

Private Trainer Referral List

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If you are unsure whether you need a trainer or a behaviorist, please watch this video to help you decide.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pOeXaAlnzeA>

SAN FRANCISCO

Name: Amelia Lindbergh

Credentials: CTBC - Dog Training Internship Academy, Graduate of SF SPCA Volunteer Internship Program

Business Name: All Ears

Website: www.AllEarsSF.com

Phone: (914) 329-0779

Email: AllEarsSF@gmail.com

Serving Area: San Francisco and the East Bay

Specialization(s): Puppies, adolescent dogs, socialization, basic manners, reactivity, fear, recall, loose leash walking, jumping, handling (grooming/vet handling comfort training), muzzle training.

Services offered in addition to training: How to prepare for your new dog/puppy consultation, private training walks

Name: Alisha Ardiana

Credentials: BS/Biology, RVT, CTBC

Business Name: empawthy

Website: www.empawthy.com

Phone: 415-948-5945

Email: alisha.j.ardiana@gmail.com

Service Area: San Francisco

Specialization: Puppies, basic manners, recall, reactivity, fear/shyness

Doesn't handle: Separation anxiety

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Name: Althea Karwowski

Credentials: CPDT – KA, Graduate of SF SPCA Volunteer Internship Program, Bravery Class and Shy Dog Seminar Instructor at SF SPCA 2014-2019

Business Name: Sit Stay SF

Website: www.sitstaysf.com **Email:** info@sitstaysf.com

Serving Area: San Francisco, Online to Bay Area and more

Specialization(s): Environmental Fears, People Fears, General Fear and Anxiety, Reactivity onleash (barking, lunging), Basics: sit/stay/down/recall/leave-it, Jumpy/Mouthy/Impulse Control, Loose Leash Walking, Recall, Handling, Equipment (muzzle, head halter, harness), Enrichment and Confidence Building

Name: Corinne Dowling

Credentials: Certified in Training and Counselling, Academy of Dog Trainers, SF/SPCA; Certified at Canine Behavior Academy. Marin Humane Society; Premium professional member, Association of Dog Trainers

Business Name: On Cue K9 Training

Website: oncuek9.com

Phone: 415.305.1630

Email: gibsongirl48@gmail.com

Service Area: San Francisco

Specialization: One-on-one training, coaching, socialization, and outings for those dogs who find other dogs, people, or even their world challenging, shy/fearful dogs, and reactivity. (puppies, adolescents, adults)

Doesn't handle: Dog to people aggression, Separation Anxiety

Name: David Sternberg

Credentials: Graduate of the SF SPCA Volunteer Internship Program, Dog*Tech Pet First Aid & CPR certified

Phone: (415) 244-9147

Email: dsconcepts@ymail.com

Serving Area: San Francisco

Specializations: Basics; sit/down/stay/recall etc., manners, impulse control, confidence, settling in home, jumpy/mouthy, pulling on leash, reactivity to other dogs or objects, dog introductions to other dogs or environments, puppy training, dogs living with children, pre-baby training, shy and fearful dog services.

Services offered in addition to training: Private training consultations and individual training walks.

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Name: Dominika Knossalla-Pado

Credentials: MA, CTC - Graduate SFSPCA Dog Training Academy, AKC CGC/STAR Puppy Licensed Evaluator, Certified K9 Nose Work Instructor

Business Name: Dog Meets Baby LLC

Website: <https://www.dogmeetsbaby.expert/>

Social media:

IG: https://www.instagram.com/dogmeets_baby/

YT: <https://bit.ly/dogmeetsbaby>

FB: <https://www.facebook.com/DogMeetsBabyByDominika>

E-mail: hello@dogmeetsbaby.expert

Serving Area: San Francisco

Specializing Behaviors: Pre-baby training for expecting and adopting parents, Life with infants, toddler and dogs; Child and dog safety, Dog-children aggression (No level 5 bites, Ian Dunbar's scale). Puppy Training, Dog Manners, Jumpiness/Mouthiness, Housetraining, Pulling on Leash, Impulse Control, Recall, Fear, Shyness/Socialization, Leash Reactivity.

Services offered in addition to training: Online courses

Doesn't handle: Separation Anxiety, Resource Guarding cases, Dog-Dog Aggression

Name: Erika Slovikoski

Credentials: CPDT – KA

Business Name: Star Dog SF

Website: www.stardogsf.com

Phone: (415) 513-2405

Email: erikaskidog@gmail.com

Serving Area: San Francisco

Specialization(s): dog-dog aggression, reactivity, rude/jumpy/mouthy dogs, impulse control

Services offered in addition to training: individual walks, group classes

Doesn't handle: Human aggression, separation anxiety

Name: Joan Mapou

Credentials: CTC, CC @ SF SPCA Dog Training Academy

Continuing Education completed: Clicker Expo by Karen Pryor Academy, Art and Science of Animal Training Conference at University of North Texas, Shedd Aquarium Animal Training Course by Ken Ramirez

Business Name: Joan 4 Pets

Website: www.joan4pets.com

Phone: 415-254-2190 (cell)

Email: joan@joan4pets.com

Serving Area: San Francisco

Specialization(s): Basic Training, puppy training, mild separation anxiety. Basic training includes: come, sit, down, stay, watch, leave it, drop it, loose leash/heel walking, as well as addressing jumping up, barking, and leash reactivity

Services offered in addition to training: Pet sitting (animal's home) and private walks

Doesn't handle: Dog or people aggression

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Name: Lindsay Dellas

Credentials: CPDT-KA, CTBC - Dog Training Internship Academy, Dog*Tec, KP Puppy Start Right, Pet First Aid & CPR certified

Business Name: Good Dog Happy Dog

Website: www.gooddoghappy.dog

Phone: 415-823-1446

Email: woof@gooddoghappy.dog

Serving Area: San Francisco

Specialization(s): Puppy Training, Reactivity, Basic Manners, fear/anxiety

Services offered in addition to training: Day training, owner coaching, training walks

Doesn't handle: Separation anxiety, human aggression with bite history

Name: Paula Benton

Credentials: CPDT-KA, KPA, CBATI

Business Name: Paula Benton Dog Training

Website: www.paulabentondogtraining.com

Phone: 415-525-9528

Email: paulabentonsemail@gmail.com

Serving Area: San Francisco

Specialization(s): Sensitive Dogs, Over-Reactive/Aggressive Dogs, & Mobility Assistance Dog Training

Services offered in addition to training: Kids Summer Camp, VET SOS Partner, Behavior Assessments

Name: Shelley Leong

Credentials: CTC Honors Graduate - Academy for Dog Trainers, SA Pro Trainer, Professional Member APDT & PPG

Business Name: Bright Lights Dog Training

Website: www.brightlightsdogtraining.com

Phone: (415) 706-4401 (email preferred)

Email: info@brightlightsdogtraining.com

Serving Area: San Francisco

Specialization(s): Puppy Training, Jumping/ Mouthing, Teenagers, Shy or fearful dogs, Stranger aggression- small to medium sized dogs, Environmental fears, Body handling, Obedience training, Potty training.

Services offered in addition to training: 1-1 day training for busy owners, In home private coaching.

Doesn't handle: Dog-dog aggression/Reactivity as primary issue.

Name: Shoshi Parks, Ph.D., CPDT-KA

Credentials: Certified Professional Dog Trainer-Knowledge Assessed (CPDT-KA), Certified Separation Anxiety Trainer (CSAT), Graduate of SF SPCA Dog Training Internship, Pet First Aid Certified

Business Name: Modern Hound Dog Care & Training

Website: www.modernhoundsf.com, www.modernhound-siliconvalley.com

Phone: 415-562-7196 **Email:** modernhound@gmail.com

Serving area: San Francisco, Peninsula, South Bay/Silicon Valley, East Bay

Specialization(s): Separation Anxiety (isolation distress)

Services offered in addition to training: N/A

Doesn't handle: Aggression, reactivity, basic obedience

Name: Shura Kelly

Credentials: Certificate in Training & Counseling from the Academy for Dog Trainers

Business Name: Bark to Basics

Website: www.bark-to-basics.com

Phone: (415) 387-7877

Email: shura@bark-to-basics.com

Serving Area: San Francisco

Specializing Behaviors: Doesn't handle

Services offered in addition to training: small dog (under 20 lbs) walks and day care

Name: Stacey Campbell

Credentials: CTC – Graduate of SF SPCA Dog Training Academy 2006, SF SPCA Internship certificate specializing in dog-dog aggression

Business Name: Go Fetch Dog Training

Website: www.gofetchdogtraining.com (Private training)

Email: Stacey@gofetchdogtraining.com

Website: <https://goldengatedogsports.com/> (Agility/dog sport classes)

Email: Stacey@ggdogsports.com

Phone: N/A

Serving Area: San Francisco (Sunset, West Portal, Noe Valley, Bernal, Mission, Dog Patch) and the Peninsula (Pacifica, South of SF down to Woodside)

Specialization(s): Basic puppy/dog training, dog/human reactivity/aggression, multi dog household problems, dog/baby prep, sport dog training

Services offered in addition to training: private training/group classes

Name: Susie Garcia

Credentials: Graduate of SF SPCA Volunteer Internship Program, Professional Certified Dog Walker through Dog Biz Success Dog Walking Academy, and Pet CPR and First Aid Certified

Business Name: Teeny Dogs

Service Area: San Francisco

Website: www.teenydogs.com

Phone: (415)806-2999

Email: teenydogssf@yahoo.com;

Specialization(s): Small Dog: On leash Reactivity (Barking, Lunging), Basics: sit/downs/stay, recall,

Shy Dog: Confidence building, Coaching Owners

Doesn't Handle: Separation Anxiety, Dog-Dog Aggression of Leash, nor People Aggression

Services offered in addition to training: Dog Boarding, Dog walking for dogs under 18lbs

Service Areas for Dog walking: Noe Valley, Inner/Outer Sunset, Twin Peaks, Cole Valley

Name: Quin Longino

Credentials: CPDT-KA, CCDT

Business Name: Pup Professor

Website: www.pupprofessor.com

Phone: 9106191554

Email: quin@pupprofessor.com

Service Area: San Francisco

Specializations: Basic Obedience, Puppy Manners, Leash Reactivity, Fear/Shyness, CGC Training & Evaluations

Services offered in addition to training: N/A

Doesn't handle: Off-leash dog-dog aggression, Human aggression with bite history

EAST BAY

Name: Aaron Teixeira

Credentials: MS (in companion animal science), CPDT-KA

Business Name: Teixeira Training

Website: www.TeixeiraTraining.com

Phone: 510-930-2710

Email: info@teixeiratraining.com

Serving Area: San Francisco, Oakland, Berkeley, San Leandro, Piedmont, and flexibility for other cities

Specialization(s): Puppy Training, Basic obedience, Problem behaviors

Services offered in addition to training: Behavior consultation

Name: Kiem Sie

Credentials: CPDT-KA, SA Pro Trainer <https://www.subthresholdtraining.com/find-a-trainer/>

Business Name: Kiem Sie

Website: <https://www.kiemsie.com/>

Phone: 510.982.6707

Email: kiem.sie@gmail.com

Service Area: Virtual and Berkeley, Oakland, El Cerrito, Albany, Kensington

Specialization: Shy/fearful, fear aggression, SA/separation related behaviors

Name: Tania Lanfer

Credentials: Graduate of SF SPCA Volunteer Internship Program, Graduate of Canine Behavior Academy, certified in Pet Tech Pet First Aid, Member of the APDT.

Business Name: Cannon Dog Training

Website: www.cannondogtraining.com

Serving Area: Oakland, Berkeley, Online sessions

Specialization(s): Basic Obedience, Shy and fearful dogs, Impulse control, Rambunctious/Jumpy/Mouthy, Puppy socialization and obedience, Leash reactivity, Handling issues. I also specialize in dogs and babies and families with new dogs.

Services offered in addition to training: Tutoring program: long term training. This is a program where I take your dog twice a week for training sessions for a few months. The stability of regular training is very beneficial for dogs needing behavior work or learning obedience in the real world .

Doesn't handle: Off-Leash Dog-Dog Aggression

Name: Lea Orloski

Credentials: Certified Professional Dog Trainer-Knowledge Assessed (CPDT-KA), Certificate in Training and Behavior Consultation (CTBC) from the Dog Training Internship Academy, Member of the Pet Professional Guild, Canine Good Citizen Evaluator

Business Name: Canine Centric

Website: www.caninecentric.net

Phone: (510) 706-5877

Email: Caninecentric@gmail.com

Serving Area: Martinez, Richmond, El Cerrito, Albany, Berkeley, Oakland, Orinda

Specialization(s): Puppy training, board and train program for puppies 12wks-6mo, basic obedience, leash reactivity (Dogs and People)

Services offered in addition to training: N/A

Doesn't handle: Separation anxiety, dog-dog off leash aggression

PENNINSULA/SOUTH BAY

Name: M. Cecilia Sternzon

Credentials: CPDT-KA, MBA

Business Name: Canine Higher Learning

Website: www.CanineHigherLearning.com

Email: caninehigherlearning@gmail.com

Serving Area: South Bay area including San Jose, Milpitas, and south to Gilroy.

Services offered in addition to training: Behavior Evaluations/Assessments; Child-Dog Safety seminars

Name: Stacy Braslau-Schneck

Credentials: MA CPDT-KA CBCC-KA CAP2

Business Name: Stacy's Wag'N'Train

Website: www.wagntrain.com **Email:** stacy@wagntrain.com

Serving area: San Jose, Santa Clara County, Palo Alto

Specialization(s): Basic training, shy/fearful dogs, leash-reactivity and dog-dog or dog-human aggression, hyper/impulse control issues, family dogs, preparing the dog for the new baby **Services offered in addition to training:** Private lessons, owner coaching or day training

Does not handle: separation anxiety

Name: Wendy Hilton

Credentials: BA, MBA, Canine Good Citizen, World Cynosport Rally Judge, Virtual Training

Business Name: Just Rewards, LLC

Website: www.justrewardsk9.com

Phone: (650) 302-1862

Email: wendy@justrewardsk9.com

Serving Area: Peninsula (South SF to Menlo Park) and Coast (Pacifica to Half Moon Bay)

Specialization(s): Puppy Training, Basic Training, Adolescent Dog classes, Intermediate and Advanced level classes, Rowdy Rover classes for leash reactive dogs, Reliable Recall, Shy/fearful dogs, High Energy sporting dogs, Rally Obedience

Doesn't Handle: Stranger Aggression, Separation Anxiety

Name: Zane Brown

Credentials: CCDT (Catch Canine Trainers Academy Certified Dog Trainer), Licensed Family Paws Parent Educator.

Website: www.zanebrowntraining.com

Phone: 650-260-3240

Email: info@zanebrowntraining.com

Service Area: Atherton and immediate surrounding areas.

Specialization: Dog and baby/toddler dynamics.

Doesn't handle: aggression, reactivity, and separation anxiety.

NORTH BAY

Name: Kirsten Wojcik

Credentials: CCBC (Certified Canine Behavior Consultant) through Trish King's private mentorship program, Graduate of Michael Shikashio's Masters in Aggression Program, Certified Trick Dog Trainer through DMWYD

Soon to be certified Family Dog Mediation Specialist through Kim Brophy's program

Business Name: KW Happy Dogs

Website: www.kwhappydogs.com

Phone: 415-847-6919

Email: kwhappydogs@gmail.com

Service Area: Marin County

Specialization: Aggression and Reactivity

Doesn't handle: Separation Anxiety

Name: Mary Stompe

Credentials: KPA CTP

Business Name: Mary's Angels Dog Training

Website: www.marysangelsdogtraining.com

Phone: 415-301-0394

Email: marysangeldogs@gmail.com

Serving Area: San Anselmo, San Rafael, Novato, Petaluma

Specialization(s): Fear and anxiety, husbandry and vet visit preparation, basic obedience, puppies, newly adopted dogs, first-time owners

Services offered in addition to training: None currently

Name: Yuching Desch

Credentials: CPDT-KA, CTDI, CNWI, SDC

Business Name: K9 Learning

Website: www.k9learning.com

Phone: 415-265-2539

Email: yuching@k9learning.com

Serving Area: Marin County / Other areas via virtual Zoom sessions

Specialization(s): Helping fear-aggressive dogs build confidence; tricks, basic obedience, nosework

Services offered in addition to training: Behavior consultation, service dog coaching