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All You Need Is Love (\$99.95; Isolde) -- I'd never heard of this British documentary covering the history of popular music but it's absolutely terrific -- a must-have for serious fans of music and documentaries. 17 episodes on five discs cover everything from swing and tin pan alley to the Beatles and beyond. Director Tony Palmer went everywhere and spoke to seemingly everyone, at least when he wasn't unearthing rare footage. If he stumbles a bit on the last episode when trying to spot the trends of tomorrow, well, who wouldn't? It originally aired in the late '70s through 1980 but seeing it all at once is a treat.

- Michael Giltz