

SATURDAY 01 MARCH 2014

SAT 00:00 A Canticle for Leibowitz (b01p1p8)

Fiat Homo
Episode 5
Brother Francis heads to New Rome for the canonisation of Saint Leibowitz, his greatest hope fulfilled. 1960 post-apocalyptic alternate history read by Nigel Lindsay.
SAT 00:30 Charles Chilton - Journey into Space (b007jmwq)
Operation Luna
9. An Offer of Help
Captain Jet Morgan and his crew have returned to Earth, but it's not as they left it.
Written and produced by Charles Chilton.
Jet Morgan Andrew Faulds
Lemmy Barnett Alfie Bass
Doc Guy Kingsley-Poynter
Mitch David Williams
All Other Parts David Jacobs
Music composed and orchestra conducted by Van Phillips.
The original 1953 recordings of this futuristic series were erased.

This series was re-recorded and first broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in May 1958.

SAT 01:00 The Complete Ripley (b00jb1sp)

Ripley Under Water
by Patricia Highsmith. Ian Hart stars as charming, cultured Tom Ripley, in Patricia Highsmith's classic thriller. Strange new neighbours show an overdeveloped interest in Ripley's past. Tom discovers they are not who they say they are but will his shady dealings be exposed after all?
Tom Ripley...Ian Hart
Heloise...Helen Longworth
Madame Annette...Caroline Guthrie
David Pritchard...William Hope
Janice Pritchard...Janice Acquah
Jeff Constant...Stephen Hogan
Cynthia Gradnor...Lizzy Watts
Policeman...Matt Addis
Dramatist Stephen Wyatt
Director Steven Canny
Producer Claire Grove.

SAT 02:00 Coming Alive (b00ftc6d)

Series 1
Runaway
Getting closer to Sandra, ex-convict Terry sets out to help a young girl on the run. Stars Karl Howman. From February 1999.

SAT 02:30 The Change (b0076d5w)

Series 2
Episode 6
It seems all of Carol's problems are solved:
Her husband is back, her children are getting on and, best of all, her interfering mother-in-law is getting married. But will the bride make it to the church on time?
Lynda Bellingham and Chris Ellison star as troubled hormonal wife Carol who kicked out her mechanic husband George when he revealed he's a transvestite.
Sitcom by Gavin Petrie and Jan Etherington.
Carol Lynda Bellingham
George Chris Ellison
Violet Sylvia Syms
Maureen Maureen Beattie
Ken James Vaughan
Sonia Emma Kennedy
Jerry Barnaby Kay
Dave Mark Powley
Producer: Elizabeth Freestone.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2003.

SAT 03:00 RD Blackmore - Lorna Doone (b00sp1f1)

Episode 3
When Lorna is taken to London, John fears he's lost her forever. Meanwhile Carver Doone has murderous plans...
Starring Alison Pettit and David Schofield.
Conclusion of RD Blackmore's popular and enduring romance set on 17th century Exmoor.
John Ridd David Schofield
Lorna Doone Alison Pettit
Mother Janet Dale
Carver Doone Kim Durham
Jeremy Stickle Graham Padden
Tom Faggus Cornelius Garrett
Lizzie Ridd Sunny Ormonde
Annie Ridd Katherine Mount
Gweny Susan Jeffrey
Charlie Doon David Perks
Counsellor Doone Graham Colclough
King James Jonathan Wyatt
Dramatised by Barry Letts.
Directed at BBC Pebble Mill by Brian Lighthill
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in in September 1997.

SAT 04:00 Alison Moore - The Pre-War House and Other Stories (b03w46f)

Static
Over the last 40 years, Wilfred has never wanted anyone but Dorothy. But he's never been a great romantic.
Ruth Gemmell reads a selection of stories from Alison Moore's atmospheric, and sometimes dark, debut collection.

Alison Moore was born in Manchester in 1971. Her stories have been published in various magazines and anthologies including Best British Short Stories 2011. She has been shortlisted for the Bridport Prize and the Manchester Fiction Prize, and won first prize in the novella category of The New Writer Prose and Poetry Prizes. Her first novel, The Lighthouse, was shortlisted for The Man Booker Prize 2012.

Abridged and produced by Jeremy Osborne
A Sweet Talk Production for BBC Radio 4 Extra.
SAT 04:15 Martyn Wade - Hermit Lucas (b007jx32)
Staying at home for 25 years, the strange tale of celebrated Victorian recluse James Lucas. Stars Anton Lesser and Conleth Hill. From May 2004.

SAT 05:00 Beachcomber... By the Way (b008qs53)

Series 3
Episode 3
A woman struggles to take off her shoe – and the perils of drinking different types of alcohol.
Richard Ingrams John Wells, John Sessions, Joan Sims amd Patricia Routledge recreate the world of JB Morton.
With Brian Bowles, Simon Greenall, Henrietta Gooden and featuring June Whitfield.
Running in the Daily Express from 1924 to 1975 – JB Morton's surreally comic 'Beachcomber' column paved the way for a great deal of modern humour – thanks to characters he created between the wars.
Adapted by Michael Barfield with Richard Ingrams.
Announcer: Brian Perkins.
Producer: Harry Thompson
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1994.

SAT 05:30 Smelling of Roses (b007k1tg)

Series 2
Trade Secrets
Confidentiality proves a headache for Rosie when she, Kate and Jo are all asked to organise top secret events...
Prunella Scales stars in the second of four series of Simon Brett's sitcom following the trials and tribulations of Rosie Burns and her event-management company based in Brighton.
With Arabella Weir as Kate, Rebecca Callard as Jo, Duncan Preston as Bob, Annette Badland as Tess, Edward de Souza as Oleg, Gillian Hanna as Kirsten and Simon Trinder as Robert.
Producer: Maria Esposito
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2001.

SAT 06:00 Andrew Rissik - Troy (b007jv5p)

The Death of Achilles
With the bloody Trojan War at stalemate, Agamemnon hits on a cunning plan. City downfall trilogy with Paul Scofield.
SAT 07:30 Looking for Middle England (b0013bnq)
Castles
Dubbed exclusive, defensive and resistant, Ian Hislop arrives in Ludlow to test cliché against reality. With Jeremy Paxman.

SAT 08:00 Garrison Keillor's Radio Show (b01g69td)

Series 7
Episode 26
From Detroit in Michigan, the American funny man welcomes string band Old Crow Medicine Show and singer Andra Suchy. From 2011.

SAT 09:00 4 Extra Celebrates Dora Bryan (b03szf7d)

A celebration of the life of Dora Bryan, hailed as one of Britain's great all-round performers.
Journalist and writer Lynne Truss looks back on Dora's remarkable career with handpicked highlights from the BBC radio archive. Lynne is joined by Dora's friend and co-star Bernard Cribbins, BBC radio drama producer Martin Jenkins, theatre critic Benedict Nightingale and film writer Matthew Sweet.

With her unmistakable voice and scene-stealing comic timing, Dora was a regular pleasure of 1950s and 60s British cinema, playing a series of 'tarts with hearts'. But she was just at home on stage performing Pinter, belting out show tunes in Hello, Dolly! or captivating listeners from behind a microphone. And well into her 70s she was still in the West End singing, dancing and doing the splits.

The archive selection includes:
* Desert Islands Discs from 1987, when Dora was Michael Parkinson's castaway

* Jimmy Chinn's drama Perfect Timing about a struggling music hall duo all at sea on a cruise ship booking starring Dora, Bernard Cribbins and Roy Barraclough

* That Reminds Me from 2000, in which Dora recalls her stage, film and TV career

* With Great Pleasure from 2003, featuring readings from Dora's favourite books

* The Child Within, Wally K Daly's moving monologue written especially for and performed by Dora Bryan.
Dora Bryan died on 23rd July 2014 aged 91.

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra by Pier Productions and first broadcast in March 2014.

SAT 12:00 Lindsay Ashford - The Mysterious Death of Jane Austen (Omnibus) (b03wp7bg)

26 years have passed since the death of Jane Austen. Armed with a lock of Austen's hair as perhaps her best clue, Anne Sharp, former governess to the Austen family and Jane's close friend, has decided at least to tell her story—a story of family intrigues, shocking secrets, forbidden loves, and maybe even murder.

Upon UK publication, Lindsay Ashford's fictional interpretation of the few facts surrounding Jane Austen's mysterious death sparked an international debate and uproar.

None of the medical theories offers a satisfactory explanation of her early demise aged 41. Could it be that what everyone has assumed was a death by natural causes was actually more sinister? Lindsay Ashford delves deep into Austen's world and puts forth a shocking suggestion—was someone out to silence her?

Jane.....Elaine Cassidy
Anne.....Ruth Gemmell
Henry.....Rupert Evans
Mrs Raike.....Susan Brown
Elizabeth.....Lucy Robinson
Cass.....Jasmine Hyse
Dr Sillar.....Nick Murchie
Rebecca.....Lotte Rice
Young Fanny.....Eliza Harrison-Dine
Older Fanny.....Alana Ramsey
Written by Lindsay Ashford. Adapted by Eileen Horne and Andrew Davies
Producer: Clive Brill

A Pacificus production first broadcast in five parts on BBC Radio 4 in 2014.

SAT 13:15 Petrella (b007jppx)

Series 2
Original Sins
The sleuth must tackle a watery murder mystery when a victim is found chained to a post in the Thames. Stars Philip Jackson.
SAT 14:00 One Foot in the Grave (b007jn39)
In Luton Airport No-One Can Hear You Scream
Victor and Margaret Meldrew return from their holiday in Greece. What could possibly go wrong...?
Richard Wilson stars as Victor and Annette Crosbie as his long-suffering wife Margaret.

Adapted for radio by David Renwick from his BBC TV script. Victor Meldrew Richard Wilson
Margaret Meldrew Annette Crosbie

Mrs Warboys Doreen Mantle
Nick Swaine Owen Brenman
With Jon Gurner, Ainslee Foster and Paul Rogan.
Winning numerous awards, six series were made for TV plus numerous specials on BBC ONE from 1990 to 2000.
Producer: Diane Messias
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in February 1995.

SAT 14:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00j3f88)

Series 9
Episode 1
Back after their own individual projects, the bickering comedy team reconvenes for series 9.
Starring Tim Brooke-Taylor, John Cleese, Graeme Garden, David Hatch, Jo Kendall and Bill Oddie.
Sketches written by Graeme Garden and Bill Oddie.
Originating from the Cambridge University Footlights revue 'Cambridge Circus', ISIRTA ran for 8 years on BBC Radio and quickly developed a cult following.

Music and songs by Bill Oddie, Liam Cohen and Dave Lee.
Producers: David Hatch/John Cassels
First broadcast on the BBC Radio 2 in November 1973.

SAT 15:00 Garrison Keillor's Radio Show (b01g69td)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
SAT 16:00 Andrew Rissik - Troy (b007jv5p)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
SAT 17:30 Kerry's List (b01sd5gh)

Series 1
Episode 3
The third in a four-part sketch show co-written by and starring comedian and actress Kerry Godliman.
Kerry is a married mother of two, a stand up comedian and has two children. Her life can only properly function with her daily list - if she didn't compile this vital list, her life would simply fall apart.

Each week, this series looks at a different list and delves into Kerry's madcap world by looking at various elements of that week's list in sketches, narrative and stand up.

In this third episode, Kerry's List involves bleaching mugs, napping, sorting out cobwebs, distressing a chest of drawers, organizing CDs, keeping my friend's secret, growing vegetables and buying Puy Lentils.

Joining Kerry is her husband Ben (played by her real husband Ben Abell) and her five year old daughter Elsie (played by Melissa Bury) together with a range of bizarre characters - including an enthusiastic council environment worker, some disgruntled satsumas, a bored therapist, a Fairy Jeannmother and a very keen gym instructor.

Any busy parent who's ever compiled a list of their own will relate to Kerry Godliman's incident filled world.

The cast includes David Pusey (who co-wrote the series), Bridget Christie, Lucy Briers, Rosie Cavaliero and Nicholas Le Prevost.

Kerry Godliman is fast establishing herself as a highly skilful stand up comic and actress, from her recent appearances on Live at The Apollo (BBC 1), Derek (C4) and Our Girl (BBC 1).
Producer: Paul Russell

An Open Mike production for BBC Radio 4. SAT 18:00 Weird Tales (b01nrrbs)

Series 3
The Burial of Tom Nobody by Richard Vincent
The Reverend Braiden is forced to embark on a through-the-night road trip by a mysterious trio who threaten him with a terrifying test of faith at its end.
Series of chilling plays for winter nights.

Peter Geoffrey Streatfeild
 Silas James Lailey
 Sarah Lynne Verrall
 Michael Simon Bubb
 Eleanor Tracy Wiles
 Police Officer .. Paul Moriarty
 Director: Gemma Jenkins
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2011.
SAT 18:30 The Man in Black (b00zd7gz)
 Series 3
 Perfect Home
 A man and a woman meet at a bus stop late at night - but who is fooling who..?
 More horrifying tales from The Man in Black. Wherever you encounter him, he's eager to pass on his stories. Stories to unsettle and horrify. Stories to haunt you.
 Mark Gatiss stars as sinister raconteur to introduce Nick Warburton's chilling tale.
 CAST:
 Heron Toby Jones
 Felice Zoe Tapper
 Director: Lucy Collingwood.
 Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in March 2011.
SAT 19:00 4 Extra Celebrates Dora Bryan (b03szf7d)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
SAT 22:00 Eddie Izzard (b01d2c5q)
 Circle
 The comedian performs live in New York with his unique commentary on religion and the history of England. From 2000.
SAT 23:15 Adam and Joe's Famous Guy (b010m7g6)
 "I'm the best at pretending..."
 Adam Buxton and Joe Cornish star in the tale of Manthea Shringleton, a journalist sent to interview a reclusive Hollywood star.
 Written by Adam Buxton.
 Producer: Claudine Toutoungi.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2006.
SAT 23:30 Knowing Me, Knowing You (b007jsdd)
 Episode 2
 A-ha! Chat show host Alan Partridge faces up to nine-year-old prodigy Simon Fisher, American hypnotist, Janey Katz and controversial lawyer Nick Ford.
 Classic chat from On the Hour's supreme sports reporter and his guests from the world of theatre, politics and emotional tragedy. With thanks to Alan's chief researcher Steve Coogan
 Assistant researchers:
 Patrick Marber
 Rebecca Front
 Doon Mackichan
 David Schneider.
 Producer: Armando Iannucci
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1992.

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SUN 00:00 Weird Tales (b01nrrbs)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Saturday]
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SUN 01:00 Garrison Keillor's Radio Show (b01g69td)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 on Saturday]
SUN 02:00 Lindsay Ashford - The Mysterious Death of Jane Austen (Omnibus) (b03wp7bg)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 on Saturday]
SUN 03:15 Petrella (b007jppx)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 13:15 on Saturday]
SUN 04:00 Andrew Rissik - Troy (b007jv5p)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Saturday]
SUN 05:30 Kerry's List (b01sd5gh)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 17:30 on Saturday]
SUN 06:00 Juliet Ace - Young Victoria (Omnibus) (b00y1vzm)
 Episode 2
 The honeymoon is all too soon over for Albert and Victoria, as pressing matters of state require her attention. But their happiness is made even greater when their first child is expected...
 Scripted by Juliet Ace, based on the letters and diaries of the young Queen Victoria, this portrait of her younger life and the happy years of her marriage, reveals some of the remarkable and long-lasting achievements of this extraordinary queen.
 Starring Imogen Stubbs as Victoria.
 Duchess of Kent Anna Massey
 Prince Albert Adrian Lukis
 Baroness Lehzen Selina Cadell
 Sir John Conroy John Rowe.
 Melbourne Christopher Cazenove
 WAG Andrew Wincott
 William IV Terence Edmond
 Prince of Wales Bertie Thomas Arnold
 Princess Vicky Clare Corbett
 Prince of Wales Bertie as a child George Allonby
 Producer: Cherry Cookson
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2001.
SUN 07:15 The Enigma I Will Not Explain (b007779p)
 Nimrod
 Ruth Padel presents a series exploring the music of Elgar's

Enigma Variations and analysing what the composition tells us about Elgar himself.
 The Variations depict 13 of Elgar's friends as well as the composer himself. One friend in particular inspired the well-known Nimrod Variation, but who was the figure behind the music and what part did he play in Elgar's career?
SUN 07:30 Clare in the Community (b00j4hjr)
 Series 5
 Garden Party
 It's a busy week for Clare who organises a petition to keep the Sparrowhawk Family Centre open and also hosts a garden party to get to know her new neighbours.
 Sally Phillips plays Clare Barker the social worker with all the politically correct jargon but none of the practical solutions.
 Clare Sally Phillips
 Brian Alex Lowe
 Helen Liza Tarbuck
 Ray Richard Lumden
 Megan/Nali Nina Conti
 Irene Ellen Thomas
 Simon Andrew Wincott
 Written By Harry Venning And David Ramsden
 Producer: Katie Tyrrell
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2009.
SUN 08:00 The Burkiss Way (b00jr7fy)
 Series 2
 Get Off With Life The Burkiss Way
 Thrills abound as the RAC do their version of 'Gone With the Wind'.
 The Burkiss Way to Dynamic Living
 Appearing for the prosecution and defence: Jo Kendall, Nigel Rees, Chris Emmett and Fred Harris.
 From briefs prepared by Andrew Marshall and David Renwick.
 Under the judicial eye of producer: Simon Brett.
 Cult sketch show first broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1977.
SUN 08:30 The Ken Dodd Show (b03wpcj4)
 They Can't Touch You for It
 Prepare for an onslaught of one-liners from the King of Knotty Ash and his team of fellow funny folk. From September 1975.
SUN 09:00 FH Burnett - The Secret Garden (b00rl8kn)
 Episode 3
 Mary finds the source of the mysterious crying that haunts the house. Frances Hodgson Burnett's story with Harriet Walter.
SUN 09:30 Time Hops (b007k1q8)
 Time After Time
 Steph stumbles on an unexpected part of the puzzle to help Eek's mission to change her planet's fate.
 A five-part comedy sci-fi by Alan Gilbey and David Richard-Fox.
 Stars Sara Crowe as EK6, David Harewood as RV101, Nicola Stapleton as Steph, Natasha Pyne as the Librarian, Paul Reynolds as Baz, Bradley Lavelle as Harley, Ian Masters as Norton, Joshua Towb as Horatio, Margaret John as Mrs Miller, Neville Jason as the Robot and David Richard-Fox as the Bloke.
 Music by Richard Attree.
 Producer: Nandita Ghose
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1994.
SUN 10:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b03wpctx)
 Gardeners
 Monty Don
 4 Extra Debut. From the Beatles to Haydn, gardener Monty Don shares his castaway choices with Sue Lawley. From July 2006.
SUN 10:45 Martin Sorrell - The Cuban Heel (b0109k1z)
 A maverick bus driver's attitude starts to annoy the passengers on an over-heated tourist bus in Spain. Stars Andrew Sachs.
SUN 11:00 The Infinite Monkey Cage (b00strwf)
 Series 2
 Science Fiction, Science Fact
 Special guests Jonathan Ross, graphic novelist Alan Moore and string theorist Brian Greene, join Brian Cox and Robin Ince on stage for a special edition of the science show that boldly goes where no other science show has been before. In a special science fiction themed programme, recorded in front of an audience at London's Southbank Centre, Brian, Robin and guests discuss multiple dimensions, alternate universes and look at whether science fact is far more outrageous than anything Hollywood or science fiction authors could ever come up with.
 Producer: Alexandra Feachem.
SUN 11:30 The Friend in the Corner (b007k18t)
 1947
 Dick Barton hits the airwaves, and BBC Children's Hour turns 25. Six selected years in radio history with Daphne Oxenford.
SUN 12:00 Juliet Ace - Young Victoria (Omnibus) (b00y1vzm)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
SUN 13:15 The Enigma I Will Not Explain (b007779p)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:15 today]
SUN 13:30 PD James - The Skull Beneath the Skin (b007w0rb)
 Episode 2
 As murder suspects mount up, police question Cordelia Grey, and there's another death. Stars Greta Scacchi and John Moffatt.
SUN 15:00 The Burkiss Way (b00jr7fy)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
SUN 15:30 The Ken Dodd Show (b03wpcj4)
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SUN 16:00 Mel's Mix: The Best of The 4 O'Clock Show (b03wpd1w)
 Mel Giedroyc replays her highlights of this week's programmes, including trips around New York and plenty of delicious food.
SUN 17:00 FH Burnett - The Secret Garden (b00rl8kn)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
SUN 17:30 Time Hops (b007k1q8)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
SUN 18:00 Bill Murphy - Vostok (b007jzm4)
 Three intrepid divers plunge into the world's last unexplored Antarctic lake. Stars Stuart Milligan and Ingvar Sigurdsson.
SUN 18:30 Arthur C Clarke Stories (b007jv5s)
 Summertime on Icarus
 At the break of dawn, an astronaut and engineer is stranded on an asteroid too close to the sun.
 It's a race against time for Colin Sherrard. After an accident, he wakes up on the asteroid, Icarus, which orbits close to the sun. Dawn is only moments away and it's set to get very hot.
 With nowhere to hide and his communication is down, can Colin escape before the first rays of the sun find him..?
 Read by Tim Pigott-Smith
 Arthur C Clarke is one of the world's best-known and most celebrated Sci-Fi writers. His short story "The Sentinel" was the inspiration for Kubrick's seminal film, 2001: A Space Odyssey. Since he began publishing in the 1940s, Clarke displayed an uncanny ability to predict the future. Alongside his literary achievements, he's recognised as the inventor of the communication satellite, a theory he first expounded in a 1945 article, "Extraterrestrial Relays".
 Arthur C Clarke: 1917 - 2008
 Producer: Gemma Jenkins
 Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in 2005.
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 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
SUN 22:30 Cabin Pressure (b01293c9)
 Series 3
 Paris
 When a bottle of highly expensive whisky goes missing, Martin becomes the Miss Marple of MJN Air with Arthur assisting as his trusty Doctor Watson and Douglas hindering as his untrusty prime suspect.
 John Finnemore's sitcom about the pilots of a tiny charter airline for whom no job is too small and many jobs are too difficult.
 Carolyn Knapp-Shappey Stephanie Cole
 1st Officer Douglas Richardson Roger Allam
 Capt. Martin Crieff Benedict Cumberbatch
 Arthur Shappey John Finnemore
 Mr Birling Geoffrey Whitehead
 Mrs Birling Flip Webster
 Phil Ewan Bailey
 Producer/Director: David Tyler
 A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in July 2011.
SUN 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b03yb6qq)
 The best in contemporary comedy. Tonight, Arthur Smith chats again to Mr Twonkeys.
SUN 23:00 Vent (b01glrp7)
 Series 3
 The Stand-In
 Ben vows to do something alone but buying an envelope at the post office is not that easy.
 Nigel Smith's dark sitcom about a man in a coma, travelling through the distinctly odd landscape of his own unconscious mind.
 CAST:
 Ben Neil Pearson
 Mary Fiona Allen
 Mum Josie Lawrence
 Blitz Leslie Ash
 Nurse Jo Martin
 Derek Stephen Frost
 Marley Spencer Brown
 Bea Scarlett Milburn-Smith
 Mr Shah Bruce Alexander
 Director: Nigel Smith
 Producer: Gareth Edwards
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2009.
SUN 23:30 The Boosh (b007jmg2)
 Jazz
 Vince can't make the porpoise relay because his band's on New Faces of Pop and Howard can't relax because he's constantly being visited by the spirit of jazz.
 Written by and starring Noel Fielding and Julian Barratt.
 The Boosh is a surreal adventure based on the Perrier Award-winning comedy show, featuring Howard and Vince's battles with zoo manager Bob Fossil.

Howard Moon Julian Barratt
 Vince Noir Noel Fielding
 Bob Fossil Rich Fulcher
 With Simon Evans.
 After BBC radio gave them their big break with this series, they transferred to BBC TV where The Mighty Boosh ran for three series.
 Producer: Danny Wallace.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2001.

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MON 06:00 VI Warshawski (b0089j85)
 Killing Orders
 Remembrance of Things Past
 Chicago private eye, VI Warshawski, is not happy to be asked for help by her Aunt Rosa who hates her - and the feeling's mutual...
 Sara Paretsky's thriller stars Kathleen Turner as VI Warshawski.
 Roger Ferrant Martin Shaw
 Gabriella Avril Clark
 Albert William Hootkins
 Rosa Eileen Way
 Father Carroll Don Fellows
 Father Pelly Colin Stinton
 Father Jablonski Peter Penry-Jones
 Sara Paretsky created one of the most popular female sleuths in modern crime fiction. Her heroine, VI Warshawski, is a strong female character in a male-dominated world. VI is comfortable packing heat and trailing nasty suspects but she never loses touch with her basic femininity.
 Paretsky says of her Warshawski: "I was troubled by the way women were portrayed in (detective fiction) they always seemed either evil or powerless. I thought it was time for a tough, smart, likeable female private investigator".
 Kathleen Turner also starred in the same role in the 1991 film 'VI Warshawski'.
 Dramatised by Micheline Wandor.
 Director: Janet Whitaker
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1991.
MON 06:30 Russell Thorndike - Doctor Syn (b00d7lzt)
 Episode 1
 18th Century swashbuckling scholar, Doctor Syn finds love - and encounters a dastardly squire. Read by Rufus Sewell.
 Christopher Syn, a brilliant young scholar, is a Doctor of Divinity at Oxford, but his eventual decision to throw away the Bible for the sword in a mad quest for vengeance will influence the rest of his life.
 Russell Thorndike's Kent-based adventure featuring pirates, smuggling, highwaymen, duels, wicked squires and beautiful Spanish ladies. Based on the first two novels (published 1935 and 1936) in the seven-title sequence, 'Doctor Syn on the High Seas' and 'Doctor Syn Returns'. Abridged by Doreen Estall.
 Writer Russell Thorndike (1885-1972) is less well-known than his sister, the actress Dame Sybil Thorndike, but his Doctor Syn novels hold a special place in the affection of lovers of atmospheric, swashbuckling storytelling everywhere. His novels have been filmed with actors as diverse as George Arliss, Peter Cushing and Patrick McGeehan in the role of Syn, and the Kent village of Dymchurch holds an official 'Day of Syn' every other year, to commemorate a home-grown literary folk hero.
 Producer: Lawrence Jackson
 Made for BBC Radio 7 by BBC Northern Ireland
 First broadcast in 2006.
MON 07:00 One Foot in the Grave (b007j6n4)
 The Beast in the Cage
 Victor suffers a bank holiday traffic nightmare stuck in a jam - and so do Margaret and Jean!
 Richard Wilson stars as Victor and Annette Crosbie as his long-suffering wife Margaret.
 Adapted for radio by David Renwick from his BBC TV script.
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numerous specials on BBC ONE from 1990 to 2000.
 Producer: Diane Messias
 First broadcast in February 1995 on BBC Radio 2.
MON 07:30 Just a Minute (b03w02sb)
 Series 68
 Episode 3
 The panel game in which the contestants are challenged to speak for one minute without hesitation, deviation or repetition on any subject given to them by the legendary host Nicholas Parsons.
 This week's players are Sheila Hancock, Richard Herring, Josie Lawrence and Paul Merton. Subjects include 'Hot Cross Buns' and 'How to Win an Argument with a Teenager'.
 Producer: Tilusha Ghelani.
MON 08:00 Round the Horne (b007jpsm)
 Series 4
 Episode 15
 Crofter Kenneth Horne meets Bona Prince Charlie, Rambling Syd Rumpo sings of artefacts - and bona advertising Julian and Sandy-style.
 Stars Kenneth Horne, Kenneth Williams, Hugh Paddick and Betty Marsden.
 Recorded at the BBC's Paris Studio in Lower Regent Street, London. Announcer: Douglas Smith
 Round the Horne was born out of the demise of BBC radio comedy Beyond Our Ken, after the end of writer Eric Merriman's involvement. Using the same cast and producer, Barry Took and Marty Feldman were persuaded to write the scripts - which led to four series that ran between 1965 and 1968 - packed full of parodies, recurring characters, catchphrases and double-entendres. Marty departed after Series 3.
 Written by Barry Took, Brian Cooke and Johnnie Mortimer.
 Music by the Max Harris Group.
 Producer: John Simmonds
 First broadcast on the BBC Radio 2 in June 1968.
MON 08:30 The Navy Lark (b01857zf)
 Operation Recovery
 Trouble afloat as the crew of HMS Troutbridge try to locate an American warhead.
 Stars Leslie Phillips, Jon Pertwee and Stephen Murray.
 Laughs afloat aboard British Royal Navy frigate HMS Troutbridge. The Navy Lark ran for an impressive 13 series between 1959 and 1976.
 The Sub-Lieutenant Leslie Phillips
 The Chief Petty Officer Jon Pertwee
 The Number One Stephen Murray
 Captain Povey Richard Caldico
 Rita Heather Chasen
 LS Goldsein Tenniel Evans
 The Padre Michael Bates
 Written by Lawrie Wyman.
 Producer: Alastair Scott Johnston.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in June 1971.
MON 09:00 Bleak Expectations (b00d7b5x)
 Series 2
 An Already Bad Life Made Worse but Sort of on Purpose
 The comic Victorian epic sees Pip reach his lowest ebb in the worst place in the world, the East End of London in the first half of the 19th century.
 Full of self-loathing Pip drinks some very strong gin, finds he is really quite keen on opium, and falls in with a gang of thieving boys. But is their leader, Mr Abraham Bagel, a Roman Catholic ne'er-do-well, all he seems?
 Mark Evans's epic comedy in the style of Charles Dickens. Volume Two, Chapter the Fifth: An Already Bad Life Made Worse But Sort Of On Purpose.
 Sir Phillip.....Richard Johnson
 Mr Benevolent.....Anthony Head
 Young Pip.....Tom Allen
 Harry Biscuit.....James Bachman
 Sternbeater.....Geoffrey Whitehead
 Ripely Fecund.....Sarah Hadland
 Mr Parsimonious.....Laurence Howarth
 Pippa.....Susy Kane
 Mr Scrunge.....Mark Evans
 Producer: Gareth Edwards.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2008.
MON 09:30 When the Dog Dies (b00sk7rk)
 Series 1
 Desperately Seeking Dolores
 Ronnie Corbett reunites with the writers of his hit sitcom Sorry, Ian Davidson and Peter Vincent. Sorry ran for seven series on BBC 1 and was number one in the UK ratings.
 In this Radio 4 sitcom, Ronnie plays Sandy Hopper, who is growing old happily along with his dog Henry. His grown up children - both married to people Sandy doesn't approve of at all - would like him to move out of the family home so they can get their hands on their money earlier. But Sandy's not having this. He's not moving until the dog dies. And not just that, how can he move if he's got a lodger? His daughter is convinced that his too attractive lodger Dolores (Liza Tarbuck) is after Sandy and his money.
 Luckily, Sandy has three grandchildren and sometimes a friendly word, a kindly hand on the shoulder can really help a Granddad in the twenty-first century. Man and dog together face a complicated world. There's every chance they'll make it more so.
 The final episode is Desperately Seeking Dolores. Sandy and

Dolores are always bickering but this time it's serious and she walks out on him and his dog Henry. Luckily, Sandy remembers that Dolores is going on a charity run dressed as a chicken; but so are all her friends. In an exciting chase sequences, Henry comes up trumps.
 Cast:
 Sandy Ronnie Corbett
 Dolores Liza Tarbuck
 Lance Philip Bird
 Mrs Pompom Sally Grace
 Drobny Jon Glover.
MON 10:00 Classic Serial (b00vkp4q)
 Amber Lone - The Ramayana
 Cast Out
 By Amber Lone. A distinctive modern version of an ancient Indian epic and one of the world's most popular love stories. Teenage Sita sees the most beautiful stranger in the street. She'll marry him or die. He is Prince Rama, heir to the throne but his stepmother wants Rama sent into exile.
 Sita...Manjinder Virk
 Rama...Lloyd Thomas
 Lakshman...Adeel Aktar
 Ravan...Paul Bhattacharjee
 Surpanaka...Sasha Behar
 Dasarath...Jude Akuwudike
 Sister...Deeivya Meir
 Bharat...Saikat Ahamed
 Music composed by Niraj Chag
 Directed by Claire Grove
 The ancient Indian epic The Ramayana is one of the world's most popular love stories. The separation and reunion of two lovers gives it perennial appeal but Rama's jealousy and Sita's metamorphosis into a strong independent woman gives the story a contemporary feel. "Be as Rama," young Indians have been taught for 2,000 years, "be as Sita," but Rama is an interestingly flawed character, driven by powerful emotions in a world where monkeys can be gods, and gods can be as fallible as humans. Amber Lone's modern version of this Indian epic is scheduled to coincide with Divali, the festival of Lights, which celebrates Rama and Sita's return to their kingdom. Outstanding composer Niraj Chag creates original music.
 Amber Lone (dramatist) is a bold new British Asian voice. She has had three acclaimed plays at Birmingham Rep: Paradise (2003), Deadeye(2006) & Four Streets (2009). She was a regular writer on Silver Street for BBC Asian network.
 Niraj Chag (composer) wrote original music for the R4 dramatisation of The Mahabharata and a witty score for Rafta Rafta at the National Theatre. He is currently working on the feature film of Rafta Rafta. He has written and produced his own albums 'Along the Dusty Road' 2006 and 'Lost Souls' 2009 and composed music for BBC TV documentaries on Turner, Picasso and Bhopal.
MON 11:00 Brian Aldiss Short Stories (b03wpvq8)
 The Expensive Delicate Ship
 An eerie story within a story, set in some not too distant future but looking back on an ancient biblical flood. Read by Nicholas Farrell.
 Brian Aldiss (1925-2017) was one of Britain's most prolific writers of speculative fiction. His first book was written when he was 14. This selection of his shorter fiction celebrates the range of his interests from futuristic creation myths to biting social satire.
 Greatly influenced by the science fiction pioneer HG Wells, his writings have been compared to those of Isaac Asimov, Greg Bear and Arthur C Clarke. His complete works are currently being republished.
 Produced for BBC Radio 4 Extra by the Waters Company.
MON 11:15 Loose Ends (b03wgt9k)
 Danny Wallace, Albert Lee, Jerry Springer, Paloma Faith, Christo Brand, Scottee
 Danny creates some scandal with TV presenter, former Mayor of Cincinnati and cultural icon Jerry Springer, who talks about his long-running series 'The Jerry Springer Show'. Jerry reveals his new guilty pleasure series 'Tabloid', where he peels back the curtain to probe the most bizarre larger-than-life stories you can't possibly imagine!
 Scottee Falls To Grace with Hackney songstress and actress Paloma Faith, who talks about her new old skool funk song produced by Pharrell Williams, taken from her forthcoming third album A Perfect Contradiction'. Paloma gives Scottee some retro style tips and performs 'Can't Rely On You' in the studio.
 Danny talks to author Christo Brand about his book 'Mandela: My Prisoner, My Friend'. At the age of eighteen, white Afrikaans farm boy Christo was sent to Robben Island as a raw recruit from the prison service, and became Nelson Mandela's prison warder. Christo was told he was a dangerous terrorist trying to bring down South Africa. But he soon saw the humanity, wisdom and humility of Mandela.
 Danny talks to Grammy Award-winning guitarist and Country Boy Albert Lee, who has played with pretty much everyone. Eric Clapton once said "he's the greatest guitarist in the world...the ultimate virtuoso." So no surprise to find the celebrations for Albert's 70th Birthday crammed with great musicians wanting to pay their respects. He talks to Danny about his life and times and performs 'A Better Place' from his album 'Fretting Behaviour'.
 Producer: Sukey Fifth.
MON 12:00 Round the Horne (b007jpsm)

Series 5
The Foreign Legion
The lad is set to entertain troops in Malta, but he's duped into making an appearance on the frontline.
Stars Tony Hancock.
With Sidney James, Bill Kerr, Hattie Jacques and Kenneth Williams.
Written by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.
Theme and incidental music written by Wally Stott.
Producer: Tom Ronald
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in April 1958.
WED 08:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00j3f8d)
Series 9
Episode 2
Radio Prune presents A Kick in the Arts, and So You Think You've Got a Feed Line?
Starring Tim Brooke-Taylor, John Cleese, Graeme Garden, David Hatch, Jo Kendall and Bill Oddie.
Sketches written by Graeme Garden and Bill Oddie.
Originating from the Cambridge University Footlights revue 'Cambridge Circus', ISIRTA ran for 8 years on BBC Radio and quickly developed a cult following.
Music and songs by Bill Oddie, Liam Cohen and Dave Lee.
Producers: David Hatch/Bob Oliver Rogers
First broadcast on the BBC Radio 2 in November 1973.
WED 09:00 1834 (b011klyr)
Strong Continental Lager
21st-century teacher Jason decides 19th-century Macclesfield needs a decent pub with decent beer.
In Jim Poyser's riotous comedy of transportation and delight, Jason is now Tarquin, third son of Lord Belpot with a faithful valet, Ned.
Jason Slater Michael Begley
Ned Joe Caffrey
Hoskins Kenneth Alan Taylor
Lord Belpot Mark Chatterton
Stubbs Glenn Cunningham
Millicent Julia Rounthwaite
Directed at BBC Manchester by Polly Thomas.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2003.
WED 09:30 Whose Line Is It Anyway? (b007jrcc)
Episode 1
It ran for 10 series on Channel 4 and found success in America, but the hit TV improvisation game actually started life on BBC radio.
When it began in January 1988, this show adopted a format with two regular team captains - Fry and Sessions and two guests each week, with Colin Sell at the piano.
In this first edition of the pioneering series, John Sessions, Dawn French, Stephen Fry and Lenny Henry are tasked to improvise by series chairman Clive Anderson.
Rounds include ghastly guests at a party and Goldilocks and the Three Bears performed as never before.
Devised and compiled by Mark Leveson. Additional material by Martin Booth.
Producer: Dan Patterson.
WED 10:00 Classic Serial (b00772x4)
Emile Zola - *Germinal*
Episode 1
Germinal
Emile Zola's masterpiece brought vividly to life, dramatised by Diana Griffiths. Set in 1860s France, a struggling mining community takes refuge in the revolutionary young outsider, Etienne.
Narrator David Bradley
Etienne Joe Absolom
Catherine Emily Chemery
Maheu Charles Dale
La Maheude Deborah McAndrew
Bonnemort Peter Armitage
Souvarine Gary Lewis
Chaval Leigh Symonds
Paul Negrel James Nickerson
La Mouquette Vicky Binns
Jeanlin Aidan Parsons
Lydie Daisy Jones.
WED 11:00 Brian Aldiss Short Stories (b03wt584)
Galaxy Zee
Life in a galaxy where every planet and every city is like a billion others, the controlling Ucnirat who created them feels his plan has gone awry. Read by Jack Klaff.
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WED 11:15 Jimmie Chinn (b017gz13)
Looks Like Rain Again
After their mother's funeral, the return of a missing brother stirs up big trouble. Stars Roy Barraclough and Bernard Cribbins.
WED 12:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b0089k50)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
WED 12:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00j3f8d)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

WED 13:00 VI Warshawski (b007jqc)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
WED 13:30 Russell Thorndike - Doctor Syn (b00d7qkq)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
WED 14:00 Sian Evans - Seeing Is Believing (b03wt81r)
Episode 3
Jon is now out of a job, but his UFO fascination persists. He scares his daughter accidentally. Stars Richard Greenwood.
WED 14:15 A Short History of Ireland (b007k4wb)
The Confederation of Kilkenny; Civil War
The country's rich and turbulent story continues. With Richard Dormer, James Greene and Frances Tomelty.
WED 14:30 Naomi Alderman - Disobedience (b0076x4t)
Episode 3
Ronit and Dovid are reunited, but unwelcome old memories are stirred. Read by Sara Kestelman and Tracy-Ann Oberman.
WED 14:45 Beatrix Potter: A Life in Nature (b00g227n)
Episode 3
Success and tragedy walk hand-in-hand for the creator of Peter Rabbit. Linda Lear's biography is read by Lindsay Duncan.
WED 15:00 Classic Serial (b00772x4)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
WED 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b03wt81t)
Actress and author Meera Syal digs out her Inheritance Tracks, and Mark Williams reads the next part of the Eddie Dickens story *Terrible Times*, by Philip Ardagh.
WED 17:00 A Whole New Ball Game (b00gf8dn)
Series 2
The Friendly
Fists fly when Andy and Robert's football teams meet, but not among the players. Stars Brenda Blethyn. From November 1994.
WED 17:30 An Actor's Life for Me (b007r42w)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
WED 18:00 Terry Pratchett (b010tzfb)
Night Watch
Episode 3
Thrown back in time, Commander Sam Vimes of the City Watch is training his young self in the art of policing - then runs into his old enemy, Carcer.
Terry Pratchett's Discworld novel dramatised by Robin Brooks. Stars Philip Jackson as Sam Vimes, Carl Prekopp as Young Sam, Paul Ritter as Carcer, Clare Corbett as Rosie, Sam Dale as Colon, Ben Onwukwe as Dr Lawn, Peter Marinker as Tilden and Rachel Atkins as Lady Meserole.
Director: Claire Grove
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2008.
WED 18:30 Charles Chilton - Journey into Space (b007jmyk)
Operation Luna
12. A Rocky Send Off
After travelling through time, could Captain Jet Morgan and his crew be bound for home at last?
Futuristic tale set in 1965 as first broadcast in 1953.
CAST:
Jet Morgan Andrew Faulds
Lemmy Barnett Alfie Bass
Doc Guy Kingsley-Poynter
Mitch David Williams
Other parts by David Jacobs and Deryck Guyler.
Music composed and orchestra conducted by Van Phillips.
Written and produced by Charles Chilton.
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WED 22:00 Thanks a Lot, Milton Jones! (b03w16pc)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
WED 22:30 Shappi Talk (b00lshz)
Series 1
Growing Up in the UK
Shappi is joined with black comedian Ava Vidal who'll be looking back at her unusual childhood. Shappi also chats with another 'related' guest - and this week she talks to author Ben Okri who reveals some amazing story from his childhood with a very alternative father and some childhood challenges.
There'll also be a chance for Shappi to chat with the audience and there'll be a song from Hills Barker.
Producer: Paul Russell
An Open Mike production for BBC Radio 4.
WED 23:00 On the Town with the League of Gentlemen (b007k273)
Death by Mau Mau
The misfits of the remote northern town are having a fun run - and is there a nasty bug going round?
The first incarnation of the award-winning black comedy, about the "local people" of Spent - before it hit TV.
Starring Mark Gatiss, Reece Shearsmith and Steve Pemberton.

Written by the cast and Jeremy Dyson.
The League of Gentlemen won a Perrier Edinburgh Festival award in 1997 and this radio series debuted in the same year. They also won a Sony Radio Award. The cult series switched to TV for three series on BBC 2 from 1999, plus stage shows and a feature film.
Producer: Sarah Smith
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1997.
WED 23:30 Lee and Herring's Fist of Fun (b0080qgm)
Lancaster
Sexually transmitted diseases, Simon Bates and chef tips. Recorded at Lancaster University.
With Peter Baynham, Rebecca Front and Jo Unwin.
Stewart Lee and Richard Herring's mix of sharp sketches and situations, stand up topical gags and banter.
Lee and Herring went to write and star in their successful TV transfer to BBC TWO in 1995.
Cult BBC Radio 1 series first broadcast in October 1993.

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THU 06:00 VI Warshawski (b007jqc)
Killing Orders
The Fire Next Time
The private eye is convinced Agnes's murder is linked to a covert takeover bid for Ajax insurance, but can she prove it?
Sara Paretsky's thriller stars Kathleen Turner as Chicago private eye, VI Warshawski.
Roger Ferrant Martin Shaw
Gabriella Avril Clark
Father Carroll Don Fellows
Rosa Eileen Way
Barbara Paciorek Lorelei King
Mrs Paciorek Helen Horton
Bobby Mallory William Hootkins
O'Faolin John Bennett
Murray Ryerson Kerry Shale
Father Pelly Colin Stinton
Father Jablonski Peter Penry-Jones
Dramatised by Michelele Wandor.
Director: Janet Whitaker
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1991.
THU 06:30 Russell Thorndike - Doctor Syn (b00d8km5)
Episode 4
Dubbed Captain Clegg, the swashbuckling hero wins renown as the most feared of pirates. Read by Rufus Sewell.
Christopher Syn, a brilliant young scholar, is a Doctor of Divinity at Oxford, but his eventual decision to throw away the Bible for the sword in a mad quest for vengeance will influence the rest of his life.
Russell Thorndike's 18th Century, Kent-based adventure features pirates, smuggling, highwaymen, duels, wicked squires and beautiful Spanish ladies. Based on the first two novels (published 1935 and 1936) in the seven-title sequence, 'Doctor Syn on the High Seas' and 'Doctor Syn Returns'. Abridged by Doreen Estall.
Writer Russell Thorndike (1885-1972) is less well-known than his sister, the actress Dame Sybil Thorndike, but his Doctor Syn novels hold a special place in the affection of lovers of atmospheric, swashbuckling storytelling everywhere. His novels have been filmed with actors as diverse as George Arliss, Peter Cushing and Patrick McGouhan in the role of Syn, and the Kent village of Dymchurch holds an official 'Day of Syn' every other year, to commemorate a home-grown literary folk hero.
Producer: Lawrence Jackson
Made for BBC Radio 7 by BBC Northern Ireland
First broadcast in 2006.
THU 07:00 The Alan Davies Show (b007jsk4)
Episode 6
Struggling actor Alan has a date with an X-rated actress, whilst Peruvian Flu strikes at the Gazette.
Alan Davies stars in his own sitcom.
Written by Ben Silburn, Tony Roche and Alan Davies.
Alan Alan Davies
Murray Alan Francis

Kate Ronni Ancona
 With Debra Stephenson and Kevin Eldon.
 Producer: Jane Berthoud
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1998.
THU 07:30 Jason Cook's School of Hard Knocks (b03w32c0)
 Asking Out and First Dates
 Field marshal of mirth and high priest of Hebburn, Jason Cook dispenses advice on how best to navigate the choppy waters of life and come out the other side without feeling woozy, using the full spectrum of his own experiences as his educational aids. In this episode, Jason examines how to successfully ask someone out.
 Discover the traps to be avoided when going on a first date - using Jason's trademarked "Place, Face, Case" methodology. Stories from the audience help to throw more light on the matter in hand.
 With Zoe Harrison and Neil Grainger.
 Producer: Sam Michell
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2014.
THU 08:00 Dad's Army (b008h50c)
 Series 3
 Absent Friends
 Captain Mainwaring returns to platoon insubordination - and an escaped convict.
 Adapted for radio from Jimmy Perry and David Croft's TV scripts by Harold Snoad and Michael Knowles.
 Captain Mainwaring Arthur Lowe
 Sergeant Wilson John Le Mesurier
 Corporal Jones Clive Dunn
 Private Frazer John Laurie
 Private Pike Ian Lavender
 Private Godfrey Arnold Ridley
 Private Walker Larry Martyn
 Mrs Pike Pearl Hackney
 Additional music by Dennis Gomm.
 Producer: John Dyas
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1976.
THU 08:30 Take It From Here (b012qr1m)
 From 18/03/1954
 Pa Glum warns Ron about feeling jealous. Frank Muir and Denis Norden's classic comedy stars Jimmy Edwards. From March 1954.
THU 09:00 Robin and Wendy's Wet Weekends (b007js11)
 Series 1
 A Cavalier Attitude
 Model village-makers, Robin and Wendy are shown "Black Bess" as their randy friends Sue and Glen persuade them to attend a battle re-enactment.
 Written by and starring Kay Stonham and Simon Greenall.
 Robin Simon Greenall
 Wendy Kay Stonham
 Maureen Debra Stephenson
 Derek Phil Cornwell
 Sue Jan Ravens
 Glenn Michael Simkins
 Darnley Ewan Bailey
 Carol Jo Enright
 Pikeman Sean McKenna
 Producer: Mario Stylianides
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2002.
THU 09:30 Puzzle Panel (b00x7b5)
 Episode 1
 Agitate your grey matter with Chris Maslanka, David Singmaster, William Harston and Professor Angela Newing. From June 1998.
THU 10:00 Classic Serial (b0077367)
 Emile Zola - Germinal
 Episode 2
 Germinal
 Emile Zola's masterpiece brought vividly to life, dramatised by Diana Griffiths.
 2/3. Etienne has to live without the girl he loves – Catherine, who now lives with Chaval. The strike is on in many of the company's pits and Etienne, now nurturing a growing ambition to fight for the proletariat, has become the respected leader of the comrades. But events spiral out of control after a secret midnight meeting in the forest.
 Narrator David Bradley
 Etienne Joe Absalom
 Catherine Emily Chennery
 Maheu Charles Dale
 La Maheude Deborah McAndrew
 Souvarine Gary Lewis
 Hennebeau David Fleeshman
 Madame Hennebeau Denise Black
 Cecile Victoria Brazier
 Chaval Leigh Symonds
 Paul Negrel James Nickerson
 La Mouquette Vicky Binns
 Jeanlin Aidan Parsons
 Lydie Daisy Jones.
THU 11:00 Brian Aldiss Short Stories (b03wtf7z)
 The Light Really: Apology
 Two Brian Aldiss stories: first, a philandering journalist is confined to home; whilst in Apology an elderly aristocrat's memory returns him to an incident that moved him greatly. Read by Ewan Bailey.
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THU 11:15 Jimmie Chinn (b017gzxg)
 Rain on the Just
 Dark family secrets and a severe case of sibling rivalry lead to murder. Stars Bernard Cribbins and Roy Barraclough.
THU 12:00 Dad's Army (b008h50c)
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 Episode 4
 Jon is forced to confront difficult questions from others over what he may or may not have seen. Stars Richard Greenwood.
THU 14:15 A Short History of Ireland (b007k4x5)
 Cromwell; The Curse of Cromwell
 Oliver Cromwell arrived in Ireland in 1649 and vowed to avenge those who had previously massacred Protestants.
THU 14:30 Naomi Alderman - Disobedience (b0076x5b)
 Episode 4
 Ronit finds herself once more reliving bad times as a guest of the Hartogs. Read by Sara Kestelman and Tracy-Ann Oberman.
THU 14:45 Beatrix Potter: A Life in Nature (b00g27cn)
 Episode 4
 There's a wedding and an important donation in Linda Lear's biography of the author and illustrator. Read by Lindsay Duncan.
THU 15:00 Classic Serial (b0077367)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
THU 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b03wgtgy)
 Mel Giedroyc raids the Questions Questions archive to explore why pirates wore earrings. Plus more from the Eddie Dickens story Terrible Times, by Philip Ardagh.
THU 17:00 Ballylenon (b00nydb9)
 Series 7
 Episode 1
 When Muriel experiences a 'miraculous apparition' whilst on pilgrimage to Lourdes, Phonsie Doherty is quick to seize on its business potential for Ballylenon.
 Series set in the sleepy town of Ballylenon, Co Donegal in 1959. Written by Christopher Fitz-Simon.
 Muriel Maconchy Margaret D'Arcy
 Vera Maconchy Stella McCusker
 Phonsie Doherty Gerard Murphy
 Vivienne Hawthorne Annie McCartney
 Rev Samuel Hawthorne Miche Doherty
 Stumpy Bonner Gerard McSorley
 Pianist: Michael Harrison
 Director: Eoin O'Callaghan
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2009.
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THU 18:00 Terry Pratchett (b010v3d7)
 Night Watch
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 Terry Pratchett's Discworld novel dramatised by Robin Brooks. Stars Philip Jackson as Sam Vimes, Carl Prekopp as Young Sam, Paul Ritter as Carcer, Clare Corbett as Rosie, Sam Dale as Colon, Ben Onwukwe as Dr Lawn, Joseph Kloska as Reg Shoe and Peter Marinker as Major Clive.
 Director: Claire Grove
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2008.
THU 18:30 Charles Chilton - Journey into Space (b007jnz0)
 Operation Luna
 13. Set Course for Earth
 After blasting off, Captain Jet Morgan and his crew try to make sense of their mammoth trip through time.
 Conclusion of the futuristic tale set in 1965 as first broadcast in 1953.
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 Series 10
 Episode 1
 The week's stories cobbled together in a scrapbook-sketch-show, which anyone can write for. Uninformed, up to the minute, down to the dregs. Presented by Romesh Ranganathan, with a ragtag cast including Lewis MacLeod, Margaret Cabourn-Smith, Pippa Evans, Morgana Robinson, Ellie White and Alice Levine.
 Details for submitting material can be found here:
 bbc.co.uk/programmes/b00kvs8r
 Producers: Charlie Perkins and Arnab Chanda.
THU 23:00 Rubbish (b00899qv)
 Series 2
 Surveillance
 While testing out his latest initiative - a tannoy system that works in conjunction with the CCTV system - Martin becomes its next victim.
 Will he be able to clear his name?
 Reece Dinsdale stars as local government officer, cynic and manic-depressive, Martin Christmas in Tony Bagley's sitcom.
 Martin Reece Dinsdale
 Barney Matthew Cottle
 John Neil Dudgeon
 Banks Ewan Bailey
 Tannoy Martin Trenaman
 Producer: Claire Bartlett
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2007.
THU 23:30 Little Britain (b008p522)
 Series 2
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 Back where it started out. Matt Lucas and David Walliams' oddball TV smash hit without the cameras. From February 2002.

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FR/ 00:00 Terry Pratchett (b010v3d7)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Thursday]
FR/ 00:30 Charles Chilton - Journey into Space (b007jnz0)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Thursday]
FR/ 01:00 VI Warshawski (b007jqct)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Thursday]
FR/ 01:30 Russell Thorndike - Doctor Syn (b00d8km5)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Thursday]
FR/ 02:00 Robin and Wendy's Wet Weekends (b007js11)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Thursday]
FR/ 02:30 Puzzle Panel (b00x7b5)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Thursday]
FR/ 03:00 Classic Serial (b0077367)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Thursday]
FR/ 04:00 Brian Aldiss Short Stories (b03wtf7z)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 on Thursday]
FR/ 04:15 Jimmie Chinn (b017gzxg)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 on Thursday]
FR/ 05:00 Ballylenon (b00nydb9)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 17:00 on Thursday]
FR/ 05:30 The Alan Davies Show (b007jsk4)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Thursday]
FR/ 06:00 VI Warshawski (b007jqd4)
 Killing Orders
 Dinner Date
 First an acid attack, then her flat burns down: the anonymous menacing phone caller will go to any lengths to get VI Warshawski to quit.
 Sara Paretsky's thriller stars Kathleen Turner as Chicago private eye, VI Warshawski.
 Roger Ferrant Martin Shaw
 Uncle Stefan Maurice Denham
 Lotty Herschel Miriam Karlin
 O'Faolin John Bennett
 Gabriella Avril Clark
 Father Carroll Don Fellows
 Barbara Paciorek Lorelei King
 Bobby Mallory William Hootkins
 Murray Ryerson Kerry Shale
 Rosa Eileen Way
 Sal Adjoa Andoh
 Derek Hatfield Andrew Wincott
 Dramatised by Michelene Wandor.
 Director: Janet Whitaker
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1991.
FR/ 06:30 Russell Thorndike - Doctor Syn (b00d8xyp)
 Episode 5
 The swashbuckling daredevil returns to Kent - but makes a new enemy. Read by Rufus Sewell.
 Christopher Syn, a brilliant young scholar, is a Doctor of

