

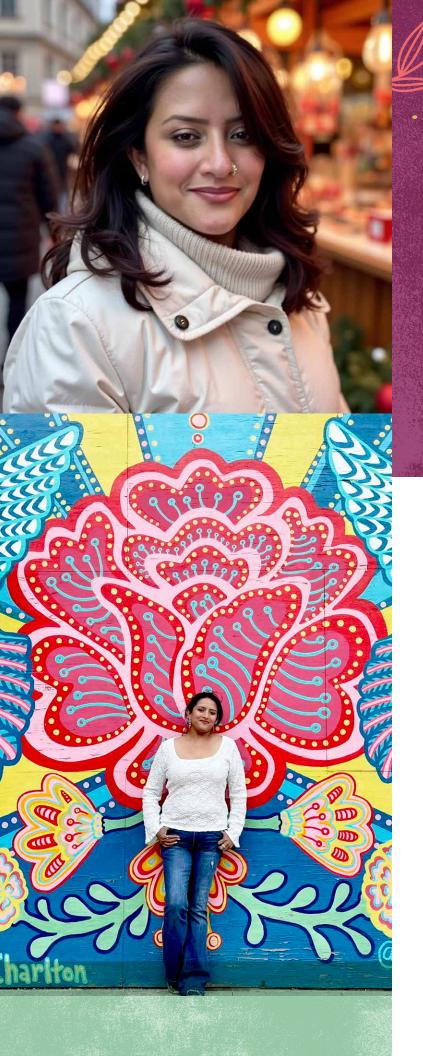
fello!

I'M KAJRI, THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO LEARN MORE ABOUT ME AND FOR CONSIDERING ME FOR YOUR CHILD.

I'M A SINGLE, EXPECTANT MOTHER-TO-BE WORKING IN HEALTHCARE IN CHICAGO. ORIGINALLY FROM INDIA, I'VE LIVED IN THE UNITED STATES FOR 32 YEARS.

IF CHOSEN, I PROMISE TO RAISE YOUR CHILD WITH LOVE, CARE, AND GUIDANCE, ENSURING THEY GROW INTO A SUCCESSFUL AND HAPPY INDIVIDUAL.







MY DOG, MOWGLI, IS THE STYLISH ONE BETWEEN US!

Since the age of 17, I have dreamt of becoming a mother. I know my purpose in life is to raise a beautiful and confident individual for this world. I have spent the past decade preparing myself to grow my family, first ensuring I was financially stable, then via fertility treatments and now through adoption.

As a self-made woman, I hope to teach my future child the qualities I believe are essential for success. I hope they inherit my values of kindness, empathy, and a having a joyful spirit.

My wish FOR YOUR CHILD, IS TO EMBRACE LIFE WITH POSITIVITY, EVEN AMIDST CHALLENGES, AND TO POSSESS THE CONFIDENCE TO ACHIEVE THEIR DREAMS.



I'M A BIG FAN OF HARRY POTTER!

IF I WERE TO Summatize MYSELF IN A FEW WORDS, I WOULD CHOOSE

RESILIENT, PRAGMATIC, AND PASSIONATE.



**RESILIENT I put myself through college, helped raise my younger sister, and attribute my success to my unwavering resilience and hard work.** I've worked hard my entire life and I'm proud of being where I am now in life. I believe in teaching my child these same principles to ensure they are able to navigate life and its challenges. I always say, life is tough and the best you can do in the moment is to be resilient with as much grace as possible.

**PRAGMATIC** My pragmatic side is what makes me work in corporate America to support a lifestyle I want. I enjoy my work and have the privilege of working with managers and team members who root and support my personal goals which is a blessing. When a situation presents itself, my thought is to resolve it with an approach that works for me and my family in the best way possible.

PASSIONATE The third part of me is the complete opposite of the previous. I am, at my core, a passionately creative individual. I'm a dreamer, a writer, a poet, a singer, a dancer, a performer – artistic expression is central to who I am. This passion extends to my love for music, food, movies, comic books, romance, and fantasy books, and I happily claim my "nerd" status! From the moment I first stepped on stage at age four, performing has been an integral and enduring part of my life.



I WAS SO SCARED BUT WAS PROUD I HELD A STINGRAY

I'M HAPPIEST WHEN COOKING FOR THOSE I LOVE



### COOKING HAS BEEN A PASSION OF MINE SINCE I WAS NINE YEARS OLD.

I have a love for creating dishes from diverse cuisines and also enjoy baking. Currently, I'm focusing on mastering Korean cuisine. I've catered events for up to 3000 people with my family, and I can confidently prepare meals for 100 individuals on my own. Food is central to my life; for me, it's a powerful expression of love, and I cherish cooking for those close to me. Through my travels, I love trying new cuisines and often find that food is a lovely common language through which I can connect with people of all cultures. I would love for my child to learn how to cook as well.

My Hobbies

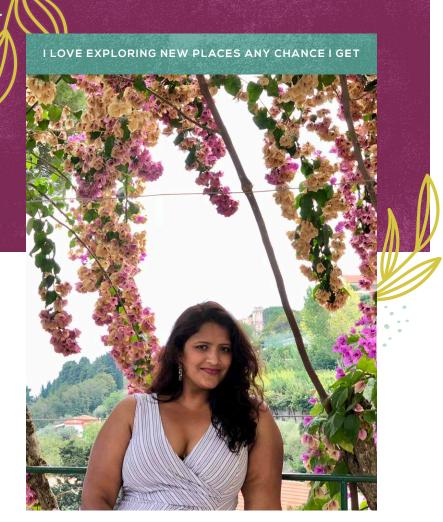
I'VE DRAWN RANGOLI (SAND ART) FOR YEARS FOR DIWALI (OUR NEW YEAR), IT'S ALWAYS A BIG HIT IN CHICAGO.

It's a beautiful tradition that is drawn in one's house to welcome the Goddess of Wealth. Initially, I took this up as a casual hobby by starting to make simple designs with turmeric, chili powder, and salt. Gradually I started making more complex designs with professional sand that I got from India. Finally making designs as big as 5x5ft (with the help of my sister) which would take over 24 hrs to make. This was a highlight in the community, as the scale of something like this is not seen here in America, so it was a sweet moment I was able to give to my community. My love for

art is reflected throughout my house. I especially love to display local art and highlight local artists, the paintings are a true reflection of me, my experiences or my humor.

#### ONE OF MY RANGOLI DRAWINGS





OST IN THE BEAUTY OF POSITANO, ITALY-I ALSO WAS MELTING

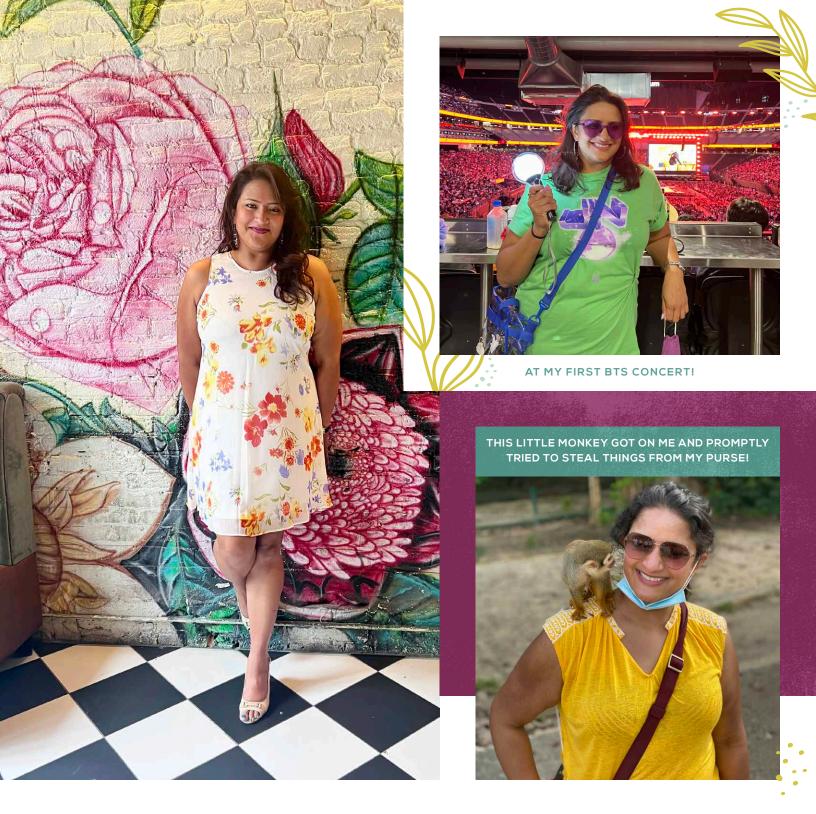
Fun Facts & Favorites

LANGUAGES I SPEAK : I speak Hindi, English and Urdu fluently. Of this I read and write Hindi and English with excellent proficiency. Speaking in Hindi is a huge part of my identity and I fully plan on teaching that to my child. I do believe in teaching languages to a child as I think it leads to more success and opportunity.

**COLLECTION:** I like to buy a mug from any place I travel to. I love drinking my chai in the morning in those mugs and remembering the good times at those places.

VACATION SPOT: I love traveling, and of all the spots I've traveled to, Italy is my favorite! I've traveled there twice and plan to go again. I can't wait to take my child with me to enjoy new cultures and adventures.

ICE CREAM FLAVOR: I love strawberry swirl. I love fruit and anything that's fruit flavored!



HOBBY: I have a great love for books. I remember waking up to a new book by my bedside when I was young, a gift from my parents. I always found books to be a great escape where I could explore new worlds and I wish the same for my child. **MUSICAL ARTISTS**: I love listening to music from all around the world in all languages. I listen to Indian, Turkish, French, Arabic, Japanese, Chinese and Korean. I will say my current obsession is K-pop and I have fallen head over heels in love with BTS. Music is a huge part of my life and will be a part of raising my child. I am looking forward to dancing with my child to our favorite songs. ANIMAL: I love dogs! I have grown up with dogs all my life and they are the best companions for children. Mowgli is an amazing dog who is very lovable and who adores kids. I think he may be more excited than anyone else for a new addition to the family.

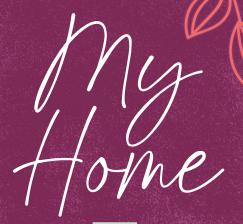


#### IN THE SUMMER YOU CAN OFTEN FIND ME AT MY LOCAL DOG BEACH



HANGING OUT WITH SOME OF MY GREATEST FRIENDS





I LOVE MY HOME IN *Chicago* and THE PEACE AND TRANQUILITY IT BRINGS ME.

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LIVING IN CHICAGO MEANS LOLLAPALOOZA IS RIGHT ON MY DOORSTEP!

> I always try and search for places with loads of natural sunlight and my home has an abundance of it. I love colors, which is reflected throughout the house, alongside art by local artists, and loads of plants making it a warm and inviting space. I have tons of plants most of which are flowering which makes the home smell heavenly during the summer. My favorite part of my home however is the ability to watch the gorgeous sunsets throughout the change of the seasons.

> I LIVE IN A FABULOUS NEIGHBORHOOD FILLED WITH SCHOOLS FOR KIDS OF ALL AGES. IN ADDITION, THERE ARE MANY PARKS AND GREEN SPACES FOR KIDS, MY DOG AND I WALK THEM A LOT DURING GOOD WEATHER.

The neighborhood also has a variety of classes for kids such as gymnastic, climbing, and fencing. I feel I discover a new venue every time I walk around. My building is very unique as it has a movie theater, bowling alley and a grocery store in it which makes life very easy for me.

I usually go between the suburbs and city often as my parents live out there. When I'm in the city, I have a pretty chill life. During the week, the day is spent between work, workouts, walking my dog and cooking for the day. Over the weekend, I get out to enjoy all the festivals the city offers or go to an event that may be going on, or meet a friend for some yummy food.



SEEING THE CHERRY BLOSSOMS IS A YEARLY TRADITION

VISITING A PUMPKIN PATCH IN THE FALL HAS BECOME AN ANNUAL EVENT FOR US



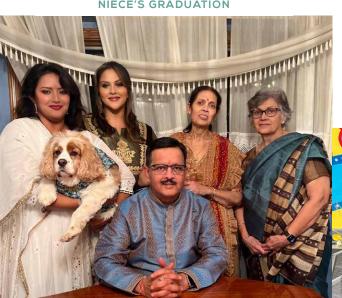
SINCE I DON'T HAVE A SPOUSE, I'LL SHARE THE STORY OF HOW I MET MY DOG!

I had been searching for a dog for a year. When I was finally at a place of decision, I kept seeing a puppy going nuts trying to get to me. I finally asked to see him and Mowgli came in as a hurricane, falling over in his excitement, tugging at my father's shoelaces to play and I fell in love with his personality. What then started was a beautiful story of a woman and her dog and an unwavering love for each other. My dog is my shadow, my son. I've had friend's joke that they would like to be my dog in their next life.





FAMILY FROM MY MOM'S SIDE AT MY NIECE'S GRADUATION



#### FAMILY PIC WITH MY ELDER AUNT FOR DIWALI (OUR NEW YEAR)



GOTTA EMBARRASS THE KIDDOS!

## CONSISTS OF MY FATHER, MOTHER AND SISTER;

however, we have a very large extended family all across the US and in India. While growing up, it was very common for us to visit family in India or different parts of the US. I grew up with my cousins and can't wait for my child to have the same experience, playing with them and being spoiled by all the aunts and uncles.



## My father is a very gregarious and a popular person,

he has a very generous heart and is always ready to help anyone at a moment's notice. Growing up, it was very normal for my dad to run into someone and spontaneously invite them for dinner. This trait of his has led him to have great connections in society. My dad also has a great love for theater and has directed full length plays. I think my extrovert nature and love for the stage comes from him.



MOM, SISSY AND ME



MORNING CUDDLES WITH MY FRIEND'S MUNCHKIN

# My mother IS MY ROCK!

She is quiet yet funny. Growing up she was quite strict about finances and taught me the value of money. After we were displaced by war in Kuwait, we were left with nothing but two suitcases in total for all us in India. It was during that time, my mom and I became the best of friends despite extremely trying times. She taught me resilience and how to handle all challenges with grace. My mom and I love to cook and do so often together. We love exploring new recipes together while singing old Indian songs and making precious memories.

My sister IS A VERY FUN, OUTGOING PERSONALITY AND THE BABY OF THE ENTIRE FAMILY! As a kid she used

to think the day she got taller than me was when she would be older than me. If only that could be true, we are nine years apart, but at times you can hardly tell the difference (oh..she did get taller than me). She's naturally outgoing, does her own thing, and is tons of fun. Like any sister, sharing is... mostly her taking my stuff and me pretending to be okay with it (though, let's be honest, I "borrow" things back sometimes!). We have a great relationship, and talk about anything and everything and can always count on each other.

### IN INDIA WITH MY PARENTS AND MY AUNT



### THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR TAKING THE TIME TO GET TO KNOW ME.

I promise if you choose me to raise your child, I will do my best to ensure they grow up having all the opportunities available. I also hope to develop a good relationship with you as well!

Thank you again.