

## **SPECIAL EVENT - SEPTEMBER 2007**

On September 18<sup>th</sup> 2007, the Mods & Rockers Film Festival presented a very special event - the US Premiere of the Julie Taymor film "Across The Universe"



The premiere was presented at Grauman's Egyptian Theatre in Hollywood in conjunction with 19 Entertainment and Sony Pictures – as a part of that year's "Brit Week" cultural celebration of British-related culture. The premiere was instigated, produced and hosted by Mods & Rockers founder Martin Lewis – a longtime friend of the film's writers Dick Clement & Ian La Frenais.

Present at the premiere were the film's director Julie Taymor, writers Dick Clement & Ian La Frenais - and all six leading cast members - including breakout star Evan Rachel Wood.



A post-screening panel discussion with the director and writers was moderated by Martin Lewis.

Among celebrities in attendance were Kate Bosworth, Monty Python's Eric Idle, ELO's Jeff Lynne and Eurythmics' Dave Stewart.

A VIP post-premiere party - organized and hosted by Lewis - was held at Hollywood's legendary Viper Room where the cast took turns to perform Beatles songs live.



## Wood Stuns With Beatles Covers

By WENN on 20 September 2007

Actress Evan Rachel Wood stunned Hollywood as part of a nine-hour marathon to promote her new Beatles movie musical ACROSS THE UNIVERSE, which ended with a performance at the Viper Room. The teenager, who is dating goth-rocker Marilyn Manson, teamed up with Los Angeles band The Ravers to perform Fab Four hits A Day In The Life and It Won't Be Long, which she sings in the new film, on Tuesday night (18Sep07). She then invited movie co-star Jim Sturgess up onstage at the L.A. rock hotspot for a late-night duet



Picture: Evan Rachel Wood
'Across The Univese'
premiere at the Egyptian
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of Ticket To Ride before the private event became a free-forall for the cast of the film and director Julie Taymor. Guests like Kate Bosworth and British rockers Dave Stewart and Jeff Lynne clapped enthusiastically as Taymor and the cast finished the evening with a rendition of Beatles classics Hey Jude and Twist + Shout. The big Beatles night out was organised by American Idol bosses at media powerhouse 19

Entertainment as part of a week of U.K. themed events in L.A., dubbed called Brit Week. The evening started with a special screening of Across The Universe. Event organiser Martin Lewis says, "It was an amazing night. It was great to hear the cast belting out Beatles tunes, but Evan really wowed the crowd. She has an incredible voice."