

# Best of The Beatles

A Feature Film and Two Hour Television Event for 2005

*Every culture has its creation myths.  
Beatlemania is no exception.*

We all know how The Beatles started. John, Paul, George and Ringo playing The Cavern. Right? Wrong.

Before Ringo, there was **Pete Best** on drums. And before The Cavern, there was **The Casbah Coffee Club**. It was in The Casbah that the Beatles' sound was born. Sir Paul McCartney, in a groundbreaking new interview, says *"It's a good idea to let people know about the Casbah. They know about The Cavern, but The Casbah was the place where all that started. We helped paint it and stuff. We looked upon it as our personal club."*

The Casbah was the launching pad. It was built by Pete Best's mother, Mona, in the basement of their family home. Until now, this crucial place and time has been nearly ignored, as has Pete Best, the charismatic drummer who provided the foundation of The Beatles' sound. If you've heard any of The Beatles first 27 recorded tracks, you've heard Pete. But Pete's role, like his departure, has remained mysterious.

In this film Pete Best tells the vivid, compelling story of the creative forces that produced The Beatles, from The Casbah to Hamburg and right on through the first Abbey Road recording date.

The wealth of never before seen and very rare film, photo, and sonic archives, combined with new interviews, provides startling insights from the key players. It all adds up to nothing less than a complete rewrite of rock and roll history.

## **New Revelations - New Music - New Photos - New Footage - New Stories**

- **Never Before Seen, Liverpool, February 1962: The earliest known footage of The Beatles performing as 'The Beatles'.**
- **Best of The Beatles** draws not only on The Beatles' Apple Corps archive, but on the Best family photographic treasure trove. Pictures you've never seen, stories you've never heard, and music that's never been released.
- **Never Before Seen or Heard, Hamburg, 1961, The Top 10 Club, backing up Tony Sheridan.** BBC radio, 1962: The Beatles first on-air performance, never rebroadcast.
- **Paul's first-ever public discussion of Pete's dismissal.**
- **Original brand new interviews** with Paul McCartney, Cynthia Lennon, George Martin, Neil Aspinall (Head of Apple Corps), Astrid Kircher, Allan Williams, Tony Sheridan, Klaus Voorman, Pauline Sutcliffe and many more key witnesses: More than 70 hours of interviews have been shot for this film.

***Best of The Beatles* will make you rethink everything you thought you knew about the birth of an era.**

*Produced with the full co-operation of the involved parties. Directed by Geoff Wonfor.  
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