



# IS ANGEL STEWARD AMERICA'S NEXT TOP MODEL?

EduSerc's newest model talks about her experiences and journey into the modeling industry.

he dream of becoming a model is in the heart of many teenagers in our country. From Vogue magazine to music videos, we are saturated with images of talented young people setting the social standard for beauty. Imagine the opportunity to have your face on the box of a hair care product in your local store, or even on a billboard advertising the latest soft drink. Well, this dream is closer than most as EduSerc's newest model engages in opportunities such as starring in the leading role in a movie being developed about the autobiography of the R&B talent, Alize'.

Angel Steward, from North Carolina, has been presented with many opportunities to make it big and has a lot to handle as well. As a single mother taking care of her son at an early age, she has had many struggles to live her dream while staying focused on her primary responsibilities. Through her adversity like most passionate individuals, she persevered to be a loving, caring mother while not letting any previous decisions in her life affect her dream to become a model.

Now, Angel is being featured in music videos, magazines and received the opportunity to serve as EduSerc's red carpet personality at the Educators Serving the Community Awards in 2006. In combination with the artistic ideas, management and leadership of Brian K. Smith, Executive Director of EduSerc, the multi-talented Angel is living the dream that many young girls hope to experience. Angel realizes her raw talent and knows what it's like to fight for something she really wants.



## The Interview with Angel Steward

**YI:** So how did you get started in modeling?

**Angel:** As a sophomore in college, I was introduced to the CEO of Lorenzo Lauren Enterprises, an entertainment company, who invited me to be one of their models/ hostess for events in the triad area of Greensboro, NC. We'd model the spring line at fashion shows for local urban stores in the area.

**YI:** What types of modeling have you done?

**Angel:** My first was a fashion show in Greensboro, NC for an urban stores spring line. I believe the clothing line brand was by the name of All Dayz, I'm not sure. That was about a year and half ago. I've done a photography advertisement for Potoray out of Pennsylvania, numerous photo shoots, was featured in Universal Salons hair magazine volume 5 - 2006. Not to long ago I was notified that I will also be featured in Black Sophisticates hair for November of 2006. I was a contestant and model of the week for 2 consecutive weeks for North Carolina's Next Top Model, [www.ncnextmodel.com](http://www.ncnextmodel.com), sponsored by the A list [www.alistnc.com](http://www.alistnc.com). And I've hosted the CIAA party of 2006 in Charlotte, NC with the A list as well. I'd say that my starter or largest event that I posed as the red carpet reporter was for EduSerc's 10<sup>th</sup> annual awards ceremony in Baltimore, MD.



Angel interviewing educators at the 2006 EduSerc Awards

**YI:** What advice would you give to young people wanting to go into the modeling industry?

**Angel:** First I'd let them know that it is a rough road. You have to research your market and maintain yourself...always. It may be a good start to create a local fan base for yourself by getting involved in local events in your area...which will call for some volunteering - that's free. You have to be assertive and know what you want out of it because you can't just model, you have to be "on point" where people just cannot wait to see you do something or wait to see you appear. You cannot be weak, absolutely not, you will get ran over and taken advantage of. It's a job...really! You have to go for what you want and make it clear what you want to do. I've cried and been discouraged many days and nights. Your social support is so crucial. You can't make it without that. Fans and admirers are all flattering and fun but without the support of your family and close associates and friends....I don't know, I could not have made it this far and I've only come a short distance.

**YI:** Who is your inspiration?

**Angel:** My son Isaiah. He is 6 years old and he is such an awesome child. If it weren't for him, I'm not sure if I'd pursue my dreams as hard. Because of him I have matured into a responsible woman who is goal oriented. I make sure that no matter what I do that I am always able to provide for him. I enjoy modeling so it makes it even more rewarding. Isaiah keeps me grounded and helps me to come back to reality when I think that my head is getting a little big from all of the attention. At the end of all the photo shoots, questions, events, autographs and pictures, what really matters is that he is taken care of.



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