

# WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH: Paper Dolls

## Marian Anderson

Marian Anderson was a classical singer who broke barriers. At a time when African-Americans had very few rights in the United States, she was adored by music fans for her beautiful singing voice.

**DID YOU KNOW?** In 1939, Marian wanted to perform at a concert in Washington, D.C. The Daughters of the American Revolution, the group that owned the theater, would not let her perform. First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt, who was a member of the D.A.R., resigned from the group and organized a new concert on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial. About 75,000 people attended, and millions more listened to it on the radio.

