The relationship between man and dog goes back ages. The wide variety of breeds that we have today is a result of man’s need and desire for a helper. Over the centuries we have needed a hunter, a guardian, a herder and a companion. All have been found in the dog.

Over the course of its history, the AKC Museum of the Dog has built one of the world’s largest collections of fine art and artifacts devoted to the dog, over 1,700 original paintings, drawings, watercolors, prints, sculptures, bronzes, and porcelain figurines, and a variety of decorative arts objects depicting man’s best friend. Included is an extensive library of dog-related reference materials, including books, photographs, and publications. The Museum of the Dog celebrates the importance of the human-canine relationship represented throughout history.

After 30 years in St. Louis, Missouri, the AKC Museum of the Dog packed up and moved back to its original home of NYC, where it can flourish alongside the American Kennel Club headquarters.

Our Mission:
The AKC Museum of the Dog preserves, interprets and celebrates the role of dogs in society and educates the public about the human-canine bond through its collection of art and exhibits that inspire engagement with dogs.

Grand Opening in New York City in February 2019
How to support

The return of the collection to New York City presents the Museum of the Dog with the perfect moment to reimagine itself. World-renowned for its art and museum culture — and well-known for its love of dogs — New York City is the perfect location for a specialized museum like the Museum of the Dog. Just steps from Grand Central, the Museum is poised to expand its reach exponentially. Tens of thousands more visitors from around the world, from dog fanciers to novice, will now be able to enjoy this extensive collection, experience new and innovative programming, and be part of canine-related events and educational opportunities. In its new space, the Museum will continue to reflect the role this singular animal has played in our history and in our lives.

We are continuing to raise significant funds to realize our vision of a thriving institution. We invite you to review the photos and information included, and consider making a gift.

Will you help us ensure that the AKC Museum of the Dog exists for future generations to learn about the sport and embrace the cultural significance that is the dog?

A pledge form has been included for your convenience. Please fill out, tear off and mail or scan to our attention. If you have any questions, please contact donorrelations@akc.org.

We thank you in advance!

Collection highlights:

- Over 3,000 books and dog-related publications including the comprehensive *The Illustrated Book of the Dog* (1890) and *Dogs and All About Them* (1910)
- The superb oil on canvas of *The Two Dogs* (Sir Edwin Henry Landseer)
- A vibrant portrait of Salukis by the English artist James Ward
- *Dogs of War*, including memorabilia on the famous WWII Yorkshire Terrier mascot Smoky
- The skeleton of Belgrave Joe the seminal Fox Terrier who has become the mascot of the Library.
- A beautiful painting of former first dog Millie Bush, with an accompanying letter from First Lady Barbara Bush to the AKC Museum of the Dog.

Museum Themes:

**Dog breeds:** the history and science of purebred dogs, specific breed traits and characteristics, and highlights of champion dogs throughout history

**The Role of Dogs:** how dogs have served us across the world and across cultures

**Dogs in Contemporary culture:** Dogs in media, society, and the arts
The enduring and powerful connection between people and canines...
The companionship, loyalty, and service provided to humans by dogs...

This is the bond and the history recognized and celebrated by the AKC Museum of the Dog.
American Kennel Club Museum of the Dog
Donor Recognition Options

**BENEFACTORS**

Donors giving $50,000+

**MEDALLIONS**

Donors giving $25,000+

**AKC CLUBS PLAQURE RECOGNITION**

(Club Gift Recognition)

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**German Shepherd Dog Club of America**

**Tier 1 — $15,000**

8"W x 3"H x 3/4"D (3/8" Cap Height)

**Port Chester Obedience Training Club**

**Tier 2 — $7,500**

8"W x 1 1/2"H x 1/2"D (1/4" Cap Height)

**Battle Creek Kennel Club, Inc.**

**Tier 3 — $2,500**

8"W x 1 1/2"H x 1/82"D (1/4" Cap Height)
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN GIFT COMMITMENT FORM

Benefactors (Section A): Donors that commit to a minimum gift of $50,000 towards the capital campaign receive a listing on the Benefactors Wall.

Medallion (Section B): Individual, foundation or corporate donors receive a medallion when they commit to a gift of $2,500 - $49,999 towards the capital campaign

AKC Clubs Plaque (Section C): AKC clubs receive a plaque when they commit to a gift of $2,500 or greater towards the capital campaign.

Donor Contact Information

Name______________________________________________________________________________

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SECTION A: BENEFACTORS

Recognition Name on Wall Installation (40-character limit):_____________________________________________________________________

SECTION B: MEDALLIONS

Recognition Name on Medallion (40-character limit):___________________________________________________________________________

Dog Breed to be used on Medallion___________________________________________________________________________________________

Medallion Level: □ Gold ($25,000 - $49,999) □ Silver ($10,000 - $24,999) □ Bronze ($2,500 - $9,999)
(For $50k+, please see Benefactors)

SECTION C: AKC CLUBS PLAQUE RECOGNITION

Club Recognition Name on Wall Installation (35-character limit):_______________________________

Plaque Tiers: □ Tier 1 ($15,000 - $49,999) □ Tier 2 ($7,500 - $14,999) □ Tier 3 ($2,500 - $7,499)
(For $50k+, please see Benefactors)

Payment Options

☐ One-Time Payment or Pledge to be paid out over: ☐ One Year ☐ Two Years ☐ Three Years

Would you like to be invoiced for payment? If yes, how often:

☐ Monthly ☐ Quarterly ☐ Annually

Total amount enclosed at this time (Payable to AKC Museum of the Dog) $__________________________

OR Our first payment in the amount of $_________________________________ will be sent on the following date: ________________________________

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☐ Cash/Check ☐ Electronic Funds Transfer

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Signature

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Signature Date

Club Title (if applicable)

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Join us

Our plans for our new AKC Museum of the Dog in New York City follow much thoughtful consideration and planning. We are motivated by our desire to create a special place where dog, art and museum enthusiasts from around the world can develop a deeper understanding of their beloved canine companions.

Please help us with this exciting new chapter in our history.

Terriers and Butterflies, Arthur Wardle, ca 1900, oil on canvas,
Gift of the estate of Cynthia S. Wood.