



# Community Bulletin



Bolivar Heights Battlefield

## A Preview of Upcoming Events for 2011

**April 16-17, 2011: War Comes to Harpers Ferry: The Burning of the Federal Arsenal**

**Time:** Saturday 10:00 AM – 9:30 PM;  
Sunday 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

**Location:** Lower Town venues

**Description:** This two-day event will focus on the April 1861 secession of Virginia from the Union and the subsequent burning of the Federal Arsenal at Harpers Ferry. Activities will include, living history, ranger conducted programs and family/youth activities.

**May 21, 2011 – The Ingenuity of John Hall: 200th Anniversary of Hall's Breechloader Patent**

**Time:** 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

**Location:** The Green

**Description:** Special Exhibit and ranger conducted programs throughout the day.

**June 25, 2011 – 10th Annual Don Redman Heritage Concert & Awards**

**Time:** 6:00 PM

**Location:** Camp Hill

**Description:** The event and concert commemorate the internationally acclaimed and influential 1920 graduate of Storer College, Don Redman featuring Dr. Larry Ridley, Larry Willis, and the Howard Burns Quartet.

**July 9 – Military Band Concert The Cruisers U.S. Navy Band**

**Time:** 6:00 p.m.

**Location:** Camp Hill, Mather Training Center grounds

**Description:** Enjoy the music of one of our country's premier military bands

**July 23, 2011- "Slavery, the Abolitionist Movement and Reflections of Jefferson"**

**Time:** 1:00 PM & 3:00 PM

**Location:** Lower Town

**Description:** An insightful dramatic presentation on the issue of slavery featuring Bill Barker as Thomas Jefferson.

**August 21, 2011 - Niagara Movement Pilgrimage to John Brown's Fort**

**Time:** 8:00 AM

**Location:** Murphy Farm & Curtis Freewill Baptist Church

**Description:** Retrace the 1906 footsteps of the men and women of Niagara during this commemorative walk to the site of the John Brown's Fort in 1906. A 10:00 a.m. memorial service will follow at the Curtis Freewill Baptist Church.

**September 3, 2011 – Military band concert "Free County," U.S. Marine Band**

**Time:** 6:00 PM

**Location:** Camp Hill, Mather Training Center grounds

**Description:** Enjoy the music of one of our country's premier military bands.

**October 1, 2011- Mr. Lincoln Returns to Harpers Ferry**

**Time:** 1:00 PM & 3:00 PM

**Location:** Lower Town

**Description:** Our 16th president comes to life as Jim Getty portrays Abraham Lincoln.

**October 15-16, 2011: In the Shadows of John Brown: The 1861 Battle of Bolivar Heights**

**Time:** 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM both days

**Location:** Bolivar Heights

**Description:** Two years to the day after John Brown's Raid, Union and Confederate troops clashed on Bolivar Heights. The event will highlight the unique parallels between John Brown and participants of the battle. Activities will include, living history, ranger conducted programs and family/youth activities.

Additional events are being scheduled. Please check future Community Bulletins and the park website for additional events and activities.

[www.nps.gov/hafe](http://www.nps.gov/hafe)

# February Volunteer of the Month

Graham Humphrey came to Harpers Ferry NHP in January 2010 as an intern in the curatorial department. He soon branched out to conduct research for Visitor Services/Interpretation and is now a full time intern with the Education Department. Graham has helped with the Harpers Ferry Middle School vodcast project, the Jr. NYLC program, grant writing, curriculum development and anything else he's been asked to do.

Graham has been very busy since graduating in 2008 from Brandeis University with a B.A. in Art History. He spent a year at Saint-Gaudens NHS serving as a Student Conservation Association intern with their curator. While at Saint-Gaudens, he also volunteered with the curator at Marsh Billings NHP, assisting with their annual inventory. He spent three months at Appomattox Court House NHP updating their housekeeping plan and worked with Harpers Ferry Center to implement their cold storage plan. He is now enrolled in the museum



studies masters program at Johns Hopkins University.

Originally from Rhode Island, Graham has had a life-long passion for the outdoors including hiking, biking and sailing and also enjoys history, visiting museums and traveling. He feels fortunate to live in scenic Harpers Ferry and to be able to work with a dedicated and talented staff and have the opportunity to interact with children on a daily basis. He looks forward to the day when he can get a permanent job with the National Park Service.

Thank you Graham for all of your hard work!

## Teacher Institutes

### Harpers Ferry: The First Year of War June 26-July 1

This week long institute gives educators the opportunity to incorporate technology into their teaching. After exploring the Civil War events that occurred between Virginia's secession on April 17, 1861 through the end of March 1862, podcasts and digital storytelling will be developed for a final project. Participants will investigate ways to teach across the curriculum and use multiple hands-on techniques.

Three hours of graduate C&I credit available from Shepherd University (\$115 fee). Applications can be found at [www.nps.gov/hafe/forteachers/professionaldevelopment.htm](http://www.nps.gov/hafe/forteachers/professionaldevelopment.htm).

### War Comes to Harpers Ferry: 1861

8-week online class beginning July 4 includes a 3-day workshop at Harpers Ferry NHP July 23-25. Together the APUS graduate course and the Harpers Ferry NHP workshop will take an in depth look at a defining period in U.S. History. Beginning with the April 17, 1861 secession of Virginia from the U.S. and the destruction of the U.S. Armory and Arsenal there the next day, through the end of March 1862, teachers will study occupation and battle that marked Federal control of the town and surrounding area. Three hours of graduate history credit available from APUS (\$325 fee). Visit [www.apu.apus.edu/lp/agreements/harpers-ferry/index.htm](http://www.apu.apus.edu/lp/agreements/harpers-ferry/index.htm) to register.

### Bridging the Watershed (BTW)

An outreach program of the Alice Ferguson Foundation in partnership with the NPS June 13-17. Participants study the ecology of the Potomac watershed and learn to incorporate BTW curricula into their classrooms. The BTW curricula offers opportunity for students to engage in field science methodology with current technological tools. Field and classroom work will take place at Antietam NB, C&O Canal NHP, Harpers Ferry NHP, and Monocacy NB. Participants are eligible for a \$700 stipend upon completion of all requirements. Three hours of graduate credit available from Catholic University (\$300 fee). Visit [www.fergusonfoundation.org](http://www.fergusonfoundation.org) for details and applications.

Watch for information about our upcoming after-school professional development series! Programs will focus on history (fall 2011) and science (spring 2012).



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The history of Harpers Ferry has few parallels in the American drama. It is more than one event, one date, or one individual. It is multi-layered, involving a diverse number of people and events, decisions and actions that influenced the course of our nation's history. Visit Harpers Ferry and step into history.

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