

# TOM CHAPIN

## TOM CHAPIN - Songs Of Hope

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Songs of Hope represents a leap forward and a look back by **Tom Chapin**, one of America's best songwriters and live performers.

Here is a collection of Tom's songs, chosen to send out some hopeful, positive, meaningful messages in these trying times: 14 strong, personal songs written and sung with passion and integrity.

Some tell stories in the "Chapin Tradition," some evoke moments and emotions that grew into songs. They take the listener on a ride through the full range of American folk, roots, and singer/songwriter experience and feature Tom's trademarks: great writing, beautiful arrangements, and superb musicianship.

This recording includes two songs by Tom's brother Harry Chapin: (Remember When The Music and Jubilation). Three songs feature his daughters Abigail Chapin and Lily Chapin (The Chapin Sisters): Hold Our Ground Forever and We Will Not Stop (penned by the sisters), and Quite Early Morning, written by Tom's friend and mentor Pete Seeger. Home is the place we seek in good times and bad (Home Is The Welcoming Sound) and the safe haven we crave (It Feels Like Home).

This recording would not be possible without the contributions of many amazing musicians, including Tom's daughters, Abigail & Lily (The Chapin Sisters), longtime bandmates and collaborators Michael Mark and Jon Cobert, John McCutcheon, Scott Ainslie, Eric Weisberg, Robin Batteau, Jay Ungar and Molly Mason, Jonathan Edwards, and Larry Campbell. And friends like John Forster, Si Kahn, Pete Seeger, John Guth, Joe DiGiorgi, Claudia Libowitz and so many others who brought these tunes to life in and out of the studio and continue to inspire me.

*"For years, on TV and in concerts, Tom's been one of the most stalwart and constant champions of the Pete Seeger tradition, always using the power of song to bring people together."*

*AMERICAN SONGWRITER, PAUL ZOLLO*

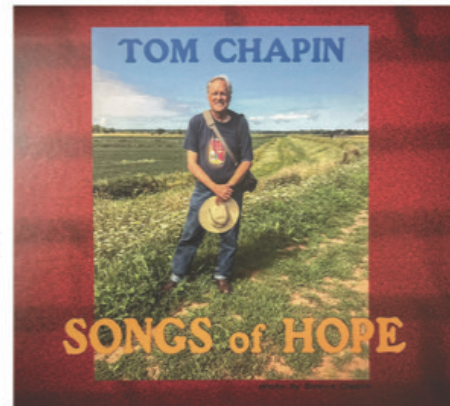
For more than 60 years and 29 albums, three time Grammy® award-winner Tom Chapin has entertained audiences with his remarkable musicianship, personal warmth and good humor. In addition to his work as a recording artist, concert performer, storyteller and activist, he's performed on Broadway and worked extensively in television, radio and film.

Chapin maintains two long and productive parallel careers, both as a respected contemporary folk artist and as a pioneer in the field of children's music. With hundreds of songs in his repertoire, Chapin serves up a tasty mix of story songs, ballads, comedic and political songs, family music, sing-alongs, old-time folk classics and a favorite song or two of his late brother Harry's. Tom accompanies himself on guitar, banjo, mandolin and autoharp.

In addition to his musical and media endeavors, Chapin has long been an advocate for issues of hunger and social justice, environmental causes, and a supporter of music and the arts in public schools."

*"...one of the great personalities in contemporary folk music."*

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