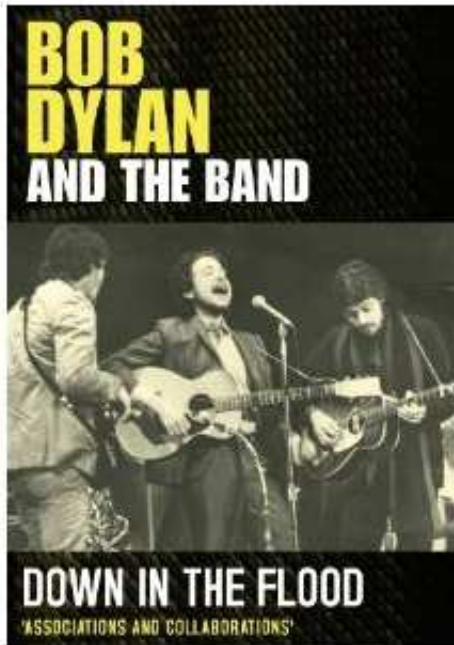


Bob Dylan and The Band: Down in the Flood



(<http://www.dvdsnapshot.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/09/BobDylan1.jpg>) **Official Synopsis:**

This is the story of Bob Dylan and The Band, the legendary amateur recordings that they made together in Woodstock, their re-invention of American music and their continued relationship during the late 1960s and 1970s. Featuring the first interview with Garth Hudson in over a decade, together with contributions from Band producer John Simon; 66 tour drummer Mickey Jones; Hawks mentor Ronnie Hawkins and many more, plus rare footage, archive interviews and the music that changed the world. This is the finest program on Dylan and The Band's respective and communal careers yet to emerge.

Our Take:

Bob Dylan and The Band: Down in the Flood is a really solid documentary about a music legend and the back up band that would go on to make a name for themselves. I've always liked some Bob Dylan songs. I think "The Weight" by The Band is one of the greatest songs of all time. I knew they had worked together, but even I learned a lot from this.

Even though the film is not authorized by Bob Dylan, The Band or their representatives, it covers a lot of information. It shows how Dylan changed sounds and styles constantly, how Christianity shaped his song writing long before he opened up to the public about his conversion. It showed how collaborating with The Band in what would become the Basement Tapes, opened Dylan up to collaborations with Johnny Cash and other genres of music his fans weren't accustomed to. And it opened the doors for the band that stepped out of Dylan's shadow and would go on to have a pretty successful run. The music is great. The interviews are very informative. Really good "rock-doc".

Special Features:

None

Conclusion:

Whether you are a casual fan of Bob Dylan or The Band or even a diehard, **Bob Dylan and The Band: Down in the Flood** is a great watch. If you've seen other musical documentaries that have come out recently, I'd add this to the play list. After watching it, I added a couple more Bob Dylan songs to the iPod.

OVERALL RECOMMENDED!

Overall Picture:

Movie: **B+**

Extra Features: **F**

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