

DVD SPOTLIGHT

Kate Bush, "Under Review: An Independent Critical Analysis"

(MVD/Sexy Intellectual) THREE STARS

The latest in a series of documentary DVDs out of England focusing on artists such as the Velvet Underground, Syd Barrett and the Smiths, this 90-minute film is devoted to one of the U.K.'s most enigmatic artists, Kate Bush.

The DVD was not authorized by Bush, a fact made clear on the package - and on her Web site. It's pretty dry, a scholarly attempt at chronicling the singer's career, dominated by interviews with the likes of DJ Paul Gambaccini and journalist Phil Sutcliffe.

Still, it includes numerous clips culled from interviews with Bush herself and performance or video excerpts of the reclusive singer delivering some classic tracks including "Wuthering Heights," "Running Up That Hill" and "Cloudbusting," the last featuring actor Donald Sutherland.

Unfortunately, a lot of that video footage isn't visually up to par, the type of thing that can occur when the rights to the original material aren't available. How they got away with doing all that legally is worth wondering, but this is out there during a time when there is precious little else by Bush available on commercial DVDs.

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