

Carolina Crow Girl

Carolina is eleven, and is not looking forward to starting sixth grade as the new girl at a new school again. She lives in a converted school bus with her younger sister, Trinity, and her single mother, Melanie, and she knows it won't be long before Melanie has them on the move once more, following Trinity's father, Red, from town to town. While parked in a field near the coastline of California, Carolina finds a baby crow on the ground beneath its nest, and decides to care for the bird until it is able to fend for itself. She also befriends Stefan Crouch, a lonely boy confined to a wheelchair, whose father owns the land where Melanie has parked their bus. What will Carolina do when Melanie decides it's time to move on? As Carolina contemplates the possibility of a future filled with comforts and constancy, she is forced to define for herself the meanings of home, freedom, family, and belonging.

About the Author



Valerie Hobbs is recognized as a gifted creator of poignant, coming-of-age stories, and as an author who infuses her adolescent characters with thoughts, emotions and motivations that accurately reflect the experiences of young adults. She has won numerous awards for her young adult novels, including Best Book of the Year by Kirkus, Booklist, The American Library Association, and The School Library Journal, and Best Book for Reluctant Readers by The American Library Association. She also won the 1999 PEN/Norma Klein award for an emerging voice of literary merit among American Writers of children's fiction. For more information about CAROLINA CROW GIRL and author Valerie Hobbs, visit www.valeriehobbs.com.



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