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CREDENTIALS

American Red Cross Certificate: Adult & Pediatric First Aid/CPR/AED

New York City Sightseeing Guide License

Washington D.C. Tour Guide License

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts Degree Communications Florida Atlantic University, 2000

PASSPORTS

United Kingdom United States

INTERESTS

- Afro-Latin ballroom dance
- Scuba diving & snorkeling
- Gourmet cooking
- Architecture & design
- Oenology

Dionne Ellis

TOUR DIRECTOR & LOCAL GUIDE

TOUR DIRECTOR EXPERIENCE

2014 to present

- Destination America (domestic adult tours)
- EF Explore America (domestic student tours)
- EF Educational Tours Europe (international student/family tours)
- Premier World Discovery (domestic adult tours)
- Hemisphere Educational Travel (domestic student tours)
- Seek Dharma (international adult wellness retreats)
- HAP Alaska (international and domestic adult/family tours)
- EF Go Ahead Tours (domestic adult tours)
- Travelsphere (domestic adult tours)

DESTINATION EXPERIENCE

I have led tours to the following destinations:

International

Canada, England, France, Ireland, Mexico, Scotland, Wales

Northeast US

Boston, Charlottesville, Gettysburg, Jamestown, Lancaster, New York, Philadelphia, Washington D.C., Williamsburg, Virginia Beach, Yorktown

Southern US

Atlanta, Beaufort, Birmingham, Bluffton, Chattanooga, Charleston, Clarksdale, Lynchburg, Memphis, Montgomery, Nashville, Natchez, New Orleans, Savannah, Selma, Tupelo, Tuskegee, Vicksburg

Alaska

Anchorage, Denali, Fairbanks, Kenai, Skagway, Talkeetna

CONTINUING EDUCATION

- An Introduction to Cultural Heritage E-course AU Rome (2023)
 - Scotland & Ireland Destination Training EF ET Europe (2022)
- TD Technology Boot Camp TripSchool (2020)
- Hospitality & Tourism Management Certificate FAU (2020)
- 120-hr TEFL Certificate Learn TEFL (2020)
- Southwest National Parks Destination Training TripSchool (2019)
- STEM Tour Training EF Explore America (2019)

ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Yoga & Mindful Movement Instructor - Freelance (2015-present) Event Coordinator - Light Watkins Meditation (2021-2023) Host & Bartender - Chateau Elan Winery & Resort (2020-2021) Project Manager - Interior Design, London UK (2007-2015)

2024 GUEST FEEDBACK

"Dionne was a spectacular guide. She kept us all clearly informed, responded quickly when needed, was always smiling, cheerful, and she knew her stuff." - Lydia V.

"Super well organized and receptive to our questions and wishes. Easy to talk to, funny, communicates clearly, unflappable ... overall, we would love to request her again for our next trip. So easy to work with!" - Janeen C.

"Dionne was simply excellent! She rolled with the punches and had a great rapport with everyone on the bus and off. I'd travel with her again 'in a NY minute." - Robert W.

"I learned a lot from her, and not just about history and the official tour info. I learned about patience and professionalism and how to keep a large group of people happy. She was professional and clear and caring." - Crystal L.

"Dionne was an excellent tour guide. Very professional and well-prepared. She made several strategically intelligent pivots over the five days that supported our students' experience." - Christopher H.

"I will ALWAYS request Dionne. She is organized, professional, and has a good time with the group." - DawnRae S.