

The Story Of The Yardbirds," The Yardbirds (MVDvisual, HHHH)

This Nov. 11, release is a great documentary covering the short career (1963-1968) of one of rock 'n' roll's most legendary bands. It contains lots of archive footage featuring lead guitarists Eric Clapton (10/63-2/65), Jeff Beck (2/65-11/66), and Jimmy Page (June '66-11/66 with Beck, main guitarist until Yardbirds' breakup in 1968).

Lead vocalist/harmonicat Keith Relf, who passed away in 1976, is remembered; and there are interviews with drummer Jim McCarty, guitarist/bassist Chris Dreja, and bassist Paul Samwell-Smith, along with the three guitar heroes, managers, producers and other personnel.

Fans who want a look at an early, groundbreaking band should snag this one.

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