

Harpers Ferry (WV)



Madelyn Vidmar grew up on land that bordered that of the Harpers Ferry National Historical Park, in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains. She studied Commercial Recreation and Tourism at nearby Shepherd University and went on to spend ten years working in the outdoor outfitting community. As a raft guide, Maddie learned the history of Harpers Ferry through interpretive storytelling and worked to inspire environmental stewardship in her guests on the Shenandoah and Potomac Rivers. In 2014, she completed her 200 hour Yoga Teacher Training, and soon after began offering classes to the National Park Service twice a week. Since then, she has traveled frequently, practicing yoga in national parks

from New Zealand to Slovenia. Maddie now serves Harpers Ferry National Historical Park as the Community Volunteer Ambassador, working to creatively expand community interaction in a place where the town and park are inherently connected.