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### **DVD Spotlight**

**John Lennon, "Rare and Unseen" (MVD) 3 stars.**

With not a single note of actual John Lennon music included in this (unless you include some daffy Beatles' newsreel footage of the Fabs singing Christmas songs) this is far far far cry from being a definitive John Lennon DVD.

Yet it doesn't claim to be.

What it offers is approximately 80 minutes of Lennon interview footage, most of it culled from the years immediately after the Beatles went their separate ways. A lot is taken from the admittedly rare "Man of the Decade" British TV broadcast which originally aired in 1969, with clips from David Frost interviews and other sources.

Throughout, Lennon offers his views on everything from Vietnam to the Beatles' breakup, from Allan Klein to Yoko Ono and ultimately his struggle for peace and his unshakable support of a non-violent approach to social change.

The color segments are fairly washed out and there is next to nothing of Lennon found from 1971 on, except for a couple of miniscule audio only clips from 1980 which appear at the end of "Rare and Unseen."