

POSITION:

EXPEDITION COORDINATOR

NATIONALITY:

AMERICAN



AVEN KING

Aven grew up in the foothills of Colorado, United States, with the great wilderness of the Rocky Mountains in her backyard. Raised by Outward Bound instructors, she learned backcountry basics and conservation at an early age.

Aven continued to expand her horizons at Williams College in Massachusetts, where she earned a degree in astrophysics and art history. She spent a summer in Australia where, when diving the Great Barrier Reef, she rediscovered her love for all things ocean-related. After graduating college, Aven headed to Kauai Hawaii to get her PADI Divemaster certification and spend as much time as possible underwater. She found that the pull of the Polar Regions was too great to be ignored and moved to Alaska, to work as a guide in Kenai Fjords National Park and teach marine education.

Today, Aven can often be found drawing and sketching; she has expanded her artistic repertoire to include murals, clothing and fine art. She is delighted to join the Quark Expeditions team for another great season in the Polar Regions, where she can combine her passion for education, marine life, conservation and polar adventure.