



Introducing...

Trish McMillan Loehr is a certified professional dog trainer and certified dog behaviour counselor, and holds a Master's degree in Animal Behaviour.

Trish has managed dog daycares, worked with shelters and rescue groups, taught classes, and trained dogs, cats, and horses. During her seven years with the ASPCA, Trish was director of the animal behaviour department at the ASPCA's New York City shelter, helped assess and rehabilitate animals from cruelty, hoarding, and dogfighting cases. She also helped create and present several popular webinars on dog and cat behaviour and handling.

She now owns Loehr Animal Behavior in North Carolina.



Impulse Control: Sheltering the hard-to-shelter dog

How can we help those dogs who don't present well in kennels? The fingerpainters, the wall-bouncers, the leash-grabbers, the overly exuberant greeters? Teaching impulse control is the cornerstone of helping these dogs show their wonderful side to adopters! Sometimes it requires a little "out-of-the-box" thinking.

Litter Box Problems: Shelter help and adopter support

What can we do when cats are surrendered to the shelter with known litter box issues? How can we tell litter box aversion or urine marking apart from easily-resolved issues with the home environment? How can we help these cats be successful in their new homes? Getting a detailed history at intake and having good resources for adopters are key in helping cats have success in their new homes.

The Hand That Feeds You: Working with resource guarding in shelter dogs

Research shows that at least 50% of dogs who growl or bite over food bowl tests on shelter behavior assessments do not display this behaviour in the home. Is your shelter assessing these dogs accurately? Can they be rehabilitated? Is it a different issue if the dogs guard other items as well as food? Learn what you can do to help shelter dogs who show this very common behaviour problem.