

# JANUARY VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH CELINE ADMIRAAL

## What I like best about volunteering at Colony Cats:

Colony Cats is such a wonderful place to volunteer. Every single shift is different! It's always fun to work with the other volunteers, and of course to get all the attention from our cats. I work in both the adoption center and intake/ISO, and it's wonderful! I love it all - the junior room going crazy if you just throw a ball in the corner, careful cuddles in the Zen Den, the choir of meows when you enter intake/ISO in the morning and loud snoring when you've finished your shift!

The fact that we can give some extra love to all these kitties is so fulfilling. Every cat is different, and I love every single one of them.

## My pets at home:

**(Red Hot Chili) Pepper.** We adopted our lovely diva in 2020, or did she adopt us? I remember sitting down on the floor in the Adoption Center and she immediately claimed us. She sat down on our laps and slapped every single cat that came too close. "These humans are mine!"

She is bringing so much positive energy in the house from day one and we cannot imagine a home without her.

## What I'd like you to know about me:

I am originally from the Netherlands. I moved to the US with my partner in 2016 - first to Atlanta GA, then we continued our adventure by moving to Columbus OH in 2019. I am a professional photographer and flutist, and I'm a big fan of high tea!



## Where you can find me when I'm not volunteering for Colony Cats:

Besides Colony Cats (&dogs) (which is my favorite!) I also volunteer at the Franklinton Conservatory, Habitat for Humanity, and BESA. And, if I'm not in Columbus, you'll find me and my hubby camping/hiking in the US National Parks. We love traveling and exploring new places!

## Dogs or Cats Rule?:

Cats for sure. I've always been a cat person!

## What's your advice to a new Colony Cats volunteer?:

Who doesn't want kitty-cuddles and to clean hairballs? I promise, it's all worth it! Just come and try one shift, you'll never leave!

## Your unique Q&A, thoughts, or favorite saying:

**Q:** Do you need to eat more stroopwafels?

**A:** YES, always!!

