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Dusty Rainbolt, ACCBC Cat Writer Bio

Dusty Rainbolt is an award-winning cat writer according to her answering machine. She has worked as a professional freelance journalist since the late 1980s, and began specializing in pet journalism in 1995. Today, she's the editor-in-chief of AdoptAShelter.com, a shop-to-donate website that benefits animal charities.

Dusty is past president of the Cat Writers' Association. Since joining CWA in 1995, Dusty's books, columns, reviews and articles have been honored with more than 50 writing awards. The organization has named her Friskies Writer of the Year three times. In addition to appearing on AdoptAShelter.com, her articles and columns regularly appear on Catster.com and in other print and online publications.

Dusty is the author of the just released cat behavior book, Cat Scene Investigator: Solve Your Cat's Litter Box Mystery, as well as Kittens for Dummies, Cat Wrangling Made Easy: Maintaining Peace & Sanity in Your Multicat Home and Ghost Cats: Human Encounters with Feline Spirits. She also penned the paranormal mystery, Death Under the Crescent Moon. Her science fiction fans know Dusty for her comedy space adventure, All the Marbles, and as coauthor of the outrageous Four Redheads of the Apocalypse fantasy series.

Over the years, she has successfully bottle fed over 800 orphan kittens, and rescued and rehomed more than 1500 adults and weaned kittens. She's an associate certified cat behavior consultant and member of International Association of Animal Behavior Consultants.