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## OBJECTIVE

To train dogs and their people to live happily and harmoniously together.

## EXPERIENCE

*Delightful Doggies, LLC*                      January 2012 – present                      Owner/Certified Trainer

- Provide customized in-home dog training to a variety of clients: basic manners and obedience, behavior modification for problem behaviors, and day training options.
- Professional member of the Pet Professional Guild, an organization whose members are committed to results-based, science-based and force-free training and pet care.
- Founding member and administrator of the Colorado Progressive Reinforcement Trainers group, a networking and advocacy group of Colorado-based trainers committed to force-free training.

Previously to owning Delightful Doggies, I worked in a variety of dog daycares and was mentored by several trainers, as well as completed an internship at a veterinary clinic.

## EDUCATION

### *Certifications*

- CPDT-KA (Certified Professional Dog Trainer – Knowledge Assessed), Certification Council of Professional Dog Trainers, September 2014
- TAGteach primary certification, March 2014
- RVA (Registered Veterinary Assistant), Animal Behavior College, January 2013
- ABCDT (ABC Certified Dog Trainer), Animal Behavior College, October 2012

### *Continuing Education*

- March 15, 2017: “TTouch Solution for Your Pet’s Shy, Fearful, or Anxious Behavior” webinar with Kathy Cascade, PCT-A, CA Instructor and EQ Practitioner in TTouch
- March 15, 2017: “The Education of Will: A Window on Comparative Trauma in People and Dogs” CAAB Chat with Patricia McConnell, PhD, CAAB
- February 25 & 26, 2017: “Sniff Across America” nose work event with Sue Sternberg and CNWIs Dana Zinn, Troy Mills and Gale Creek
- February 18, 2017: “Phobia in Dogs – Real Life Case Study Analysis” webinar with Claudia Estanislau, presented by the Pet Professional Guild
- January 27 – 29, 2017: ClickerExpo Portland 2017 live conference presented by the Karen Pryor Academy
- October 8, 2016: “The Canine Emotional Detox – The Missing Link” webinar with Diane Garrod, presented by the Pet Professional Guild

- October 3, 2016: “Non-violence: A Choice for Dog Trainers” webinar with Kathy Sdao, M.A., presented by the Pet Professional Guild
- September 16 – 18, 2016, “The Enriched Puppy,” “Maddening to Maturity: Understanding the Adolescent Dog,” and “Drives, Brakes & Steering: Understanding & Modulating Arousal,” Suzanne Clothier
- August 26, 2016, “Home Alone Training: Necessity not Luxury” webinar with Kate Mallatratt, presented by the Pet Professional Guild
- July 24, 2016, “Dog Play and Socialization,” Pia Silvani, CDPT-KA, CCBC
- June 5, 2016, “Tricks Workshop,” Nando Brown
- March 7, 2016, “Understanding Service Dog Laws,” Barbara Henry
- February 18, 2016: “Nothing Stays the Same—Or Does It?” CAAB Chat with Kathy Sdao, MA
- December 6, 2015: “From Dolphins to Dogs” webinar with Ken Ramirez, presented by the Society of Veterinary Behavior Technicians
- August 11, 2015: “Animal Behavior for Shelters” ASCPA Pro webinar
- July 18 & 19, 2015: “Dog-Dog Group Dynamics: Healthy Interactions vs. Aggression,” Sue Sternberg
- June 27 & 28, 2015: “K9 Nose Work Shelter Workshop” and “The Fifth Element Workshop,” Jill Marie O’Brien, CPDT-KA, CNWI
- April 17 & 18, 2015: “New Concepts for the Treatment of Dog Aggression: Fighting, and Barking up the Wrong Tree – For 110 Years?” Dr. Ian Dunbar
- March 28 & 29, 2015: “A Weekend with Ken Ramirez,” Ken Ramirez
- October 15, 2014: “Living and Learning with Animals,” Dr. Susan Friedman
- August 23 & 24, 2014: “The Building Blocks to Advanced Dog Training and Companionship,” Emily Larlham
- July 18 & 19, 2014: “How Dogs Think and Learn,” “Basic/Advanced Clicker,” “Teaching Clicker Classes,” and “The Shape of Things to Come,” Pat Miller, CPDT-KA
- July 9, 2014: “Training Deaf and/or Blind Dogs,” Jules Nye, KPA-CPT
- July 7, 2014: “Treating Separation Anxiety” and “Treating Leash Aggression,” Sue Brown/Fetchmasters
- August 10 & 11, 2013: “Helping Fearful Dogs” and “Two Timely Topics: Separation Anxiety and Dog-Dog Play,” Nicole Wilde, CPDT-KA
- June 29 & 30, “Coaching the Canine Athlete,” Chris Zink, DVM, PhD, ACVP
- May 18, 2013, “Dog-Dog Aggression,” Trish King, CPDT-KA, CDBC
- February, 2013, “The Art of Selling and Teaching Private Lessons,” “Training Shelter Dogs,” and “Pet Sitting and Dog Walking,” Animal Behavior College online