

## DVD Feature: The Beatles – Their Golden Age

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It is hard to over-estimate the impact of The Beatles when they burst onto the pop-culture scene over half a century ago. Formed in 1960, the ‘Fab Four’ were a revelation that swept out of Liverpool, England to take over the world. This DVD takes a look back at the golden age of ‘Beatlemania,’ as the frenzy that they caused among their fans was called.

This was an age when radio ruled the roost and the very notion of being a ‘teenager’ was still new. Following the rise of The Beatles, their whirlwind national and international tours, albums, movies, and more this DVD offers a solid snap-shot of this time, as seen through the focus of the pop-culture phenomenon.

The narrative from author and film-maker Les Krantz is simple and straight-forward, making this an easily accessible movie for the Beatles novice. Those who are more au fait with the iconic group may find the information to be basic at best, but this is compensated for by the original footage, which includes interviews, scenes from movies such as ‘A Hard Day’s Night,’ ‘Help’ ‘Yellow Submarine,’ ‘The Magical Mystery Tour,’ and ‘Let It Be.’

Viewers will also be able to glean some insight into the various personalities within the band, not to mention how they seemed to grow as their career continued – leading to their eventual split.

As a simple introduction, chance to see some vintage footage, or even a relaxing distraction for Beatles fans this DVD does its job. Sure, it is not the most in-depth look at the Fab Four that you will ever come across, but at 60-minutes in length it offers some decent, light, info-tainment.

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