

Etu & Evans

ETU EVANS

Designer, Orangeburg

A school psychologist told Etu Evans' mother he had a learning disability that might limit him. His grandmother knew better. She told him he had "big mind" —so big that there was no limit to where it would take him. That instilled a self-confidence in Evans that made him an entrepreneur at 16, took him to the Ivy League and gave him the courage and vision to become a designer after a long-time love affair with art and fashion blossomed. Etu Evans is now one of the world's top shoe designers, whose hand-crafted work adorns the feet of celebrities like Tyra Banks and Mo'Nique. Still unable to see limits, Evans has also created a foundation that provides shoes to job-seekers in poor urban communities.

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 HISTORY CALENDAR

OCTOBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Colin Powell was appointed first African American chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff in 1989.	2 Thurgood Marshall was sworn in, becoming the first African American Supreme Court Justice in 1967.	3 Nat King Cole was the first Black performer to host his own television show in 1956.	4 National Black Convention met in Syracuse, N.Y. in 1864.	5 Congresswoman Yvonne Burke was born in 1932.	6 Fisk Jubilee Singers began national tour in 1871.	7 Toni Morrison became first African American to win Nobel Prize in literature.
8 Jesse Jackson was born in 1941.	9 Columbus Day O.B. Clare patented the rail trestle in 1888.	10 Singer Ben Vereen was born in 1946.	11 A. Miles patented the elevator in 1887.	12 Richard ("Dick") Gregory was born in 1932.	13 Arna W. Bontemps, noted poet, was born in 1902.	14 Martin Luther King, Jr. awarded Nobel Peace Prize in 1964.
15 Clarence Thomas confirmed to the U.S. Supreme Court in 1992.	16 John Brown led attack on Harper's Ferry in 1859.	17 Capital Savings Bank opened in Washington, D.C. in 1888.	18 Novelist Terry McMillan was born in 1951.	19 The U.S. Navy was opened to African American women in 1944.	20 John Merrick organized North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company in 1898.	21 "Dizzy" Gillespie was born in Cheraw, S.C. in 1917.
22 Clarence S. Green became the first African American certified in neurological surgery.	23 The NAACP petitioned the United Nations about racial injustice in 1947.	24 Jackie Robinson died in 1972.	25 Benjamin O. Davis became the first African American general in the U.S. Army in 1940.	26 Inventor T. Marshall patented the fire extinguisher in 1872.	27 D. B. Downing, inventor, patented his street letter box in 1891.	28 Founder of The Underground Railroad, Levi Coffin, was born in 1798.
29 The Supreme Court ordered end to segregation in schools "at once" in 1969.	30 Richard Arrington was elected the first Black mayor of Birmingham, Ala., in 1979.	31 Halloween Ethel Waters, actress and singer, was born in 1900.	   			