



## **Nikki Moddelmog**

From the first note, Nikki Moddelmog sounds familiar. The rich voice, the intricate melodies, the unapologetic lyrics bring to mind such artists as Michelle Shocked, Lisa Loeb, Patty Griffin and, clearly, Ani DiFranco.

The music is a reflection of the woman. Nikki grew up in the Mennonite farming town of Moundridge, Kansas -- but you wouldn't know it by looking at her. With wild hair pulled into pigtails, homemade tie-dye shirt and flowing skirt, she hardly fits the conservative Kansas stereotype. Nor is there much Gen X to be found in her 1920s-era glasses or burnt-orange VW Westfalia bus (built the same year she was born). Nikki looks every bit the quirky, comfortable old soul friends know her to be. In a time and culture of pretentiousness, Nikki is adorably herself.

Nikki sings of imagined lovers, deafening silence, false starts and neglected beds. Her characters challenge each other and themselves. They hold on, they let go, they grow. Her music gives voice to the dichotomies of love and the juxtaposition of life's desires and obligations.

"Her memorable songs, circular and cyclical like life, and her crystal-clear vocals make for an extremely pleasant listening experience." - Wichita Register

"Her early performances revealed a charming, goofy, spontaneous talent -- a mighty engaging young artist who was just discovering her voice and her power ... Now her voice has lost some of its childlike wonder, but retains the wisest parts of idealism. In fact, she sounds just like Nikki Moddelmog, but maybe a little more experienced. And it's experience that makes us interesting." - Vionza Music

"Nikki is a charming and disarming mélange of contradictions. Her songs come from an old-soul-meets-Hello-Kitty philosophy of life. ... She ain't no poser. She's genuine, and she's good." - Liberty Press

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- **A Musical Life: Nikki Moddelmog** - KMUW 89.1
- **Featured Artist Interview: Nikki Moddelmog** - Snark and String

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