

FIRE ISLAND NATIONAL SEASHORE (NY)



Caitlin Manley was born and raised in the maritime community of Ventura, California- just a hop, skip, and jump from the Channel Islands Archipelago. She recently relocated to the east coast for her position at Fire Island National Seashore located off the southern shore of Long Island, New York. From an early age the ocean has consistently been a big part of Caitlin's life, inspiring her to pursue a career in the biological sciences. She attended the University of Hawaii and in 2017 received a B.S. in Marine Biology. As an undergrad, Caitlin worked in a research lab studying the health and adaptation of tropical coral species & volunteered at the Waikiki aquarium. She also managed to squeeze in a semester on exchange, studying humpback whales off the coast of Juneau, Alaska in 2016. Following a half-year stint at the Long Island National Wildlife Refuge Complex (USFWS), she accepted the Community Volunteer Ambassador position

with the neighboring Fire Island National Seashore. Caitlin has always found interest in National Parks, having grown up so close to one and having visited countless others at a young age. She is a deep advocate for environmental stewardship and is excited to highlight and explore all that Fire Island has to offer. If not speaking to visitors about barrier island ecology, you can find Caitlin going for a swim in the Atlantic Ocean.