

CONCERT FOR BANGLADESH

On August 1 1971, former Beatles' member George Harrison and Indian sitar virtuoso Ravi Shankar organised two benefit concerts at Madison Square Garden in an attempt to raise international awareness and fund relief efforts for refugees of Bangladesh, following the Bangladesh Liberation War-related genocide. Bob Dylan collaborated with the likes of

George Harrison, Eric Clapton, Ravi Shankar, and many more to arrange and perform in "Concert for Bangladesh". The event was the first time that a benefit concert made such a profound impact. The show was a remarkable display of fraternity among musicians and this is where Bob Dylan made a jaw-dropping entrance and performance after taking a break for a while. According to the audience and Harrison's envisage, Bob Dylan's performance was the crowning glory of the Concert for Bangladesh. Dylan played five of his decade-defining and most popular songs from the 1960s, with the help of George Harrison on the backup vocals, Russell on Bass and Ringo Starr on tambourine. The songs that

he performed were "A Hard Rain's A-Gonna Fall", "It Takes a Lot to Laugh, It Takes a Train to Cry", "Blowin' in the Wind", "Mr. Tambourine Man", and "Just Like a Woman". These decade-defining songs each have a profound meaning attached that can only be made complete sense out of by purists. Here are some of the photos from the historic event.









