



# Community Bulletin



## 2008 Don Redman Heritage Concert

On Saturday, June 28, 2008, Harpers Ferry National Historical Park will host the Seventh Annual Don Redman Heritage Awards & Concert. This year's event features legendary jazz bassist Jymie Merritt and drummer Jimmy Cobb. The two men will be joined by the Howard Burns Quartet.

Jymie Merritt began his professional career nearly sixty years ago and is one of jazz music's most respected bassist. A classically trained player with a surging style, he is always creative and original. He can be heard on over one hundred jazz albums with jazz luminaries such as Art Blakey, Lee Morgan, Max Roach and Dizzy Gillespie. Today at age 82, Merritt is still actively touring and performing.

Jimmy Cobb is a world renowned drummer. A superb, mostly self-taught musician, Jimmy is the elder statesman of all the incredible Miles Davis' bands. Jimmy's inspirational work with Miles, John Coltrane, and Cannonball Adderly spanned 1957 until 1963, and included the masterpiece "Kind of Blue", the most popular jazz recording in history. In recent years he has also released an outstanding catalog of solo work.

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Presents  
**The 7th Annual  
Don Redman  
Heritage Awards  
& Concert**

Jymie Merritt

*Jazz Legends*  
**Jymie Merritt & Jimmy Cobb**  
Also featuring the *Howard Burns Quartet*

**Saturday, June 28, 2008 @ 6:00 pm**  
Mather Training Center lawn  
Fillmore Street  
Harpers Ferry, West Virginia  
**Free Admission**  
For information and directions  
(304) 535 - 6298



Jimmy Cobb

# National Trails Day

Lace up your hiking boots or just put on a comfortable pair of sneakers and head to Harpers Ferry National Historical Park on Saturday, June 7, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for National Trails Day. Stop in our Trails Day Tents to find out more about our event partners— Appalachian Trail Conservancy (ATC), Potomac Appalachian Trail Conservancy (PATC), The American Chestnut Foundation (TACF) & Harpers Ferry Historic Town Foundation.

If you plan to join one of our hikes, please come prepared with water, insect repellent, sunscreen, and comfortable shoes.

At 1:00 p.m. slide presentation by an American Chestnut restoration biologist will be presented in John Brown Museum Allies for Freedom exhibit.

At 2:30 p.m. Celebration of Chestnut Foundation's 25th Anniversary and A.T. Mega-Transect Partnership at the Appalachian Trail Conservancy's



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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.

Harpers Ferry National Historical Park  
P.O. Box 65  
Harpers Ferry, West Virginia 25425

Visitor Center  
304-535-6029

Harpers Ferry Historical Association Bookshop  
304-525-6881 or 800-821-5206

Harpers Ferry NHP Home Page  
[www.nps.gov/hafe/](http://www.nps.gov/hafe/)

The National Park Service cares for the special places saved by the American people so that all may experience our heritage.

Visitor and Information Center at 799 Washington Street.

## Guided Hikes:

**10:00-12:00 Loudoun Heights Hike—Rating: strenuous. Distance 2.5 miles. Meet at the Park Green.** This short but strenuous hike begins with an introduction to chestnut tree identification in the National Park, crosses the Shenandoah River, and ascends the Appalachian Trail to a couple of trail side chestnut trees.

**11:00-12:00 Virginius Island Walk—Rating: easy. Distance .9 miles. Meet on the Park Green.** Archeological evidence of our park industrial and transportation story can be found along the trail.

**12:00-1:30 Murphy Farm Walk--Rating: moderate. 1.3 miles round trip. Meet at the Cavalier Heights Visitor Center.**

This trail takes you through the gently rolling fields of the Murphy Farm.

**1:00-4:30 Maryland Heights Hike—Rating: strenuous. 4.5 miles round trip. Meet on the Park Green.** Stop along the way at the Civil War Naval Battery, and at the rocky overlook, a favorite view of the town of Harpers Ferry.

**2:00-2:30 Jefferson Rock/ATC Visitor and Information Center Hike--Rating: moderate to strenuous. Distance 1 mile. Meet at the Park Green.**

Take in the view that caused our 3rd President, Thomas Jefferson, to note, the view is worth a voyage across the Atlantic.

**3:00-4:30 Bolivar Heights Walk—Rating: easy to moderate. 1.6 miles round trip. Meet at Cavalier Heights Visitor Center**

**4:00-6:00 Loudoun Heights Hike—Rating: strenuous. Meet at the Appalachian Trail Conservancy Office.**

# June Workshops

## The Art of the Forge

The blacksmith was a crucial member of any 19th century town, plying his trade to keep doors on hinges and wagons in proper working order.

On Saturday and Sunday, June 21st and 22nd, Harpers Ferry National Historical Park will offer aspiring blacksmiths the chance to learn the trade of the armory's skilled laborers. Participants will be allowed to operate the forge, bending and shaping metal. Professional Blacksmith David Dufficy will offer instruction. The two day workshop is limited to 6 students, 18 years of age and older. Cost of \$100.00 covers instruction, coal, and metal for 2 days.

## History 3-D: Harpers Ferry in Depth

When photography first appeared in the 1820s, the world's ability to view itself was forever changed. People could record the world around them as it truly was. Using chemicals and metals, they recorded their likenesses for future generations.

On Saturday, June 28th, and Sunday, June 29th, Harpers Ferry National Historical Park will offer visitors the opportunity to experience history like never before: in 3-D. Participants in the day-long workshop will build their own Holmes Stereoscope and then have the opportunity to use their new tool to see Harpers Ferry's history come to life on a tour of town highlighting historic stereographs (3-D photos) of the parks most important sites. Cost of \$35.00 per family covers photographs and one stereoscope kit. Children under 16 must be with a registered parent. Space is limited to 15 kits per day, one kit per family.

**For more information or to register for either of these workshops, contact the living history offices at (304) 535-6063.**