

SATURDAY 09 DECEMBER 2023

SAT 19:00 What's Your Thing? (p0ghfk83)
Series 1

Dressing Up and Fighting Orcs

Enter a secretive, fantastical world of magic and mayhem as Adam Clarkson explores live action role play.

SAT 19:10 Dan Cruickshank and the Family That Built Gothic Britain (b04m3ljr)

As good as any Dickens novel, this is the triumphant and tragic story of the greatest architectural dynasty of the 19th century. Dan Cruickshank charts the rise of Sir George Gilbert Scott to the very heights of success, the fall of his son George Junior and the rise again of his grandson Giles. It is a story of architects bent on a mission to rebuild Britain. From the Romantic heights of the Midland Hotel at St Pancras station to the modern image of Bankside power station (now Tate Modern), this is the story of a family that shaped the Victorian age and left a giant legacy.

SAT 20:10 The Man Who Cycled the Americas (b00rs2l8)
Series 1

South America

Beginning with a lift on a container boat through the Panama Canal, it's not long before Mark faces Ecuador's poor roads and relentless uphill slogs. Already behind his target to reach Mount Aconcagua in time for the seasonal weather window, a bout of severe food poisoning is the last thing he needs.

Before taking on Aconcagua, Mark must take on the 600-mile long Atacama Desert, the driest place on earth. Nothing lives in this stunning Mars-like wasteland, yet Mark has to survive here for two weeks.

The prolonged solitude tests Mark's mental strength to the limit, he even spends Christmas alone. However, after seven months on the road, he reaches Mount Aconcagua. The question is, having been bent over the handle bars for so long, will he be physically capable of climbing the highest summit outside of Asia?

SAT 21:00 Hidden Assets (p0grkntk)
Series 2

Episode 3

Bibi Brannigan's life hangs in the balance when a hitman arrives in Ireland. A PR disaster threatens Frances Swann's plans, forcing her to take drastic action.

SAT 21:50 Hidden Assets (p0grkqmk)
Series 2

Episode 4

In the aftermath of a chilling attack in Ireland, Claire heads to Antwerp to make contact with a key witness. When Christian hits a dead end in his investigation, help comes from an unexpected source.

SAT 22:45 All Aboard! The Great Reindeer Migration (m0001rz0)

A narrator-less documentary following Norway's Sami reindeer herds as they migrate across the mountainous region of Finnmark, far north of the Arctic Circle. The journey, a little over 160 miles, takes the herd a week, travelling north from the inland winter feeding grounds to their coastal summer pastures. The film travels with the Sara family and their herd around the clock as they cross the Arctic wilderness to reach the coastal island of Kvaloya Fala in time for the calves to be born. It is a journey fraught with hazardous weather conditions.

SAT 00:50 Yes, Minister (b00785g8)
Series 3

The Moral Dimension

Jim Hacker has to balance conflicting moral demands when he travels to Qumran to ratify a British electronics firm's contract.

SAT 01:20 Some Mothers Do 'Ave 'Em (p03g0mmv)
Series 3

Australia House

The Spencers visit Australia House to discuss their possible emigration. Frank takes elocution lessons to prepare for his

flying lessons.

SAT 01:55 Dan Cruickshank and the Family That Built Gothic Britain (b04m3ljr)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:10 today]

SAT 02:55 The Man Who Cycled the Americas (b00rs2l8)
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SUNDAY 10 DECEMBER 2023

SUN 19:00 Leonard Bernstein at the BBC (b06j7wjh)

It is a quarter of a century since the death of Leonard Bernstein, composer, conductor and icon of 20th-century music. This programme features 50 years of great archive performances and interviews, some unseen since their original broadcast, including music from West Side Story, Elgar's Enigma and Beethoven.

SUN 20:00 Leonard Bernstein Remembered by Marin Alsop (m001tc5g)

As part of the BBC's Bernstein night, acclaimed conductor Marin Alsop shares her own experiences of the legendary West Side Story composer.

It was as a nine-year-old girl that Marin first saw Bernstein, and from that moment, she knew she wanted to be a conductor. Here, she talks about eventually becoming a student of Bernstein's, why he is such a significant figure in the world of music and how he ultimately helped inspire her to achieve her dreams.

SUN 20:15 Omnibus (m001tc5g)
A Portrait of Leonard Bernstein

An Omnibus special examining the career of composer and conductor Leonard Bernstein. Featuring interviews and footage of Bernstein's most memorable performances.

SUN 21:10 Omnibus (m001tc5w)
Leonard Bernstein's West Side Story

Prizewinning account of how a classic recording was made. In September 1984, in a New York recording studio, West Side Story composer Leonard Bernstein conducted a complete performance of his 1957 musical for the first time. Omnibus cameras covered the five hectic and exhilarating days of rehearsing and recording to make this documentary.

SUN 22:40 Bernstein on Mahler (m001tc60)
The Little Drummer Boy

Leonard Bernstein celebrates the 125th anniversary of the birth of composer Gustav Mahler with a musical essay that explores the roots of Mahler's inspiration. Featuring soloists Janet Baker, Christa Ludwig, Edith Mathis, Lucia Popp and Walton Groenross and the London Symphony, Israel Philharmonic and Vienna Philharmonic orchestras.

SUN 00:05 Bernstein on Mahler (m001tc64)
Des Knaben Wunderhorn

Leonard Bernstein conducts the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra in a complete performance of Gustav Mahler's song cycle Des Knaben Wunderhorn, recorded during a public performance in Tel Aviv. With soloists soprano Lucia Popp and baritone Walton Groenross.

SUN 01:00 The Levin Interviews (m001tc69)
Leonard Bernstein

Bernard Levin talks to Leonard Bernstein.

Like Lord Byron, Leonard Bernstein awoke one morning to find himself famous. At 25, he substituted for Bruno Walter and conducted the New York Philharmonic entirely without rehearsal.

Bernstein sees himself as a composer who conducts, and wants 'to keep on trying to be, in the full sense of that wonderful word, a musician...'. He has written everything from song cycles to symphonies but is probably still best known as the creator of West Side Story.

SUN 01:30 Ten Best Bernstein (m001tc6g)

Ten of Leonard Bernstein's most popular and enduring works are celebrated by those whose lives they have touched, with personal insights and performances from the composer himself.

SUN 02:30 Omnibus (m001tc5g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:15 today]

MONDAY 11 DECEMBER 2023

MON 19:00 Great British Railway Journeys (m000dl77)
Series 11

Witham to Felixstowe

Michael Portillo's railway journey through 1930s Britain from Canterbury to Skegness reaches Witham in Essex. Here he visits the factory of the world's oldest supplier of metal-framed windows, which became popular in the 1930s.

Crossing into Suffolk, Michael alights at Ipswich and discovers the story of a group of child refugees whose history is intertwined with that of Michael's family.

In the village of Newbourne, over a pint with the locals, Michael hears the story of the rural resettlement scheme that helped over a thousand unemployed industrial workers from the north.

Last stop on this leg is Felixstowe, where Michael boards a boat to reach an isolated country house, where secret research was underway in the 1930s. When war came, the experiments performed here saved Britain from defeat.

MON 19:30 Walking With... (m00111gr)
Series 1

Walking with Monica Galetti

Celebrity chef Monica Galetti walks through the open landscapes of the North York Moors. Along the way she meets residents and samples local produce. Starting off with a glorious view over the frost-covered valley, Monica drops down into the historic village of Rosedale Abbey.

Following the course of a stream up Rosedale, she climbs towards the heather, passing a fell runner on the way. On top of the moors she experiences the open expanse before her. Getting away from the hustle and bustle of the city gives Monica the chance to reflect and find peace. As her senses tune in to the birdsong around her, she reminisces about her homeland of Samoa and resolves to spend more time out in nature.

Crossing over to Farndale, she walks the quiet lanes and enjoys her escape from the heat of the kitchen, before ending with a well-deserved drink in the hamlet of Church Houses.

MON 20:00 An Art Lovers' Guide (b0b0g5cj)
Series 2

Baku

In the final episode of the series, Janina Ramirez and Alastair Sooke set off on their most adventurous trip yet - to Baku, capital of Azerbaijan.

A former Soviet state, bordering the Caspian Sea, Baku offers a tantalising mix of the ancient and modern - at the crossroads of east meets west, on the ancient silk trading route. It is also an authoritarian state, where cultural life is tightly controlled. So, not their regular city break...

But it is a city looking westwards, eager to turn itself into a tourist destination. They discover a city for which oil has been both a blessing and a curse. The profits from oil transformed its architecture twice - first in the late nineteenth century, and again in the twentieth.

As a result, Baku is full of buildings that feel like 19th-century Paris, but also gleaming new structures by architectural stars like Zaha Hadid. And all around, the traces of Soviet rule offer other surprising clashes of art and architecture.

Nina and Alastair pick their way through this maze of influences and travel back in time, seeking the roots of Azerbaijani identity. Alastair visits the world's first museum devoted entirely to rugs while Nina marvels at stunning prehistoric rock art on the city's outskirts. Together they wander the medieval old city, discovering the early impact of Islamic culture.

And in the stunning Heydar Aliyev Centre designed by Zaha Hadid, they discover an exhibition devoted to Heydar Aliyev, president of Azerbaijan, whose government exerts a strong influence on the city's art and culture. But Alastair also meets Sabina Shikhinskaya, an artist with a truly independent voice.

As night falls they discover why Azerbaijan is known as the 'Land of Fire' when they visit Yanar Dag, a spectacular ten-metre long natural gas fire which blazes continuously. And they

end their visit to Baku with a performance of Maughan, Azerbaijan's ancient, haunting folk music, as they reflect on their time in a city that has fascinated and surprised them both.

MON 21:00 Art That Made Us (p0bvgvtw)
Series 1

Brilliant Isles

In the 1950s and 1960s, the generation of artists who recorded the shocks of global war gave way to an explosion of new voices from across the British Isles, reinventing the arts and creating a richer, more diverse culture. Young artists rebelled against the old establishment, kicking against the confines of class, sex, nation and race. Actress Lesley Sharp performs passages from Shelagh Delaney's breakthrough play *A Taste of Honey*, which brought the ordinary lives and unheard voices of working class women to a mainstream audience, while Chila Kumari Singh Burman explores the career of pop artist Pauline Boty.

As British pop culture seduced the world, other voices lamented for something they felt was being lost. Writer and comedian David Baddiel reflects on Philip Larkin's elegy for the countryside, *Going, Going*, and addresses the controversy today about Larkin's attitude to immigration and race. Film director Amma Asante meets photographer Charlie Phillips, a photographic pioneer who recorded the fast-changing community of 1960s Notting Hill, and we look at the impact of Hanif Kureishi's novel about second-generation immigrant life, *The Buddha of Suburbia*.

The most striking art of the 1990s chipped away at easy stereotyping and monolithic identities. In Scotland, Irvine Welsh's *Trainspotting*, rooted in a raw Scots dialect and a brutal depiction of Edinburgh life, spoke for a world proudly distinct from its English neighbour, while the murals on and around the Belfast Peace Lines became loud spaces for declaration of distinct political allegiance.

With digital technology and installation art changing British culture, artist Liv Wynter explores the impact of Tracey Emin's work and how it opened up attitudes to class and gender, while actor Michael Sheen remembers his ambitious 2011 production *The Passion of Port Talbot*, a fusion of traditional mystery play and a 21st-century social media event that could weld a community together. And poet Deanna Rodger reflects on how Stormzy and grime took hold of Glastonbury in 2019 and what it might mean for British identity and inclusion.

MON 22:00 Seeds of Deceit: The Sperm Donor Doctor (p0jcs85g)
Series 1

Episode 3

Dr Jan Karbaat had a favourite sperm donor, who yearned for immortality and produced over 200 donor children. Karbaat was highly unselective with his donors and unconcerned about genetic diseases. More and more cases come to light globally of doctors being sued for malpractice after inseminating patients with their own semen.

MON 22:45 Arena (b0074m6b)
According to Beryl

Dame Beryl Bainbridge takes an idiosyncratic tour of the last 20 years of writer and poet Samuel Johnson's turbulent life, leading us through the streets of Streatham, the riches of the City of London and into the dank crypt of a suburban church where lies the gigantic coffin of gluttonous Henry Thrale.

Thrale was one of the richest brewers in England and Johnson spent the better part of his last years as the house guest of Henry and his wife Hester, both in their brewery in Southwark and their country estate in Streatham Park. Hester cared for the great lexicographer through his constant bouts of melancholia and gout, creating a bond of which Johnson's friend Boswell was to become insanely jealous, until she finally abandoned him for the charms of her daughter Queeney's Italian singing teacher.

Bainbridge took the story of their fascinating relationship for her novel *According to Queeney*. Director Udayan Prasad had come across the Johnson/Thrale story quite independently and as he began to develop the film he discovered that Bainbridge had been writing a book on the same subject. He met with her and decided to join forces to tell this extraordinary tale.

Jim Carter and Suzannah Harker read extracts from the actual letters that Johnson and Mrs Thrale wrote to each other, while Beth Goddard and Beryl Bainbridge read from *According to Queeney*.

MON 23:45 imagine... (b04pzt6g)

Winter 2014

Anselm Kiefer: Remembering the Future

There is no-one quite like Anselm Kiefer. Having achieved fame and notoriety in equal measure in the 1980s, he has become one of the world's most singular and successful artists. Working with themes of history, memory and mythology, Kiefer produces work that is consistently controversial, and monumental in its scale and ambition.

In this imagine... Alan Yentob joins the artist at his studios in France and Germany as he prepares for a retrospective at the Royal Academy. In a series of frank interviews set against the backdrop of his awe-inspiring studios, Kiefer discusses the impact of his most significant pieces, installs a selection of new work, and explains why he is as excited and driven by his practice now, at the age of 69, as he was when he began.

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TUESDAY 12 DECEMBER 2023

TUE 19:00 Great British Railway Journeys (m000dl8j)
Series 11

Saxmundham to Norwich

Michael Portillo continues his railway journey through eastern England from Canterbury to Skegness steered by his 1930s Bradshaw's guidebook.

Stopping at Saxmundham in Suffolk, Michael heads for Snape Maltings, a concert and arts venue, and learns how the music and life of one of Britain's greatest composers was shaped by the sea and his Suffolk surroundings.

Striking north, Michael's next stop is the Norfolk seaside resort of Great Yarmouth, where he visits a recently restored 1930s water garden which evokes the city of the Rialto and the gondolier.

Heading inland, Michael arrives in the historic city of Norwich, which in the 1930s was the shoe making capital of Britain. He hears how a particular style of ladies shoe put Norwich on the front foot and he puts his heart and soul into slipper making at one of city's oldest cordwainers.

Michael completes his tour of Norwich with a visit to the magnificent Scandinavian inspired art-deco City Hall, unveiled at the time of his guidebook.

TUE 19:30 Walking With... (m0011ln6)
Series 1

Walking with Jim Moir

Jim Moir goes for a 'power stroll through a strange landscape' as he explores the shingle peninsula of Dungeness in this corner of Kent. The comic, birdwatcher and Kent resident, famous for his comedy persona Vic Reeves, takes his time exploring a quirky section of the coast – an area he has come to know well over the years.

Filming himself with a 360-degree camera, Jim walks along the shingle and sand from Littlestone down to Dungeness. He visits the concrete ruins of the Sound Mirrors and takes a trip on a steam train before arriving at the twin lighthouses of the headland.

On his journey, he meets characters who reveal hidden aspects of his surroundings - a bee collector, a worm hunter and a power station manager all show Jim different perspectives on the area. Sunshine gives way to sea mist as he nears the end of his walk and enjoys fish and chips on the beach.

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 Yes, Minister (b0074rm8)
Series 3

The Whisky Priest

Jim, as a former journalist, learns that arms from a government factory are being sold to foreign terrorists, thus giving Jim as a minister a moral dilemma.

TUE 21:00 Berlin 1933 (p0gjknnk)
Series 1

Episode 3

Hitler stages a grand celebration at Nuremberg, while Germany becomes increasingly isolated abroad. Political opposition is outlawed, and an incensed Göring takes the stand at the Reichstag fire trial. As the year ends, US ambassador William E Dodd visits a Hitler 'itching for conflict'. Berlin stands in stark contrast to its former self 12 months ago, in the thrall of one political party, one ideology and one Führer.

TUE 21:55 Timewatch (m001tc4z)
Napoleon's Last Battle

Documentary drama exploring the last days of Napoleon's life in exile on the island of St Helena.

To the British, Napoleon has always been an ogre - an enemy, a foreign despot - but he is also remembered as a man of incredible energy, who laid the foundations of the modern French state.

In exile on St Helena, he fought his last battle with words, turning defeat at Waterloo to his advantage, presenting himself as the rescuer of France and a man who hated war.

Timewatch explores the myth of the man who had a vision of a united Europe over 200 years ago.

TUE 23:00 How to Make a Royal Marines Officer (p00jsd7c)
Part 1

After arriving at Commando Training Centre in Devon, the men find that their fortitude is tested to the very limits as they undertake the All Arms Commando Course to earn their green berets.

TUE 23:50 How to Make a Royal Marines Officer (p00jsfmr)
Part 2

To earn their green beret, the men must undergo 12 months of what they believe to be the toughest infantry training in the world - the All Arms Commando Course.

TUE 00:40 imagine... (b04pzt6g)
[Repeat of broadcast at 23:45 on Monday]

TUE 01:45 Great British Railway Journeys (m000dl8j)
[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 today]

TUE 02:15 Walking With... (m0011ln6)
[Repeat of broadcast at 19:30 today]

TUE 02:45 Berlin 1933 (p0gjknnk)
[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 today]

WEDNESDAY 13 DECEMBER 2023

WED 19:00 Great British Railway Journeys (m000dlbm)
Series 11

Attleborough to Skegness

Michael Portillo is in East Anglia on the last leg of his rail journey through 1930s Britain. He begins in Attleborough in Norfolk, at the headquarters of an international horse welfare organisation which was established in the late 1920s and learns about the charity's pioneering founder.

Crossing the Fens, Michael's next stop is the cathedral city of Peterborough, where he visits a tidal defence barrier built in the 1930s, which helped save the city from flooding.

Heading north into Lincolnshire, Michael crosses the point at which The Mallard broke the speed record for a steam powered locomotive in 1938. At the coastal resort of Skegness, he visits the first all-inclusive, self-contained holiday camp which became a household name in Britain. Here Michael swaps his green blazer for a red one!

Michael's journey culminates at RAF Coningsby – an aerodrome which was conceived as storm clouds gathered across the Channel. Michael explores iconic aircraft from the Second World War, before being treated to a dazzling display featuring the RAF's latest combat aircraft.

WED 19:30 Walking With... (m00111m9)
Series 1

Steph McGovern

Steph McGovern walks along the charming and isolated valley of Littondale in the heart of the Yorkshire Dales, describing her special connection with the area. From the hamlet of Foxup she makes her way along roads and riverside paths to the capital of the dale at Arncliffe.

Walking alone with a just a 360-degree camera, she meets farmers who have been on this land for generations and youngsters who are starting a new business. Following the course of the River Skirfare, her path passes farmhouses and through the village of Litton. Steph relishes the chance to 'get off the treadmill' and takes a moment to hear the flow of the water and smell the flowers.

Steph describes how the dales have always had a place in her heart – they are landscapes she returns to in difficult times. Along the way she expresses thoughts on fame and family.

WED 20:00 Earth from Space (p072n8m0)
Series 1

Changing Planet

Cameras in space tell stories of life on our planet from a brand new perspective. At a time when the Earth's surface is changing faster than ever in human history, watch cities grow, forest disappear and glaciers melt. In the ever-growing grey of cities one man is feeding thousands of parakeets; in Sumatra a female orang-utan and her daughter face life in a forest under threat; while in Tanzania local people use satellites to replant a forest, securing the future for a family of chimpanzees. This is our home as we've never seen it before.

WED 21:00 Horizon (b0813b03)
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The Wildest Weather in the Universe

We love talking about the weather - is it too hot or too cold, too wet or too windy? It's a national obsession. Now scientists have started looking to the heavens and wondering what the weather might be like on other planets. Today, we are witnessing the birth of extraterrestrial meteorology, as technology is allowing astronomers to study other planets like never before. They began with our solar system, sending spacecraft to explore its furthest reaches, and now the latest telescopes are enabling astronomers to study planets beyond our solar system.

Our exploration of the universe is revealing alien worlds with weather stranger than anyone could ever have imagined - we've discovered gigantic storm systems that can encircle entire planets, supersonic winds, extreme temperatures and bizarre forms of rain. On some planets, the temperatures are so hot that the clouds and rain are believed to be made of liquid lava droplets, and on other planets it is thought to rain precious stones like diamonds and rubies.

We thought we had extreme weather on Earth, but it turns out that it is nothing compared to what's out there. The search for the weirdest weather in the universe is only just beginning.

WED 22:00 Making Out (p0g405m4)
Series 3

Episode 5

A creche is set up, Klepto paints a mural, Pauline has more treatment, and Carol May takes refuge at Norma's.

WED 22:50 Making Out (p0g40cz1)
Series 3

Episode 6

A night out at the working men's club is just the tonic for Pauline, and gives Queenie a chance to display her talents.

WED 23:40 Making Out (p0g40g9w)
Series 3

Episode 7

When Chunky's mate Kip persuades the girls to invest in a racehorse, Queenie finds herself in for a bumpy ride.

WED 00:30 Making Out (p0g40jz4)
Series 3

Episode 8

In the series finale, the workforce takes part in a Latin American dance competition. Meanwhile, Queenie faces up to her past and Pauline looks to her future.

WED 01:20 Great British Railway Journeys (m000dlbm)
[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 today]

WED 01:50 Walking With... (m00111m9)
[Repeat of broadcast at 19:30 today]

WED 02:20 Earth from Space (p072n8m0)
[Repeat of broadcast at 20:00 today]

THURSDAY 14 DECEMBER 2023

THU 19:00 Timeshift (b01q9vhy)
Series 12

The Joy of (Train) Sets

The Model Railway Story: From Hornby to Triang and beyond, this documentary explores how the British have been in love with model railways for more than a century. What began as an adult obsession with building fully engineered replicas became the iconic toy of 50s and 60s childhood. With unique archive and contributions from modellers such as Pete Waterman, this is a celebration of the joys of miniaturisation. Just don't call them toy trains!

THU 20:00 Some Like It Hot (m000cryx)
1929. Musicians Joe and Jerry accidentally witness the St Valentine's Day massacre. The boys decide to make a getaway by joining a jazz band heading for Florida. There's just one problem - it's an all-girl group.

A comic masterpiece from director Wilder, with memorable performances.

THU 21:55 Arena (m001symr)
Billy, How Did You Do It? - Part 3

Director Billy Wilder discusses his career with German filmmaker Volker Schlöndorff.

THU 23:00 Pride and Prejudice (m000yh1q)
The Bennet family of Longbourn are delighted to learn of the occupancy of nearby Netherfield Park by Charles Bingley, a wealthy young bachelor. Bingley develops an interest in Jane, the eldest of the five unmarried Bennet girls, but her sister Elizabeth is far from impressed by Bingley's haughty companion Mr Darcy.

THU 00:55 Timeshift (b01q9vhy)
[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 today]

THU 01:55 Horizon (b0813b03)
[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 on Wednesday]

THU 02:55 Timewatch (m001tc4z)
[Repeat of broadcast at 21:55 on Tuesday]

FRIDAY 15 DECEMBER 2023

FRI 19:00 Top of the Pops (m001tdmj)
Craig McLachlan presents the pop chart programme, first broadcast on 27 July 1995 and featuring, The Boo Radleys, PJ & Duncan, Method Man featuring Mary J Blige, The Lightning Seeds, Boyzone, REM, Seal, Supergrass, Julian Cope, The Outere Brothers and Hole.

FRI 19:30 Top of the Pops (m001tdmv)

Mark Goodier presents the pop chart programme, first broadcast on 3 August 1995 and featuring Therapy?, Corona, New Order, Black Grape, Leftfield featuring Djum Djum, Pet Shop Boys, Tricky vs The Gravediggaz, Blur, Take That and TLC.

FRI 20:00 Top of the Pops (b08qkzst)
Simon Bates and Janice Long present the pop chart programme, first broadcast on 15 December 1983. Featuring Status Quo, UB40, Slade, The Pretenders, Kenny Rogers & Dolly Parton, and The Flying Pickets.

FRI 20:30 Top of the Pops (b03j4914)
Tony Blackburn presents the pop chart programme, first broadcast on 23 November 1989 and featuring Rocky Sharpe & The Replays, Hot Chocolate, Buzzcocks, Elkie Brooks, Mankind, Chic, Elton John, Boney M and dance sequences by Legs & Co.

FRI 21:00 Tony Bennett Sings... (m001tdn3)
Series 1

Songs from the Movies

International song stylist Tony Bennett presents, in an intimate setting, music by the world's best songwriters. In this edition he sings songs from the movies.

FRI 21:30 Tony Bennett Sings... (m001ph4v)
Series 1

His Personal Hit Songbook

Tony features his own personal hit songbook, including songs like I Left My Heart in San Francisco, I Wanna Be Around, For Once in My Life, Fly Me to the Moon and Stranger in Paradise.

FRI 22:00 Tony Bennett Sings... (m001tdn7)
Series 1

Songs of Broadway

International song stylist Tony Bennett presents, in an intimate setting, music by the world's best songwriters. In this edition, the theme is Songs of Broadway.

FRI 22:35 Tony Bennett Sings... (m001tdn9)
Series 1

Saloon Songs

International song stylist Tony Bennett presents, in an intimate setting, music by the world's best songwriters. This edition's theme: Saloon Songs.

FRI 23:10 Tony Bennett Sings... (m001ph5v)
Series 1

Song Stories

Tony Bennett presents music by the world's best songwriters, featuring the compositions of Duke Ellington, Johnny Mercer and Cole Porter.

FRI 23:40 Tony Bennett Sings... (m001tdn6)
Series 1

Tin Pan Alley

International song-stylist Tony Bennett presents, in an intimate setting, music by the world's best songwriters. This programme's theme: Tin Pan Alley.

FRI 00:10 Tony Bennett at the London Palladium: BBC Sessions (b0187wr4)

The truly legendary American singer celebrates his eighty-fifth birthday in fine style, with a special concert at the historic London Palladium. Accompanied by his quartet, Tony Bennett moves effortlessly through a repertoire spanning 60 years, with songs such as Steppin' Out with My Baby, The Good Life, Smile and his favourite, I Left My Heart in San Francisco. He is joined for two unique duets by stellar British singers Cleo Laine and Leona Lewis.

FRI 01:10 Arena (m001ph4d)
Tony Bennett's New York

Once dubbed the 'king of cool', a look at the man behind the silky voice as Tony Bennett - civil rights activist, jazz

enthusiast, painter and New Yorker - takes a tour around his native city and the world of American music with reporter Reggie Nadelson.

Featuring politician Mario Cuomo, painter David Hockney, songwriter Elvis Costello and jazz musician Wynton Marsalis.

FRI 02:35 Top of the Pops (b03j4914)
[Repeat of broadcast at 20:30 today]

FRI 03:05 Top of the Pops (b08qkzst)
[Repeat of broadcast at 20:00 today]