



**Co-Founder, EPIC International and EPIC Sint Maarten Foundation Board of Directors, and Program Director
Natalia Collier**



Natalia Collier is the co-founder of EPIC and serves on the Board of Directors for EPIC International and EPIC St. Maarten. She is currently a Program Director, overseeing projects in the Grenadines and St. Maarten, after stepping down from nearly 20 years as Executive Director of EPIC.

She received her Bachelor of Science from Evergreen State College. After working for two years with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Condor Recovery Program, she joined the staff of PRBO Conservation Science (Point Blue) for six years specializing in colonial seabird ecology. Her family's Caribbean-based business gave her the opportunity to grow up visiting various islands in the region. With her growing awareness of environmental issues, she saw an unfilled need for conservation in the Caribbean and in 2000 founded EPIC with her husband Adam Brown.

While her interest in seabirds has continued, including spearheading the first ever Seabird Breeding Atlas of the Lesser Antilles, she also leads wetland and terrestrial research and restoration, environmental education, anti-poaching, and sustainable tourism initiatives. She has established strong collaborative partnerships and managed projects in nearly all the islands of the Lesser Antilles. With over two decades of experience in organization development and management, Natalia ensures budget and project objectives are met while advancing EPIC's conservation goals.

She lives in Northern California with Adam and their two children, travelling to the Caribbean to establish new projects and support field staff.