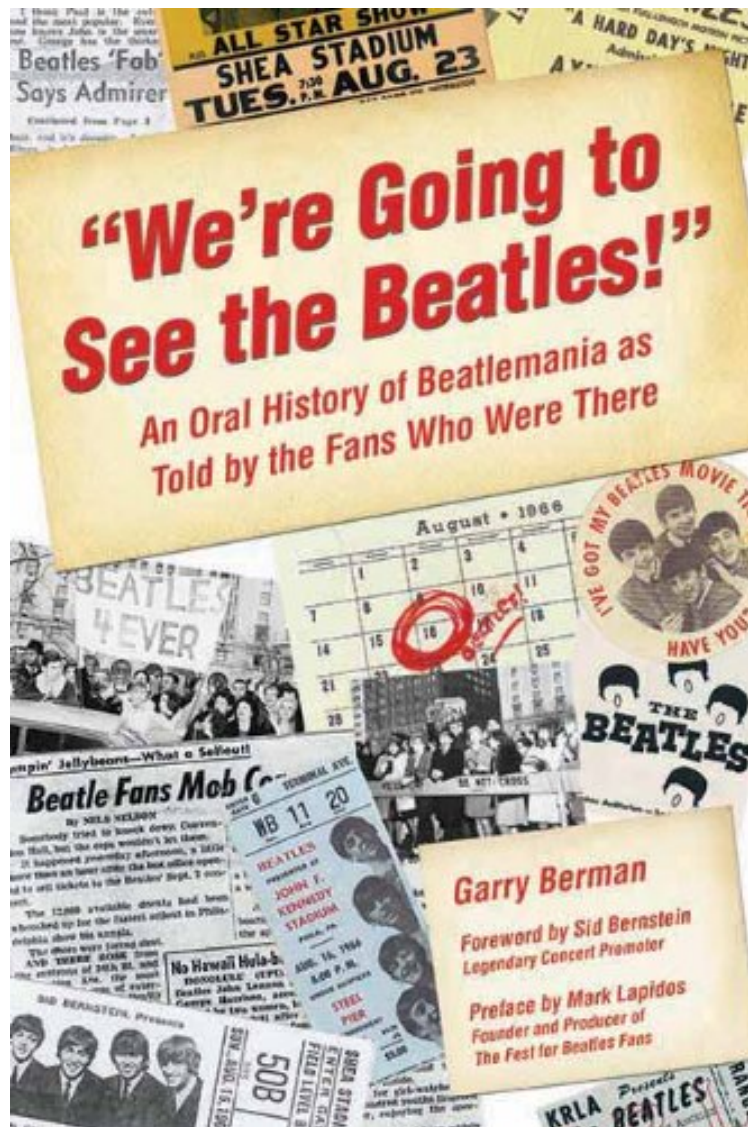


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We're Going to See The Beatles!: An Oral History of Beatlemania as Told by the Fans Who Were There I even bought one for my Mother who accompanied me to the last Beatles concert at Candlestick Park. This book recaptures all those memories for me again. I also liked the way the chapters were organized. And having pictures of the fans was a big plus. A fun and easy read. I would say a real must for all of those who ever saw the Fab Four in person or want to read about the fans who had that privilege. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. fans reliving when The Beatles came to the US By Carol S This book gets you all hyped up about the 60's so long ago and yet not that long ago. It takes you through city by city of The Beatles US 1964, 1965, and 1966 tours. Telling a period in the young lives of this generation what it was like to be turned upside down by the biggest rock group of all time. The book continues through the Apple years, Break-up and Solo years. There are pictures of The Beatles, fans, and memorabilia that you wonder if you still have. I also saw them in Forest Hills tennis Stadium in Queens 1964, and Shea Stadium in 1966. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By Ralph DeMattia Superbly written and interesting from cover to cover.

Were Going to See the Beatles! presents the story of Beatlemania in America as experienced by their most devoted fans. Were Going to See the Beatles! includes anecdotes from those who cheered the group as they arrived at Kennedy Airport in 1964, who kept vigil for them outside the Plaza Hotel, and who sat in the studio audience of The Ed Sullivan Show for the band's landmark first live TV broadcast. Other fans detail what it was like to see the Beatles in one of their rare concerts at such famous venues as Shea Stadium and Candlestick Park. From the earliest whispers about the band to the Beatles appearance on The Ed Sullivan Show, and from their subsequent tours and albums to their breakup, author Garry Berman has collected stories from the fans who witnessed the hysteria firsthand. Contributors from around the United States also share photographs and mementos to help create a richly detailed and entertaining oral history. What emerges is a highly personal account of the Beatles and their incredible impact on music and popular culture.

From Publishers Weekly Almost 45 years after Beatlemania swept the U.S., memories of the Beatles' legendary U.S. invasion during the mid-1960s remain fresh in the minds of those who were there. In this remarkably personal oral history of the Beatles in America, author and fan Berman (Best of the Britcoms: From Fawlty Towers to Absolutely Fabulous) tracked down 42 individuals from all over the country who cheered the Beatles at New York's JFK airport when they first landed in America, sat in The Ed Sullivan Show audience for the Beatles' live television debut, waited in line for hours (repeatedly) to see A Hard Day's Night, and attended concerts during the group's three chaotic U.S. tours. Bridging their tales with breezy narration, Berman succinctly recounts the Beatles' entire history, from 1963 through the solo years and the deaths of John Lennon and George Harrison. Though some of them have lapsed in their Beatle fanaticism, all of Berman's subjects realize the significance of their experiences and relate them with gusto. As put by Dale Ford, who saw the Beatles three times in San Francisco, including their final gig, "I was thinking to myself, 'Dale, savor this moment. This is gonna go down in history.' And it did." Copyright Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. From Booklist When the Beatles first came to America, some girls stole maids uniforms at New York's Plaza Hotel to try to see their idols. Chatty, precocious Linda Binns Liles, then 9, made her way to the press car in the train carrying the band from New York to Washington, D.C., and ended up talking to Ringo Starr for an hour. Such are the memories of the original Beatlemaniacs gathered in this oral history. Later fan recollections can be poignant. Debbie Levitt struck up a conversation with John Lennon as he and Yoko Ono left a coffee shop on the day he was shot to death. Many still can't explain the hysteria of their fandom: It was something that just came over us. A document of historical import, this is also a mostly joyful celebration of an extraordinary phenomenon. Beatles fans, old and new, will adore it. --June Sawyers About the Author Garry Berman is a regular contributor to Beatlefan magazine and the author of Best of the Britcoms: From Fawlty Towers to Absolutely Fabulous. He lives in Westampton, New Jersey. Sid Bernstein is the legendary agent, promoter, and manager who brought the Beatles to America as part of the British Invasion. He has worked with many musicians, including Barbra Streisand, Elvis Presley, Jimi Hendrix, the Moody Blues, and the Rolling Stones. He lives in New York City. Mark Lapidus is the producer of The Fest for Beatles Fans (formerly known as Beatlefest). He lives in Westwood, New Jersey.