Listen: Atchison's Anthony earns spot on TV's "The Voice" (KAIR)--An Atchison native has earned a chance to compete on NBC TV's vocal competition reality show, "The Voice."

34-year-old Durrell Anthony, who now resides in California, performed his version of Marvin Gaye's "What's Going On" during the show's blind audition segment, earning immediate attention from musician-turned "The Voice" judge John Legend.

Anthony, with his choice of panelist mentors to choose from, to help him through the season's competition, chose Legend.

From Anthony's official bio, courtesy of Warner Brothers: Hailing from a family of musicians, Durell started singing in church at a young age. He wasn't able to keep up with sports due to his weight, so music became his focus throughout school. Durell went to college on a vocal scholarship weighing nearly 300 pounds and decided to get serious about his health and his artistry. Fitness became a passion for him, and after graduating, he became a counselor at a weight-loss summer camp where he met his wife. When summer ended, Durell started gigging at weddings and eventually turned music into a full-time career. Durell and his wife now have two young children and live in California.

"The Voice" airs Monday and Tuesday evening's at 8:00 local time on NBC TV.



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