

James
and
Marika





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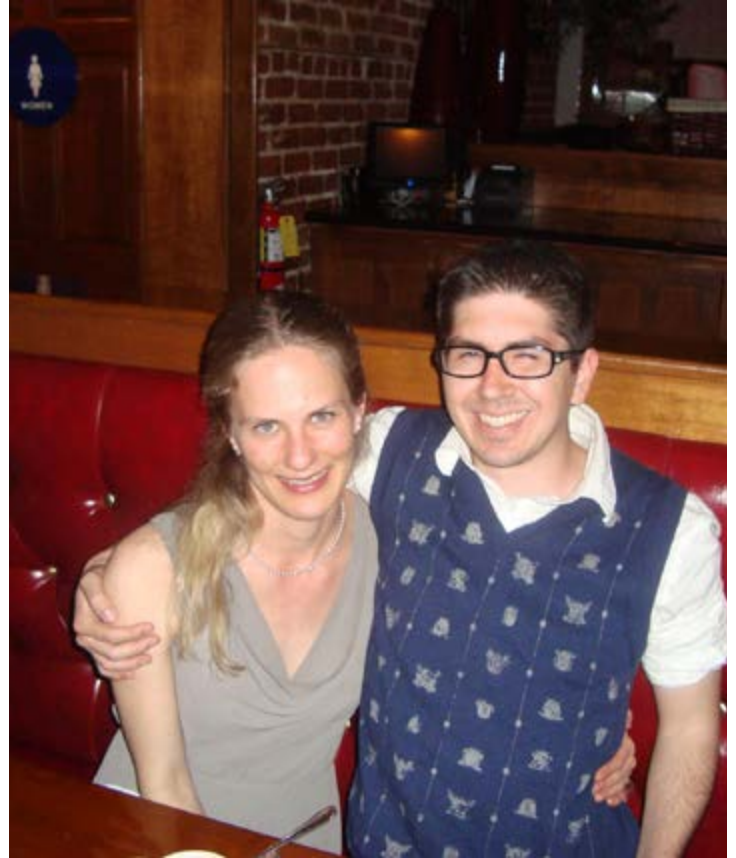
SO NICE TO MEET YOU!

THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO GET TO KNOW US!

To begin, we first would like to say how deeply grateful and appreciative we are of you and your choice of adoption. We hope you know that making an adoption plan for your baby is truly courageous and admirable. We are looking forward to beginning this exciting new journey with you!

our STORY

Our story begins thirteen years ago when we were taking a theatre history class together in college in California. We had been taking the same class for several months, but didn't know each other. It wasn't until one day we were assigned an online project together and met under a big oak tree in front of a historical mansion near campus, that we knew it was meant to be. We were married a year and half later after shaking hands under that big oak tree.





Our journey into parenthood began a couple of years after being married, however, it was met with some harsh obstacles. In the beginning we had four miscarriages in two years and we began to lose hope, we then tried and had hope that an IVF would help, but unfortunately, that also failed. We started to think that maybe having biological children was not the path we were meant to take, so we then set our sights on adoption as we've always wanted to begin raising a family since we were married.

Meet Marika



I am a slightly more introverted individual and have been told that I am a bit more reserved, however, I'm also strong willed, funny and artistic. At home, I'm always working on honing my creative skills, through drawing, or painting. Along with my brother and sister, I grew up in a relatively artistic household, in northern California, where drawing, painting, sewing, woodwork and gardening happened quite often. Having grown up and watched my parents stay together and enjoy raising my siblings and I, I've always envisioned raising a family of my own in the same way.





Meet James

I have been told that I am reserved but very friendly. I was born and raised in southern California; I have lived in Ohio for several years. I am the oldest of two, I have a younger sister with special needs, looking out after her while growing up I have learned a lot of patience and compassion. I have an interest in a variety of subjects, whether it be gardening, trying new cooking recipes, learning new languages, and tinkering with various projects, I am always learning something new.







our Home

We live in a two story, four-bedroom, farm style house, with a nice green lawn facing the woods. We barbeque on our deck during the summers, work in the yard, planting vegetables, fruits and flowers.



And nothing says home like having a pet. We have a very friendly cat named Zoey, who loves to lounge around and wags her tail when meeting new people.



our Community

The community has scenic bike trails that run through it, perfect for family bike outings, there are parades and village markets nearby as well. The schools are within minutes from where we live. We also live within an hour of amusement parks, fairs, an aquarium, museums, and a zoo.

We live in a safe, quiet and friendly neighborhood and community. It is family oriented and great for raising children. In our neighborhood we have a park where children can play and interact with each other. There are neighborhood events such as 4th of July and Trick or Treating on Halloween night.



our Family

We both come from families who are warm, loving and dedicated to one another and enjoy each other's company. Despite both of our families living in various locations throughout the US, we still find plenty of opportunities to spend time together and catch up.



Marika's family live primarily in California, Texas, and Illinois, with cousins spreading from coast to coast. Marika's mom, dad, brother and his family live in Texas, and her sister and her family live in Illinois. And on her dad's side, she also has aunts, uncles, cousins, and a grandmother who live in the country of Denmark.



James's father and sister live in California along with some extended family members, his grandmother and a few extended family live in Northern Ohio. James has strong family roots in Ohio and there is a family farm where cousins and aunts meet annually during the summers.



our Traditions



Birthdays



Family Farm



Fourth of July



Christmas Decor

Birthdays: We like to display little Danish flags around our kitchen and hang Chinese lanterns over our dining table. We also place gifts, birthday cards, and flowers around to make it more festive, and a special breakfast is prepared, as well, on the morning of the person's birthday that we all get to enjoy.

Summer: We enjoy summers with barbequing on the weekends, canoeing, camping and spending time at the Family farm.

Fall: We pick out our favorite pumpkins from a local pumpkin patch, decorate and display them on our front porch.

Christmas: Christmas mornings begin with a traditional Danish breakfast filled with 'bleskivers' (Danish pancakes), sausages, fruit and juice. Later in the evening 'Risalamande' (Danish rice pudding) is served.

Hobbies *and* Interests



Marika's Favorites:

Hobbies: Paint/watercolor, knit and draw

Movie Genres: "The Golden Age of Hollywood" ('30s-'60s), Thrillers/mysteries, and Historical/biopics.

Food: Steak Dinner, homemade food, and salads.

Music: Oldies, and instrumental chill

James's Favorites:

Hobbies: Computer Gaming, gardening, and tinkering (building small stuff)

Movie Genres: Sci Fi & Thrillers

Food: Tacos and Steak

Music: Electronica



our PROMISE



We promise to love your child unconditionally as if they were one of our own

We promise to instill in them good morals and values

Your child will be loved and supported in every way so they can realize their potential and grow into an incredible individual

We will remind them of the wonderful choice you made that brought us all together as a family

We will provide them with love, respect and guide them through their journey of life

We will provide every opportunity for your child

THANK YOU

Thank you for taking the time to consider our family for your child. We know that this is a challenging and difficult decision, and we appreciate your decision whatever it may be. You are providing a precious gift of joy and happiness to a family and most of all to a child. Thank you again for considering our family to give this precious gift of life to.



Thank you for taking the time to learn more about us. We welcome you to contact us if you are interested in us parenting your child. We can be reached through Adoption Professionals, LLC or call 513-321-2229. You can also learn more about us by visiting our website at www.adoptionprofessionals.net.

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