



Matt & Renee



Hi there! We are very grateful that you are reading our adoption profile! Our names are Matt and Renee and we live in New York City. We are a thoughtful, fun and lively couple and we are so excited to create a family through adoption. Having a family is our life goal! Life can be very difficult and any possible solution you are looking for can seem overwhelming. We are grateful for your interest and hope you learn about us and that you will find we are a wonderful team. We know whatever your courageous decision is it will be the right one for you. Thank you!

About Matt

Let me give you some insight to who I am...

I grew up around music – my Aunt and Uncle were members of a world renowned orchestra based in New York City and my entire family has a musical ear. I began taking piano lessons at 5 and grew to enjoy all instruments. My love for playing in a band began when I was a teenager and I picked up a bass guitar. Growing up around the city offered a lot of opportunities to play music and music is still a great passion of mine. Professionally, I work as an Insurance Broker. This career draws on some of my strengths, namely being organized and efficient. Everyday I interact with many people and my goal is to always make sure my clients and contractors are completely satisfied.

Matt headed to watch a game at Yankee Stadium



Relaxing in the sunset on a sailboat in Rhode Island

About Renee

Let me tell you a little about myself...

I have always loved theatre and the arts. After studying Theatrical Scenic Design in my home state of Kentucky (in the suburbs of Cincinnati, Ohio), I knew I was destined to be in New York City. Moving on my own to the greatest city in the world took bravery, strength and commitment and this is a perfect example of "me". Once I set my mind to something, I will not give up no matter how difficult the road becomes. I have now lived in New York City for over 15 years and I still love it every day. I still appreciate theatre and I am lucky enough to work on amazing projects and productions in my career. The work is always exciting and being able to help a client make their design vision a reality is very fulfilling.

OUR TRADITIONS | Our favorite tradition would be playing Renee's grandparents' old Christmas albums on our record player as we open Christmas gifts and enjoy having Renee's homemade muffins for Christmas breakfast. Every July, Renee's family gathers in Vermont to participate in the Prouty, a fundraiser for the Dartmouth Hitchcock Cancer Center, to honor Linny, Renee's aunt who passed away. This includes generating donations, completing a walk, run or biking adventure and then celebrating with all participants at the finish line. Matt's family has a lovely tradition of having birthday dinners at any restaurant the birthday person chooses. It's so fun to try new places to celebrate special occasions. We love to travel and since pictures just don't remind you of all of the special moments a vacation can have, we have been keeping a vacation journal since our very first trip together.



Renee's family energized after completing a charity walk in Vermont

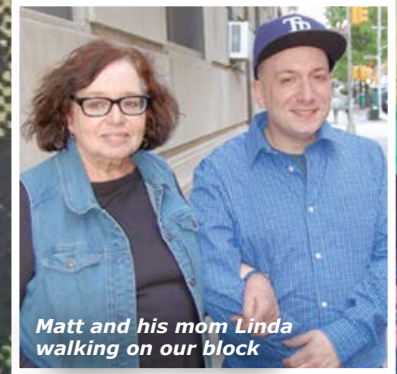
MEET OUR FAMILY | Renee is the oldest of two sisters and was born and raised by her parents in Kentucky. Her sister Jessica is a security specialist in aviation, and an avid runner who loves taking her dog to the beach. Matt is an only child who was born in New York City. He grew up in a close-knit family, which included his parents and paternal Aunt and Uncle as well as his cousin Tina, a photographer. As Matt's family is all local to NYC, we see them often, at least weekly for shopping, workout sessions or dinners. Renee's family is spread up and down the East Coast, from Vermont to Florida, which gives us great excuses for places to visit. We have a great family and loving support system and everyone is so excited about having a new family member. As with every part of life, this adventure will be a team effort and we are all ready to love and welcome a child into our family.



Renee, Matt, and Renee's family celebrating New Year's Eve in Fort Myers, Florida



Matt and his dad Fedele headed to a spring street fair in NYC

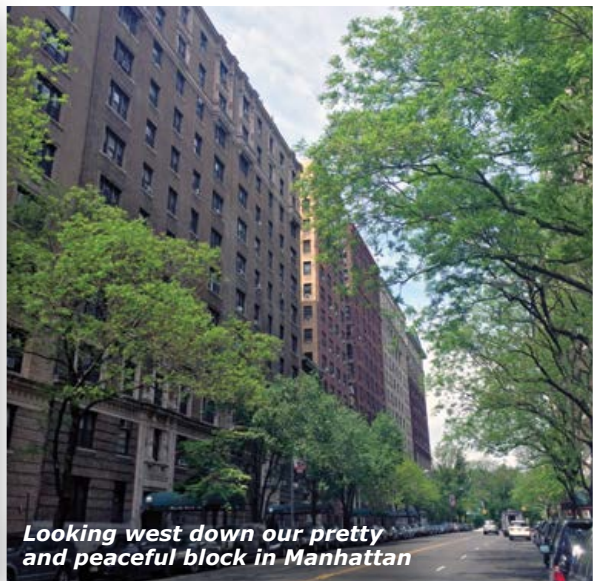


Matt and his mom Linda walking on our block



MEET TRIXIE | The most adorable family member is our sweet dog Trixie. She is 12 years old and is the most friendly dog on our block. She is a lap dog at heart but loves playing in the park. She greets every man, woman and child we see on our walks, which can mean our walks take a very long time!

OUR HOME AND NEIGHBORHOOD | We live on the Upper West Side of Manhattan. Our building is safe and secure, with many kinds of families, close to everything you can imagine: a lively city life and beautiful nature. In spring, summer and fall we spend a lot of our free time outdoors. Within walking distance, there is both Central Park and Riverside Park. These parks include many amazing playgrounds, dog runs, big grassy areas perfect for picnics and playing sports. The Central Park Zoo has leopards, penguins, seals, sea lions and monkeys. The Hippo playground located at Riverside Park has an annual Children's Summer Concert Series and an Annual Children Halloween Parade. During winter, there are many places we visit, including the American Museum of Natural History, the Children's Museum of Manhattan, and the St. Agnes branch of the NYC Public Library, which features children's rooms and programs. We also enjoy going to shows and concerts at Lincoln Center, Carnegie Hall and of course, Broadway.



Looking west down our pretty and peaceful block in Manhattan

** Background art created by Renee*

Thank you

Thank you so much for getting to know us and for taking a peek into our lives. It is our

life dream to be parents.

Through laughter and song, we will provide a loving home for your child should you decide to make an adoption plan with us. As you consider all the possible options for you and for your child, we can only imagine that this is not an easy process for you, and we admire you for that. Whichever decision you make, we have faith that it will be the right one for you and your child. Wherever your life experiences take you, we wish you happiness.



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www.friendsinadoption.org/matt-and-renee

FUN FACTS

OCCUPATION

SALES AND DESIGN
AT A THEATRE
SCENIC SHOP



HOBBIES

BAKING, DRAWING,
READING

FAVORITE PLACES

ANY NEW PLACE,
BEACH, MUSEUMS

FAVORITE FOODS

CUPCAKE WITH ICE
CREAM



FAVORITE MUSIC

POP MUSIC,
KATY PERRY



Renee

INSURANCE BROKER
AND CUSTOMER
SERVICE AGENT

Matt

LISTENING TO MUSIC,
WATCHING SPORTS,
BOXING

BEACH, GYM,
CENTRAL PARK



CHINESE FOOD

CLASSIC ROCK,
BOB DYLAN

Fun Facts Drawings by Renee



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