

INDIE SCENE

MARSHALL CHAPMAN

*Blaze of Glory*

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On one hand, you can't believe this South Carolinian cult fave is 64 years old. The singer, songwriter and "female Jagger," as some call her, wrote and recorded her 13th album after what sounds like one hell of a trip to Mexico. Chapman gets real on bluesy rockabilly cuts and spills her guts on country-folk ballads, and thanks to warm production and sparse arrangements—all rumbling bass and twinkling electric guitars—the record has an organic, straight-to-tape feel. "Burning like a comet across the night sky / playing rock 'n' roll music with my hair on fire," Chapman sings on the title cut, looking back, sure, but still smoldering after all these years.

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