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How is it that someone hasn't put together a Kinks documentary before? "You Really Got Me - The Story of the Kinks" wraps their story up in a neat and entertaining, but not overwhelming package. Since it's unauthorized, there are no new interviews. but several vintage ones from various points in their career.

Most if not all of the video footage has been out there before, too, but it is nice to see it all in one place. There is both live and released video footage, sourced from TV footage, music videos and live concerts. Songs include "You Really Got Me," "'Till the End of the Day," "Waterloo Sunset," "Days," "Celluloid Heroes" and the Dave Davies song "Death of a Clown." (See a clip of "Victoria" at the bottom of the page.)

The Kinks were one of the most underappreciated bands of the British Invasion. Ray Davies has been one of music's best composers. If nothing else, this DVD -- and all the vintage music it features -only underscores that achievement. Diehard Kinks fans probably won't learn a lot from it, but it will give them reasons to smile.





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