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'Desperately Seeking Paul McCartney,' Comedy-Documentary (MVDvisual, • ***)

This Sept. 2 DVD details Ruth Anson's follow-up to an assignment from August 1965, when Ruth, a teenage reporter for ABC-TV news, interviewed the Beatles. During the session, she asked a young Paul McCartney about possible plans for marriage. His response, "Only if you'll marry me."

Forty years later, Ruth attempts to reconnect with McCartney with "help" from an opportunistic film director who sees her quest as his "ticket to ride."

He assigns a camera-crew to follow Ruth as she tries to locate McCartney. Soon, he realizes this documentary could turn into a limited marketability money-pit. Then the director, in the spirit of reality-TV, manipulates his production to become more entertaining... and embarrassing for Ruth. The movie gets bogged down at times, but it's very entertaining. Get your copy locally or at www.mvd2b.com