Claudette Colvin: Twice Towards Justice by Phillip Hoose



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What's It About?

On March 2, 1955, an impassioned teenager, fed up with the daily injustices of Jim Crow segregation, refused to give her seat to a white woman on a segregated bus in Montgomery, Alabama. Instead of being celebrated as Rosa Parks would be just nine months later, 15 year old Claudette Colvin found herself shunned by her classmates and dismissed by community leaders.

Based on extensive interviews with Claudette Colvin and many others, Phillip Hoose presents the first in-depth account of an important yet largely unknown civil rights figure, skillfully weaving her dramatic story into the fabric of the historic Montgomery bus boycott and court case that would change the course of American history.

 Winner of many awards including: Newbery Honor Book, Robert F. Sibert Award Honor, YALSA Award for Excellence in Nonfiction Finalist and more!

Who Wrote It?

Phillip Hoose is the widely-acclaimed author of books, essays, stories, songs, and articles, A graduate of the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Sciences, Hoose was for 37 years a staff member of The Nature Conservancy, dedicated to preserving the plants, animals, and natural communities of the Earth, He is also a musician and baseball fan. You can learn more about him and his book on www.philliphoose.com.



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