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**Laura Fisher named Park Interpreter for TPWD at Barrington Farm**

Laura Fisher has been hired as Park Interpreter/Park Ranger I for Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) at [Barrington Living History Farm](http://wheretexasbecametexas.org/about/barrington-living-history-farm/) on the [Washington on the Brazos State Historic Site](http://wheretexasbecametexas.org). This was announced by Catherine Nolte, Superintendent of Republic of Texas Complex (Washington on the Brazos State Historic Site and Fanthorp Inn). At Barrington Living History Farm, interpreters dress, talk, work and farm as the earliest residents of the original farmstead did. The farm offers a steady [schedule](http://wheretexasbecametexas.org/about/barrington-living-history-farm/) of entertaining and interactive events most weekends throughout the year.

Prior to joining TPWD, Fisher served as Village Education Facilitator at Baylor University’s Mayborn Museum Complex. Fisher has been around state parks her entire life including Washington on the Brazos, where she volunteered at Barrington Farm in 2009 and 2016. Her father has managed Fort Parker State Park for 26 years, so her childhood was spent outdoors, experiencing and learning about nature every day. Fisher family vacations included trips to other parks and historic sites.

“My older brother interned at Barrington Farm, and I was intrigued with parks interpretation; it seemed like a great way to share my passion for cultural and natural resources,” says Fisher. “After volunteering at the Farm, I decided it was the perfect career for me, so I studied history and museum studies at Baylor, then worked for two years at its Mayborn Museum. Working at the Barrington Farm and helping visitors experience the past through living history is my dream job.”

A native of Mexia, Texas, Fisher graduated from Baylor University with a Bachelor of Arts in History and minor in Museum Studies.

It was March 2, 1836 when 59 delegates bravely met at Washington, Texas to make a formal declaration of independence from Mexico. Today, [Washington on the Brazos State Historic Site](http://www.wheretexasbecametexas.org) has many onsite amenities open daily, as well as an incredible schedule of events and programs. On the grounds of this 293-acre, TPWD-run state park is [Independence Hall](http://wheretexasbecametexas.org/about/independence-hall/) (the site in 1836 where the representatives met to write the declaration of independence); the [Star of the Republic Museum](http://www.starmuseum.org/) (collections honoring the history, cultures, diversity and values of early Texans); and [Barrington Living History Farm](http://wheretexasbecametexas.org/about/barrington-living-history-farm/).

Washington on the Brazos State Historic Site is found on the Brazos River at the original townsite of Washington, Texas, a major political and commercial center in the early years of Texas. The park is located at 23400 Park Road 12, Washington, TX, 77880—approximately halfway between Brenham and Navasota, off of State Hwy. 105. From Hwy. 105, follow either FM 912 or FM 1155 to Park Road 12. For additional information, call (936) 878-2214 or visit the site’s website at [www.wheretexasbecametexas.org](http://www.wheretexasbecametexas.org).