

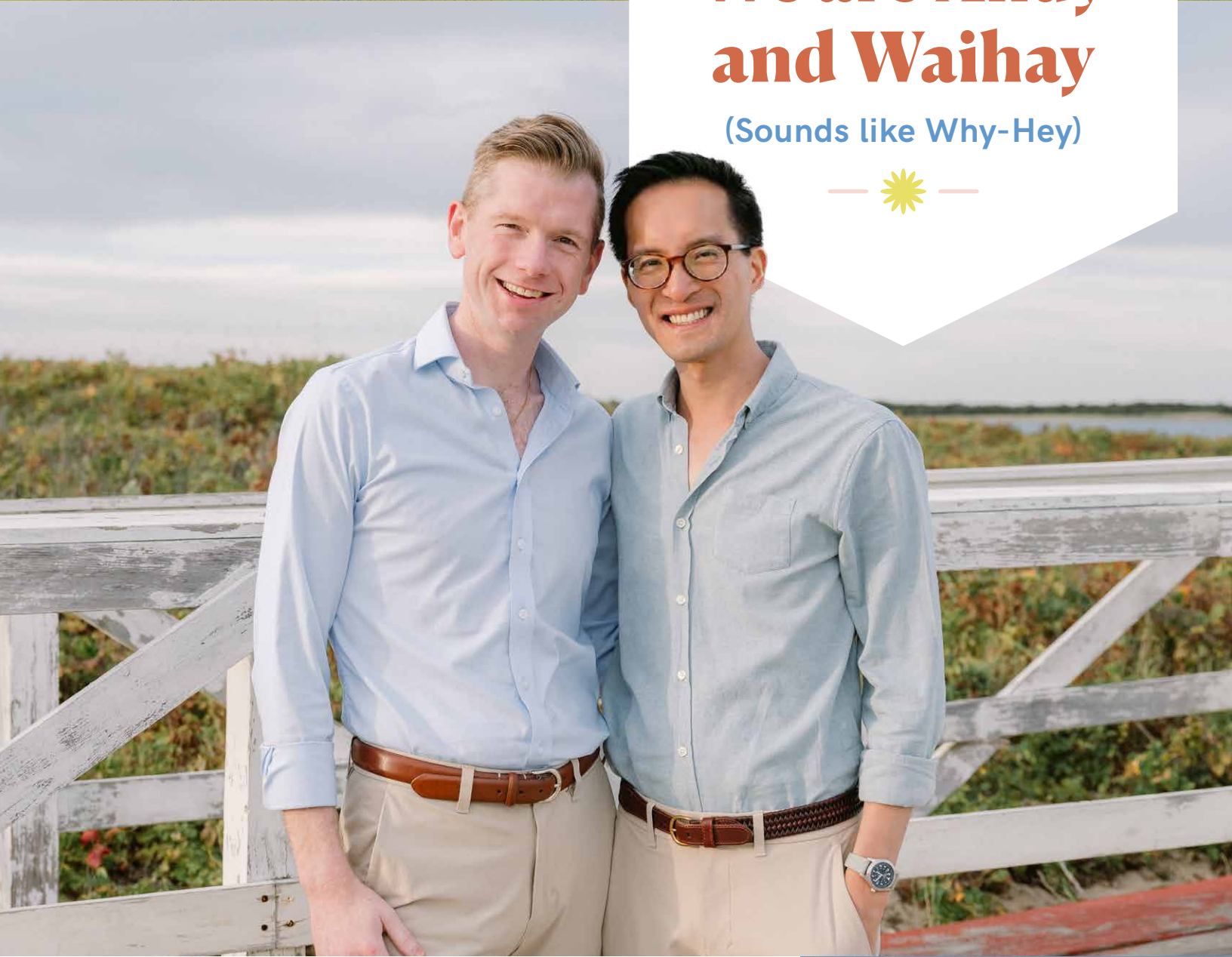
# Andy & Waihay





# Hello! We are Andy and Waihay

(Sounds like Why-Hey)



We are excited to meet you through this profile book! We always knew that adoption was the path for us since we first dreamed of building a family. Both of us are blessed with loving, supportive families of our own, and we are eager to share that love with our adopted child. Additionally, we wholeheartedly believe in an ongoing, open relationship with their birth parents—you! We want our child to know and love all the special people in their life.

**Thank you for  
taking the time  
to get to know  
us better.**



TRAVELING IN ZURICH, SWITZERLAND



**We met eight years ago and quickly bonded over shared commitments to family, faith, and our work.**

We got married in 2022, and our relationship has grown through shared ups-and-downs and everyday life together. What grounds us is trying to live each day with kindness and treat those around us with love. We like spending time with family and hosting friends at home. We go to a church downtown where we help out with the kids' program. We are ready to build our own family through adoption.

**We hope to create an open and nurturing home where our child feels loved, celebrated, and able to thrive.**



# All About Waihay



WAIHAY IS A PHYSICIAN SCIENTIST WHO  
DIAGNOSES AND STUDIES BLOOD CANCERS



Waihay's kindness and curiosity were some of the first things that drew me to him. I wear bow ties to work every day, and for our first Christmas he surprised me with a box of secondhand bow ties from my favorite brand that he had collected over months. I was hooked! He's always curious about the world, and if we don't know something or need a problem solved, he's the first to grab a book or look it up online. He's also one of the most patient people I know. I'm so grateful for the steady, grounding presence that he brings to our life together. With our nieces and nephews, he pivots easily between playing on the carpet, fixing the stroller, or reading a bedtime story.

**He is going to make a  
phenomenal dad!**



VISITING MUSEUMS IN PARIS, FRANCE



WAIHAY HAS PLAYED VIOLIN  
SINCE HE WAS 11



# Fun Facts and Favorites

## ICE CREAM FLAVOR

Chocolate

## VACATION SPOT

Paris, France

## MUSICAL INSTRUMENT I PLAY

Violin and piano

## CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT

Books

## PLACE TO TAKE A CHILD

Swimming pool

## DREAM JOB

Restore old furniture

## WHAT I LIKE TO COLLECT

Mismatched socks  
(with holes)

## SEASONAL ACTIVITY

Christmas caroling





# All About Andy



Andy surrounds himself with kind, big-hearted people—just like himself. He is the type of person who remembers the little things you say and like, and surprises you later with the perfect gift. He's a great listener and communicator, and I knew from when I first met him that he could help me open up and be myself. That openness has deepened our relationship and continues to bring out the best in both of us. Behind his deep sense of responsibility is a warm, joyful heart that loves romantic comedies and musical theater. At his core, Andy loves to share life with others. That is how he builds trust, lends courage, and makes sure that our child will be seen and loved.

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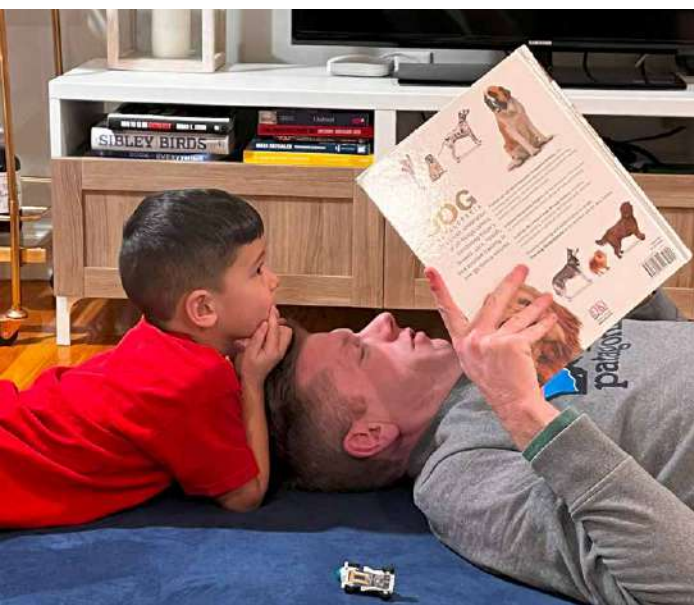
ANDY IS A PALLIATIVE CARE DOCTOR  
WHO SPECIALIZES IN COMFORT & SUPPORT  
FOR PATIENTS WITH SERIOUS ILLNESSES





ANDY AND WAIHAY LOVE TO BE OUTDOORS WHEN VACATIONING

ANDY AND OUR NEPHEW READING TOGETHER



## Fun Facts and Favorites

### ICE CREAM FLAVOR

Cookie dough

### CHILDREN'S BOOK

The Giver

### PLACE TO TAKE A CHILD

Children's theater

### SEASONAL ACTIVITY

Making cranberry sauce for Thanksgiving

### VACATION SPOT

Provincetown, Massachusetts

### CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT

Iced coffee

### SPORT

Tennis

### WHAT I LIKE TO COLLECT

Shoes

# How we spend time together



LEARNING NEW DISHES TO COOK  
FOR OUR FRIENDS

WE PLAYED MUSIC FOR OUR BROTHER AND  
SISTER-IN-LAW'S WEDDING



## MUSIC & THE ARTS

Waihay grew up playing classical music and Andy sang in numerous choirs, so we both enjoy concerts, musicals, ballet, and shows of all kinds.

## STAYING ACTIVE

Andy goes to the gym daily, and Waihay takes our dog on long walks. Together, we have taken up “walking vacations.” Our longest trip was 98 miles!

## HOME LIFE

At home, Waihay enjoys cooking big meals and Andy loves hosting, so we have fun dinners with friends and family.

## FAMILY & FUTURE

We look forward to raising a child who will join us to discover new adventures and bond with family and friends.



HIKING IN PONTA DELGADA, PORTUGAL

OUR FAITH



We believe everyone is welcome in God's family, and our faith gives us strength, joy, and love to share with others. We attend our local Episcopal church each Sunday to pray, reflect, and find community.

**We hope to share our faith with our child, while also encouraging them to develop their own spirituality.**



AT A CUBS GAME WITH OUR BROTHER AND SISTER-IN-LAW



OUR FRONT PORCH IS A GOOD PLACE TO SEE FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS



## Our Home and Community

We live in a cozy neighborhood in downtown Chicago, on a street with many young families. Our neighbors come together to decorate our houses for Halloween and Christmas, which makes it feel welcoming and fun. We're a short stroll to Lake Michigan and often spend time there walking the dog, jogging, or just sitting on the beach. We're lucky to have a spacious condo, but it feels best when it's filled with family and friends for dinner parties, games, or overnight visits. This year we hosted loved ones from Milwaukee, Boston, New York, and Hong Kong! As an interracial couple, we value Chicago's ethnic and cultural diversity. We are excited to share the richness of city life with our child.



WALKING GINNY ALONG  
LAKE MICHIGAN



**Ginny is our  
11-year-old West  
Highland terrier who  
loves chasing squirrels,  
playing tug-of-war, and  
getting tummy rubs.**



GINNY CAN'T WAIT TO  
SHOWER HER NEW SIBLING  
WITH KISSES



# Our Family

ANDY WITH HIS TWIN BROTHER, CHRIS



VISITING WAIHAY'S FAMILY IN HONG KONG



ANDY'S SIDE OF THE FAMILY



WAIHAY'S NIECE AND NEPHEWS LOVE PLAYING MINIGOLF!



Andy has a twin brother, two younger siblings, and a large extended family. We enjoy spending time with them at Andy's parents' lake house in Wisconsin. Andy's grandmother ("Nana") is 93-years-old and the incredibly loving "matriarch" of the family. Waihay grew up in Hong Kong with his adopted sister who now lives at the foot of the Canadian Rockies. His mother and aunts live in Toronto, where we go find good Chinese food whenever we visit.

**We have young nieces and nephews on both sides of our family that we love to play with whenever possible!**



THE YOUNGEST (8 MONTHS) AND OLDEST (93) IN ANDY'S FAMILY



ALL SMILES WITH OUR NIECE!



HIKING WITH FRIENDS

OUR CORE GROUP OF FRIENDS

**It takes a village to raise a child, and we feel lucky to have a large extended family, close friends who feel like family, a special group of gay buddies excited to be “guncles”, and a family-oriented neighborhood—all excited to welcome our adopted child.**



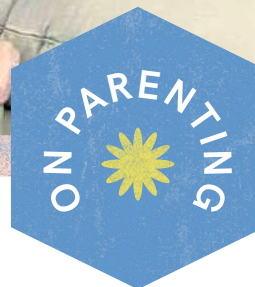


OUT TO EAT WITH WAIHAY'S NEPHEWS

WAIHAY LIKES TO CYCLE AND SOMETIMES  
WE BRING OUR FRIENDS!



OUR TWIN NIECES  
LIVE 15 MINUTES AWAY  
FROM US



**We want to give our  
child the happiest and  
healthiest upbringing  
that we can provide.**

One of our family mottoes is “To whom much is given, much will be expected.” We want to be very generous toward our child, while providing them with appropriate boundaries and limit-setting. We believe that this approach provides kids with the resources and structure to become kind, curious, and confident adults. We hope that our child will recognize the many blessings in their life, and learn to give them away as blessings to others.



## Our Promises

### LOVE

We promise to love your child unconditionally and surround them with family and friends who will do the same.

### OPENNESS

We will involve you in their life with as much openness as possible. We want them to know you and the loving decision you made.

### GROWTH

We will give them every opportunity to grow into an amazing adult.

### GRATITUDE

We are so grateful to you for considering us as adoptive parents.





**Thank you!**