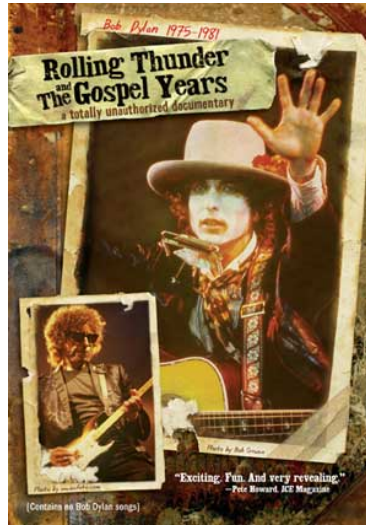


## Rock N Roll Experience - March/April 2006



### BOB DYLAN - 1976 - 1981 Rolling Thunder & the Gospel Years DVD

Rating: 5 Stars!

I'll admit that initially, this DVD started off really boring..it spends about 20 minutes or so on how Bob Dylan helped a man who was in prison, & it delves slightly into the Black Panthers & things that were going on at the moment, but, the interesting stuff on this DVD is the evolution of "Rolling Thunder", which was essentially, the re-birth of Bob Dylan & it featured Dylan with a larger band & he even had David Bowie's Spider from Mars, Mick Ronson in his band! During the Rolling Thunder era, Dylan took to wearing make-up & he considered his band to be more like a circus & it was actually a very interesting time in the man's career, because between it all, he got tired of the band & he went back to religion, & there's just a lot of history there that anyone under 40 would probably not know. This documentary is totally un-authorized, & possibly the best, most interesting Bob Dylan documentary I have seen. There are a few moments where it's a little shaky & things tend to drag on, but overall, I like the way this was set up & it keeps you interested in the topic. There's also an accompanying soundtrack that features all of the music from the dvd...it's performed by Highway 61 Revisited, a Dylan tribute band. If you'd like to get a copy of this DVD you can get it at [www.musicvideodistributors.com](http://www.musicvideodistributors.com)

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