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1960's to the present, offering a historical perspective on the many facets of Dylan's life and career, exploring the mystery that surrounds

the enigmatic singer and revealing the complete unknown Dylan.