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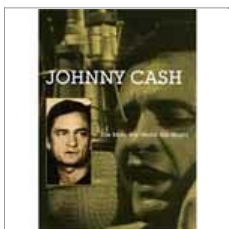
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Johnny Cash - The Man, His World, His Music

Influential fly-on-the-wall documentary from the late sixties



Well before Alan Yentob's famous 1974 Cracked Actor documentary about David Bowie, way before David Furnish's Tantrums and Tiaras about Elton John, there was this little film about country legend Johnny Cash.

Possibly influential for both filmmakers, it was one of the first "fly on the wall" documentaries to present a warts-and-all picture of a musical artist, in this case going way behind and beyond the image of the "man in black".

Filed in the late sixties, it follows Cash and his wife June on tour, including not only performance footage of some of his best-known songs like Ring Of Fire, Folsom Prison Blues and Jackson but a wealth of insight into his personality, identity and relationships. Recorded at a crucial point in both his personal life and his career, it captures the essence of Cash the man and the artist - despite the distractions of an ageing print and sometimes muffled sound. A restoration wouldn't be out of place here.

We watch Cash perform for Native Americans, all-Americans and maximum security jailbirds; we see him revisiting his old home town, receiving awards, recording with Bob Dylan and sharing a stage with Carl Perkins. More interestingly, though, we witness Cash with younger artists backstage: Cash listens to their songs with intense focus and interest, on one occasion offering a terrified lad an audition with Columbia. When the lad retreats into blushing modesty, Cash explains with a steely lack of sentimentality that he wouldn't be offering out of mere politeness, and we believe him.

A towering, charismatic presence, Cash is perhaps the only country singer to fully transcend the limitations of genre.

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