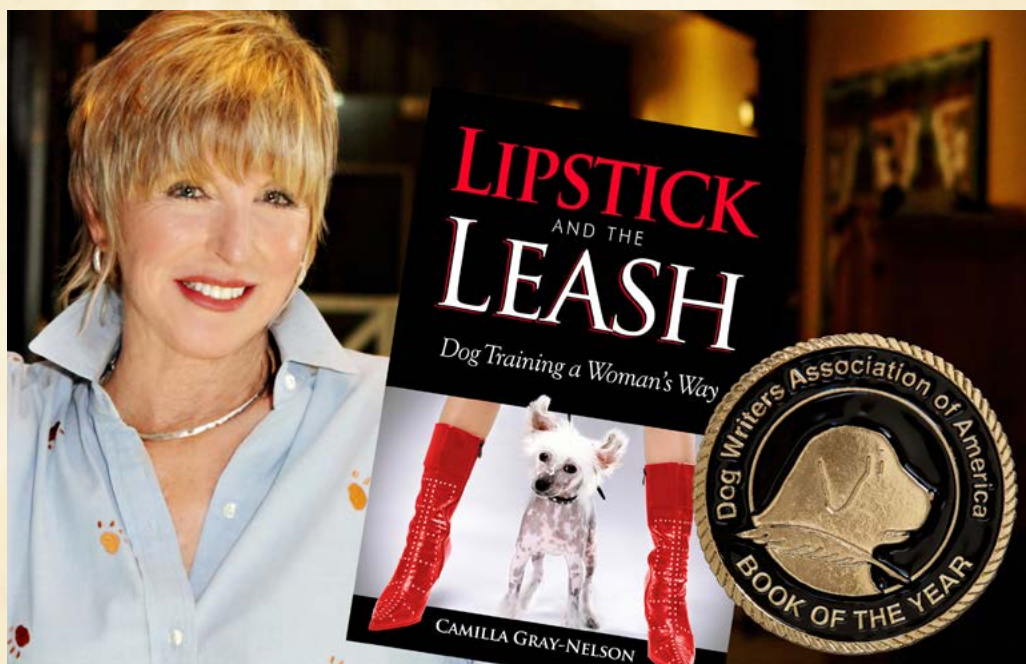




## “LIPSTICK AND THE LEASH: Dog Training a Woman’s Way” Named Best Book by Dog Writers Association of America



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During a gala event at the Affinia Manhattan Hotel and with a who’s who of American dog writers in attendance, author Camilla Gray-Nelson received the evening’s top honor when [LIPSTICK AND THE LEASH: Dog Training a Woman’s Way](#) was named Best Book of 2012 by the [Dog Writers Association of America \(DWA\)](#). In addition to receiving the organization’s top writing award, the book was also awarded the Maxwell Medallion for Best Training Book. The awards ceremony which many see as the “Oscars” of the dog world, coincided with activities leading up to the Westminster Dog Show held on February 10th, 2013.

“I’m thrilled to have received these honors not only because they recognize the very best writing within the industry, but because the spotlight will mean more women will be exposed to the message of empowerment that the book carries. Women need to know that when they really understand their relationship with their dogs, they have a better opportunity to understand themselves and their relationships with the two-legged animals in their lives. ”

In addition to the two honors awarded by the DWA, the book was previously named winner of the 2012 USA Best Book Award by USA Book News and the 2012 Living Now Gold Medalist by the Jenkins Group.

Although this is the first book from the noted dog trainer, Gray-Nelson is a regular contributor to the [International Association of Canine Professionals](#)

### *Dog Training A Woman’s Way*



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(IACP) "Safe Hands" Journal and is a frequent blogger known by her witty online persona "The Dog Talk Diva."

Gray-Nelson is quickly becoming the "go-to" dog expert for peers, media outlets and corporate sponsors alike and is already busy working on her follow-up book. "As happy as I was to write the first book, I'm doubly excited to explore in greater depth how these same leadership principles can be applied to the more general challenges of everyday living." The release date of the second book has yet to be announced.

When not working on her writing projects, Gray-Nelson can be found running her Dairydell Doggie Dude Ranch training and boarding facility, speaking at industry and community forums, and conducting one of her many training seminars. Her next seminar-- "[What's My Dog Saying?](#)" will be held on March 9th, 2013 at the Healdsburg Community Center in Healdsburg, CA. For more information on attending please call (707) 762-6111 or visit: [www.dairydell.com](http://www.dairydell.com).

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#### About Camilla Gray-Nelson

Camilla Gray-Nelson known also as the Dog Talk Diva® has over 20 years of experience training dogs and their people. She owns and operates the Dairydell Doggie Dude Ranch and Training Center in Petaluma, California and is the author of the best-selling "Lipstick and The Leash: Dog Training a Woman's Way." When not training or writing about dogs, Camilla can be found with her husband Kurt and the numerous animals that reside on their Dairydell Ranch in the heart of beautiful Sonoma wine country.

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