

CLAUDIA NYGAARD

WHAT THE VENUES ARE SAYING...

"Claudia has a talent for finding in a simple phrase the most excellent songs, where anyone else might hear nothing. I am continually amazed by the emotions she can evoke; heart wrenching (I cry every time), to a social statement which could be a call to action or at least some inner searching, to sexy and funny that leaves everyone in the room delightfully, joyfully heated. Always delighted to have her at Kerrville." **Dalis Allen, Kerrville Folk Festival, Kerrville, TX.**

"Few solo artists can capture a festival crowd and instantly turn them into an attentive audience. Claudia Nygaard is one such singer/songwriter. Her songs range from heartwarming to whimsical, and are woven into an engaging performance hard to match (or equal) as she straddles all genres in contemporary acoustic music". **Tom Barrett, Black Hawk Folk Festival,**

"The Old Sloop Coffeehouse audience loved Claudia Nygaard. Her heartfelt songwriting and engaging stories moved the audience from laughter to tears. Her experience and skill make her a pleasure to work with. She made new fans among both the audience and the volunteers who are looking forward to her return." **Celene & Geof Lyon, Old Sloop Coffeehouse**

"Claudia graced our audience with a fabulous show! Her songs were witty, well-written, and performed like the pro she is. Several of her songs made us cry, and several made us laugh until tears fell. I highly recommend Claudia for a concert - you, and your audience, won't be sorry!" **Blair Larsen, Bridger Folk Society**

"Claudia Nygaard is a stunning singer/songwriter who is just as adept at telling a story as she is at singing a song. With her warmth and wit she has a way of connecting with the audience as few performers do, relating to each person in the room as if she's singing or talking directly to them. The lyrics to her original songs are often autobiographical and can be humorous (I Wonder if I'll Miss You When You're Dead) or deeply poignant (His Left Side), sung with her rich and nuanced alto." **Valerie Birk – Edgar's Coffee House , Chicago, IL**

"Claudia Nygaard performed at Cotuit Center for the Arts, Cotuit, and also The Wellfleet Preservation Hall in Wellfleet in November of 2015, both in MA, for the "Sit-A While" music concert series that I produce. Claudia is a witty, talented songwriter and also an engaging performer. The audiences loved her and I would be thrilled to have her grace our stage again." **Ruth Condon, Cotuit Center For the Arts, Wellfleet Preservation Hall, Cape Cod, MA**

"Claudia was a smash hit with our audience. Her songs, her stories, her charming wit, and her engaging personality combined to provide all of us with a wonderful evening of entertainment." **Kelson Slayman "Folk at the Cannery", Dataw Island, SC**

"We just hosted Claudia Nygaard at the Landings... A number of folks approached me after the show and said they thought she was the best performer to appear in our series to date. That is really saying something!" **Herb Goslin, Folk at the Landings, Savannah, GA**

"I have been hosting concerts for 40 years... and I would have to say that Claudia Nygaard's house concert was one of the most personal and engaging of the audience that I have ever seen. She had them from the get-go to the encore." **Paul Barker, Barker House Concerts, Austin, TX**

"I have not enjoyed any 'Evenings with the Songwriter' as much as this. This elegant lady has so much class she wears her radiant smile as casually as the manure on her boots. Her songs come from the heart, with the help of a watchful eye and a mindful soul." **Fletcher Clark, "Evenings With The Songwriter" Lockhart, TX**

"Claudia Nygaard writes from the heart and sings with personal emotion. She bares her soul to her audience and brings us inside." - **Jill Padua & Pat Salt, RiverFolk Concerts**

"Her voice is extraordinaire, her stage presence polished and the quality of her music, songs and lyrics absolutely wondrous to amazing."

Bayfield, WI Heritage Association, Bayfield, WI

"As an 11-year member of the Folk Alliance International organization, I've had the opportunity to see & hear hundreds of artists. Claudia has always been one of those artists who truly impressed me with her talents as a singer, songwriter, musician and **entertainer**. A few years ago, I produced a series of House Concerts at Buntyn Presbyterian Church; Claudia was far & away the concert-crowd's favorite artist." **Don**

Boles, Memphis, TN

*"Claudia Nygaard is now a best friend! what a fine guest to have in my home! and she sings songs about life that will stay with you forever! **She had the audience in the palm of her hand!** The travels Claudia has had, and her performances in almost every one of our United States, is evident in her song stories. This time around, Claudia has returned to her "beginning days" as a singer - Claudia returned to Cape Cod! It was a warm reunion here in my home!" **Diana Mellon, Brick House Concerts, Orleans, MA***

*"Claudia had a great rapport with our audience and is a fantastic performer. Not only was she a talented singer but her songs were very personal and evocative demonstrating her songwriting ability. We enjoyed getting to know Claudia and will welcome her back anytime." **Bill Hooson, Hoosonanny, Atlanta, GA***

And, thank you again for a wonderful evening. Your songs, and your voice and your stories were all wonderful and most enjoyable. Thank you very much. **Bucky Jackson, Magic Circle Theater, Carmel Valley, CA**

"Claudia Nygaard is down to earth, fun, and a little bit mischievous... just like her music."
Cheryl Kagan, Folk 'N Great Music, Rockville, MD