**Dog Breed:** Border Terrier  
**Artwork:** Border Terrier with Fall Foliage  
**Artist:** Helen Wilson Sherman  
**Fun Fact:** Although a common job on a farm for cats is to hunt mice, Border Terriers were also owned by farmers to hunt vermin.

**Dog Breed:** Clumber Spaniel  
**Artwork:** Royaline White Foam  
**Artist:** Edwin Megargee  
**Fun Fact:** Clumber Spaniels are surprisingly heavy. At a maximum height of 20 inches, the male dogs can weigh as much as 85 pounds.

**Dog Breed:** Pekingese  
**Artwork:** Athluain Gay Cavalier  
**Artist:** S. Ripley  
**Fun Fact:** The smallest and fiercest Pekingese were hidden in royals’ sleeves and used as miniature guard dogs in ancient China.

**Dog Breed:** Pointer  
**Artwork:** Beaufort  
**Artist:** Gustav Muss-Amolt  
**Fun Fact:** Pointers can be seen in art dating back to 3,000 years ago in Egypt.
Craft the Collection

Maud Earl was a London born artist who lived from the mid-1800s to mid-1900s. She came from a family with lots of artists including her father, uncle, and brother. At first Maud actually wanted to be a musician rather than an artist, but she eventually came into her own as a great painter. She studied and sketched people, horses, and dogs often. Her dad taught her to first work in black and white. Maud had to draw dogs over and over again as practice and focused on the anatomy of the animals she studied.

Practice sketching a dog in person or from a picture everyday this week with just a pencil. Try to keep the same pose of the dog everyday, and see how you feel after practicing drawing the same dog position multiple times like Maud.

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Agility Course

Agility is a fun dog sport that you and your companion can do together. The sport consists of creating an obstacle course made up of tunnels, seesaws, jumps and more. An owner guides their dog through the course, up to 20 obstacles, in a set time.

Find objects around your home you think would make good obstacles. Create a course for you and your family both human and dog alike. Create time limits to see which person or dog can get through the course the fastest!

Tips: Always ask permission before taking objects around the home for your obstacle course as well as think outside the box. You might not have a tunnel lying around, but a blanket draped over a couch and table can make a great substitute.

Share your obstacle course by posting a photo or video with #AKCMoD
Create Your own Dog Breed

Just recently the American Kennel Club recognized a new breed called the Belgian Laekenois. This Belgian herding dog is known for its rough coat and affectionate personality.

If you were to create a dog breed, what would it look like and why? How big would it be, and what type of activities could it do? Draw in the box below your dog breed and tell a friend what the dog can do (herd farm animals, therapy dog, hunt birds, etc.).

Dog Breed Name: 
Average Weight: 
Average Height: 
