

Dogs have deliberate, subtle, and often humorous ways of expressing themselves. *Canine Behavior: A Photo Illustrated Handbook*, includes 1000 images of dogs, wolves, coyotes, and foxes. This book was created for everyone interested in dogs – pet owners, trainers, veterinarians, ethologists and behaviorists. Using the interdisciplinary language of photography, Barbara Handelman illustrates and explains canine behavior and communication. This book establishes a common understanding and vocabulary for people interested in working with dogs.

“This book compares the behavior inventory – ethogram – of the wolf (*Canis lupus*) with the behavior patterns and expressions of various breeds of dogs. Since the wolf is now recognized as the ancestor of our dogs, this comparison is very meaningful. The impression is that while the various breeds of dogs have their own characteristics, the basic motor patterns are the same as those of wolves. The Ethogram based on our wolves at WOLF PARK, is an expansion of one originally prepared by Erik Zimen based on the European wolf. What this photo-illustrated handbook does is to provide a common language to dog people when they talk about the behavior of their dogs. All dog owners, breeders and trainers will find this unique book a very useful addition to their library.”

– **Erich Klinghammer, Ph.D.**, Eckhard H Hess Institute of Ethology, Wolf Park, Battle Ground, IN

“For the serious student of canine body language, Barbara Handelman’s marvelous compilation of photos offers a detailed look at the many subtle and not so subtle ways that dogs speak dog. This book features the work of some talented photographers capturing a wide variety of dogs behaving – well, like dogs! A worthwhile addition to any dog professional’s library.”

– **Suzanne Clothier**, Lecturer, Trainer and author of *Bones Would Rain from the Sky: Deepening Our Relationships With Dogs*



Barbara Handelman

This book grew out of Barbara Handelman’s close relationships with her dogs – Moon, Luca, and Pan – who fill her days with opportunities to observe the fascinating variety of canine behavior.

She has been a Clinical Mental Health Counselor for forty years. Early in her career, her work focused on relationship therapy with non-verbal children. In that context, Handelman became a careful observer of human body language. Studying the ways dogs use their bodies to communicate became a natural extension of her work with children. She is now a Certified Dog Behavior Consultant specializing in training assistance dogs for people with disabilities. For the last twenty years Handelman has had a second career as a professional photographer, using her camera to capture the moods and movements of people, horses, and dogs.

With this book Handelman offer readers, devoted to dogs, a colorful tapestry of interwoven words and woofs.



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