

# New Bedford Whaling National Historic Park welcomes new Ranger, Lindsay Compton

New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park has added a new Park Ranger to its ranks. Lindsay Compton has worked for the National Park Service since 2009 and has served in five other National Park sites across the country, making New Bedford Whaling NHP her sixth. She began here in late August after moving here from San Antonio, Texas.

Even though she has just begun, Lindsay has already collaborated with the extensive network of artists, teachers, and community organizers that make up a large part of the NPS's key partners. Lindsay's role at the park will include managing the artist-in-residence program, which she is currently recruiting for. She will also oversee youth programming such as the Junior Ranger Service Corps, Youth Leadership Academy, and Whales, Tails & Sails.

"I am thrilled to be working here in New Bedford. It's a wonderful opportunity for me to learn more about our cherished resources and stories, and to bring a new energy to the Arts and Youth programs," Lindsay said. "Over the last ten years with the National Park Service, I have worked at Chickasaw National Recreation Area, Oklahoma City National Memorial, Congaree National Park, Colorado National Monument, and most recently, San Antonio Missions National Historical Park. Through many moves and parks, I have served as a Park Guide, Supervisory Park Ranger, Volunteer Coordinator, Artist-in-Residence Coordinator, and Acting Chief of Interpretation."

When asked about her plans for the future, Lindsay says. "I am done moving!" She adds, "In my free time I like to rock climb,

travel, visit art exhibitions and museums, and hike with my rescue super mutt, Maude.” We look forward to all of the amazing skills and creative ideas Lindsay will bring to New Bedford in the coming years.