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### **The Pink Floyd and Syd Barrett Story DVD**

We here at the mag had been disappointed in some of the more recent Floyd flicks that've popped up over recent years—most of 'em were sketchy to say the least and filled with cheese—but this latest two-disc documentary set by John Edginton is a truly substantial piece of work that filled our psyche cravings and then some. Syd Barrett was the founder and lead git player for Floyd—a songwriter whose work still stands tall above all tests of time—but who eventually landed away from his band, secluded for years, the result of over-used psychedelics and schizophrenia.

This DVD documents his story as well as all of Pink Floyd's days, and leaves no stone unturned when it comes to early footage of the band; much of it so rare that even the most devote followers have never seen it. Equally compelling are the interviews with Roger Waters, Nick Mason, Rick Wright, David Gilmour and friends—hearing the rest of the band's recalled memories of Barrett is as heartwarming and joyous as it is sad. Edginton does a terrific job of coaxing straight-up recollection and emotion from a variety of folks, making for a mesmerizing experience for the viewer. We're lucky that these words and visions have been documented; whether you're a Floyd fanatic, a first-time listener, or just a fan of the human spirit, this film about Barrett and Floyd will stoke you.