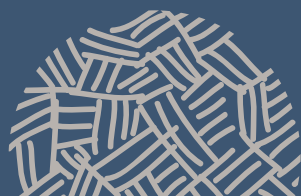




Matthew  
& Stephan





# dear friend,

We are Matthew and Stephan, partners in both life and everyday moments. As you navigate through those too, we recognize the courage and profound love that you have for your child.

Your consideration of adoption is a testament to the depth of your heart, and regardless of the path you choose, please know our admiration and support are with you.

Family forms the cornerstone of our lives, and we are compassionate people who understand the difficult decisions that are taking place.

Should you trust us with your child's future, we vow to provide a life full of affection, security, and opportunity for growth.

This profile is a window into our love and the love we are eager to extend to a child. The opportunity to begin this journey fills us with hope and excitement.

*Matthew + Stephan*





# our story



We met 11 years ago in the state of Nevada, where we just happened to cross paths. We discovered a shared passion for the arts – which quickly turned into a loving partnership. In 2014 we found ourselves setting up a new life together in the United Kingdom.

Matthew has been following his passion for teaching people to perform since the age of 18 while Stephan took this time to discover his love of technology. We continued to build our lives in London while spending our free time traveling the world.

Over time, we grew a desire to be closer to Stephan's family and made the decision to move back to the place we first met, Nevada. We love spending most of our time at home with our dogs, friends, and family. However, that is not without the added adventure of loving to see the world.

This adoption journey is a heartfelt continuation of our story—a story we hope to enrich with the joy and love of a child. It is a step we take with intention and the full support of our families and friends, ready to offer a nurturing and vibrant home to a new life.



# meet stephan

(by Matthew)

Stephan has had many unique experiences, from humble beginnings in California to transformative years in vibrant cities in Nevada and England. A man of resilience and warmth, his journey of self-discovery, shaped by his loving family and community, has brought him with empathy and a strong spirit. His passion for music speaks to his creative nature, while his career as a respected technology director highlights his determination and drive. Stephan is an "old soul" who values deep human connections, cherishes his relationship with me and nurtures a vision of expanding his family through adoption. His life is a testament to growth, compassion, and the enduring belief in the power of love to build bridges and heal hearts.



“Stephan is a creative at heart!”

- Matthew

More About

*Stephan*

**OCCUPATION:** Software Developer

**FAVORITE MOVIE/BOOK:** Harry Potter

**FAVORITE PLACE:** London

**CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT:** A cup of Iced Coffee

**MY PERFECT DAY:** Taking the dogs out for a walk and spending time at home.

# meet matthew

(by Stephan)

Matthew has a passion and drive that I have seen in very few people. He is caring and nurturing to everyone that comes into his path. I believe this stems from his upbringing in London, where he had a devoted family. He has a loving devotion to the Arts, in particular, teaching children how they can make their talents shine. As his partner, I have seen firsthand his desire to extend the nurturing and love we both value to a child, enriching our family with the same strong bonds and support that shaped him.



Matthew's nephew



More About

*Matthew*

**OCCUPATION:** Teaching Children Musical Theatre

**FAVORITE BOOK/MOVIE:** Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

**FAVORITE PLACE:** London

**CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT:** The Arts

**MY PERFECT DAY:** A day out in a city exploring and taking in the culture.

“Matthew loves to create Art for the world!”

- Stephan

# our extended family

**Matthew's family, in his words:** Growing up in London, I was nurtured in a loving, diverse family environment. My parents, a blend of Spanish passion and English resilience, demonstrated unwavering commitment to each other. My mother, a guiding force in my life, supported my artistic endeavors, my father showed respect for my ambitions. The strong, female influences in my life, including my older sister Elizabeth, instilled in me a sense of empathy and determination. Our family's bond, built on mutual support and respect, has been a cornerstone of my life.

**Stephan's family, in his words:** Raised in the middle of nowhere in California, my family life was a blend of my Hispanic father's Texan roots and my Portuguese mother's Portuguese childhood. My parents, dedicated workers at the local hospital, exemplified hard work and commitment. My mother, passionate about fitness, and my father, a practical handyman, taught me the values of discipline and perseverance. Our close-knit family, including my younger brother Spencer, provided a foundation of love and support that has shaped who I am today.



Wedding with Matthew's family



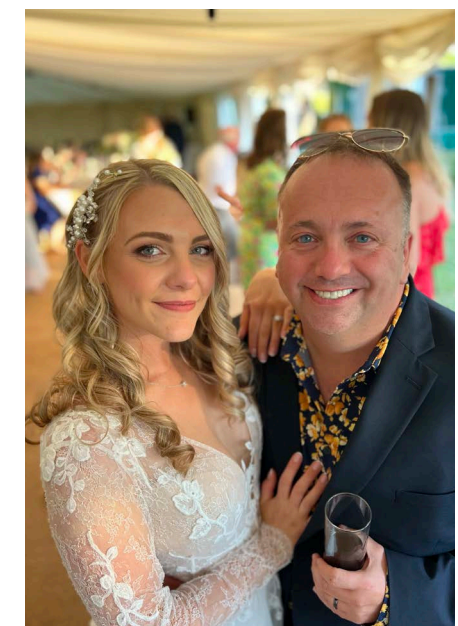
Traveling with Stephan's family



Red Rock with Matthew's nephew



Stephan's family in London



Matthew's niece at her wedding



Thanksgiving family photo



Holding Matthew's nephew

“Adventure and love are the guiding forces of our family, where every day is filled with learning, laughter, and unity.”

# our home & community

We have a lovely home in Nevada with amazing views right up against the mountains. Our 4-bedroom home is perfect for growing a family. We have an amazing community of neighbors who we call our friends that we spend time with frequently. There are walking trails throughout the community that are great for walking and parks for play time.



Our community



Our comfy living room



Our home



Walking the Neighborhood Trails



Exploring Nevada with friends



Visiting friends in New York

# our friends

We have amazing friends all around the world and right here in Nevada. No matter where we are in the world, we have an amazing support system available to us. Many of our friends, like us, love to travel and explore the world. This gives us extended opportunities to spend time with them as they go on our journey with us. Many of them have had children through adulthood who are there to be part of our extended family.



Showing visitors the sights



Walking with friends



Visiting the Hoover Dam

# our dogs

We have two miniature poodles, Jasper and Oscar, who are both three years old! They are both soft and cuddly and love kisses. Oscar is the leader of the pack and loves to boss Jasper around, who would rather go out for a walk. They are both great with babies and love it when our nephew Xander visits.

*jasper*  
+  
*oscar*



Oscar smelling the flowers



Jasper enjoying the sunshine

“Our family is all about simple joys, fun, and the love we share with each other.”

# why adoption



We have always wanted to build a family of our own, but we wanted to wait till we were both settled in a community that we call our own. We have many people in our lives who have been adopted and really want to provide a joyful experience for a child of our own. We are excited to start building a family together.

## we promise

- Your child will be surrounded by our unconditional love and the support of our family and friends.
- We will honor their birth story and your love for them, ensuring they know their cherished beginnings.
- We will provide them with every opportunity available to us for their growth and success.
- Family will be at the core of their life, nurturing a powerful sense of belonging and connection.
- They will experience a life filled with travel, creativity, and adventure.
- We will guide and support them through life's challenges, offering a strong and loving foundation.

## fun facts

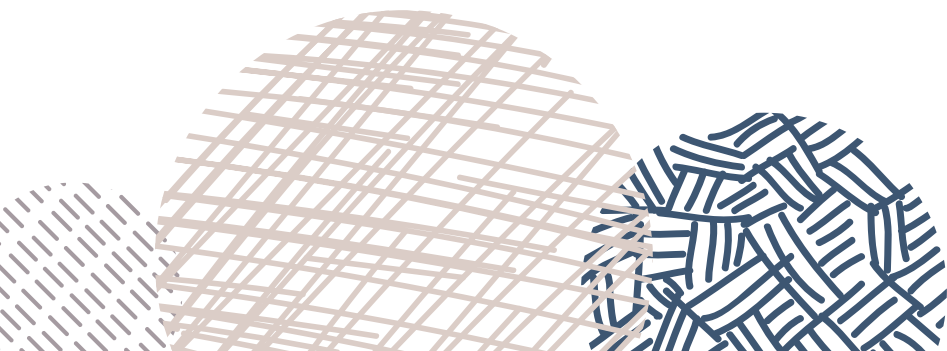
about *us*

We love to travel so much that we have visited over 50 countries together!

We love cruises so much we spent over 100 nights on a Cruise around the world!

Stephan writes keynotes seen by millions of people and loves to be on stage presenting.

Matthew has trained 1000s of students in musical theatre and even worked with Hamilton's Lin Manuel Miranda.





# Thank you!



We are deeply grateful that you are considering us as potential parents. It is an honor to be part of your journey, and we recognize the strength and love it takes to explore this path. Please know that your consideration fills us with hope and a profound sense of responsibility. Should you choose us, we promise to honor your courageous decision every day by providing a loving, nurturing, and supportive home. Thank you for this incredible opportunity to potentially welcome your child into our lives and hearts.

*Matthew + Stephan*