

# Joyce's Journal

A monthly dispatch from Joyce A. Miller, Writer



## NATIONAL DOG DAY!

A GLIMPSE OF  
WHAT'S INCLUDED:

**Most popular dog  
breeds!**

August 26<sup>th</sup> is National Dog Day and also Coheed's eleventh birthday! I'm especially excited about it this year because my essay, "Dancing Through Life," is featured in a Publish Her anthology, **Dog Years**, a collection of essays and short stories about the special bond between women and their dogs. One hundred percent of the proceeds from the sale of this anthology benefit publishing services and program grants for underrepresented women authors. [The book is available now for pre-order.](#)

The book launch party will be a free public event on National Dog Day, Tuesday, August 26 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at [Inbound Brew Co.](#) in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Dogs are welcome!

The event will be moderated by author, editor, teacher and contributor to the project, [Kate Hopper](#). I was invited to read my essay at this event, but unfortunately, I will be unable to attend. If you go, please send me some pictures!

Until November 2<sup>nd</sup> there is an exhibit of some of Gari Melchers' paintings at Stedelijk Museum Alkmaar in the Netherlands. The show is called **Longing for Egmond**. Gari Melchers, along with his friend George Hitchcock, had an art school in the village of Egmond aan Zee. Their paintings, focusing on Egmond and its inhabitants, achieved worldwide success. Visitors can participate in free guided tours, and there is a walking and biking tour map of locations immortalized by the artists. If I hadn't already made plans for a big vacation this fall, I would go see this exhibit and walk in Gari and Corinne's footsteps.

I was invited to be a part of an Author Expo on July 5<sup>th</sup>, but as you know, my book isn't ready yet! So, my husband and I went to the Expo as guests rather than presenters. We listened to the keynote speaker, Kalela Williams. She is the director of the Virginia Center for the Book and an author herself. We also got to meet Kalela's boyfriend Davey White who runs a puppet theater in Staunton, VA called The Off Center. You know I like puppets! After the keynote, we walked through the event and talked to some of the authors. When we were leaving, my husband was talking to a children's author about my Joe Harris book. And she said she loved historical fiction and wanted to buy it! Serendipitously, Alan had a copy in his briefcase that he had promised to give to one of his golfing friends. I was able to sell that copy to her, and I even autographed it for her! I hope I'm not blackballed by the event next year as I sold a book without renting a table!

As the bonus for August's newsletter and in honor of National Dog Day, I'm attaching a list of the most popular dog breeds according to AKC registration in the US. The greyhound was at No. 118! I think they are a much more popular breed, but racing greyhounds are not usually registered with the AKC. Where does your dog's breed fall in the list?

I live in the Church Hill section of Richmond, VA with my husband and my retired racing greyhound. Before I started writing, I worked for 30 years at a nuclear physics research laboratory.

## Do what you came here for!



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# Most Popular Dog Breeds

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|--------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 1. French Bulldog            | <input type="checkbox"/> | 39. Collie                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 2. Labrador Retriever        | <input type="checkbox"/> | 40. Mastiff                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 3. Golden Retriever          | <input type="checkbox"/> | 41. West Highland White Terrier   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 4. German Shepherd Dog       | <input type="checkbox"/> | 42. Shiba Inu                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 5. Poodle                    | <input type="checkbox"/> | 43. Rhodesian Ridgeback           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 6. Dachshund                 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 44. Papillon                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 7. Beagle                    | <input type="checkbox"/> | 45. Portuguese Water Dog          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 8. Rottweiler                | <input type="checkbox"/> | 46. Bichon Frise                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 9. Bulldog                   | <input type="checkbox"/> | 47. Newfoundland                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 10. German Shorthaired Pnt   | <input type="checkbox"/> | 48. Dalmatian                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 11. Yorkshire Terrier        | <input type="checkbox"/> | 49. Australian Cattle Dog         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 12. Australian Shepherd      | <input type="checkbox"/> | 50. Whippet                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 13. Cavalier King Charles    | <input type="checkbox"/> | 51. Wirehaired Pointing Griffon   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 14. Cane Corso               | <input type="checkbox"/> | 52. Chesapeake Bay Retriever      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 15. Pembroke Welsh Corgi     | <input type="checkbox"/> | 53. Samoyed                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 16. Doberman Pinscher        | <input type="checkbox"/> | 54. Scottish Terrier              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 17. Boxer                    | <input type="checkbox"/> | 55. Weimaraner                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 18. Miniature Schnauzer      | <input type="checkbox"/> | 56. Italian Greyhound             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 19. Bernese Mountain Dog     | <input type="checkbox"/> | 57. Giant Schnauzer               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 20. Shih Tzu                 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 58. Bloodhound                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 21. Great Dane               | <input type="checkbox"/> | 59. Akita                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 22. Pomeranian               | <input type="checkbox"/> | 60. Cardigan Welsh Corgi          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 23. Boston Terrier           | <input type="checkbox"/> | 61. German Wirehaired Pointer     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 24. Min American Shepherd    | <input type="checkbox"/> | 62. Saint Bernard                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 25. Havanese                 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 63. Staffordshire Bull Terrier    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 26. Siberian Husky           | <input type="checkbox"/> | 64. Airedale Terrier              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 27. Chihuahua                | <input type="checkbox"/> | 65. Boykin Spaniel                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 28. English Springer Spaniel | <input type="checkbox"/> | 66. Russell Terrier               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 29. Shetland Sheepdog        | <input type="checkbox"/> | 67. Bullmastiff                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 30. Border Collie            | <input type="checkbox"/> | 68. Chinese Crested               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 31. Brittany                 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 69. Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retr |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 32. Cocker Spaniel           | <input type="checkbox"/> | 70. Biewer Terrier                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 33. Belgian Malinois         | <input type="checkbox"/> | 71. Cairn Terrier                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 34. Basset Hound             | <input type="checkbox"/> | 72. Bull Terrier                  |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | 36. English Cocker Spaniel   | <input type="checkbox"/> | 74. Great Pyrenees                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 37. Maltese                  | <input type="checkbox"/> | 75. Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 38. Pug                      | <input type="checkbox"/> | 76. Irish Wolfhound               |

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 77. American Staffordshire   | <input type="checkbox"/> 115. Manchester Terrier        |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> 79. Alaskan Malamute         | <input type="checkbox"/> 117. Tibetan Terrier           |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> 81. Rat Terrier              | <input type="checkbox"/> 119. Xoloitzcuintli            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 82. Great Swiss Mountain Dog | <input type="checkbox"/> 120. Spinone Italiano          |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> 84. Brussels Griffon         | <input type="checkbox"/> 122. Mudi                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 85. Irish Setter             | <input type="checkbox"/> 123. Welsh Terrier             |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> 91. Standard Schnauzer       | <input type="checkbox"/> 129. Finnish Laphund           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 92. Coton de Tulear          | <input type="checkbox"/> 130. Norfolk Terrier           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 93. English Setter           | <input type="checkbox"/> 131. Belgian Sheepdog          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 94. Lhasa Apso               | <input type="checkbox"/> 132. Bracco Italiano           |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> 97. Flat-Coated Retriever    | <input type="checkbox"/> 135. Kerry Blue Terrier        |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> 99. Leonberger               | <input type="checkbox"/> 137. Bluetick Coonhound        |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> 105. Miniature Bull Terrier  | <input type="checkbox"/> 143. Icelandic Sheepdog        |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> 113. Wire Fox Terrier        | <input type="checkbox"/> 152. Treeing Walker Coonhound  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 114. Boerboel                | <input type="checkbox"/> 153. Swedish Valhund           |