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'Composing Outside The Beatles-Lennon & McCartney,' (MVDvisual, HHHH)



This Oct. 25 DVD is a documentary film about the part of John Lennon and Paul McCartney's musical careers immediately following their early post-Beatles successes and a brief stagnation. A distinguished panel including Beatles buddy Klaus Voorman, Wings' guitarist Denny Laine, music journalist Robert Christgau, Wings drummer Denny Siewell and others weigh in on this important time. Paul formed a new band, Wings, but had trouble keeping personnel onboard other than wife Linda and former Moody Blues multi-instrumentalist Laine. John went from two dynamite albums into a period of confusion before emerging later in the decade. Fans of both men and Beatles fans will enjoy this music-laden presentation along with these two volumes:

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"Composing Outside the Beatles: Lennon and McCartney 1967-1972, (MVDvisual) reviewed Jan. 15, 2010, and "Composing the Beatles Songbook: Lennon & McCartney

1966-1970," (MVDvisual) reviewed Nov. 28, 2008.