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SATURDAY 01 MARCH 2008

SAT 19:00 Northanger Abbey (b00934l0)

Jane Austen's classic story of a young girl whose head is full of romantic and melodramatic notions about the world. Through her adventures, Catherine Morland comes to learn that marriage in the society of her day is determined not by true love but by wealth and social status.

SAT 20:30 The Secret World of Haute Couture (b0074t0r)

Margy Kinmonth meets millionaire customers and worldfamous designers as she explores the anachronistic but littleexplained pocket of the fashion industry known as haute

SAT 21:30 The Hard Sell (b0091tnn)

Phill Jupitus narrates a series looking at 50 years of British TV advertising. This edition examines how sex has been used to sell, sell, sell to the public, with contributions from Melanie Sykes, Lord Tim Bell, Sir John Hegarty and Jennifer Clulow among others.

SAT 22:00 Sweet Smell of Success (b007lrf7)

Dark drama about a popular but vicious New York newspaper columnist who enlists the help of an unscrupulous press agent to break up his sister's romance with a jazz musician. The press agent, who will do anything to get newspaper coverage for his clients, enters into a sleazy alliance with the columnist, unaware that he is in danger of being double-crossed himself. With a jazz score by Elmer Bernstein.

SAT 23:35 Timeshift (b0081mbk)

Series 7

Emmylou Harris's Ten Commandments of Country

Live performance in which Emmylou Harris presents her ten rules of what makes a great country song, personally chosen from her own extensive repertoire. Filmed in Los Angeles in an intimate venue, the show features songs with Emmylou accompanied by her blue grass band. Each track illustrates one of her ten commandments, with a short introduction to explain why it was chosen and what element of country music it best represents.

SAT 00:35 Rob Brydon's Identity Crisis (b0091tws)

Comedian Rob Brydon explores Welsh identity and tries to discover what makes his patriotic countrymen so defensive.

Along the way, he talks to a host of Welsh celebrities, including Griff Rhys Jones, Goldie Lookin' Chain and actress Ruth Jones, as he examines the national psyche, in particular questioning his own belief that the Welsh have a natural leaning toward

Rob also constructs a stand-up routine of Welsh-based material which he tries out in surprise appearances at comedy clubs around Wales

SAT 01:35 The Hard Sell (b0091tnn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 21:30 today]

SAT 02:05 The Secret World of Haute Couture (b0074t0r)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:30 today]

SAT 03:05 Rob Brydon's Identity Crisis (b0091tws)

[Repeat of broadcast at 00:35 today]

SUNDAY 02 MARCH 2008

SUN 19:00 Dear Television (b00934wx)

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Letters cataloguing the preoccupations and passions of television viewers over the last five decades.

SUN 19:10 The Onedin Line (b00934wv)

The Wind Blows Free

Classic drama series charting the fortunes of a Liverpool shipping family headed by the ambitious James Onedin. The action opens in 1860. Already a seasoned seafarer at 28, Onedin is determined to command his own ship, even if it means marrying a woman he does not love.

SUN 20:00 The Cult of... (b00934wz)

Sunday Night

The Onedin Line

The series which unearths the history and anecdotes behind cult British Sunday night dramas looks at the 1970s seafaring saga The Onedin Line, which followed the fortunes of James Onedin and his flagship, the Charlotte Rhodes

Its theme music, Khachaturian's Spartacus, became forever associated with the sea, and Peter Gilmore's sideburns became objects of desire. But if it wasn't for German viewers The Onedin Line would have run aground after a single series. A massive 60,000 pounds over budget, producer Peter Graham Scott was being shunned in the BBC canteen before the sale of the series to Germany wiped out the overspend.

The programme reveals the reasons behind Philip Bond's premature departure from the series; tells exactly how the stormat-sea sequences were filmed; uncovers the impact of Peter Gilmore's struggle to remember his lines; and shows how The Onedin Line was directly responsible for Jane Seymour being cast as Solitaire in the Bond film Live and Let Die.

SUN 20:30 The Rock 'n' Roll Years (b0094ctx)

Series combining the music of a particular year with archive news footage. In 1960, the news included the Sharpeville massacre, the Russians shooting down two US spy planes, the advent of stiletto heels and the election of Kennedy to the White House. With music by Adam Faith, Duane Eddy and the Rebels, Cliff Richard and the Shadows, the Everly Brothers and Roy Orbison.

SUN 21:00 Selling the Sixties (b009364s)

Documentary about Madison Avenue, home of the American advertising business, a semi-mythical place where the dreams of a new, affluent society were spun in the early 1960s. These were the 'days of heaven', when the country felt to many like a land of plenty and a land of hope - politics was reinvigorated thanks to a product known as new, improved JFK, consumerism was on the up and the challenges of Vietnam, feminism and the counter-culture still lay in the future.

Includes contributions from advertising legend George Lois and writer Gay Talese.

SUN 22:00 Mad Men (b009364t)

Series 1

Smoke Gets in Your Eves

Drama series which takes an unflinching look at the world of advertising in 1960s New York. Top executive Don Draper's position is under threat from his competitors. An assignment to sell cigarettes after a medical report about their dangers has just been published doesn't help.

SUN 22:50 The Late Edition (b0091tqq) Series 4

Episode 16

Satirical comedy show, with host Marcus Brigstocke and guests.

SUN 23:20 Selling the Sixties (b009364s)

[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 today]

SUN 00:20 The Cult of... (b00934wz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:00 today]

SUN 00:50 Jonathan Meades: Magnetic North (b0091tsh) Episode 2

Jonathan Meades travels through the Baltic states to Finland in an attempt to decipher exactly what the concept of northernness entails. On his way he sees massive castles, tiny pasties, Lith dancing, totem poles, terrestrial sputniks and many, many

SUN 01:50 Silbury: the Heart of the Hill (b0084101)

Documentary following the final archaeological exploration of the interior of the largest man-made mound in Europe - Silbury Hill, one of our most mysterious prehistoric landmarks. It also tells the story of the people who built Silbury, people whose beliefs drove them to sculpt the landscape of the Avebury area, leaving a legacy of great structures

Major discoveries help us to understand the monument,

revealing that it was built when prehistoric Britain was on the brink of great change.

SUN 02:50 The Cult of... (b00934wz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:00 today]

SUN 03:20 Jonathan Meades: Magnetic North (b0091tsh) [Repeat of broadcast at 00:50 today]

MONDAY 03 MARCH 2008

MON 19:00 World News Today (b0093675)

The latest news from around the world.

MON 19:30 The Cult of ... (b00934wz) [Repeat of broadcast at 20:00 on Sunday]

MON 20:00 The Sky at Night (b06jdkhs) Return to the Moon

With a new era of lunar exploration dawning as more probes are launched to try to unlock the Moon's darkest secrets, Patrick

Moore finds out about British ambitions to get there. Dr Chris Lintott travels to NASA to hear about plans to blast a crater in the lunar surface and and meets the astronauts who may be the next men on the Moon.

MON 21:00 Political Mayericks (b0093676)

As three unconventional politicians - Ken Livingstone, Boris Johnson and Brian Paddick - battle it out to be Mayor of London, John Sergeant tells the story of Westminster's lone riders, the rebels who have refused to play by the rules. Combining interviews and archive, he explores our enduring fascination with politicians who dare to be different and do their own thing.

MON 22:00 The Lost World of Tibet (b0093677)

Dan Cruickshank presents a documentary revealing the story of the Dalai Lama, his secret Himalayan kingdom and the story of his exile, using eyewitness accounts from Tibetans including the Dalai Lama himself and colour archive footage of Tibet from the 1930s to 50s

MON 23:00 The Cult of... (b00934wz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:00 on Sunday]

MON 23:30 The Moon (b0074s8j)

1972 was the year a great affair ended, as the human race fell out of love with the moon. Just three years after the world was gripped by Neil Armstrong's giant leap for mankind, the last man left the moon and we have never been back.

This film tells the epic story of our love affair with the moon what inspired it, how it faded away and how we are now falling in love all over again.

MON 00:30 The Sky at Night (b0741614)

Last Man on the Moon

On 14th December 1972, Captain Eugene Cernan left the Moon to return to Earth. He had no idea that, 25 years later, he would still be the last man to have left his footprints on the lunar surface. Dr Chris Lintott travels to the Johnson Space Centre to talk to the Commander of Apollo 17 about his memories of being on the Moon. Sir Patrick Moore looks at lunar samples brought back by the astronauts and talks to NASA scientists about what they discovered.

MON 01:00 The Sky at Night (b06idkhs) [Repeat of broadcast at 20:00 today]

MON 02:00 The Lost World of Tibet (b0093677)

[Repeat of broadcast at 22:00 today]

MON 03:00 Political Mavericks (b0093676) [Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 today]

TUESDAY 04 MARCH 2008

TUE 19:00 World News Today (b009f3p6)

The latest news from around the world.

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TUE 19:30 Pop Go the Sixties (b0088nyx) Series 1

The Kinks

Another mind-bendingly colourful nugget of pop mined from the BBC's archive.

TUE 19:35 Batman (b0094i01)

Series 2

The Minstrel's Shakedown

Fantasy adventure series. Batman and the Boy Wonder face the music when The Minstrel tries to make a big score.

TUE 20:00 Around the World in 80 Treasures (b0078vzw) Series 1

Uzbekistan to Syria

Documentary series in which Dan Cruickshank travels the world in search of man's greatest creations.

Dan hits some of the most mysterious and secret countries in the world, where the weary western traveller cannot be sure of a warm welcome. But he's in for a surprise as he is accosted by young girls in Bukhara and Persian carpet sellers in Iran. He couldn't be more welcome if he tried.

Tile making in Samarkand, the extraordinary Trading Domes of Bukhara in Uzbekistan and the Fire Temple of Baku in Azerbaijan take Dan to some of the most incredible but leastvisited places in the world. There is also a real mystery to solve as he gingerly edges himself up a cliff face towards the biggest archaeological puzzle of the 19th century - the Behistun carvings.

After the pleasures of Iran, Dan heads for one of the glories of the ancient world - the great city of Persepolis, vanquished by Alexander the Great in 330BC. In its day, it was the most beautiful city in the world and there's more than enough left to savour the brilliance - like the Palace of One Hundred Columns and the Gate of All Nations.

Lastly, Dan visits Damascus in Syria and one of the most exotic souks in the world. Worn to a frazzle, he heads for the local hammam - the town steam bath - for pampering and a hubblebubble pipe.

TUE 21:00 Storyville (b00936cb)

Dolce Vita Africana

Documentary about celebrated Malian photographer Malick Sidibe, whose iconic images of his country from the late 1950s through to the 1970s captured the carefree spirit of his generation asserting their freedom after independence, up until an Islamic coup ushered in years of military dictatorship. The filmmakers travel to Malick Sidibe's studio in Bamako to witness him at work and meet many of the subjects of his earlier photographs, whose personal stories also tell the history of Mali

TUE 22:00 Goodness Gracious Me (b007490p) Series 2

British-Asian comedy sketch show. Features the Indian Bridegroom Detective and a tribute to Hollywood's 'Blacked-Up Men'

TUE 22:30 The Hard Sell (b00936cc)

Phill Jupitus examines the controversy around and quality of the adverts that encouraged people to smoke and drink, how some came to be banned and how they best demonstrated the craft of British advertising, Contributors include Lord Tim Bell, Sir Alan Parker, Jilly Goolden and Melanie Sykes.

TUE 23:00 The Armstrong and Miller Show (b008h4dh) Series 1

Alexander Armstrong and Ben Miller play a wealth of great characters in their classic sketch show

TUE 23:30 The Lost World of Tibet (b0093677)

[Repeat of broadcast at 22:00 on Monday]

TUE 00:30 The Protestant Revolution (b007yyck)

Four-part documentary series in which historian Tristram Hunt explores the scientific, cultural, economic and political aspects of Protestantism. In this opening part, he uncovers how a debate about religion in 16th Century Germany (Martin Luther's challenge to the Pope) sparked a political revolution - from the bloody battlefields of medieval Germany to the Civil Wars of the 1640s in Britain, Protestantism unleashed a series of revolutions and wars that rippled across Europe.

TUE 01:30 BBC Proms (b007v2bc)

Beethoven and Brett Dean - Prom 13

The massed ranks of the BBC Symphony Chorus, the BBC Symphony Orchestra and Australia's national children's choir, the Gondwana Voices, perform the European premiere of Brett Dean's Vexations and Devotions, a work which reflects human estrangement in an increasingly technologically-driven society. The second half of the concert features Beethoven's 7th Symphony in A major.

TUE 03:20 The Protestant Revolution (b007vvck)

[Repeat of broadcast at 00:30 today]

WEDNESDAY 05 MARCH 2008

WED 19:00 World News Today (b009fvbz)

The latest news from around the world.

WED 19:30 Pop Go the Sixties (b008d011)

The Scaffold

A colourful nugget of pop mined from the BBC's archive.

WED 19:35 Batman (b0094i0x)

Series 2

Barbecued Batman

Fantasy adventure series. The Minstrel literally rocks the Stock Exchange and the Caped Crusader sees through his disguise

WED 20:00 Monarchy: The Royal Family at Work (b008h42f)

Head of State

Documentary series providing insight into the work of the Queen and other members of the Royal Family over the course of a year. Features one of the Queen's most important duties, her weekly meetings with the Prime Minister.

WED 21:00 The Worlds of Fantasy (b00936hj)

The Epic Imagination

Three-part documentary series about fantasy fiction, which has become one of the biggest-selling genres in publishing thanks to JK Rowling's Harry Potter books and Philip Pullman's His Dark Materials trilogy. This edition tells the story of how, in the 1950s, two very different writers created texts that revolutionised fantasy literature - JRR Tolkien, the Oxford academic and writer of The Lord Of The Rings, and the visionary surrealist artist Mervyn Peake, creator of the Gormenghast trilogy

WED 22:00 Masterpieces of Vienna (b008m62t) Freud's Couch

Series about Vienna's cultural artefacts looks at Sigmund Freud's couch - now an iconic piece of furniture and the emblem of psychoanalysis. The film tells the story of how its arrival in Freud's Viennese apartment triggered a revolution in 20th-century thinking.

WED 22:30 The Late Edition (b00936hl) Series 4

Episode 17

Satirical comedy show, with host Marcus Brigstocke and guests.

WED 23:00 Mark Lawson Talks To... (b00936is)

Rabbi Lionel Blue

Journalist and broadcaster Lionel Blue, the first openly gay British rabbi, in conversation with Mark Lawson

WED 00:00 The Worlds of Fantasy (b00936hj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 today]

WED 01:00 The Late Edition (b00936hl) [Repeat of broadcast at 22:30 today]

WED 01:30 Mark Lawson Talks To... (b00936js) [Repeat of broadcast at 23:00 today]

WED 02:30 The Worlds of Fantasy (b00936hj) [Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 today]

WED 03:30 The Late Edition (b00936hl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 22:30 today]

THURSDAY 06 MARCH 2008

THU 19:00 World News Today (b009fvh3)

The latest news from around the world.

THU 19:30 Masterpieces of the East (b007tr7t)

The Tara Statue

Series revealing the stories behind iconic artefacts from the Indian subcontinent. This edition takes a look at the near lifesize bronze statue of the Buddhist goddess Tara, which has long been one of the most striking and memorable exhibits in the Asia gallery of the British Museum. Discovered in Sri Lanka, the statue made an extraordinary journey back to Britain via the country home Sir Robert Brownrigg.

THU 20:00 Michael Wood: The Story of India (b008095g) Freedom

Documentary series about the history of India presented by Michael Wood. This episode examines the British Raj and India's struggle for freedom. Wood reveals how in South India a global corporation came to control much of the subcontinent. and explores the magical culture of Lucknow, discovering the enigmatic Briton who helped found the freedom movement. He traces the Amritsar massacre, the rise of Gandhi and Nehru, and the events that led to the Partition of India in 1947.

THU 21:00 A Year in Tibet (b00936pn)

Intimate documentary series following a year in the life of the society living in and around Gyantse, Tibet's third largest town The Panchen Lama, the highest ranking Buddhist living in Tibet today, pays an unexpected visit to the local monastery and throws the monks into turmoil. A local hotel owner is worried about the lack business. In the nearby village of Tangmai, a young farmers wife is rushed into hospital with complications with her pregnancy.

THU 22:00 Ashes to Ashes (b0091xk7) Series 1

When the body of a worker at a nuclear research centre disappears from the morgue, Alex smells a conspiracy. Was Martin Kennedy killed because he had proof the government was testing neutron bombs? Gene is adamant that murder has simpler motives, and a link to Alex's mother gives him at least one suspect in an investigation that leads them onto dangerous territory.

THU 23:00 Mad Men (b009364t)

[Repeat of broadcast at 22:00 on Sunday]

THU 23:50 Selling the Sixties (b009364s) [Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 on Sunday]

THU 00:50 A Year in Tibet (b00936pn) [Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 today]

THU 01:50 Rageh Inside Iran (b0074tdh)

Documentary presented by Rageh Omaar which reveals the lives, hopes and fears of the young generation of Tehran, the most intriguing, talked about but least understood city in the

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world today.

Omaar and director Paul Sapin spent a year arranging the permissions and contacts for the film, who include a renowned female photojournalist, a woman who is the CEO of an international transport company, the editor of a youth magazine, the staff at a drug rehab centre and a pop star.

THU 03:20 A Year in Tibet (b00936pn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 today]

FRIDAY 07 MARCH 2008

FRI 19:00 World News Today (b009fylg)

The latest news from around the world.

FRI 19:30 Transatlantic Sessions (b007zmn2) Series 3

Episode 2

Folk musicians come together in what have been called the greatest backporch shows ever. Jerry Douglas demonstrates his Grammy award-winning dobro skills and other highlights include Eddi Reader with Tim O'Brien, Julie Fowlis with Donal Lunny and Darrell Scott backed by Karen Matheson.

FRI 20:00 Mozartballs (b009372h)

Lighthearted documentary which explores what Mozart symbolises in the modern age. It features curious characters that embody the spirit of Mozart – from an obsessed Swiss exschoolteacher to a pop musician in Oklahoma who believes that her body is actually inhabited by Mozart's spirit, from a computer genius in California whose software has created a 'new' Mozart cello concerto in less than one second to a pianoplaying Austrian astronaut who carried a score of The Magic Flute into space.

$\it FRI$ 21:00 What's Going On: The Life and Death of Marvin Gaye (b0074rql)

Marvin Gaye is one of the great and enduring figures of soul music, but his life was one of sexual confusion, bittersweet success and ultimately death by the hand of his own father. Through Marvin's own words and intimate memories gathered from rare film and recordings, director Jeremy Marre tells the story of a 'life of outer grace and inner torment'.

Including interviews with the singer's family, friends and musical colleagues, with re-enactments and archive film of Marvin on stage, at home and in the recording studio.

FRI 22:00 Motor City's Burning: Detroit from Motown to the Stooges (b009372j)

Documentary looking at how Detroit became home to a musical revolution that captured the sound of a nation in upheaval.

In the early 60s, Motown transcended Detroit's inner city to take black music to a white audience, whilst in the late 60s suburban kids like the MC5 and the Stooges descended into the black inner city to create revolutionary rock expressing the rage of young white America.

With contributions from Iggy Pop, Alice Cooper, George Clinton, Martha Reeves, John Sinclair and the MC5.

FRI 23:00 John Lee Hooker and Friends (b0093rp3)

A concert recorded by the late blues legend John Lee Hooker in 1992 at the Sweetwater Club, Mill Valley, California.

FRI 23:45 Batman (b0094j01)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:35 on Tuesday]

FRI 00:10 Batman (b0094j0x)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:35 on Wednesday]

FRI 00:35 Glastonbury (b009373y)

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Highlights of the incendiary set performed by Iggy Pop and the Stooges at Glastonbury 2007, featuring songs from their latest album The Weirdness and classics like No Fun and I Wanna Be Your Dog. About to hit 60 yet still the bad boy of American rock, frontman Iggy is at his strutting, dynamic best, as he incites several hundred muddy festivalgoers to invade the stage.

FRI 01:35 Motor City's Burning: Detroit from Motown to the Stooges (b009372j)

[Repeat of broadcast at 22:00 today]

FRI 02:35 Originals (b0074szq)

George Clinton - Tales of Dr Funkenstein

Don Letts's hilarious and colourful profile of the godfather of funk, whose 50-year career has defined the genre. From his 1950s days running a doo-wop group out of the back of his barber store, through the madness of the monster Parliament/Funkadelic machine of the 70s to his late 90s hiphop collaborations with Dre and Snoop, George Clinton has inspired generations of imitators. Contributors include Outkast's Andre 3000 and Macy Gray.

FRI 03:35 Transatlantic Sessions (b007zmn2)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:30 today]

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