



Karina & Brian

building our family



ABOUT US

Hi! We're Karina and Brian, a creative couple who are ready to make our family whole. Brian is a musician and award-winning composer on the side, and his main work is in events, audio visual, and theater. Karina is an artist and collector of memorabilia from her favorite franchises, such as Harry Potter and BTS. She is very passionate about her career as a high school art teacher and water polo coach. We met through a mutual friend at a bowling alley—Karina won. We lead busy lives but most days after work we enjoy cooking for each other and relaxing with our favorite shows when we aren't wrapped up in our respective arts. We're a very social couple and we always make time to take our dog out and visit friends and family.

OUR HOME & PETS

We live in a family-friendly neighborhood within the premiere school district of the city, which Karina works for. This area of the city is multicultural and close to a number of great parks, playgrounds, and our parents. The city also has a deep history and a lot of family-friendly places to take kids. We have two cats, Blake and Gus, and a dog. Our rescue dog, Yoongi, loves everyone and wants to be their best friend and is very patient around children.

what led us to adoption

We want to complete our family. We both have a lot of love to give and want to share our wonderful lives with someone we can help grow up to make their own mark on the world. As for why we'd like to adopt, we both have an affinity for adopting and found family. Karina and her sister were both adopted into a very loving family. As for Brian, after his mother divorced, he and his sister were embraced into his stepfather's family; his stepfather is also adopted.



our photos



Occupation: Art Teacher, Water Polo & Swim Coach

Education: Bachelor of Fine Arts

Race: Hispanic

Religion: Agnostic

Sport: Water Polo

Food: Asian, Mexican, Oysters

Hobby: Crochet

Family Tradition: Chinese on Christmas

Musical Group: BTS, Fall Out Boy

Movie: *You've Got Mail*, *Harry Potter*

Dream Vacation: Cruise around Japan and Korea, Marfa

Holiday: Halloween, my birthday

TV Show: *Avatar*, *Parks and Recreation*

Subject in School: Art

Book: *Harry Potter*, *The Witches*

Karina



Brian



Occupation: Theater Stage Coordinator and AV Operations Manager

Education: Bachelor of Science

Race: Caucasian

Religion: Agnostic

Sport: Bowling

Food: Asian, Cajun, Oysters

Hobby: Music, Composing

Family Tradition: Photo of siblings looking left

Musical Group: St. Vincent, The Do, Gorillaz

Movie: Sci-fi

Dream Vacation: Japan, Europe, Marfa

Holiday: Spring break, that week between Xmas and NYE

TV Show: *Star Trek*, *Dr Who*, *MST3K*

Subject in School: Digital Arts, Music Theory

Book: *Annihilation*, *Brave New World*

our families & traditions



We both love our large, extended families. They run the gamut in terms of age and phases of life, with plenty of cousins who also have young children. Our parents and siblings remain an integral part of our lives. Brian has a sister and a brother; Karina has a sister as well as a niece and nephew.

Food and parties are a regular part of both families. We often navigate seeing both families on all holidays. Our rehearsal dinner was quite large and rambunctious. We both have favorite cousins, some who live in town and others who live out of town or out of the state. It provides the perfect excuse for weekend and summer trips.



dear
**expectant
mother**



We don't pretend to understand what you're going through, but thank you so much for choosing this path, whether you pick us or anyone else. We hope you feel supported and loved no matter where you are on this journey.

We're sure you have a lot of things on your mind as you look at possible families. We hope that as you see our page, it shows a happy couple who have a zest for life and will absolutely delight in sharing it with a child. Rest assured that we will teach them to love and respect others as well as work hard but also have fun and enjoy life. We will take their education very seriously and make sure they can go to any places of higher learning.

We so want a child in our lives, and we want to give them a happy life as a loving family who will support them to follow their dreams and be their own person. We want to show them the world and give them every opportunity to follow their path. They will be loved and cared for with us forever, and we can't wait.

Thank you for taking your time to look at us as you make this very important decision, and thank you again for choosing adoption.

WITH LOVE,

Karina and Brian



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