



Aurélien & Trask



We're a French-American couple living in Northeast Ohio. We met in 2017 and married in 2020. Before moving to Ohio, we lived together in Paris for four years with our cuddly hound dog, Radley. We are now happily settled in Ohio, where we are professors at a local university—Trask in translation and Aurélien in French. We speak both English and French at home and look forward to raising a bilingual child in a multicultural household. We also both play the piano and would be happy to share our passion for music with your child. Our careers give us plenty of time to spend together as a family, both during the week and on school vacations. We can't wait to become parents and will do everything we can to help your child thrive and grow with curiosity, confidence, and the keys to a bright future.

## Our message to you and your family

Thank you for considering us as you begin imagining a future for your child. We believe a child cannot have too many adults who love them and, if you wish, we hope to create a relationship between your and our family. We can't pretend to understand how hard this decision must be, but we hope to support you however we can.





# Family

We're crazy about the kids already in our lives. We have been so lucky to watch our nieces and nephews grow and mature and we love to play, read stories, and laugh with them. We know they will be wonderful cousins to any child we welcome. As parents, we will encourage empathy and curiosity. We want to help your child thrive and grow with confidence and imagine any future they want. Our schedules as professors will allow us all to be together during the week and school vacations, and visit France in the summer.



enjoying happy times with our 7 nephews and nieces



## Aurélien\*

He is endlessly curious and always learning—he speaks four languages and hopes to add more! He grew up in the Loire Valley of France and worked as an airline engineer in Paris before moving to Ohio. Now as a professor, he enjoys helping his students discover the world, build confidence, and open their eyes towards a future full of opportunities. In his free time, he also volunteers at a school for bilingual kids. He has a big heart, and there's plenty of room still left. His future child would know that *papa* will always be there to listen, to learn and explore, to make crêpes with, to watch *Friends* with, and to karaoke Mariah Carey.

\*pronounced like 'oh-really-in'!

## Trask\*

Trask grew up in rural New England, the fourth of five children (and the only boy!). His childhood was full of long days exploring the woods and bothering his sisters. From a young age, he's been happiest when making the people around him laugh. After earning his PhD, he is now a professor who cares deeply about helping his students find their voices. In his free time, Trask likes to swim, bike, and run marathons. He makes friends wherever he goes and he keeps them close, even from afar. He looks forward to being a dad who makes bad jokes and tells his kid he loves them too often.

\*Trask comes from a great-grandmother's maiden name



# Family, Friends, Home



Trask's parents and sisters, hiking Mount Washington (left) & surprising us with a bachelor party (right) !

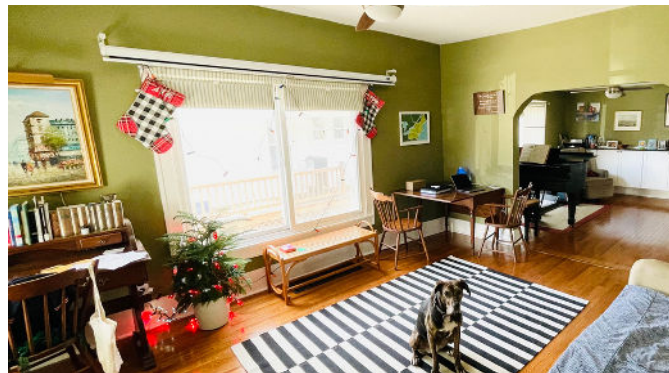


Trask comes from a big, close-knit family. His parents and four sisters embraced Aurélien from the moment they met. Our seven nieces and nephews refer to us simply as 'uncles'. Aurélien's family can't wait to welcome another *bébé* to the family. We are lucky to have an incredible community of friends here in Ohio. You are likely to find them in our living room or on our front porch for movie or game nights.

We bought our home in 2023 and are grateful to have fully paid it off, giving us financial stability as we grow our family and our house itself with updates and an addition. On summer evenings you can find us on our porch, chatting with neighbors and their children as they pass, or in our backyard, grilling and playing fetch with Radley. We live in a diverse, walkable neighborhood, close to the university where we work, and only two blocks to the local elementary school. Our street is often alive with the sounds of kids laughing and playing.



Weekend brunch on our porch with close friends, enjoying one of our favorite activities, making French crêpes !



Thank you for taking the time to read our profile and we wish you the best in the decision you make for you and your child.



## WE LOOK FORWARD TO CONNECTING WITH YOU

If you have any questions for us or would like to speak with us about adopting your child, please contact your case worker at Open Arms Adoptions by calling 330-697-4751 or 614-349-1510.