



GUEST ED'S LETTER

One would have to be particularly ignorant not to take note of students demanding equal opportunities and access to education. This strong push for inclusion, justice and representation is reflected in many small vibrations globally. The recent international runways have seen the much-needed inclusion of black models like Angola's Maria Borges, Uganda's Aamito Lagum and Lineisy Montero from the Dominican Republic. Their very presence is disruptive and transformative in an industry notoriously averse to meaningful diversity.

And this is ironic, considering that fashion enables one to travel – and experience diversity – through clothing which adopts aesthetics from far and wide. This week's East Afrique editorial proves once again that a beautiful and nuanced mix of elements, aesthetics and experiences is the true alchemy of fashion

Thula Sindi - Clothing designer

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THULA SINDI

THULA'S PICKS

This week's guest editor, designer Thula Sindi, tells us what he's into right now, from groovy metallics to Bohemian maxi dresses for hot summer days

I love Maria McCloy brogues. The shoes are custom made with your choice of print, ensuring a unique piece of footwear. **Brogues, R800, Maria McCloy 082-340-0262**



Wooden accessories, especially sunglasses. I love that natural materials are being used for traditionally hi-tech items. **Prada sunglasses, R8 400, Luxottica (021) 486-6100**



I love that metallic is making a return: very groovy. **Tote bag, R649, Witchery woolworths.co.za**

I love how lightweight, beautiful and eco-friendly cork is. **Cork earrings, R480, Pretty Found Things prettyfoundthings.co.za**



We're seeing more natural hairstyles on people of African descent: it's a breath of fresh air. **Mizani Supreme Oil Hair Treatment, R251**



I'm thrilled by the new energy that black models like Lineisy Montero have added to international runways. **Alberta Ferretti SS 16**

Bohemian maxi dresses embody the whimsy of summer as the days get warmer. **Maxi dress, R2 400, Lalesso lalesso.com**



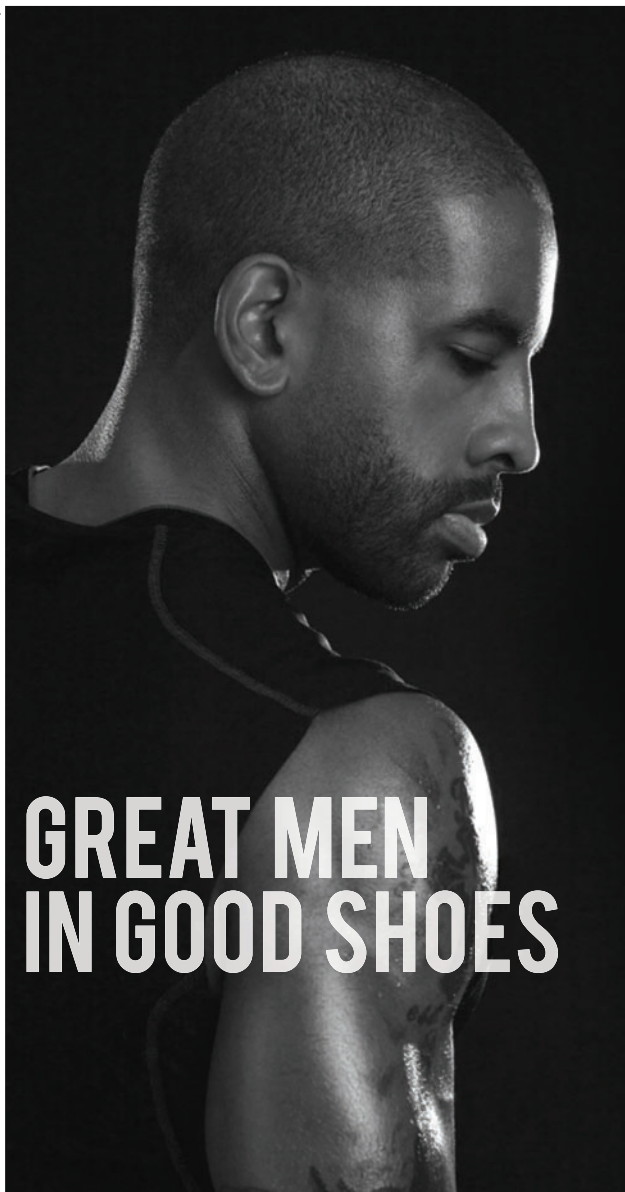
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SAVANAH (BROWN)



CONGO (BLACK)



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