

Hi we are
JASON & JAMES
POOLE AVENELL

from
NEW YORK CITY

We're so thankful you're taking the time to read our letter! We applaud your courageous decision to explore open adoption. **WE LOOK FORWARD TO CONNECTING WITH YOU** and learning about your dreams for your child. We hope our letter gives you an idea about who we are and shows how excited we are about getting to know you as well.



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Enjoying preparing dinner together



At the Farmer's Market



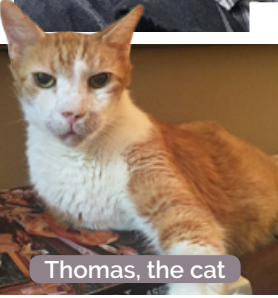
Taking a walk in our neighborhood

A LITTLE ABOUT US

We met in New York City almost nineteen years ago at a restaurant where we both worked. On our first date, we knew we were destined to be together. During that evening, we talked a lot about our families and then we both talked about how we wanted to be fathers someday. That sealed the deal. We've been together ever since. **WE WERE MARRIED FOUR YEARS AGO AND WE CAN'T WAIT TO GROW OUR FAMILY!**

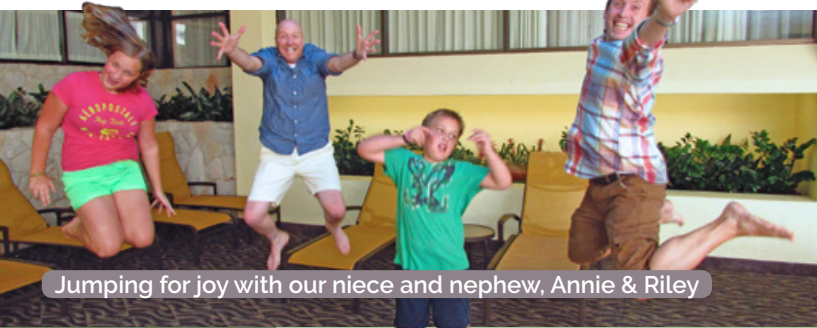


We love this fantastic city we call home



Thomas, the cat

We share our lives with **THOMAS THE CAT**, a friendly little guy we brought home thirteen years ago. *He makes sure we never take ourselves too seriously!*



Jumping for joy with our niece and nephew, Annie & Riley

ABOUT JAMES

by Jason

When James looks at you, you feel like the most special person in the world. I love knowing our child will grow up looking into those eyes, feeling so loved. He's a fantastic listener and always manages to find the best in a person, the bright spot of any situation. Our niece and nephews can't get enough of him. It's wonderful to see him with the kids. His drive and integrity have made him a success. **AND I KNOW OUR CHILD WILL BE PROUD TO CALL HIM DAD.**



Thomas likes to cuddle with James



Fun at the park with our friend's kids, Kaleb and Marley



Teaching Kaleb how to use our camera



Lots of giggles with our friends' daughters, Mariko and Kai

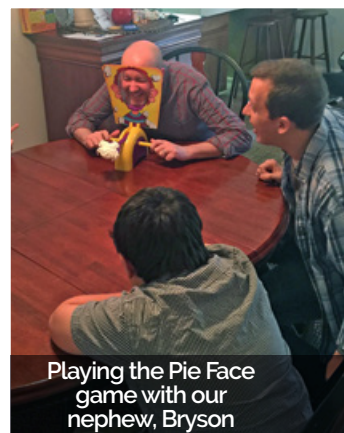
ABOUT JASON

by James

Jason's positive energy and sense of humor are part of what makes him easy to love. Every day I'm reminded of his passion for family, music and creativity. I can already see Jason playing with our child, teaching him or her songs on the ukulele and drawing together in a big sketchpad. **HE'S GOING TO BE AN INCREDIBLE DAD AND I CAN'T THINK OF A BETTER PARTNER TO SHARE IN THE JOYS OF PARENTING.**



Being silly on the playground with Marley



Playing the Pie Face game with our nephew, Bryson



Pizza night with Annie and Riley



In front of the Eiffel Tower

OUR INTERESTS

WE LOVE TO TRAVEL AND WE'RE EXCITED FOR FAMILY ADVENTURES, *seeing the world and experiencing new places and what they have to offer.* And we love this fantastic city we call home. We can't wait to see the wonder in our little one's eyes when we explore the Statue of Liberty, and we're eager to take our child to "visit the dinosaurs" at the Natural History Museum! As much as we love exploring, we also love home-cooked dinners and movie nights on the couch. Friday night is (almost always) **PIZZA NIGHT!**

OUR HOME

WE LIVE IN A BEAUTIFUL AND SURPRISINGLY QUIET NEIGHBORHOOD IN NEW YORK CITY.

Our building is surrounded by several parks, playgrounds and even some areas of natural forest. Our warm and cozy apartment is filled with books, art supplies, musical instruments, things we've collected from our travels and keepsakes from our childhood homes. There's always lots of love and lots of laughter (and music!) in our place.

New York City provides so many great opportunities! It's a melting pot of different cultures, flavors, sights and sounds. We can't wait to take our child with us to the Saturday farmer's market near our apartment and then head out to a baseball game or a Broadway show. And we're excited for summertime family picnics at our local beaches and picking apples at orchards upstate in the fall!

— FAMILY & FRIENDS —

Both of us were raised in homes that were centered around the family. That's how we've made our home together—our apartment is a gathering place where we make sure there's always time for our families and richly diverse family-of-friends. *(Especially during the holidays—we love to entertain!)*

EVERYONE IS CELEBRATING OUR DECISION TO ADOPT!

James' father and his wife are looking forward to being grandparents again, and Jason's mom and dad can't stop talking about how excited they are! His sister, Amanda, and her family are eagerly waiting to welcome our child with open hearts and open arms. Our friends have created the ultimate support network for us. With most of James's extended family living "out west" and most of Jason's extended family living on the eastern side of the country, our child will be surrounded with love from coast to coast!



↑ Thanksgiving selfie with Jason's side of the family

← Thank you for learning our story!

- James with his Emmy® Award
- Ukulele fun with Kai and Mariko



OUR CAREERS

OUR CAREERS HAVE PROVIDED US WITH AMAZING ADVENTURES WE'D NEVER DREAMED OF.

JAMES is an Emmy® Award-winning television producer for The Dr. Oz Show. He loves the excitement of working on a television show and being around the lights and cameras.

JASON is a musician and a teacher of Hawaiian music and culture in New York City's schools. He loves being able to sit on the floor, sharing stories and strumming the ukulele with the kids.

We're thrilled that we both have flexible schedules to maximize family time! Our jobs have taken us around the world and introduced us to fascinating people. ***But more than anything, we're looking forward to bringing a child into our lives and being the best parents a child deserves to have.***

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*With love and respect,
James and Jason*