

# ANNIE SILVA

## DOG TRAINER AND BEHAVIOURIST

### PROFILE

- Dog Behaviourist and Trainer, certified nationally through the National Dog Training Foundation.
- Worked with thousands of dogs and have continued my learning and understanding of dog behaviour by attending internationally and nationally registered dog training courses across Australia, America and Europe.
- I am also a qualified primary and high school teacher, chaplain and pastor and have my Masters in community growth and international development.
- It is my hope that together we can deepen your relationship with your furry friend, curb any unwanted behaviours, and strive for a world where every dog and owner finds peace, joy and love in one another's presence.



### CONTACT



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Annie's Dogs: Therapy Dog Training



3 Days and a New Dog: Training



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### SERVICES OFFERED

#### EMAIL CONSULTATIONS | FROM \$50

- Designed for dogs who have behaviours their owners wish to stop/modify/change.
- Includes: Email correspondence where you complete a form detailing the issue, send a video/photo of the behaviour; and I provide a written assessment, and written feedback to help change/explain the behaviour. Multiple behaviours \*may\* incur additional charges depending on their uniqueness which will impact the level of time required to address them. Likewise, follow up feedback \*may\* incur additional charges, again depending on the level of time required to provide new advice.

#### PRIVATE FACE TO FACE CONSULTATIONS | FROM \$150

- Designed for dogs who have behaviours their owners wish to stop/modify/change.
- Includes: One visit to your home/place of residence to assess your dog in its own environment, a verbal assessment of the behaviour shown, and follow up written feedback to help change/explain the behaviour. Multiple behaviours may incur additional charges depending on the level of time required to address them (i.e. their complexity). Follow up feedback \*may\* incur additional charges depending on the level of time required to provide new advice. Additional face to face visits will incur additional charges.

#### GROUP OBEDIENCE CLASSES | \$660

- Designed for dogs 5 months old or older (no maximum age). Dogs need to be non-aggressive toward people and dogs. Course is 3 days.
- Includes: Dogs learning to walk on a loose lead, listen to their owners in all environments; develop impulse control; create a language which your dog and you can communicate in all settings; stop unwanted behaviours such as jumping, nuisance barking, excessive excitement in meeting people etc. The training does not use food, as many times food creates inconsistent obedience. Instead, I use the tone of your voice, your relationship with your dog, and pats and love as positive reinforcers.

### CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL DOG TRAINING  
FOUNDATION | AUSTRALIA  
April 2022

TRUST TECHNIQUE | EUROPE  
March 2023

DOG PSYCHOLOGY | AMERICA  
February 2023

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION  
Avondale University | NSW  
Dux of Avondale University 2013  
Dux of Education Course 2013

GRADUATE DIPLOMA OF MINISTRY,  
THEOLOGY AND CHAPLAINCY  
Avondale University | NSW  
Graduated with Distinction | 2020

MASTER OF INTERNATIONAL AND  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT with a  
minor in Circus Programmes in  
Education settings  
Deakin University | VIC  
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### SERVICES CONTINUED

#### PUPPY SCHOOL | \$40 PER SESSION

- Designed for puppies 4 months and younger, having had their first vaccination. 3 sessions.
- Includes: Puppy education, socialisation, and trick training with the use of food. Education occurs on a wide range of topics, including crate training, socialisation, health, food, water, exercise needs, common puppy behavioural problems i.e. resource guarding, humping, jumping, biting, stealing clothes off the washing line, toilet training, digging, and more. Socialisation includes socialisation with other puppies, dogs, chooks, humans, sights, sounds, and more. Trick training includes: spin, weave between the legs, look at me, touch that, speak, sit, recall, and more.

#### THERAPY DOG CERTIFICATION AND TRAINING | \$2000

- Designed for dogs 5 months and older who love people, and have an owner who wishes to take their dog into care settings (i.e. schools, nursing homes, hospitals, community centers, court, libraries, counselling clinics etc) to bring joy and love to those there. Course is 5 days in length.
- Includes: Obedience training to therapy dog standards, information on therapy dog rights, rules, responsibilities, duty of care, legal requirements, research, benefits, advice on how to use a therapy dog and more. As well as assessment, certification and therapy dog identification.

#### ASSISTANCE DOG CERTIFICATION AND TRAINING | \$2500 + \$700 assessment costs

- Designed for dogs 5 months and older with an owner who requires them to perform certain tasks that can help them with a diagnosed condition i.e. a mobility impairment dog that can bring their owner a possession; a psych dog that can bring their owner back to the present.
- Prior requirement before enrolling: Completion of Annie's Dogs 3 day obedience course.

#### REACTIVITY AND AGGRESSION TRAINING | \$175

- Designed for dogs that are reactive or aggressive toward other dogs, situations, people, or stimuli.
- Includes: A video series of activities that are designed for you to follow at your own pace with your animal, as well as a written guide to follow. It also includes one free face to face consult with your dog. Additional face to face one hour consultations incur additional charges. Consultations are not required to complete the course, as you have access to the video series.



### EXPERTISE

- Therapy dog certification and training
- Obedience training
- Trick training
- Puppy school facilitation
- Assistance dog certification and training
- Reactivity and aggression guidance
- Dog body language
- Mental Health and Wellbeing
- Whole Class / Small Group Instruction

### DOG-RELATED WORK EXPERIENCE

Aside from the weekly training of dogs I have conducted since 2018 for obedience, therapy dogs, assistance dogs, puppy school and more, the following are places I have worked independent of my training to bring joy and love with Pauley my therapy dog.

Primary school classrooms | 2016-2022

High school classrooms | 2016-2018, 2023

Nursing homes | 2016, 2018, 2020

Hospitals | 2016-2018

Community centers | 2017

Wellbeing coordinator - schools | 2016-2022