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American jazz singer and songwriter, born 7 April 1915 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA and died 17 July 1959 in New York City, New York USA. Daughter of jazz guitarist Clarence Holiday. She made her debut around 1930' as a singer in some clubs in New York. John Hammond was the one who discovered her.

Made her first recordings together with Benny Goodman. From 1939 she started recording songs with the jazzmen from that time, and around 1940' she also started playing in some movies.

In the 50s, her voice was slipping fast, thanks to unhappy relationships, heroin use and excessive drinking. In 1959 she collapsed, when she was placed under arrest for heroin possession while on her deathbed.

Inducted into Blues Hall of Fame in 1991. Inducted into Rock And Roll Hall of Fame in 2000 (Early Influence). --- discogs.com

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