

Andrae Goodnight was born in Casa Grande, Arizona to Anthony and Margaret McGary.

Andrae is a graduate of the prestigious Booker T. Washington High School for the Performing and Visual Arts in Dallas, Texas where he concentrated in visual arts and in theatre. He was a freshman when Norah Jones was a sophomore at the same school.

He graduated cum laude with a Bachelors of Science from Carver Bible College in Atlanta and received his Masters of Divinity from Covenant Theological Seminary in Saint Louis in 2005. He served as an Interim Pastor as well as an Adjunct College Professor teaching Philosophy, Biblical Studies, and World Religion courses.

In 2009, Andrae was elected to the Chattanooga City Council as the 8th District representative, becoming the youngest person ever to hold a local office in Chattanooga.

In May 2010, Andrae became the first African-American full-time talk show radio host of "Live and Local" which airs on WGOW 102.3FM. He became a rating leader with the show.

He has received the National Association of Social Workers Public Official Award in 2009, was named in Chatter's Magazine's "20 Under 40" List in 2010, and received the Honorable Mention award for "Best Director" for his submission of "Baby Steps" in the 55hour film festival held in Chattanooga, TN in 2014.

Andrae and his family moved to California in 2015 to pursue his dream of acting. Together with his wife he founded Black Madonna Productions in 2018. He is currently developing scripted material for tv/film.

Andrae and his wife Cheryl have been married for 20 years and together have seven children.