



Album review History and Rock 'n' Roll by Ryder Wiese.

So some people are gonna come out and say “Ryder, The Beatles are overrated, it's old people's music!” well not really. You see The Beatles have made so many great songs over the years and even leading till now. Sadly John Lennon and George Harrison aren't here but we have Paul Mccartney and Ringo Starr still touring in their 80s!.



The band itself had the four coolest lads from Liverpool consisting of John Lennon (Singer, Songwriter and lead vocalist) Paul McCartney (bass and also lead vocalist while also sharing ideas back and forth with John. Richard Starkey, also famously known as Ringo Starr who provided drums and would sometimes sing vocals. And the most sometimes considered “Forgotten” Beatle George Harrison being the lead guitarist for the band and sometimes would be off to the side while Ringo would be in the back drumming to the songs they played while on stage.

The album I chose is called “Let It Be” released on May 8th of 1970 but it was recorded in february 4th to 8th of 1968 than january 24 - 31 1969 and was later picked up in january 3rd to the 8th of 1970 and April 1st 1970 than having it be finally released May 8th 1970. The group had rehearsals at Twickenham film studios on January 2nd 1969 as part of a planned television documentary. On January 30th 1969 The Beatles performed an impromptu concert on the rooftop of their Apple Corps headquarters at 3 savile row in central London 's office. The band played for 42 minutes straight before the metropolitan police arrived and told them to reduce the noise volume due to complaints . They had guest pianist Billy Preston. They perform a total of Nine takes of five new songs as people listened and watched from rooftops and the streets below.



The legacy The Beatles left were full of amazing and interesting songs that spoke to different beagle audiences and also worked as a 4 man team



Not working alone but they worked together and also just heard others ideas even if they were not the greatest they still listened to each of the band members ideas. Another good point is how they made songs and

how people could relate to a two minute and thirty second song summarized for you to listen to and understand the lyrics.

Some songs I listened to which I would recommend are...

1) Let It Be because of the way Paul sings and plays the piano so well and just puts a picture in your head while he sings the lyrics. And the way he made the name was that his own mother that passed away when he was a kid visited him in a dream telling him to let it be when things come to him as a negative. I'll give it a solid 5/5

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QDYfEBY9NM4>)

2) Get back is a good song due to the beat and just the whole vibe you can get from the drums, bass, vocals etc. it's a song you can just bob your head to and listen to while on a long car ride or anything pretty much. It's a good song and I'd give it a 4.5/5

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IKJqecxswCA>)

3) So with Dig a pony I didn't really like the song in general, it just wasn't my kind of beatle song I guess. In a way I couldn't really get through it but the only part I'd say I did like was the piano and how it was played during the song. I feel like when they put pianos in certain parts of the song or in other songs it can work, I'd give it a 3.8/5.

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LpdJE7HG8Ls>)

4) With Two of us I did in fact love the use of the acoustic guitar and the melody with John and Paul just really fits well because for one, two legendary icons in the band and in the music industry as a whole matching harmonies almost similar to each other while playing was the main part I really enjoyed throughout the whole song. The song in general I'd give a 4.3/5

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cLQox8e9688>)

5) The last one I'd like to talk about is a song called Across the universe and how John made it sound so beautiful and almost light sounding with his voice throughout the whole song . The song seems to be a perfect song to listen to when you're laying in bed or just trying to fall asleep to, the songs great and I would definitely recommend it to anyone starting listening to The Beatles. So for that i shall give the song a 5/5. Here is an interview of Sir Paul McCartney answering some questions about the making of the album

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T8846EfbnU>)

Some songs included “Two of us”, “Dig a pony”, and “Across the universe” and one of the greatest songs on the whole album is “Let it be”. (In my opinion) The album was a final attempt to reinvigorate the group by returning to simple rock ‘n’ roll configurations.

I'd say the whole album is and always will be a great experience for any Beatles fan who just wants to lay in bed with headphones on and just play the whole 35 minute album. The Beatles will always hold a special place in my heart and the heart of other Beatles fans too. But unfortunately on December 29th 1974 the band did in fact break up due to not working well as a group anymore and also having a lot of tension in the group even while they were working together in the studio.

Sadly John Lennon was assassinated on December 8th 1980 due to a “fan”, Mark robert chapman who wanted his autograph. He was shot 4 times at close range,his final words were “Im shot” he was 40 years old when he died.

George Harrison died november 29th 2001 due to a battle with lung cancer, due to all the smoking The Beatles did in the 60s-80s George died at the age of 58. His final words were “Everything else can wait, but the search for God cannot wait, and love one another”. The Beatles have impacted many lives over the years with their music and inspired many

young people to make their own music and to express their feelings in songs.