

Written by Richard Murdoch and Kenneth Horne.
Music by the Augmented Dance Orchestra conducted by Stanley Black.
Producer: Leslie Bridgemont
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in September 1948.
SUN 09:00 In Order to Live: A North Korean Girl's Journey to Freedom - Omnibus (b06mywzv)
Human rights advocate Oona Chaplin reads Yeonmi Park's courageous account of how she escaped repressive North Korea.
SUN 10:10 Inheritance Tracks (b06myxjt)
Kate Adie
Journalist Kate Adie chooses the 'Housewives' Choice' theme and 'Five Variants of Dives and Lazarus' by Vaughan Williams.
SUN 10:15 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b06myy9x)
Comedians
John Bishop
From the Beatles to Jim Reeves, the comic shares his castaway choices with Kirsty Young. From June 2012.
SUN 11:00 TED Radio Hour (b06d29cv)
Series 2
Press Play
A journey through fascinating ideas based on talks by riveting speakers on the TED (Technology, Entertainment, Design) stage.
Guy Raz investigates whether something serious happens when we play. Can it make us smarter, saner and more collaborative? With Jeff Mogil, Charlie Todd, Stuart Brown, Isabel Behncke Izquierdo and Jane McGonigal.
First broadcast in the USA on National Public Radio.
SUN 11:50 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b00m45d2)
Series 1
Faking Fossils
Sir David recalls a key moment in his life, when he broke open a piece of Leicestershire limestone and there in his hand was an ammonite.
Over the intervening years, fossils have fascinated him and he has become a great collector, even of the odd fake.
Series of talks by Sir David Attenborough on the natural histories of creatures and plants from around the world.
Producer: Julian Hector
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2009
SUN 12:00 Educating Archie (b009gc5s)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
SUN 12:30 Much Binding in the Marsh (b008p5c6)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
SUN 13:00 Reeds in the Wind - Omnibus (b01fh139)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
SUN 14:15 A View With a Room - Burgh Island Hotel (b0075fd)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:15 today]
SUN 14:30 Trigger Mortis - Omnibus (b06myz8g)
Episode 1
Having survived a showdown with Goldfinger, Bond is back in London, where a deadly mission awaits. Read by Rupert Penry-Jones.
SUN 15:45 Peter Regent - Abroad (b06myznq)
4 Extra Debut. Nigel Anthony reads a cautionary tale about an unassuming accountant who appears to be a well-travelled man of the world.
SUN 16:00 DH Lawrence - Daughters of the Vicar (b0075s4x)
Louisa and Mary, daughters of the impoverished vicar of Aldecross, see only marriage as a means of escape from their routine lives.
The arrival of a new young curate fills them with anticipation, but will his intellectual qualities match up to the more physical attractions of Alfred Durant, the son of a local miner?
DH Lawrence's novella - written at around the same time as Sons and Lovers - is a classic tale of the struggle between emotion and intellect.
Louisa Rachel Atkins
Mary Cathy Sara
Mrs Lindley Gillian Goodman
Mr Lindley David Timson
Mr Massey Robert Pickavance
Alfred Durant Peter Meakin
Mrs Durant Ann Rye
Miner Sean Connolly
Dramatised by Jane Beeson.
Director: Peter Leslie Wild.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2000.
SUN 17:00 Poetry Extra (b06mz052)
Derek Walcott - A Fortunate Traveller
BBC Radio 4's and 4 Extra's Poet in Residence, Daljit Nagra revisits the BBC's radio poetry archive.
In 'Derek Walcott: A Fortunate Traveller' - Glyn Maxwell meets the Nobel Laureate poet at his beach home on the Caribbean island of St Lucia on his 84th birthday.
Walcott talks about the sea and what it's like to come from a place he feels to be without history. He remembers his late friend Seamus Heaney and enthuses about Edward Thomas and Philip Larkin. They talk of teaching poetry - Glyn was once Derek's student. He reads some of his own poems and, from memory, a sad and beautiful lyric by Walter de la Mare. The surf and the tropical rain make their own calypso music.
Producer: Tim Dee
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014.

SUN 17:30 Clare in the Community (b01pp88x)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
SUN 18:00 Ray Bradbury's Tales of the Bizarre (b007jlrz)
Series 2
Jack in the Box
School is just up the stairs, and each birthday you get a new room
A young boy lives an isolated life - until a death opens the door to the outside world...
Strange and chilling tales from the award-winning master of thrillers Ray Bradbury, who tops and tails these radio dramatisations in his own inimitable style.
The Boy Richard Pearce
Father Ed Bishop
Mother Carolyn Jones
The Whisperers Sarah Rice & Carolyn Strong
Old Lady Jenny Lee
Poiceman Christopher Wright
Other parts played by the cast.
Producer: Adrian Bean.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1997.
SUN 18:30 Terry Pratchett (b008p7x8)
Guards! Guards!
Episode 2
Could a long-extinct beast have carried out recent crimes?
Will Captain Vimes get any joy from dragonologist and society heavyweight Lady Ramkin?
Stars John Wood and Martin Jarvis.
The 8th of Terry's Pratchett's comic fantasy stories set on Discworld.
Narrator Martin Jarvis
Captain Vimes John Wood
Nobby Melvyn Hayes
Sergeant Colon Stephen Thorne
Lady Ramkin Helen Atkinson-Wood
Carrot Robert Gwilym
Lord Vetinari Crawford Logan
Supreme Grand Master Brett Usher
Brother Doorkeeper Jeff Nuttall
Brother Fingers Michael Roberts
Dramatised by Michael Butt.
Director: John Taylor
First broadcast on BBC Radio 5 in November 1992.
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SUN 22:30 Bussmann and Quantick Kingsize (b00757wk)
Episode 1
A five pound deal of sketches, monologues and weird soup.
Originally broadcast LIVE from London's exclusive Imperial Rooms, Mayfair.
Written and performed by Jane Bussmann and David Quantick.
Featuring:
Peter Serafinowicz
Emma Clarke
Steve Brody.
Producer: Phil Bowker.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1998.
SUN 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b06nd3tb)
Arthur Smith chats to Sarah Kendall.
SUN 23:00 Laura Solon - Talking and Not Talking (b007731j)
Series 1
Episode 2
Meet the China Lion, the singing friend, and introducing the Daniel Bedingfield-loving East European couple.
Perrier award-winning comedian Laura Solon's sketch and character comedy series
With Ben Moor, Katherine Parkinson and Ben Willbond.
Written by Laura Solon. With additional material by the cast, Carl Cooper, Tony Roche and Andy Marlatt.
Producer: Colin Anderson
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2007.
SUN 23:30 Recorded for Training Purposes (b00gs0n6)
Series 3
Episode 3
Sketch show about modern communication and contemporary obsessions. With Ben Willbond and Rachel Atkins.
First heard on BBC Radio 4 in January 2009.

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MON 06:00 Charles Paris: Cast, in Order of Disappearance (b007jvh9)
1. Baron Hardup
Charles Paris is a middle-aged actor down on his luck, but his whole life is to change after a chance meeting with a chorus girl named Jacqui.
Assuming a variety of roles, the lothario thespian employs his skills to try and solve a murder.
Francis Matthews stars as actor-cum-sleuth, Charles Paris.
Adapted by Simon Brett from his thriller set during the UK's winter fuel crisis of 1973.
Charles Paris Francis Matthews
Jacqui Mitchell Fiona Hendley
Frances Jennifer Hilary
Maurice Skellern Harry Landis
Len Peter Tuddenham
Norman James Bryce
Barman Mark Straker
Newsreader Paul Leighton
Producer: Martin Fisher
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in May 1984.
MON 06:30 There's More to Life Than London (b00sxh94)
Tube fairs. The rattling overcrowded tube itself. The house prices, the negative equity, the schools, the dirt. There are plenty of reasons not to live in London, which may be the reason most people in Britain don't.
Stuart Cosgrove (Commissioning Editor for Nations and Regions of Channel 4 until 2015) presents a programme on the joys and challenges of choosing to live and work outside the capital.
The journalist and broadcaster examines the dark side of Britain's obsessive metrocentricism, the brain-draining draw of the capital, sucking enterprise and energy from the regions and its navel-gazing parochialism, dressed up as cosmopolitanism. As the Civil Service and the BBC itself begin to grapple with the challenges of moving key departments outside of the capital this will be a timely look at how and why, despite political and institutional devolution, we still allow London to dominate British life, and what price we pay for the largely unexamined assumption that everything happens in London.
Producer David Stenhouse
From July 2010.
MON 07:00 Street and Lane (b00v8lr4)
Series 1
Blues on the Stairs
Yorkshire builders in a white van - Johnny Street and Arthur Lane - are called to tackle the tricky task of a piano perilously perched on the Edwardian staircase of feisty music teacher Mrs Priam-Rhodes.
Sitcom written by Ian McMillan and Dave Sheasby.
Johnny Street Nick Lane
Arthur Lane Fine Time Fontayne
Mrs Priam-Rhodes Margaret Robertson
Ben Nevis Kenny Blyth.
Producer: David Hunter
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2005.
MON 07:30 Just a Minute (b06kbjf2)
Series 73
Episode 4
Agincourt, Kipling and Caravanning are among the topics on the cards as Josh Widdicombe, Jenny Eclair, Sheila Hancock and Paul Merton join host Nicholas Parsons as they try to avoid hesitation, deviation and repetition. Hayley Sterling blows the whistle.
Produced by Victoria Lloyd.
25th October 2015 is the 500th anniversary of the Battle of Agincourt. Nicholas remembers it well, of course.
MON 08:00 Dad's Army (b007jpp4)
Series 3
The Honourable Man
With a visitor due from the Soviet Union - Captain Mainwaring is feeling peeved with Sergeant Wilson.
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
Warden Hodges Bill Pertwee
Russian Visitor Fraser Kerr
Producer: John Dyas
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1976.

The Grandfather Sean Baker
The TV Announcer Claire Harry
More horrifying tales from The Man in Black. You might meet him at a luggage carousel in an airport, or behind the desk at an employment agency or he might approach you in the corridor of a care home. Wherever you encounter him, he's eager to pass on his stories. Stories to unsettle and horrify. Stories to haunt you.
Director: Gemma Jenkins
Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in February 2011.
TUE 18:30 That Reminds Me (b007jnhk)
Series 2
Sir Clement Freud
The legendary 'Just a Minute' star recalls his colourful life, and his famous psychoanalyst grandfather Sigmund. From October 2000.
TUE 19:00 Round the Horne (b00lvz50)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
TUE 19:30 To the Manor Born (b007k4dj)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
TUE 20:00 Charles Paris: Cast, in Order of Disappearance (b007jvhj)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
TUE 20:30 A Dream of Eleanor (b00fq8w2)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
TUE 21:00 Afternoon Reading (b015empp)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
TUE 21:15 Andrew Rissik - The Psychedelic Spy (b007k1mx)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]
TUE 22:00 There Is No Escape (b06kcbw8)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
TUE 22:30 Twenty Players (b007511f)
Series 1
Hugo De Vries
Forgotten sporting heroes. Steve Rider tells the story of the reckless but exciting racing driver. From June 1995.
TUE 22:45 The Music Teacher (b01fjxv)
Series 2
Episode 2
Richie Webb returns as multi-instrumentalist music teacher Nigel Penny.
Nigel is charged with creating relaxing music for a pregnant ladies music group.
But whilst Arts Centre director Belinda happily sells tickets for his 'live inspirational womb music' sessions, Nigel is hampered in his preparations by the usual array of challenging pupils and a rather early arrival.
Directed by Nick Walker
Audio production by Matt Katz
Written and produced by Richie Webb
A Top Dog Production for BBC Radio 4.
TUE 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b06pdrvz)
The best in contemporary comedy. Jon Holmes chats to Andrew Maxwell.
TUE 23:00 Delve Special (b007jn2h)
Series 4
Resurrection of St Jerome
Intrepid reporter David Lander probes the extravagant lifestyle of Caribbean despot Felipe Delnazo and his wife Isabella.
Written by Tony Sarchet.
Starring Stephen Fry as David Lander.
With Brenda Blethyn, Robert Bathurst, Andrew Sachs, Philip Pope and Mark Arden.
Producer: Paul Mayhew Archer
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1987.
TUE 23:30 The Sofa of Time (b00hxnfl)
Where the Brave Go Shopping
Parker discovers that drinking in gravy makes you shrink, Milford gets rich quick as he changes his £1.40 for 7,000,000 Gravish francs at Papa Mbomba's bureau de change, and Marmite takes the boys to get tooled up at Bravemart for the battle against Raemen Bod.
Continuing the epic and timeless tale of two men and their quest to find "The Sofa of Time", the most magical and powerful item of furniture in the entire universe.
It is said that those who sit on the sofa can be transported to anywhere and anytime.
Fantasy sitcom written by Nick Frost and Matt King.
Milford Matt King.
Parker Nick Frost
Marmite Mark Heap
Raamen Bod Peter Serafinowicz
With Kevin Eldon, Julia Deakin, Janei Anderson, Joseph Marcell, Daisy Jones and Andrew Maxwell.
Producer: Mario Stylianides
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2002.

WEDNESDAY 04 NOVEMBER 2015

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[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Tuesday]

WED 02:00 Kingsley Amis - Lucky Jim (b00srwxh)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Tuesday]
WED 02:15 Noise: A Human History (b01r1819)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Tuesday]
WED 02:30 15 Minute Drama (b013f4q4)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Tuesday]
WED 02:45 Book at Bedtime (b00kd1q3)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:45 on Tuesday]
WED 03:00 Alexandre Dumas - The Count of Monte Cristo (b01p3151)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Tuesday]
WED 04:00 Act Your Age (b00qplyn)
[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Tuesday]
WED 04:30 Chain Reaction (b0111g68)
[Repeat of broadcast at 16:30 on Tuesday]
WED 05:00 Our Man at Wembley (b0075j2s)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Tuesday]
WED 05:30 There Is No Escape (b06kcbw8)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Tuesday]
WED 06:00 Charles Paris: Cast, in Order of Disappearance (b007jvhj)
3. Inside the Giant's Castle
Charles Paris has still not been able to contact the elusive theatrical impresario Marius Steen.
Now the man who took the compromising photographs of Steen and his lover has been shot - dead.
Francis Matthews stars as actor-cum-sleuth, Charles Paris.
Adapted by Simon Brett from his thriller.
Charles Paris Francis Matthews
Jacqui Mitchell Fiona Hendley
Marius Steen Peter Tuddenham
Mrs Sweet Lynda Baron
Juliet Wendy Murray
Miles David Dixon
Nigel Steen Richard Morant
Taxi Driver Mark Jones
Adapted by Simon Brett from his book.
Producer: Martin Fisher
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in May 1984.
WED 06:30 The Baronet and Tissington's Fight for Survival (b00jmo0q)
Sir Richard FitzHerbert of Tissington Hall talks to fellow historic house owners struggling to balance the books. From April 2009.
WED 07:00 Huddwinks (b00fsmz6)
Series 2
The Idiots Have Landed!
A Second World War tale of derring-do, to dispose of Adolf Hitler at his Bavarian lodge.
Roy Hudd stars in Laurie Rowley's comic parodies.
With:
Denise Coffey
Chris Emmett
David Gooderson
Fred Harris
Producer: Jonathan James-Moore
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in June 1988.
WED 07:30 To Hull and Back (b06kdz3q)
Series 1
An Affair to Forget
Sophie is on a quest for love whilst her mother is trying to get accepted in to a posh Lady's Golf Club.
Door-to-door sellers peddling thick bleach and an accident with a milk float all conspire to thwart their efforts.
Series 1 of the sitcom by BBC New Comedy Award winner, Lucy Beaumont.
Sophie still lives at home with her mum in Hull. They make a living doing car boot sales at the weekend. Except they don't really make a living because her mum can't bear to get rid of any of their junk. Plus, they don't have a car. As their house gets more cluttered, Sophie feels more trapped.
Starring Lucy Beaumont as Sophie and Maureen Lipman as Sheila.
Producer: Carl Cooper
A BBC Radio Comedy Production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in 2015.
WED 08:00 The TV Lark (b01bn40m)
House of Commons
Troutbridge TV must transmit a Party Political Broadcast. And Phillips is off to a ball.
After 4 series of 'The Navy Lark', the BBC decided the comedy crew needed a new setting, so where better than brand new independent station, Troutbridge TV?
However, after just 10 episodes, this proved to be only a temporary change of course for the crew of HMS Troutbridge - as the crew were soon back aboard 'The Navy Lark'.
Stars Jon Pertwee as the Floor Manager, Leslie Phillips as The Director, Stephen Murray as the Producer, Ronnie Barker as Fats Johnson and Richard Cildicote as the Deputy Controller.
Scripted by Lawrie Wyman
Producer: Alastair Scott Johnston.
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in February 1963.
WED 08:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00zn046)
Series 6
Episode 12
Arabian Desert dancers - and the bare truth of Lady Godiva.
Starring Tim Brooke-Taylor, John Cleese, Graeme Garden, David Hatch, Jo Kendall and Bill Oddie.
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 Liam Cohen and Bill Oddie.
Producer: David Hatch/Peter Titheradge
First broadcast on the BBC Radio 2 in June 1968.
WED 09:00 Counterpoint (b00874xv)
1999
Heat 2
Ned Sherrin chairs the music quiz with Lancashire's Sue McCombie, Roy Whittaker of Norwich and Stephen Turnbull from Co Durham.
WED 09:30 The Six Mothers-in-Law of Henry VIII (b0076j87)
Episode 5
Henry's VIII 5th wife Catherine Howard was an ambitious girl - one with a reputation and a Duchess as her adviser.
Jonathan Coy stars as Henry VIII
An unreliable history, created and written in six parts by Barry Grossman.
Henry VIII Jonathan Coy
Thomas Cromwell Milton Johns
The Chronicler Alfred Burke
Catherine Howard Helen Longworth
Duchess Agnes Marcia Warren
William of Winchelsea Geoffrey McGivern
Simon of Southwark Gyuri Sarossi
Music by Jim Parker.
Producer: John Fawcett Wilson
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2003.
WED 10:00 Alexandre Dumas - The Count of Monte Cristo (b01p6r25)
Episode 3
With Fernand de Morcerf dead, the Count begins to tighten the net around Baron Danglars and Gerard de Villefort, and their unsuspecting wives.
Adventure novel by Alexandre Dumas dramatised by Sebastian Baczkiewicz.
The Count/Edmond Dantes Iain Glen
Haydee Jane Lapotaire
Mercedes de Morcerf Josette Simon
Gerard de Villefort Paul Rhys
Heloise de Villefort Kate Fleetwood
General Noirtier Karl Johnson
Baron Danglars Toby Jones
Hermine Danglars Stephanie Racine
Fernand de Morcerf Zubin Varla
Caderousse Ben Crowe
Andrea Cavalcanti Will Howard
Madame Lascelles Sarah Thom
Coachman Paul Stonehouse
Bertuccio Paul Stonehouse
Valentine de Villefort Lizzy Watts
Max Morrell Adam Nagaitis
Eugenie Danglars Eleanor Crooks
Jacopo Joe Sims
Operator Robert Blythe
Banker Paul Stonehouse
Music by David Tobin and Jeff Meegan.
Directors: Jeremy Mortimer / Sasha Yevtushenko
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2012.
WED 11:00 Afternoon Reading (b015cr9h)
Flann O' Brien - The Brother
Episode 3
The Brother
By Myles na Gopaleen (Flann O'Brien)
"Do you know what it is, the brother's an extraordinary genius." Born on the 5th October 1911 in Strabane, Northern Ireland, Brian O'Nolan is perhaps best known as Flann O'Brien, the name under which he published his novels At Swim Two Birds, The Hard Life, The Dalkey Archive and The Third Policeman. Often described as one of the 'holy trinity' of modern Irish writers alongside Joyce and Beckett, he was notorious for writing under a range of pseudonyms and penned the daily 'Cruiskeen Lawn' column in the Irish Times as Myles na Gopaleen (na gCopaleen) from 1940 until his death in 1966. Satirising the absurdities and ironies of Dublin life the Cruiskeen Lawn introduced a memorable and hilarious cast of characters; Keats and Chapman, The Plain People of Ireland and the extraordinary, eccentric and preposterous 'brother'. To mark the centenary of his birth, a series of readings selected from O'Brien's 'Brother' articles, introduces us to one of his most peculiar and eccentric literary creations. An 'extraordinary genius' indeed, the brother is apparently an authority on almost every subject imaginable and has his finger in more pies than he has fingers! Living in digs with his long-suffering landlady and her lodgers, the brother believes that he really does know best about everything from medicine, to water purity, politics and policing, and, as we discover, there is no arguing with the brother!
Meet the inimitable 'brother' as Myles regales us with that most unusual of individual's latest exploits.
Read by Jim Norton with Kevin Moore.
Producer Heather Larmour.
WED 11:15 Andrew Rissik - The Psychedelic Spy (b007k1q2)
Plastic Assassin
On Temptation Island, assassin Billy Hindle plans to kill Jack's wife Tara. Stars Joanna Lumley and Charles Gray.

WED 12:00 The TV Lark (b01bn40m)
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WED 14:00 Afternoon Reading (b00mk71d)
Agatha Christie - The Mysterious Mr Quin
The Coming of Mr Quin
Martin Jarvis reads a trio of stories starring Agatha Christie's personal favourite character - a certain Mr Harley Quin. When guests at a house party recall the suicide of the previous owner, a mysterious stranger arrives who throws unexpected light on the case. But another mystery remains - who actually is Mr Quin himself?
Producer/Director : Rosalind Ayres
A Jarvis & Ayres Production for BBC Radio 4.

WED 14:15 Noise: A Human History (b01rlmq0)
Heavenly Sounds
Worshippers in the Middle Ages would have been struck not just by the visual spectacle of great churches and cathedrals, but also by their sound. Medieval churches in the west had very different acoustics to the low-roofed, wattle and daub homes where most of their congregation lived. Professor David Hendy of the University of Sussex explores how preachers and singers created sounds that fitted these holy spaces beautifully, from Romanesque churches to the musical pillars of Hampi, and an extraordinary 16th century experiment in stereo in St Mark's in Venice.
30-part series made in collaboration with the British Library Sound Archive.
Producer: Matt Thompson.
A Rockethouse production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in 2013.

WED 14:30 15 Minute Drama (b013fj15)
Village SOS
Episode 3
By Val McDermid.
On the hunt for Colin Arnott's murderer, DCI Marion Bettany (Helen Baxendale) turns her attention to the village post office, run by terse sub-postmistress Angela Bryman. And Angela's not the only villager who resented Colin's project to turn a deconsecrated chapel into a performing arts centre.
Val McDermid is a multi-award winning crime writer, and creator of TV's Wire in the Blood, which stars Robson Green. Set in Shilwick, Village SOS is a fictional version of the BBC One series of the same name.
DCI Marion Bettany Helen Baxendale
DS John Hodgson David Seddon
Angela Bryman Lynn Fairbairn
Pamela McIntosh Elaine Claxton
Kai Ling Arnott Liz Sutherland
Tilly Francis Rachel Bavidge
Marcus Francis Adrian Grove
Producer / Director Fiona Kelcher
www.bbc.co.uk/villagesos.

WED 14:45 Book at Bedtime (b00kd1q5)
Colm Toibin - Brooklyn
Too Far from Home
Niamh Cusack reads Colm Toibin's story of duty, love and a girl who moved from the south of Ireland to seek a new life in New York in the 1950s.
Eilis' happiness in Brooklyn has been shattered by the news of her beloved sister's death and Tony is the only one who can offer her comfort.

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WED 18:00 The Man in Black (b00yw4bc)
Series 3
Lights Out by Christopher Golden & Amber Benson
A group of women prisoners try to protect themselves from a malevolent force stalking the corridors at night...
Mark Gatiss stars as sinister raconteur, The Man in Black, to introduce Christopher Golden and Amber Benson's chilling tale.
Sarah Jasmine Hyde
Izra Vineeta Rishi
Guard Joanna Monroe
Gemma Leah Brotherhood
Agnes Sally Orocko
The Ghosts Deeivya Meir
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Director: Gemma Jenkins
Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in February 2011.

WED 18:30 Off the Page (b0076tvb)
It's Not What You Know
Matthew Parris, Alexander Waugh, Emma Richler and Susie Boyt reflect on the pervasive power of nepotism. From September 2005.

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WED 22:00 To Hull and Back (b06kdz3q)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

WED 22:30 Tim Key's Late Night Poetry Programme (b01c7s27)
Series 1
Family
Tim Key grapples with the idea of 'family' via his narrative poem: The Godfather. Musical accompaniment is provided by Tom Basden.
Written and presented by Tim Key
With Tom Basden
Produced by James Robinson.

WED 22:45 Earls of the Court (b00qvpk2)
Earls Reunited
Comedy drama series by Will Adamsdale and Stewart Wright about two Australians down on their luck in London.
Lloydie returns after years of travel to find best mate Johnno still living in their old flat. But their former gang has disbanded and times have changed. Worse still, the sins of the past are about to catch up with them.
Lloydie Stewart Wright
Johnno Will Adamsdale
Bonzo Rufus Wright
Kirsty Keely Beresford
Shalk Michael Shelford
Brett David Seddon
Directed by Sasha Yevtushenko.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2010.

WED 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b06pdz9)
The best in contemporary comedy. Jon Holmes chats to Andrew Maxwell.

WED 23:00 Richard Herring's Objective (b00v730v)
Series 1
The Toothbrush Moustache
Richard Herring reclaims objects that we've grown to hate. This week he's reclaiming the toothbrush moustache on behalf of comedy - taking it back from Hitler to give to it's rightful owner Charlie Chaplin. Based on his Edinburgh show Richard examines why a particular piece of facial hair can evoke revulsion in all who see it when in fact the person first associated with it was one of the funniest people on the planet. He grows his own toothbrush moustache and hears what passes by make of it, talks to a German moustache expert about Hitler's vanity and describes how wearing it on the day after the BNP won seats in the last European election strengthened his resolve to continue his campaign. The show was recorded in front of an audience.
Producer Alison Vernon-Smith.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2010.

WED 23:30 Revolting People (b008ff6d)
Series 3
A Kiss Is Just a Kiss
Samuel turns his shop into a bar called Sam's place...and an old flame called Ingrid turns up.
Sitcom set just before the American War of Independence.
Written by Andy Hamilton and Jay Tarses.
McGurk Andy Hamilton
Samuel Jay Tarses
Captain Brimshaw James Fleet
Mary Jan Ravens
Joshua Tony Maudsley
Ezekiel Hugh Dennis
Cora Penelope Nice
Producer: Paul Mayhew-Archer
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2004.

THURSDAY 05 NOVEMBER 2015

THU 00:00 The Man in Black (b00yw4bc)
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THU 02:00 Afternoon Reading (b00mk71d)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Wednesday]

THU 02:15 Noise: A Human History (b01rlmq0)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Wednesday]

THU 02:30 15 Minute Drama (b013fj15)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Wednesday]

THU 02:45 Book at Bedtime (b00kd1q5)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:45 on Wednesday]

THU 03:00 Alexandre Dumas - The Count of Monte Cristo (b01p6rz5)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Wednesday]

THU 04:00 Counterpoint (b00874xv)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Wednesday]

THU 04:30 The Six Mothers-in-Law of Henry VIII (b0076j87)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Wednesday]

THU 05:00 Huddwinks (b00fsmz6)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Wednesday]

THU 05:30 To Hull and Back (b06kdz3q)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Wednesday]

THU 06:00 Charles Paris: Cast, in Order of Disappearance (b007jvhj)
4. Enter the Funny Policeman
Impresario Marius Steen has been found dead. Jacqui Mitchell suspects foul play, so Charles Paris continues his investigations - and discovers a thing or two about Steen's will.
Francis Matthews stars as actor-cum-sleuth, Charles Paris. Adapted by Simon Brett from his thriller.
Charles Paris Francis Matthews
Jacqui Mitchell Fiona Hendley
Marius Steen Peter Tuddenham
Gerald Venables Jeremy Child
Joanne Menzies Sandra Clark
Bartlemas Anthony Newlands
O'Rourke Alec Bregonzi
Maurice Skellern Harry Landis
Morrison Peter Cleall
Waiter Geoffrey Collins
Producer: Martin Fisher
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in June 1984.

THU 06:30 The Company of Poets (b00zd92g)
Susannah Clapp looks through Angela Carter's journals to discover her unknown poetry. She introduces Angela's circle - her editors Andrew Motion (former Poet Laureate), and Carmen Calilí (founder of Virago Press), and her close friend Salman Rushdie, as well as the critic Marina Warner - not just to the verse itself, but to the fact that Angela even wrote poetry, which none of them knew.
Angela Carter is one of the most pungent writers of the last fifty years and yet her poems are more or less unknown. They were written at the beginning of her life as a writer: her first novel was published in 1966, and so have a particular interest as showing a path not taken. In this programme Susannah and guests argue that they strikingly anticipate her fiction and other writing, in both the richness of expression and in subject matter and sometimes even the very violence of the verse makes her concerns plainer. Through readings and analysis, the programme explores Carter's poetic interest in fairy tale, her fascination with the 18th-century (Susannah will argue that she was both a romper and a sceptic secularist), her feminism, her foul tongue, and her fascinating politics. And her poetry will also illustrate Carter's vivid visual sense and tastes, such as her love of cats.
For the programme Susannah goes to the British Library to look at the poems in Angela Carter's journals, and her lists of the things that she was reading at the time she wrote them.
Readings will be done by Olivia Williams (The Sixth Sense, The Ghost Writer and the RSC.)
Susannah was a close friend of Angela Carter's.
Contributors: Salman Rushdie, Andrew Motion, Marina Warner, Carmen Calilí, Jamie Andrews. Readings by Olivia Williams.
Producer: Rebecca Stratford.

THU 07:00 North by Northamptonshire (b018xy2d)
Series 2
Episode 5
The dawn of the Dickensian festival brings chaos to Wadenbrook, and Angela has something to tell Frank. Sheila Hancock narrates the bittersweet adventures of the residents of a small town in Northamptonshire.
Written by Katherine Jakeways.
John Biggins.....Keith Mackenzie Crook.....Rod Kevin Eldon.....Jonathan / Ken Shelia Hancock..... Narrator
Jessica Henwick.....Helen Katherine Jakeways..... Esther / Jacqui Felicity Montagu.....Jan Geoffrey Palmer.....Norman Lizzie Roper.....Angela Penelope Wilton.....Mary Rufus Wright.....Frank
Producer: Victoria Lloyd
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2012.

THU 07:30 Barry Cryer at 80 (b06kgved)
Barry Cryer is one of the most significant figures in British

comedy. He wrote for Danny La Rue, David Frost and Morecambe & Wise, and has been a fixture on television and radio since the 1960s. He is of course best-known, and best beloved, to the Radio 4 audience for his work on I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue, the "antidote to panel games" which has been running since 1972.

To mark Barry's 80th birthday his son, Bob Cryer, organised a gala performance at the Palace Theatre in London's West End, in aid of one of Barry's favourite charities. Radio 4 is delighted to present a selection of highlights from the evening, which sees friends, family, contemporaries and other acts he loves assemble to pay tribute to the man the comedy world knows simply as "Uncle Baz".

Producer ... Ed Morrish
A BBC Radio Comedy Production.
THU 08:00 Steptoe and Son (b007jzsd)
Series 3

Steptoe and Son and Son
A visitor brings Harold Steptoe some unexpected news. Starring Wilfrid Brambell and Harry H Corbett. Following the conclusion of their hugely successful association with Tony Hancock, writers Ray Galton and Alan Simpson wrote 10 pilots for the BBC TV's Comedy Playhouse in 1962. The Offer featured the lives of rag and bone men Albert Steptoe and son Harold - and was the spark for a run of eight series on TV.

Albert Wilfrid Brambell
Harold Harry H Corbett
Girl Gwendolyn Watts
Sailor Richard Griffiths.
Adapted for radio from their TV scripts by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.

Producer: Bobby Jaye
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in May 1971.
THU 08:30 The Marx Brothers' Flywheel, Shyster and Flywheel (b0085j9l)

Series 2
Episode 6
Shady lawyer Waldorf T. Flywheel heads to Hollywood and makes a movie. Recreation of the Marx Brothers' lost shows charting the adventures of shady lawyer Waldorf T. Flywheel and his assistant, Emmanuel Ravelli. Originally broadcast with sponsors on America's NBC radio network in the 1930s. The scripts were rediscovered in 1988.

CAST:
Groucho Marx as Waldorf T. Flywheel Michael Roberts
Chico Marx as Emmanuel Ravelli Frank Lazarus
Miss Dimple and Other Female Roles Lorelei King
Von Blitzen Graham Hooley
Tyrone Price Vincent Marzello
Written by Nat Perrin and Arthur Sheekman.
Adapted by Mark Brisenden.
Music arranged and conducted by David Firman.
Producer: Dirk Maggs

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1991.
THU 09:00 Genius (b008jdz)
Series 2

Sid Waddell
Perforated bread and counselling with a twist. Dave Gorman asks Darts commentator Sid Waddell to choose the public's best loopy idea. Award-winning comedian Dave Gorman and a celebrity guest chew over the ridiculous, unworkable but sometimes genius inventions, schemes and policies of the public.

Producer: Simon Nicholls
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2006.
THU 09:30 No Commitments (b007jnvs)

Series 6
Retiring Types
Charlotte, Anna and Victoria's sisterly ties are strained over a family dinner. Stars Rosemary Leach. From August 1999.

THU 10:00 Alexandre Dumas - The Count of Monte Cristo (b01p9gj)
Episode 4

Caderousse is dead, and the Count's ward Andrea is poised to marry Eugenie Danglars. While Heloise de Villefort pursues her own murderous plans to secure General Noirtier's inheritance for her son. The Count's revenge, so long in the planning, is devastating in its conclusion. Adventure novel by Alexandre Dumas dramatised by Sebastian Baczkiewicz.

The Count/Edmond Dantes Iain Glen
Haydee Jane Lapotaire
Younger Haydee Amber Rose Revah
Mercedes de Morcerf Josette Simon
Fernand, Count de Morcerf Zubin Varla
Gerard de Villefort Paul Rhys
Heloise de Villefort Kate Fleetwood
Abbe Faria Richard Johnson
Baron Danglars Toby Jones
Hermine Danglars Stephanie Racine
Eugenie Danglars Eleanor Crooks
Valentine de Villefort Lizzy Watts
Edouard de Villefort Finn Monteath
Max Morrell Adam Nagaitis
Andrea Cavalcanti Will Howard
Bertuccio Paul Stonehouse
Jacopo Joe Sims

Milly Sarah Thom
Music by David Tobin and Jeff Meegan.
Directors: Jeremy Mortimer / Sasha Yevtushenko
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2012.
THU 11:00 Elizabeth Taylor - Swan Moving (b01pjrry)
The arrival of a winged visitor ruffles feathers in a village where community pride has been forgotten. Read by Fiona Walker. From July 1990.

THU 11:15 Andrew Rissik - The Psychedelic Spy (b007k1r8)
Orange Juice and Sugar
Assassin Billy Hindle is drugged by Jack and finds himself hallucinating. Stars Joanna Lumley and Charles Gray.

THU 12:00 Steptoe and Son (b007jzsd)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
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[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
THU 13:00 Charles Paris: Cast, in Order of Disappearance (b007jvhn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
THU 13:30 The Company of Poets (b00zd92g)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
THU 14:00 Afternoon Reading (b00mp4fv)
Agatha Christie - The Mysterious Mr Quin
The Soul of the Croupier
Martin Jarvis reads this compelling tale set amidst the roulette tables of Monte Carlo, starring Agatha Christie's personal favourite character, Harley Quin.

Holidaying in the South of France, Mr Satterthwaite encounters a beautiful Russian Countess with a mysterious past. But with the sudden arrival of Mr Quin, secrets are about to be revealed. Can they solve a conundrum concerning her and a brash young American?
Producer/Director : Rosalind Ayres
A Jarvis & Ayres Production for BBC Radio 4.

THU 14:15 Noise: A Human History (b01rlpft)
Carnival
Feast days in Medieval Europe were noisy affairs - the streets filled with processions, animal baiting, games and mystery plays. Professor David Hendy of the University of Sussex tells the story of a Somerset town where a church ale got out of hand and the party went on for eight weeks. Then, as now, being raucous in the streets was a way for the dispossessed to make themselves heard - and revelry could easily tip into revolt.

30-part series made in collaboration with the British Library Sound Archive.
Producer: Matt Thompson.
A Rockethouse production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in 2013.

THU 14:30 15 Minute Drama (b013flf3)
Village SOS
Episode 4
By Val McDermid.
Today's episode of Village SOS takes us to Shilwick's beach house workshops, where DCI Bettany and her sidekick DS Hodgson interview even more villagers with a grudge against murder victim Colin Arnott, his grieving widow Kai Ling, and their plans to turn a disused chapel into a performing arts centre.

Val McDermid is a multi-award winning crime writer, and creator of TV's Wire in the Blood, which stars Robson Green. Set in a sleepy Northumbrian community, Village SOS is a fictional version of the BBC One series of the same name. DCI Marion Bettany Helen Baxendale
DS John Hodgson David Seddon
Pamela McIntosh Elaine Claxton
Bob Brandon Bill Fellows
Kai Ling Arnott Liz Sutherland
Marcus Francis Adrian Grove
Peter Robson Shaun Prendergast
Producer / Director Fiona Kelcher
www.bbc.co.uk/villagesos.

THU 14:45 Book at Bedtime (b00kd1q7)
Colm Toibin - Brooklyn
Being Rose's Ghost
Niamh Cusack reads Colm Toibin's story of duty, love and a girl who moved from the south of Ireland to seek a new life in New York in the 1950s.

Following her sister's death, Ellis returns to her lonely mother in Ennisorthy for a month's visit. Once there it is hard to tell the truth about her last action in America, and harder still to resist the lure of the familiar.
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[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
THU 18:00 The Man in Black (b00z2yvr)

Series 3
Uncle William's House by Alison Falconer
When a young mum inherits a tumble-down cottage, her chance

for a fresh start in life seems too good to be true... Mark Gatiss stars as the sinister recontour. The Man in Black, to introduce Alison Falconer's sinister tale.
Chrissie Anne-Marie Piazza
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Uncle William Sean Baker
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The Nurse Deeviya Meir
Horrorful tales from The Man in Black. You might meet him at a luggage carousel in an airport, or behind the desk at an employment agency or he might approach you in the corridor of a care home. Wherever you encounter him, he's eager to pass on his stories. Stories to unsettle and horrify. Stories to haunt you.
Director: Fiona Kelcher
Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in March 2011.
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Series 1
Episode 3
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THU 23:00 Old Harry's Game (b0090y11)
Series 2
Chuckles
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Thomas Jimmy Mulville
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Producer Paul Mayhew-Archer
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With Melanie Hudson and Martin Hyder.
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 5. Slapstick Scene
 Marius Steen has been found dead. His lover Jacqui Mitchell suspects foul play and now that a new will has been found made in her favour, Charles Paris begins to believe her. Movie making becomes a horror story.
 Francis Matthews stars as actor-cum-sleuth, Charles Paris. Adapted by Simon Brett from his thriller.
 Charles Paris Francis Matthews
 Jacqui Mitchell Fiona Hendley
 Gerald Venable Jeremy Child
 Joanne Menzies Sandra Clark
 Nigel Steen Richard Morant
 Jean-Luc Roussel Harry Fowler
 Garth Nigel Graham
 P.A. Eileen Tully
 Eric Mark Jones
 Producer: Martin Fisher
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in June 1984.
FRI 06:30 Gormley on Epstein (b00n86t3)
 Artist Jacob Epstein attracted criticism during his turbulent career - his work was seen as too graphic or hard hitting, too 'ugly' or 'distorted', even 'cannibal'.
 After his death, the younger sculptor Henry Moore paid tribute to his courage as a pioneering artist who bore the brunt of critical derision, but even today, Epstein has never been properly celebrated for his work at the vanguard of British art. In this programme made to mark the 50th anniversary of Epstein's death, contemporary artist Antony Gormley redresses the balance, to show Epstein's vital position in art.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2009.
FRI 07:00 The Change (b0076pdx)
 Series 3
 Episode 6
 Tensions mount as Carol approaches full term and she and George appear on Woman's Hour on BBC Radio 4.
 Carol Lynda Bellingham
 George Philip Jackson
 Violet Marcia Warren
 Maureen Maureen Beattie
 Ken James Vaughan
 Sonia Emma Kennedy
 Jerry Barnaby Kay
 Dave Mark Powley
 Researcher Rosie Armstrong
 Di Aitchison As herself
 Jenni Murray As herself
 Series 3 of the sitcom about a married couple's attempts to smooth over their singularly troubled midlife funk - Carol is hormonal and 15-stone George is a transvestite. Onlookers can't quite agree on the nature of their dynamic.
 Written by Jan Etherington and Gavin Petrie.
 Producer: Elizabeth Freestone
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2004.
FRI 07:30 Shedtown (b01q977h)
 Series 2
 Death in the Afternoon
 In series two of Shedtown, our wooden 'man-cave', icon of escape and isolation - the shed - continues to be a symbol of possibility and change.
 Episode 4: Death in the Afternoon
 Shedtown Mark II rings its own death knell to the tune of Deborah Dearden's meticulously planned merry-go-round and Jimmy asks where hearts lie.
 Barry.....Tony Pitts
 Jimmy.....Stephen Mangan
 Eleanor.....Ronni Ancona
 Colin.....Johnny Vegas
 Deborah.....Emma Fryer
 William.....Adrian Manfredi
 Diane.....Rosina Carbone
 Dave.....Shaun Dooley
 Father Michael.....James Quinn
 Wes.....Warren Brown
 Protestor.....Sian Breckin
 Nell.....Eleanor Samson
 The Wesleyans.....Isabelle Sykes & Dorothy Collins
 Narrator.....Maxine Peake
 Music.....Paul Heaton & Jonny Lexus
 Written and Directed by Tony Pitts
 Produced by Sally Harrison
 A Woolyback production for BBC Radio 4.
FRI 08:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b00898pr)
 Series 5
 East Cheam Drama Festival
 Rivalling Edinburgh and Salzburg - three short plays as the lad welcomes us to East Cheam Repertory Company.
 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.
FRI 08:30 The Goon Show (b007wvvh)
 Series 6
 Napoleon's Piano

Neddie Seagoon is conned into pinching the keyboard played at the Battle of Waterloo.
 Groundbreaking, surreal BBC radio comedy written by Spike Milligan.
 Starring:
 Peter Sellers
 Harry Secombe
 Spike Milligan
 First billed as Crazy People, ten series of The Goon Show were recorded between 1951 and 1960, but sadly many of the earliest shows weren't kept in the archive.
 With the Ray Ellington Quartet and Max Geldray.
 Orchestra conducted by Wally Stott.
 Announcer: Wallace Greenslade
 Producer: Peter Eton
 First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in October 1955.
FRI 09:00 The 3rd Degree (b00zlfhf)
 Series 1
 Salford
 Coming this week from the University of Salford, host Steve Punt puts the questions to lecturers and students alike. So if you'd like to hear a Military Historian humming Beatles songs, a Senior Lecturer in Criminology trying to identify Rihanna, or students trying to list types of fruit that begin with the letter 'P', then this is the quiz show for you. Plus the only time in recording history that the word "pebble" has earned a massive cheer.
 "The 3rd Degree" is a funny, lively and dynamic new quiz show aimed at cultivating the next generation of Radio 4 listeners whilst delighting the current ones. It's recorded on location at a different University each week, and it pits three Undergraduates against three of their Professors in a genuinely original and fresh take on an academic quiz.
 Together with host Steve Punt, the show tours the (sometimes posh, sometimes murky, but always welcoming!) Union buildings, cafes and lecture halls of six universities across the UK.
 The rounds vary between Specialist Subjects and General Knowledge, quickfire bell-and-buzzer rounds and the 'Highbrow & Lowbrow' round cunningly devised to test not only the students' knowledge of current affairs, history, languages and science, but also their Professors' awareness of television, film, and Lady Gaga... In addition, the Head-to-Head rounds, in which students take on their Professors in their own subjects, were particularly lively, and offered plenty of scope for mild embarrassment on both sides...
 The resulting show is funny, fresh, and not a little bit surprising, with a truly varied range of scores, friendly rivalry, and moments where students wished they had more than just glanced at that reading list...
 Producer: David Tyler
 A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4.
FRI 09:30 Albert and Me (b007jsgr)
 Series 1
 Mind That Baby
 Single dad Bryan gets wrapped in red tape at the benefits office.
 Stars Richard Beckinsale as Bryan Archer, Pat Coombs as Mum/Albert and John Comer as Dad. With Dilya Laye as the Welfare Lady/Mrs Featherstone-Haugh.
 Written by Jim Eldridge.
 Producer: John Fawcett Wilson
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in November 1977.
FRI 10:00 Electric Decade (b01gf4lq)
 Uncle Fred in the Springtime
 Episode 1
 Dramatised by Archie Scottney
 Joyous all-star spring fever. Led by Alfred Molina, Patricia Hodge, Jared Harris, Martin Jarvis and Rufus Sewell. A pignapping romantic thriller! PGW's dialogue dances across the Blandings Castle lawns. Charming Earl of Ickenham (Uncle Fred) has received a plea from affably dotty Lord Emsworth to help foil a plot to steal his prize-winning pig. And to examine the sanity of eccentric Duke of Dunstable.
 Delighting in such entertainment, Uncle Fred arrives at Blandings in the guise of "brain specialist" Glossop, with nephew Pongo posing as his secretary. Lively Polly Pott is the third imposter, secretly engaged to Dunstable's nephew Ricky and hoping to charm her prospective uncle-in-law. Emsworth's devious secretary Rupert Baxter (Jared Harris) spots them but can't call their bluff for fear of blackmail. Emsworth's sister Connie suspects they are jewel thieves. Bosham, Emsworth's son, thinks all is above board. But then Polly's detective Dad is called in. Will the pig-napping happen?
 Cast:
 Uncle Fred Alfred Molina
 Lady Constance Patricia Hodge
 The Duke of Dunstable Christopher Neame
 Rupert Baxter Jared Harris
 Ricky Gilpin Rufus Sewell
 Horace Davenport Lloyd Owen
 Mustard Pott Julian Holloway

Polly Pott Sophie Winkleman
 Lord Emsworth Martin Jarvis
 P.G. Wodehouse Ian Ogilvy
 Lord Bosham Simon Templeman
 Pongo Twistleton Matthew Wolf
 Beach Kenneth Danziger
 Valerie Twistleton Moira Quirk
 Webster/Footmen Darren Richardson
 Singing Gardener Mark Holden
 Director: Martin Jarvis
 Producer: Rosalind Ayres
 A Jarvis & Ayres Production for BBC Radio 4.
FRI 11:00 Elizabeth Taylor - Plenty Good Fiesta (b01pjzbz)
 The Spanish Civil War brings refugees to England and one little boy to the attention of a young couple. Read by Anna Massey.
 From April 1991.
FRI 11:15 Andrew Rissik - The Psychedelic Spy (b007k1sh)
 Everyone's Been Burned
 Reeling from the shooting, Billy Hindle is determined to track down the killer. Stars James Aubrey and Joanna Lumley.
FRI 12:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b00898pr)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
FRI 12:30 The Goon Show (b007wvvh)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
FRI 13:00 Charles Paris: Cast, in Order of Disappearance (b007jvjq)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
FRI 13:30 Gormley on Epstein (b00n86t3)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
FRI 14:00 Afternoon Reading (b00mp4fj)
 Agatha Christie - The Mysterious Mr Quin
 At the Bells and Motley
 Martin Jarvis reads another story concerning investigations by the mysterious Mr Quin. For Mr Satterthwaite, a punctured car tyre on a cold winter's evening is the start of another mystery-solving encounter with the enigmatic Mr Harley Quin. Taking refuge at a country inn Mr Satterthwaite discovers his friend Mr Quin, who invites him to re-examine the strange case of a wealthy young local woman and her new husband's disappearance. Was it murder? Or is there some other game afoot?
 Producer/Director : Rosalind Ayres
 A Jarvis & Ayres Production for BBC Radio 4.
FRI 14:15 Noise: A Human History (b01rlsvg)
 Restraint
 The 16th and 17th centuries brought a new emphasis on self-discipline in every day life - and with it a revulsion against noise of every kind. City authorities banned singing and feasting from public squares and tore down maypoles, while town-dwellers raised petitions against noisy neighbours. Spitting, snorting and breaking wind - one part of everyday life - were now a cause for wrinkled noses and dismay.
 Professor David Henty of the University of Sussex cocks a genteel ear to the polite sound-world of the 16th and 17th centuries.
 30-part series made in collaboration with the British Library Sound Archive.
 Producer: Matt Thompson.
 A Rockethouse production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in 2013.
FRI 14:30 15 Minute Drama (b013gen9)
 Village SOS
 Episode 5
 By Val McDermid.
 DCI Bettany fears she's no closer to finding Colin Amott's murderer. Colin's plans to convert a United Reformed chapel into a performing arts centre made him enemies in the village. Bettany hopes that spending a night in the village pub will bring her closer to the killer.
 Val McDermid is a multi-award winning crime writer, and creator of TV's Wire in the Blood, which stars Robson Green. Set in Shilwick, Village SOS is a fictional version of the BBC One series of the same name.
 DCI Marion Bettany Helen Baxendale
 DS John Hodgson David Seddon
 Peter Robson Shaun Prendergast
 Kai Ling Amott Liz Sutherland
 Pamela McIntosh Elaine Claxton
 Tom Briggs Christian Rodska
 Producer / Director Fiona Kelcher
 www.bbc.co.uk/villagesos.
FRI 14:45 Book at Bedtime (b00k1d9y)
 Colm Toibin - Brooklyn
 Torn in Two
 Niamh Cusack reads Colm Toibin's story of duty, love and a girl who moved from the south of Ireland to seeking a new life in New York in the 1950s.
 Home for a holiday and to comfort her grieving mother, Eilis has been unable to resist the lure of the familiar. Meanwhile, Tony waits for her in Brooklyn.
FRI 15:00 Electric Decade (b01gf4lq)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
FRI 16:00 The 3rd Degree (b00zlfhf)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
FRI 16:30 Albert and Me (b007jsgr)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
FRI 17:00 The Change (b0076pdx)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
FRI 17:30 Shedtown (b01q977h)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 18:00 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.

FRI 18:30 Soul Music (b0076316)

Series 2

Zadok

Simon Halsey, Mary Davies and the Duke of Devonshire reflect on the impact of Handel's Zadok the Priest.

Series about music that makes the hairs stand up on the back of our necks.

Producer: Rosie Boulton

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2001.

FRI 19:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b00898pr)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

FRI 19:30 The Goon Show (b007wvvh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

FRI 20:00 Charles Paris: Cast, in Order of Disappearance (b007jvhq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

FRI 20:30 Gormley on Epstein (b00n86t3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

FRI 21:00 Elizabeth Taylor - Plenty Good Fiesta (b01pjzbx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

FRI 21:15 Andrew Rissik - The Psychedelic Spy (b007k1sh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]

FRI 22:00 Shedtown (b01q977h)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 22:30 Absolute Power (b007tcpt)

Series 2

Episode 2

An old flame pits spinmeisters Charles and Martin against one another. Stars Stephen Fry and Tamsin Greig. From February 2001.

FRI 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b06q9prn)

The best in contemporary comedy. Arthur Smith chats to Dan Clark.

FRI 23:00 Meet David Sedaris (b01n60m2)

Series 3

Author Author; Front Row Centre with Thaddeus Bristol

The multi-award winning American essayist brings more of his wit and charm to BBC Radio 4 with a series of audience readings.

This week David gives his observations of life as an author on tour in "Author, Author", makes a satirical swipe at critics in "Front Row Centre with Thaddeus Bristol", and reads some extracts from his diaries.

Producer: Steve Doherty

A Boom Pictures Cymru production for BBC Radio 4.

FRI 23:30 Bridget Christie Minds the Gap (b01r11x0)

Series 1

Episode 1

After noticing that misogyny, like shiny leggings, had made an unexpected comeback - comedian Bridget Christie wonders did it ever really go away?

In the first of her four-part stand up comedy series on the state of British feminism today, Bridget asks why feminism became a dirty word and whether the modern British woman needs it.

An incident involving a man, a smell and a well-known bookstore made her ask what place feminism has in modern Britain, whether the fight has been won or is being fought on different fronts. Plus, why did Bic launch the "Bic for Her" - a pen specifically designed for a woman's hand?

Fred MacAulay helps her remember some of the key incidents which brought her to an epiphany and a call to arms.

Producer: Alison Vernon-Smith.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2013.