

DOG DAZED

With 84 million dogs now sharing public space with human beings across North America, conflicts over canines are breaking out all over. There are now more households with dogs than children and that means that the canine has clout. Intelligent and reasonable human beings turn rabid when anyone attempts to limit their dog's freedom. Non-dog owners, forced to defend their increasingly limited turf, howl in protest.

Beginning with the evolutionary brilliance of dogs and their ability to insinuate themselves into human society, we look at our need for dogs to fill an emotional gap as human social networks break down. We examine the main roots of conflict including the tons of waste deposited, the wildlife destruction, human safety and people's freedom and rights.

Dog Dazed marries documentary storytelling with animation created by Oscar nominee Cordell Barker (*The Cat Came Back*) to deliver a film that straddles the line between send-up and serious journalism. **Dog Dazed** explores the conflicts and the potential solutions as we work to integrate these descendants of wolves into our citified lifestyle without driving them - and our own species - barking mad.

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