



NORTHWEST SCHOOL OF ANIMAL MASSAGE

Overview

Founded in 2001, the Northwest School of Animal Massage (NWSAM) offers certification courses in animal massage and workshops on related pet health and wellness topics such as animal communication and aromatherapy. The school was started by Lola Michelin, an accomplished animal massage practitioner, to provide a growing number of individuals with approved training programs for small and large animal massage in the State of Washington. Today, the school is attended by students throughout North America and around the globe, including Canada, Japan, Poland, and the United Kingdom.

Our Mission is Driven by Our Passion for Animal Wellness

The Northwest School of Animal Massage was founded on three guiding principles:

- To foster compassion for the animal community
- To provide a higher standard of education for our industry
- To nurture the continued growth of our student body

Committed to Advanced Curriculum and Top Notch Training

Using a comprehensive multi-level course curriculum that can be completed through a hybrid course of online distance learning and resident training, NWSAM students receive the skills they need to be successful therapists. The school's curriculum includes advanced levels of training in performance and rehabilitation, as well as an intensive hands-on training practicum – both taught by industry professionals with extensive fieldwork and teaching experience. NWSAM's commitment to its students also includes supporting the success of its graduates through a series of "How To" Skill Camps for business development to ensure they can effectively build and sustain a client base.

Teaching Pet and Animal Owners Too

Since 2004, NWSAM has offered a variety of Weekend Workshops for pet and animal owners that wish to learn new techniques for caring for their animals. NWSAM is currently offering a series of four workshops including The FUNDamentals of Animal Massage, Greening Your Pet, Animal Communication, and Introduction to Aromatherapy, and is open to the all animal enthusiasts.

Professionally Recognized and Certified

NWSAM is a National Certification Board for Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork (NCBTMB) Category A continuing education approved provider. The school is also licensed by the Oregon Department of Education and the Washington Workforce Training and Educational Certification Board.