

SATURDAY 24 JULY 2021

SAT 19:00 Treasures of Ancient Greece (b05rj5xj)

The Long Shadow

Alastair Sooke explores the extraordinary afterlife of the Greek masterpieces that changed the course of western culture. Succeeding centuries have found in ancient Greek art inspiration for their own ideals and ambitions. Filming in Italy, Germany, France and Britain, Alastair's investigation includes The Venus of Knidos, the first naked woman in western art, the bronze horses of St Mark's in Venice which became a pawn in an imperial game and the naked discus thrower, the Discobolus, personally bought by Adolf Hitler and used by him as a symbol of Aryan supremacy.

SAT 20:00 Coast (b0816ykw)

The Great Guide

Scotland's Western Isles

Neil Oliver and Tessa Dunlop present their insiders' guide to the Western Isles - a coastal cluster of a myriad sea-girt islets that include the Inner and Outer Hebrides, Argyll and St Kilda.

Neil sets out on an island-hopping adventure that takes in three of the most stunning settings: Mull, Staffa and Gometra. Along his journey taking to the waves on a range of wonderfully restored vessels, he compiles our great guide from a wider canvas of Coast stories that stretch right across the Western Isles. He learns the secrets of crab fishing from a professional, samples a local delicacy from a surprising source, searches for stunning wildlife and meets the sole resident of one of Scotland's most remote islands.

SAT 21:00 Beck (p0912c7t)

The Lost Son

A jaw bone is discovered in the middle of a forest and linked to a missing persons case that Martin Beck investigated.

SAT 22:30 Storyville (b08h92d7)

Killing for Love

Documentary about a compelling murder mystery, fuelled by a passionate young love affair. It all looked clear-cut when German student Jens Soering confessed to the brutal murder of his girlfriend's parents. But all was not as it seemed - by the time it came to trial, Jens was claiming he confessed to the murders to protect his beloved girlfriend, the beautiful Elizabeth Haysom - and that she had actually been the killer. Through access to the dramatic trials, love letters and new evidence, Killing for Love attempts to get to the truth of what happened on that fateful night.

The 20-year-old Elizabeth Haysom was widely admired at the University of Virginia for her wild past. Jens Soering, the son of a German diplomat, was a first-year Jefferson Scholar and had just turned 18 when he met her. He was instantly entranced and they embarked on an intense, obsessive relationship. Three months into their affair, on 30 March 1985, Elizabeth's parents were brutally murdered in their Virginia home and the couple fled. Crisscrossing Asia and Europe they were eventually arrested in London, where Jens confessed to the murder in what he later claimed was an act of love.

SAT 00:25 A Timewatch Guide (b082md33)

Series 3

Crime and Punishment

From the death penalty, to laws against homosexuality, Britain's criminal justice system has undergone momentous change in the last 70 years.

In this Timewatch guide to Crime and Punishment, presenter Gabriel Weston examines how television has played a crucial role in documenting these seismic shifts in British law and policing.

Looking back through the Timewatch back catalogue of documentaries and a host of BBC archive rarities, Gabriel discovers how historians and filmmakers have not only chronicled these profound changes in law but also managed to shape public opinion.

By highlighting miscarriages of justice, like that of the wrongful imprisonment of the Birmingham Six, or by shining a spotlight on other issues of corruption and damning flaws in police procedures, Gabriel finds that television actually became a powerful agent for change.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 20:00 today]

SAT 02:25 Treasures of Ancient Greece (b05rj5xj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 today]

SUNDAY 25 JULY 2021

SUN 19:00 Stunning Soloists at the BBC (b08kgqy0)

Solo show-stoppers from the world's greatest musicians in a journey through fifty years of BBC Music. From guitarist John Williams and cellist Jacqueline du Pre to trumpeter Wynton Marsalis and violinist Nigel Kennedy, this is a treasure trove of musical treats and dazzling virtuosity.

Whether it's James Galway's Flight of the Bumblebee performed at superhuman speed, Ravi Shankar's mesmerising Raag Bihag or Dudley Moore's brilliant Colonel Bogey March, every performance has its own star quality and unique appeal. Parkinson, Later with Jools Holland, The Les Dawson Show, Music at Night and Wogan are among the programmes featuring instruments ranging from marimba and kora to harp and flamenco guitar.

Sit back and enjoy.

SUN 20:00 The Golden Age of Steam Railways (b01pdsy6)

Branching Out

For more than 100 years steam trains ran Britain, but when steam started to disappear in the 1950s bands of volunteers got together to save some of the tracks and the steam engines that ran on them. Some of these enthusiasts filmed their exploits and the home movies they shot tell the story of how they did it, and how they helped people to reconnect to a world of steam most thought had been lost forever.

SUN 21:00 World War II: Behind Closed Doors (b00g512c)

Episode 6

Joseph Stalin was a tyrant responsible for the death of millions, yet he was also a vital ally of Britain and America during the Second World War.

How was it possible for Churchill and Roosevelt to deal with one tyrant, Joseph Stalin, in order to help beat another, Adolf Hitler? That's one of the key questions at the heart of this new six-part landmark history series.

The series uses dramatic reconstructions, based on extensive fresh research in Russian and Western archives, and extraordinary testimony from witnesses of the time, including former Soviet secret policemen who have not spoken before on camera, in order to tell a 'Behind Closed Doors' history.

This episode looks at the dramatic story of the collapse of the Alliance in the wake of the end of the war, and Stalin's desire to turn on his wartime comrades.

SUN 22:00 World War Speed: The Drugs That Won WWII (m0007zd5)

It's long been known that German soldiers used a methamphetamine called Pervitin during WWII. But have tales of Nazis on speed obscured the massive use of stimulants by British and American troops? Did total war unleash the world's first pharmacological arms race? And in the face of industrial slaughter, what role did drugs play in combat? Historian James Holland is on a quest to dig deeper and unearth the truth behind 'World War Speed'.

SUN 22:55 Size Matters (b0bbyjv0)

Series 1

Big Trouble

This two-part special presented by Hannah Fry shows that when it comes to the universe, size really does matter. Hannah takes the audience into a thought experiment where the size of everything can be changed to reveal why things are the size they are.

Hannah starts her journey by asking whether everything could be bigger, finding out what life would be like on a bigger planet. As the Earth grows to outlandish proportions, gravity is the biggest challenge, and lying down becomes the new standing up. Flying in a Typhoon fighter jet with RAF flight lieutenant Mark Long, the programme discovers how higher G-force affects the human body, and how people could adapt to a high G-force world. But by the time Earth gets to the size of Jupiter, it's all over, as the moon would impact the planet and end life as we know it.

Next, Hannah tries to make living things bigger. The programme examines the gigantopithecus, the biggest ape to ever exist, creates a dog the size of a dinosaur and meets Sultan Kosen, the world's tallest man. Humans are then super-sized

with the help of Professor Dean Falk to see what a human body would look like if we were 15m tall.

The sun gets expanded, and Professor Volker Bromm looks back in time to find the largest stars that ever existed, before the sun explodes in perhaps the biggest explosion since the big bang.

SUN 23:55 Big Sky, Big Dreams, Big Art: Made in the USA (b0b4fz5n)

Series 1

Episode 1

Series looking at American art. The first episode is set in the Wild West and begins with the sublime art of the Hudson River School, whose 19th-century evocations of the vastness of America did so much to fuel the myth of the promised land. Another huge influence was the mysterious rock art of Native Americans, which set a stirring precedent for non-naturalistic painting. The film culminates in a celebration of Jackson Pollock, born in Cody, Wyoming, who arrived in New York wearing a Stetson and cowboy boots, and whose famous drip paintings were influenced heavily by both the moods of the American west and the example of Native American artists.

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MONDAY 26 JULY 2021

MON 19:00 The Joy of Painting (m000mmjm)

Series 3

Autumn Days

In the still of the night, trees reflect off a glistening pond and a cool breeze blows as Bob Ross takes you on a black-canvas adventure.

MON 19:30 Coastal Path (b07w13bp)

Episode 4

This week Paul Rose explores the soft and rolling south Devon coastline, where he takes a snorkelling trip around Burgh Island and hitches a ride on the Dartmouth to Paignton steam train.

MON 20:00 An Art Lovers' Guide (b09zgt0x)

Series 2

Beirut

Janina Ramirez and Alastair Sooke explore Beirut, the capital city of Lebanon. This fascinating crossroads between east and west has a rich history, and a troubled recent past. It's the most diverse city in the Arab world, with 18 recognised religious sects. Its French influence gave it the reputation as the Paris of the east during the mid-20th century. But this diversity turned to division in 1975 when the city became embroiled in a 15-year civil war.

In a place of so many identities and memories, art plays a unique role - as Janina and Alastair discover at the start of their journey, taking a cable car to the mountains that ring the city. Here, a stunning brutalist Christian cathedral of the Maronite Church overlooks the city's suburbs. It's an impressive expression of both the city's unique demographic mix, and of the identity of the Maronite community - one of Beirut's biggest minorities.

On their travels around the city they discover how art - and architecture - is confronting the past but also embracing the future. While Nina discovers how a bullet-ridden house has been transformed into an emotionally powerful war memorial, Alastair meets Bernard Khoury, the Middle East's most controversial architect, whose visionary buildings are designed to improve the social fabric of Beirut.

At the National Museum, they discover an incredible array of Phoenician and Roman artefacts, revealing Beirut's earliest origins. In a basement room full of sarcophagi, Nina discovers the final resting place for several Phoenician nobles, evidence that Beirut has long been an intersection of cultures, combining classical Greek sculptural details with ancient Egyptian designs.

Alastair also encounters a street artist paying tribute to an actress who united the city in times of trouble, and Nina takes tea with an elderly Armenian couple who reflect on the city's immigrant experience. And together, they experience the hedonistic Beirut nightlife that is drawing increasing numbers of visitors from around the world.

At this fascinating crossroads between east and west, Ramirez and Sooke discover a city whose cultural life and riches offer an essential way to understand the city's complex history and identity.

MON 21:00 Arena (m00084zh)
Kusama: Infinity

Japanese contemporary artist Yayoi Kusama's work pushed boundaries that often alienated her from her peers and those in power in the art world. Kusama was an underdog with everything stacked against her: the trauma of growing up in Japan during World War II, life in a dysfunctional family that discouraged her creative ambitions, sexism and racism in the art establishment, and mental illness.

Kusama overcame countless odds to bring her radical vision to the world stage and created a legacy of artwork that spans the disciplines of painting, sculpture, performance art, film and literature. Born in 1929, Kusama still creates new work every day. Her Infinity Mirror Room installations, the first of which was created in 1965, continue to attract visitors in record numbers.

MON 22:10 Abstract Artists in Their Own Words (b04gvb86)

Documentary which unlocks the BBC archives to tell the story of abstract art in Britain through the words of some of its leading lights.

From Barbara Hepworth's abstract geometric forms and Bridget Riley's op art imagery to Anthony Caro's bold new ideas about sculpture, the film reveals the remarkable and varied ways in which British artists explored the idea of abstraction in the 20th century.

As well as offering insights into the ideas and working practices of some of Britain's most acclaimed artists, the film also documents the often-uncertain public response to abstract art and considers the legacy of the artists today.

Featuring interviews with artists Howard Hodgkin and Gillian Ayres, Tim Marlow of the Royal Academy, art historian James Fox, Iwona Blazwick from the Whitechapel gallery, Andrew Marr and Colm Toibin.

MON 23:10 Size Matters (b0bev22w)
Series 1

That Shrinking Feeling

This two-part special presented by Hannah Fry shows that when it comes to the universe, size really does matter. Hannah takes the audience into a thought experiment where the size of everything can be changed to reveal why things are the size they are.

Having discovered in the first episode that making things bigger ends in disaster, in episode two, Hannah is going the other way by asking whether everything could, in fact, be smaller. But going smaller turns out not to be much safer...

First, we shrink the Earth to half its size - it starts well with lower gravity enabling us to do incredible acrobatics, but things gradually turn nasty as everyone gets altitude sickness - even at sea level. Then we visit Professor Daniel Lathrop's incredible laboratory, where he has built a model Earth that allows us to investigate the other effects of shrinking the planet to half size. The results aren't good - with a weaker magnetic field we would lose our atmosphere and eventually become a barren, lifeless rock like Mars.

In our next thought experiment, we shrink people to find out what life is like if you are just 5mm tall. We find out why small creatures have superpowers that seem to defy the laws of physics, meet Jyoti Amge, the world's smallest woman, and with the help of Dr Diana Van Heemst and thousands of baseball players reveal why short people have longer lives.

Lastly, the Sun gets as small as a sun can be. We visit the fusion reactor at the Joint European Torus to find out why stars have to be a minimum size or fusion won't happen. And if our Sun were that small? Plants would turn from green to black, and Earth would probably resemble a giant, frozen eyeball.

Which all goes to show that size really does matter.

MON 00:10 Big Sky, Big Dreams, Big Art: Made in the

USA (b0b49rq2)

Series 1

Episode 2

This episode is set in the American metropolis - the soaring new cities of the East Coast with their futuristic skylines and lofty skyscrapers. But instead of looking up at the futuristic towers, Waldemar Januszczak explores the squalid boxing rings painted by George Bellows. Reginald Mash's decadent awaydays on Coney Island and the crazy escape into theosophy and abstraction mounted by Thomas Wilfred. The film culminates in the harsh immigrant experience of Ellis Island and the profound impact that rootlessness had on the art of Mark Rothko.

MON 01:10 World War Speed: The Drugs That Won WWII (m0007zd5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 22:00 on Sunday]

MON 02:05 Coastal Path (b07w13bp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:30 today]

MON 02:35 An Art Lovers' Guide (b09zgt0x)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:00 today]

TUESDAY 27 JULY 2021

TUE 19:00 The Joy of Painting (m000mtmg)

Series 3

Mountain Challenge

Impressive skies, misty waters and snowy mountains – completed by Bob Ross using just his specially designed painting knife!

American painter Bob Ross offers soothing words of encouragement to viewers and painting hobbyists in an enormously popular series that has captivated audiences worldwide since 1982. Ross is a cult figure, with nearly two million Facebook followers and 3,000 instructors globally. His soothing, nurturing personality is therapy for the weary, and his respect for nature and wildlife helps heighten environmental awareness.

Across the series, Ross demonstrates his unique painting technique, which eliminates the need for each layer of paint to dry. In real time, he creates tranquil scenes taken from nature, including his trademark 'happy' clouds, cascading waterfalls, snow-covered forests, serene lakes and distant mountain summits.

Many of Bob's faithful viewers are not painters at all. They are relaxing and unwinding with Bob's gentle manner and encouraging words, captivated by the magic taking place on the canvas.

TUE 19:30 Coastal Path (b07wbzgt)

Episode 5

Paul Rose explores the Jurassic Coast, taking a walk through some two hundred million years of the earth's history. He uncovers prehistoric treasures in Charmouth and greets hatching signets at Abbotsbury Swannery.

TUE 20:00 Yes, Minister (b0074qp3)

Series 3

The Bed of Nails

Sitcom. Jim is given responsibility for developing a national transport policy.

TUE 20:30 The Good Life (p00bz9ww)

Series 1

The Thing in the Cellar

Sitcom. To practice self-sufficiency successfully, every resource must be utilised - even animal dung - so Tom decides to build a generator.

TUE 21:00 Hemingway (p09lp4tj)

Series 1

Episode 5

Reeling from his split with Martha, Hemingway attaches himself to the US Army as it moves through Normandy and

liberates Paris.

After the war, he tries to start a new life with Mary Welsh, but is beset by personal tragedies and professional mishaps. He publishes *The Old Man and the Sea*.

TUE 21:50 Hemingway (p09lp564)

Series 1

Episode 6

Ernest Hemingway wins the Nobel Prize in Literature, but eventually is overcome by addiction, physical trauma and depression.

TUE 22:40 A Farewell to Arms (m000w0pc)

In World War I, an American serving as an ambulance driver in Italy falls in love with a nurse in this adaptation of Ernest Hemingway's novel.

TUE 23:55 Motherland (p05j1k3t)

Series 1

Episode 1

Julia moves out of her comfort zone when she reluctantly invites the entire class to her daughter's birthday party. With her mum still refusing to help out she relies on Liz's party hacks and Kevin's entertaining skills. She organises events for a living anyway, so this will be a breeze.

TUE 00:25 Motherland (p05j36kl)

Series 1

Episode 2

A school fundraiser is not Julia's idea of an evening out but somehow she finds herself heavily involved in order to impress a former colleague and new mum crush. Kevin has a battle with the cloakroom and despite Anne's protests, Liz takes care of the bar.

TUE 00:55 Motherland (p05j376v)

Series 1

Episode 3

A pool party ruins Julia's plans before an important event at work. When an attractive man leaves his wallet in the newsagents, Liz takes it in the hopes of returning it and securing a date. And a new dad on the scene who has a history with Amanda puts Kevin's nose out of joint.

TUE 01:25 Motherland (p05j39b9)

Series 1

Episode 4

While Paul is away, he has the perfect solution to aid Julia: he sends his parents to help. Luckily, Kevin finds himself in the new role of the elderly and assists Julia in her in-laws' wrangling. Meanwhile, Amanda has a clear-out and reluctantly gives Liz her old coat, which seems to have an effect on our Liz.

TUE 01:50 Motherland (p05j39xn)

Series 1

Episode 5

Anne's new car propels her into the limelight as the mums try to get in on her new car pool. Kevin finds himself in the new role of confidant as Amanda shares a deep secret. And Liz and Julia's friendship is under fire as Liz realises she is just a 'mum' friend.

TUE 02:20 Motherland (p05j3br1)

Series 1

Episode 6

Julia's childcare problems are solved after she finds the perfect nanny, but her friendship with Liz is strained. Amanda is keeping a low profile after Kevin blurted out her secret. Liz visits Lee's new partner to give her some advice. The school caretaker is in hospital, but the mums have lost their ringleader, and there's nobody to organise a card.

TUE 02:50 Hemingway (p09lp4tj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 today]

WEDNESDAY 28 JULY 2021

WED 19:00 The Joy of Painting (m000mtt)
Series 3

Mountain Waterfall

Bob Ross paints a tiny waterfall tucked beside a glassy lake, surrounded by snowy majestic peaks and distant evergreens.

WED 19:30 Pubs, Ponds and Power: The Story of the Village (b0bsrqfw)
Series 1

North East

Archaeologist Ben Robinson unlocks the ancient roots of the Northumberland village of Warkworth. With the help of locals, he discovers clues that point back almost 1,000 years to the Norman conquest when the invaders laid the foundations of a planned community, still visible to this day.

WED 20:00 Earth from Space (p072n7qd)
Series 1

A New Perspective

Cameras in space tell stories of life on our planet from a brand new perspective. Satellites follow an elephant family struggling through drought, reveal previously unknown emperor penguin colonies from the colour of their poo, and discover mysterious ice rings that could put seal pups in danger. Using cameras on the ground, in the air and in space, Earth from Space follows nature's greatest spectacles, weather events and dramatic seasonal changes. This is our home, as we've never seen it before.

WED 21:00 The Planets (p06qj2qg)
Series 1

The Two Sisters - Earth and Mars

Early in the story of the planets, there was a beautiful water world, an oasis of hope in a sterile universe. But this was not Earth - this was the young Mars. Professor Brian Cox continues his tour of the solar system revealing that it was once home to not one, but two blue planets.

For millions of years, Mars enjoyed oceans blanketed by a thick atmosphere and a temperate climate. Whilst at the same moment Earth was a far less favourable habitat. Our planet was toxic to life today, her atmosphere choked with carbon dioxide and her oceans, acidic.

And both planets were about to face another trial. As they reached the end of their adolescence, a solar system wide cataclysm threatened them both. Called the Late Heavy Bombardment, this event saw asteroids rain down on every inch of the planets for tens of millions of years, resurfacing vast areas of both worlds. But as the dust settled, both sister worlds emerged - ripe with the conditions for life to begin.

But deep inside the molten metal in Mars's core was rapidly cooling. And in time the planet's protective magnetic field would fail, causing Mars' atmosphere to be slowly stripped away by the solar wind. As temperatures plummeted, Mars's surface froze. Her oceans gone - for a while volcanic activity occasionally melts the ice, creating the largest waterfalls the solar system has ever seen.

Today, Mars is an arid desert world that long ago had the same potential as Earth. Which begs a big question: did life get a start on both worlds? In search of the answer, plans are afoot to take humans to the red planet - so perhaps one day soon we will become the Martians.

WED 22:00 Missions (p09mz0cd)
Series 2

Dawn

Five years on, and apparently far from Mars, Jeanne reaches out from her primal forest life, connecting with mission survivor Simon.

In French and English with English subtitles.

WED 22:25 Missions (p09mz0s7)
Series 2

Returns

Two new recruits prepare for lift-off, joined by some familiar faces under stress because of the secrets they have kept to

themselves. In French and English with English subtitles.

WED 22:50 Missions (p09mz173)
Series 2

Evolution

French sci-fi drama series. Change is challenging for both Jeanne in the forest and Simon in space as they each make uncomfortable connections. In French and English with English subtitles.

WED 23:15 K-Pop Idols: Inside the Hit Factory (m0009m8g)

The K-Pop phenomenon is shaking up the pop world. For the first time ever, there is a serious challenge to the west's domination of the global music industry. Leading the way is the biggest boy band in the world, BTS. But how has this happened?

Music journalist James Ballardie travels to South Korea to uncover the secrets behind this worldwide success story and to find out how, in just 20 short years, the music industry in the country came from obscurity to become a major player on the world stage.

In the summer of 2019, BTS played two sold-out performance at the UK's most icon venue, Wembley Stadium. Their catchy pop songs, bombastic beats, good looks and natty dance moves have captivated young pop fans worldwide, and sent them to the top of the charts in the US and beyond.

To try and understand this latest pop explosion, James heads to Seoul and goes inside the K-pop industry. He meets Soo-Man Lee, the Svengali-like figure who has helped shape Korean pop music for over 30 years and still drives giant K-Pop company SM entertainment's vision today. He also catches up with some of the songwriters, producers, music video makers and the idols themselves, from the biggest names in the business to the newcomers. Among them are members of EXO, NCT 127, SHINee and WayV, all bands with millions of fans around the world. They are all part of a new star-studded supergroup, SuperM. Their success in Asia will be guaranteed, but can they replicate BTS's global achievements? James meets SuperM as they prepare to be launched on the world.

WED 00:15 Motherland (p09gv90z)
Series 3

Episode 4

It's time for the Year 6 school trip, and Julia, Liz and Meg find themselves on the coach journey from hell with humourless school secretary Mrs Lamb and clueless teaching assistant Ms Vaughn.

It all kicks off when a boy banned for bad behaviour is allowed on the coach along with his mother Ashley, and Liz decides to play the hero.

Meanwhile, Kevin takes his driving test, and Amanda pivots her lifestyle brand Hygge Tygge online. She manages to persuade Kevin to help pack up the shop - with unimaginable consequences.

WED 00:45 Motherland (p07mvqj6)
Series 2

No Mum Left Behind

As a new school year begins, a new mum at the school gates attracts the attention of Julia, Liz and Kevin. Amanda has all the gossip and tells them Meg is a high-flying businesswoman with five kids and a sexy silver-fox husband.

Meanwhile, Julia is struggling to keep her head above water at work when she is offered the choice of promotion or redundancy. When Meg invites the gang for drinks, they go along against Julia's better judgement and the evening takes a surprising turn, leading Julia to make a big decision.

WED 01:15 Motherland (p07mvr9b)
Series 2

Soft Opening

Having resigned from her job in PR, Julia tries to adapt to life as a freelancer and reluctantly agrees to help Amanda launch her new shop even though she believes it is nothing but a vanity project. The soft opening is a success but a careless online post threatens to destroy her good work.

Meanwhile, Liz rails against the gentrification of the area and the loss of her beloved kebab shop and Kevin reveals he has

written an unusual children's book, which he wants Amanda to sell in her shop.

WED 01:45 Motherland (p07mvr9r)
Series 2

Mother's Load

Julia finds that working from home is impossible due to all the tasks she has to do for her family. Meg tells her this is her 'mother's load' - all the things that no-one else will do but that need to be done to keep the home running. Julia removes herself to the cafe to work but even there finds that it is not that easy to get her work done. A possible solution presents itself when she shares a table with a fellow freelancer, but is Julia taking advantage of him?

WED 02:15 The Planets (p06qj2qg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 today]

THURSDAY 29 JULY 2021

THU 19:00 The Joy of Painting (m000mtm)
Series 3

Twilight Meadow

A crisp blue sky and lake embrace soft rolling hills and leafy trees. Bob Ross also recreates the stillness of evening perfectly on black canvas.

THU 19:30 Pubs, Ponds and Power: The Story of the Village (b0bsrqky)
Series 1

East Midlands

The story of Cromford. A picturesque Derbyshire village at the heart of famous industrialist Sir Richard Arkwright's mechanised cotton mills and a textile revolution. Presenter and archaeologist Ben Robinson discovers it wasn't just an industrial revolution. Cromford became a new kind of village, built to service the enterprise of this powerful man.

THU 20:00 Brideshead Revisited (b014f32p)

Film adaptation of the novel by Evelyn Waugh. In the early spring of 1944 Charles Ryder, a disillusioned army Captain, arrives at Brideshead Castle, the new Brigade Headquarters. It is a place he knows well and he is transported back in time to 1922 and his first meeting with Sebastian Flyte, the younger son of Lord Marchmain. Charles Ryder proceeds to tell in flashback the story of his association with the castle and the doomed aristocratic Flyte family.

THU 22:05 Face to Face (p04qj22k)
Evelyn Waugh

John Freeman faced a difficult subject in Evelyn Waugh when he interviewed him in 1960. Waugh, author of Brideshead Revisited, was in characteristically obstructive frame of mind. The result is a rare glimpse into the life and temperament of one of the greatest novelists of this century.

THU 22:35 I Capture the Castle (b0078tqk)

Romantic film drama set in 1930s England. Seventeen-year-old Cassandra Mortmain and her eccentric family struggle to live in a crumbling English castle. Adapted from the novel by Dodie Smith.

THU 00:20 Motherland (p07mvsgm)
Series 2

The Purge

Kevin reluctantly agrees to host a last-minute Halloween party despite the fact that he's had no time to prepare. Meanwhile at the school gates the mums are all talking about a celebrity who has moved into the neighbourhood - Lee Mead from Holby.

As this is Julia's favourite programme she is determined to meet him and decides to take all the kids trick or treating hoping that they will find his house. Liz tags along as she has been stood up by a date and Anne is in attendance trying to make sure that the kids are safe. However by the time they reach Kevin's one of the kids is missing - Amanda's little boy Manus. Despite the fact that the happy teatime trick or treat atmosphere has now turned violent and terrifying Liz, Kevin and Julia must venture back out into the streets to search for him through terrifying hordes of teenage zombies and mutant nuns.

THU 00:50 Motherland (p07mvszc)

Series 2

Le Weekend

The gang are delighted when Kevin books a cottage for them to spend half term holidays in the countryside with all their kids. But it is not as nice as the pictures online, and Kevin seems to have miscalculated the number of bedrooms.

When it transpires that Julia has failed to bring any booze, the atmosphere takes a turn for the worse. All hopes rest on Kevin's plan to cook an event meal by roasting a whole pig in a pit he has dug in the garden. As the long night wears on, tempers begin to fray. Meanwhile, Liz catches the eye of a handsome shepherd.

THU 01:20 Motherland (p07mvtbr)

Series 2

Good Job

Julia struggles to abide by the rules and clashes with Mrs Lamb as she attends her first ever school sports day. Apparently it's no longer acceptable to cheer for individual kids, and you can only offer generic support like 'good job'. Over at the Kidiverse soft play centre, Kevin is devastated that an important work presentation means he will miss the dads' race. Liz worries that her new boyfriend is blanking her. And Anne discovers something that leads to a nasty surprise for Amanda.

THU 01:50 Pubs, Ponds and Power: The Story of the Village (b0bsrqky)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:30 today]

THU 02:25 Hemingway (p09lp564)

[Repeat of broadcast at 21:50 on Tuesday]

FRIDAY 30 JULY 2021**FRI 19:00 Gregory Porter's Popular Voices (b09gvqj9)**

Series 1

Truth Tellers

Gregory examines how early 20th-century blues growlers like Bessie Smith paved the way for the rhyme and flow of hip-hop, how truth became a quest of rock 'n' roll's greatest poets from Woody Guthrie to Gil Scott-Heron, from Lou Reed to Suzanne Vega, and why great popular voices, including Bob Dylan, Leonard Cohen and Kurt Cobain, don't have to be technically perfect to resonate so deeply and stir our souls. With Dave Grohl, Suzanne Vega and KRS-One.

FRI 20:00 Top of the Pops (m000y8wv)

Gary Davies presents the pop chart programme, first broadcast on 23 May 1991 and featuring T'Pau, Simple Minds and Deacon Blue.

FRI 20:30 Top of the Pops (m000y8wx)

Mark Goodier presents the pop chart programme, first broadcast on 6 June 1991 and featuring Northside, Madonna and Marillion.

FRI 21:05 BBC Proms (m000y8wz)

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First Night of the Proms: Part 2

Katie Derham presents from the Royal Albert Hall, as the opening concert of the 2021 Proms season continues in front of a live audience. Conductor Dalia Stasevska and the BBC Symphony Orchestra perform Sibelius's thrilling Second Symphony. They are joined by soloists including soprano Elizabeth Llewellyn and tenor Allan Clayton for the world premiere of When Soft Voices Die, a poignant piece for our times by Scottish composer Sir James MacMillan.

FRI 22:15 Mark Ronson: From the Heart (m0009dg5)

Mark Ronson is undoubtedly one of the biggest music producers in the world.

The phenomenal success of Shallow and A Star is Born with Lady Gaga and the awards that then followed including a Grammy, a golden globe and an Oscar have cemented Mark's status as a global hitmaker.

His biggest hit to date is of course, Uptown Funk, which is one of the most watched YouTube clips of all time. He has received numerous awards including seven Grammys, two Brits, a

Golden Globe and that Oscar!

Mark has worked with some of the biggest names in music including amongst others Lady Gaga, Queens of the Stone Age, Q-Tip, Duran Duran, Miley Cyrus, Lily Allen and Amy Winehouse.

Back to Black is the seminal album from the supremely talented late Amy Winehouse, which saw her break out as an original and unique star and Mark as a hugely talented producer.

We talk to Mark's family and friends and get exclusive look into previously unseen archive and personal family photographs. We follow Mark in London, Los Angeles and New York at work and at home. Mark tells us how he came into music, growing up in a musical family. We find out his musical influences and how he started as a hip-hop DJ in New York in the early 90s. He discusses the projects that worked and the ones that didn't.

Mark opens up about his broken marriage and how this album Late Night Feelings, on which he worked with a plethora of female talent including the incredible Yebba, Miley Cyrus, Alicia Keys, and Lykke Li.

The programme features interviews from Lady Gaga, Q-Tip, Boy George, Simon Le Bon, Josh Homme, Quincy Jones and Bradley Cooper.

FRI 23:30 Electric Proms (m000y8x1)

2007

Mark Ronson

Mark Ronson performs reworked tracks from his album Version, backed by the BBC Concert Orchestra and featuring a line-up of special guests including Lily Allen, Sean Lennon and Terry Hall.

FRI 00:30 Singer-Songwriters at the BBC (b015f5c8)

Series 2

Episode 1

The celebration of the singing songwriting troubadours of the 1960s and 70s continues with a further trawl through the BBC archives for timeless and classic performances.

Don McLean performs his huge hit American Pie from 1972 and Tim Buckley provides some sublime sounds with a rendition of his song Happy Time. Also making an appearance is the long-lamented John Martyn, folk queen Sandy Denny and, in a duet with Joe Egan as Stealers Wheel, the late Gerry Rafferty. Stealers Wheel chum and one-time collaborator Rab Noakes also makes a contribution to this compilation.

Leonard Cohen and Julie Felix present a unique collaboration and performance of Hey, That's No Way to Say Goodbye, and there's an unforgettable performance of Case of You by Joni Mitchell. No celebration of this genre would be complete without contributions from songwriting heavyweights such as Elton John, Paul Simon, Loudon Wainwright III and Yusuf Islam aka Cat Stevens.

FRI 01:30 Top of the Pops (m000y8wv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:00 today]

FRI 02:00 Top of the Pops (m000y8wx)

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FRI 02:30 Gregory Porter's Popular Voices (b09gvqj9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 today]