



## 2009 Cool Cats and Doggie Divas America's Next Dog Model Application

Thank you for your interest in competing in the **Valley Animal Center's Next Dog Model Competition** at our 2009 Cool Cats and Doggie Divas event to be held at Grand Occasions of Fresno on July 11, 2009! This packet will provide you with all of the information about the event, the application process, and how your dog can be crowned America's Next Dog Model!

### What is the Valley Animal Center?

The Valley Animal Center is a no-kill shelter for dogs and cats, providing homeless animals a second chance at finding their forever home in our separate dog and cat adoption centers. The Valley Animal Center also operates a low-cost spay, neuter, and vaccination clinic, as we believe the answer to the pet overpopulation crisis in the Central Valley is spaying, neutering, and educating, not euthanasia. We are a privately-funded organization, and receive no government funding to support our efforts. Donations from the community and fundraisers like Cool Cats and Doggie Divas are critical to providing the services we offer to Valley residents.

### What is Cool Cats and Doggie Divas?

Cool Cats and Doggie Divas is an annual fundraiser for the Valley Animal Center. Guests are treated to a gourmet dinner, live and silent auctions, and of course, our ever-popular canine fashion show featuring the latest in canine couture. Tickets to the event will go on sale sometime in May of 2009.

### How Can My Dog Become a Model in the Show?

Anyone is welcome to apply to walk their dog in the show by completing the attached application. Applicants will be reviewed by a panel of judges, and the models who will be able to best support and represent the Valley Animal Center will be chosen for the show. ***As this event is a fundraiser for the dogs and cats in our shelter, we ask that all models commit to collecting pledges from friends, family members, and coworkers.*** If you and your canine companion are willing to fundraise \$250 (or more!), you are eligible to participate.

### How Can My Dog Win and Become America's Next Dog Model?

It's easy! Apply to be in the show, and if you are selected – get fundraising! **The canine model that collects the most pledges for the shelter will be crowned America's Next Dog Model!** And – recruit your friends to attend the show and watch your mutt strut down the runway! **The pooch with the biggest posse will be awarded the "Mr./Ms. Congeniality Award" onstage at the event!**

Think your dog has got what it takes? We do, too! **Complete the attached application**, and mail it to: Valley Animal Center, Attention: Brittnee Maxfield, 3934 N. Hayston Ave., Fresno, CA 93726 – or fax it to 559-233-3722. Models will be notified by June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009.



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## Application Form

Mail completed application with picture of CANINE MODEL to: Valley Animal Center,  
Attention: Brittnee Maxfield, 3934 N. Hayston Ave., Fresno, CA 93726 – or fax it to 559-  
233-3722.

### Applications Due by June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009!

Applications received after the due date will not be accepted.

Human Model's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Canine Model's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### Model Biographies

Human Model's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Company (or school if student): \_\_\_\_\_

Hobbies: \_\_\_\_\_

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Fun Facts: \_\_\_\_\_

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Canine Model's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Was I adopted? \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

If YES, did I come from the Valley Animal Center? \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO



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Special Talents: \_\_\_\_\_

*Canine Model Biography Cont.*

Hobbies: \_\_\_\_\_

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Fun Facts: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Question and Answer Portion

Why do you and your canine companion want to support the Valley Animal Center?

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What creative ways will your canine companion fundraise for the Valley Animal Center to become American's Next Dog Model?

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Why should your canine model be picked to be in the show?

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## Application Agreement and Signature Page

### Terms and Conditions:

1. My services to Valley Animal Center (VAC) are provided strictly in a voluntary capacity as a Volunteer, and without any express or implied promise of salary, compensation, or other payment of any kind whatsoever.
2. My services are furnished without any employment-type benefits, including employment insurance programs, worker's compensation accrual in any form, vacations or sick time.
3. I will familiarize myself and comply with VAC policies and procedures applicable to volunteers. In particular, I fully understand that Valley Animal Center expects high standards of moral and ethical treatment of the animals under its care. I will adhere strictly to these standards in my capacity as a volunteer.
4. I understand that VAC, without notice or hearing, may terminate my services as a volunteer at any time, with or without reason.
5. *I commit to fundraising \$250 or more for the Valley Animal Center if chosen to be in the show.*

### Release:

1. I understand that the handling of animals and other activities on behalf of Valley Animal Center may place me in a hazardous situation and could result in injury to me or my personal property. On behalf of myself, and my heirs, personal representatives and assigns, I hereby release, discharge, indemnify and hold harmless Valley Animal Center and its directors, officers, employees, and agents from any and all claims, causes of action and demands of any nature, whether known or unknown, arising out of or in connection with my volunteer activities on behalf of Valley Animal Center.
2. Understanding that public relations are an important part of a volunteer's activities on behalf of Valley Animal Center, I hereby authorize VAC to use any photographs of me in its possession for public relations purposes. I ask that Valley Animal Center use reasonable efforts to give me advance notice of any such use, but such notification is not a condition to release photographs for public relations purposes.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### If Model is Under 18 - Parent Waiver Below Must Be Completed By Legal Guardian

As a parent or legal guardian of the above named volunteer, I here by give my consent to allow him/her to volunteer services for the Valley Animal Center described within the volunteer application. I acknowledge that I have read and fully understand the terms and conditions of the foregoing volunteer agreement and that I will comply with the same.

Name of Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_