

A portrait of Malala Yousafzai, a Pakistani schoolgirl, wearing a colorful patterned headscarf with red, green, and brown floral designs. She is looking directly at the camera with a slight smile. The background is dark.

Today in History

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▲ Pakistani schoolgirl Malala Yousafzai, shot by the Taliban for demanding education for girls, became the youngest ever recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize

1865: Inventor John Wesley Hyatt patented his design for the billiard ball

1935: George Gershwin's folk opera *Porgy and Bess* opened on Broadway to immense acclaim

1975: Richard Burton and Elizabeth Taylor married for the second time, but divorced again the following year

2005: Angela Merkel, leader of the conservative Christian Democrats, became the first woman Chancellor in Germany's history