

Chuck Brodsky Quotes

*"One of the greatest storytelling artists we know."
-Mountain Xpress*

"What tales this singer-songwriter from Philadelphia has . . . With insight and good humor, he has taken these life experiences and distilled them into old fashioned story songs brimming with wit and compassion." –New York Times

"Formidably ironic . . . with a trove of finely hewn material."
–Toronto Star

"He is an extraordinary talent in my opinion. I would place him in the Dylan-Guthrie-Prine league without question."
–BBC Belfast (Tony McAuley)

"If Mark Twain were reincarnated as a musician, his name might be Chuck Brodsky." –Florida Today

"Radio isn't likely to play songs this good . . . Brodsky clearly belongs in the top echelon of contemporary songwriters."
–Associated Press

"Truly a national treasure." –David Schultz (Fame)

"A preposterous arsenal of warm, disarming humor and caustic, cunning barbs." –Penguin Eggs (Canada)

"The soft, wry voice of John Prine and the detailed balladry of Bob Dylan . . . Ear-catching melodies." –Boston Globe

"Down-to-earth lyrics about ordinary folk sung in an often jocular, and always entertaining style . . . He may be compassionate, but there's always at least a modicum of black humour somewhere along the line to keep his audiences on their toes."
–The Jerusalem Post

"One of the finest singer-songwriters in America. There are a lot of good ones, but when it comes to the really great ones it boils down to a select few—he's one of them."
–Larry Groce, Mountain Stage, National Public Radio

"Chuck Brodsky can sing, fingerpick, and strum with the best of 'em, but the Asheville, North Carolina, folkie is above all a storyteller, and a riveting one at that." –Acoustic Guitar

"Knockout songs . . . simple, honest, and truly true . . . his observations deserve your undivided attention."
–Arthur Wood, FolkWax

"A sharp eye for detail, a wicked sense of humor and the ability to create memorable characters." –Philadelphia Inquirer

"These are songs that come straight from the heart, but as stories they are literate, subtle, ironic, beautiful and very memorable."
–Dugg Simpson, Vancouver Folk Festival

"Passionate observer—twister, re-maker, syncopator of the simple tale, the not-so-simple cliché." –Village Voice

"Chuck spins tales that draw the listener helplessly into a (lyrical) web of intrigue and human interest." –FolkRoots (UK)

"A natural born storyteller." –Santa Monica Mirror

"Years from now, and in a perfect world, young up and coming folk singers may find themselves burdened with the tag—the new Brodsky." –The Performing Songwriter

"A skilled storyteller with an eye for telling minutiae . . . and an ability to sneak a compelling point across with devastating effectiveness." –Minneapolis Star Tribune

"A genuine troubadour with no soap box, no urban boho contentions, and a few axes to grind, Brodsky picks and grins with the best of the Woody and Ramblin' Jack descendants."
–San Francisco Bay Guardian

"The offbeat characters who populate Brodsky's world are so fleshed out and fully realized you can almost hear or smell them." –Metro Beat (SC)

"Soulful songs honoring the lives of everyday people."
–Metro (Santa Cruz, CA)

"Chuck Brodsky is a singer/songwriter/guitar player whose songs moved me so much I thought at first I couldn't possibly write about them. But you need to know."
–Claudia Stewart, Prince Rupert This Week (Canada)

"Down-to-earth stage presence and warm, humanistic approach to crafting tunes."
–The Chronicle-Herald (Halifax, NS)

"If indeed God is in the details, Chuck Brodsky has a direct line to the powers that be...bittersweet, biting, and insightful"
–No Depression

"Haunting refrains . . . intriguing narratives." –Washington Post

"Straight from the top shelf" –The List (Ireland)

"A world class songwriter...a musical poet moonlighting at times as a grand court jester." –Mountain Xpress (Asheville, NC)

"His rapport with his audience is as treasured as his social commentaries told through his music."
–Metroland (Peterborough, ON)

"He has something important to say in every song, whether serious or funny...What a treat." –Sing Out!

"A grab bag of songs that run deep across American roots...full of insight and good humor and intelligence . . ."
–Oklahoma Gazette