agendas of world leaders from Asia to Latin America for the very first time.”

“Inspiring a generation of young scientists, the boldness and passion with which Alan approached conservation was captivating and contagious. While we are devastated by his passing, we are comforted by the fact that his extraordinary legacy of advocacy for the most vulnerable creatures will live on in his legion of students and followers.”

“Our thoughts are with Alan’s wife Salisa and their children, Alexander and Alana, for whom Alan was a real-life superhero.”

DR. LUKE HUNTER *Panthera Chief Conservation Officer*

“Alan inspired me as a kid growing up in Australia, a continent entirely without wild cats, to never give up. He taught me that a life committed to conservation was possible, no matter the obstacles. Because of the chance he took on me, I have experienced a life full of rare and extraordinary moments working to conserve the world’s cats. And I am only one of many to whom he gave such an opportunity. Alan’s enduring legacy will be a legion of dedicated conservationists around the globe, inspired by his writing and his work to continue the fight. The world’s big cats are in a better place today because of it.”



Drs. Luke Hunter, Alan Rabinowitz, and Howard Quigley measure a collared jaguar's paw.

DR. HOWARD QUIGLEY

Panthera Jaguar Program Executive Director

“Alan lived such an impactful life, for everyone who met him, and for the wildlife he cared so passionately about. For all of us who were inspired by him, our mission now is to honor Alan’s legacy by securing the future for all wild cats.”

**LIEUTENANT GENERAL SIR GRAEME LAMB,
KBE, CMG, DSO**

Panthera Board Member

“Alan Rabinowitz was simply an inextinguishable force of nature. He was a son adopted by nature; a living, breathing force with nature; but most of all, Alan was an unmatched champion, the indomitable force for nature. His like you do not often meet. If you had, you are blessed. If you hadn’t, be inspired that his was a full life and one of his own choice from which humanity benefited and wildlife and wild spaces blossomed. Bless you. It is time now to rest.”

HON. CLAUDIA A. MCMURRAY

Panthera Board Member

“Alan was a special friend to me. While I already had a love for animals when I first met him in the mid 2000’s, he shared his immense knowledge to help me do what I could to protect them when I served in government. I will always be grateful for the time he spent with me trying to translate his scientific knowledge into action.”

DR. GEORGE SCHALLER

Panthera Science Council Vice Chair

“I have collaborated with Alan on projects for nearly four decades, and his knowledge, vision, determination, and passionate voice on behalf of the big cats and other wildlife has inspired me and many others to be advocates for protecting nature’s beauty.”

JANE ALEXANDER

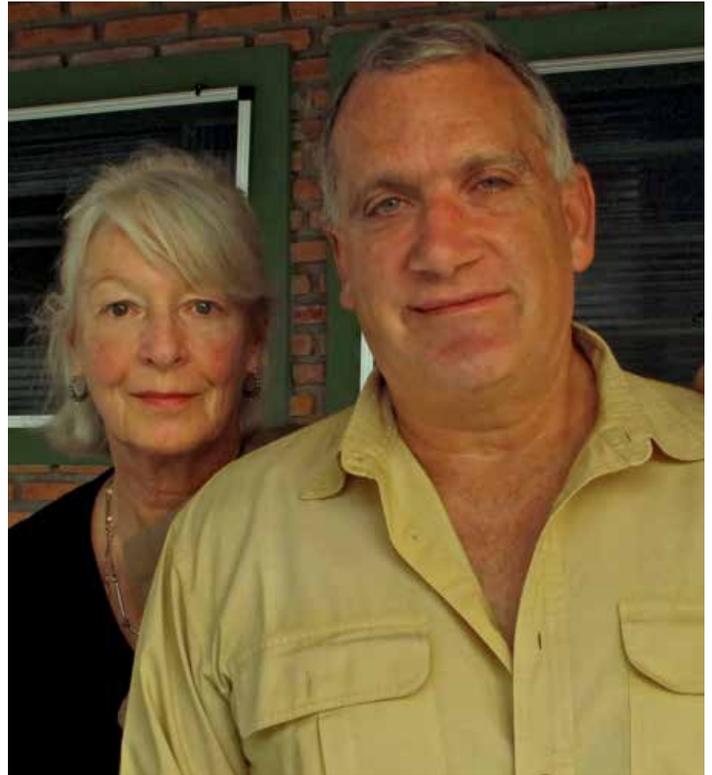
Panthera Conservation Council Co-Chair

“Alan Rabinowitz came into my life in the early ‘80s when he, a young scientist studying jaguars in Belize, and I, an actress with a screenplay about jaguars, took me out at night to track their whereabouts in the jungle. We became life-long friends. He inspired me to become the conservationist I am today, as he has inspired thousands of people the world over with his courage, commitment and perseverance. There was no finer man, the toughest, yet deeply kind.”

EDITH MCBEAN

Panthera Conservation Council Member

“Alan enriched so many lives: jaguars, tigers and young biologists’. His passion and steadfastness for conservation was unmatched. It’s a huge loss for conservation.”



Alan Rabinowitz and Jane Alexander

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