

PIT ED CAMP *Do You Speak Pit Bull?*

Join this week long breed intensive for animal care professionals



Pit Ed Camp is convenient to the Oakland International Airport and affordable lodging. Fee \$500 per participant for six days of hands-on training and materials. Scholarships are available to approved applicants for all or part of Camp.

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PARTNERS IN SHELTER SERVICES PRESENTS

We offer a busy, six day breed intensive designed to help animal care workers gain a deeper understanding of breed traits through practical, hands-on work with sheltered American Pit Bull Terriers and their mixes. Day long workshops are held in BAD RAP's home shelter, open admission Oakland Animal Services, and around the SF bay area. Participants select, assess and train a variety of dogs under the expert guidance of BAD RAP founders.

- Temperament and behavior assessments within public shelter settings around the SF bay area.
- Understanding common breed traits.
- Dog tolerance levels and socializing. Reading body language and monitoring play styles.
- When is it a Pit bull; When is it something else?
- Working with drive: Important rile/recovery work.
- Ways to reduce kennel stress and keep long-termers happy.
- Training exercises, tips and tools for working with energetic dogs.
- The ins and outs of creating an Ambassador Program in your shelter and Public Outreach programs that work.
- Getting started: Attracting volunteer support and responsible homes, avoiding liability, educating adopters for long term success.
- Pit Ed Class! Camp attendees will join BAD RAP's award winning class and take sheltered dogs through the program.

"I was continually impressed with Tim and Donna and their ability to communicate to shelter staff where we might find openings for including pits in our programs and well as how to properly provide for them while in our care. Personally, I took back to our shelter clarity with regard to evaluating pit bulls as well as teaching rile recovery and all its components. I was awed by the number of pit bulls and their owners who came to the Saturday Pit Ed class. The class is taught with upbeat, clear and positive feedback so that owners walk away feeling good about their dogs and also have concrete ideas of how to work their dogs to further their obedience training. I am continuing to share information gleaned from this week with many of our staff and volunteers."

- Sarah Clusman, Behavior and Training Department, Longmont Humane Society CO

