

SATURDAY 05 MARCH 2016

SAT 00:00 Charles Chilton - Journey into Space (b007jmt2)
Operation Luna

5. The First of Many
The stalled rocket ship prevents Captain Jet Morgan and his crew from returning to Earth.

Written and produced by Charles Chilton.
Jet Morgan Andrew Faulds
Lemmy Barnett Alfie Bass
Doc Guy Kingsley-Poynter
Mitch David Williams

Other parts played by 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 April 1958.

SAT 00:30 Soul Music (b0076xfb)
Series 5

O! Man River
'Old Man River' flowed out of the 1927 musical "Show Boat" with music by Jerome Kern and lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein (pictured).

It remains with us today as both a political anthem of oppressed people and a song of deep comfort. Sung by a hospital porter it was the last song that market trader Dave Everett heard before he went into surgery and it calmed his fears.

Tony Benn recalls hearing the great Paul Robeson singing it at the House of Lords Tea Room. Including interviews with Tony Benn, Paul Robeson Jr and Cleo Laine.

Featuring:

Hugh Fordin
Tony Benn
Dave Everett
Cleo Laine
Steve Abrams
Paul Robeson Jr
Ian Bradley

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

Producer: Nicola Humphries

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2006.

SAT 01:00 Julie Enfield Investigates (b007j18s)

The Net and the Canal

Beyond the Firewall

Detective Superintendent Julie Enfield thinks she's moving closer to a solving the murder mystery, but her internet tormentor has other ideas...

The conclusion of Nick Fisher's atmospheric thriller.

Starring Imelda Staunton as Julie Enfield, Geoffrey Matthews as Dad, Ross Livingstone as DS Lawrence Evans, Denys Hawthorne as Goodfellow and Jane Whittenshaw as Charmaine.

Producer: Richard Wortley

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1996.

SAT 01:30 Ruby Murray: The Secret Story of Curry (b00rtg89)

The British are mad about curry - 'Ruby Murray' in Cockney rhyming slang.

Alkarim Jivani speaks to curry lovers north and south of the border to find out how curry came to be so intimately linked with the British sense of identity.

Historically, the English have been seen as distrustful of foreigners and wary of foreign food. So the nation's long love affair with curry - which is as much working class as colonial - is a surprising one. Even more curious is how this passion for curry is now recognised as part of the British identity. Vindaloo was the unofficial song of England's 1998 World Cup team - an unlikely battlecry for English football fans. In 2001, Robin Cook, then Foreign Secretary, declared that chicken tikka masala was the nation's most popular dish. Chicken tikka masala is even included by the Ministry of Defence in its operational ration packs to bring the troops some home comfort.

Contributors include:
* Madhur Jaffrey, whose enormously popular 1982 BBC TV series Madhur Jaffrey's Indian Cookery revolutionised British Indian cuisine.
* Michelin-starred chef, Atul Kochhar (Great British Menu, Saturday Kitchen), known for his masterful use of spices and Indian twist to modern British cuisine.
* Namita Panjabi, Group Director, Masala World (Veeraswamy, Chutney Mary, Amaya, and Masala Zone).
* Neil Hind at Defence Food Services, Defence Equipment and Support, Ministry of Defence (Defence Equipment and Support buys equipment and supports the UK army, navy and airforce around the world).

Producers: Catriona Oliphant / Ian Willox
Executive Producer: Simon Berthon

A Chrome Radio Production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in April 2010.

SAT 02:00 F Scott Fitzgerald - The Diamond as Big as the Ritz (b074hb8j)
Episode 5

Can John and Kismine escape as Percy's hidden family estate falls under attack? Concluded by Garrick Hagan.

SAT 02:15 Plants: From Roots to Riches (b04bryyz)
Patterns from Crossed Peas

In 1900 three papers by three botanists, unknown to each other,

appeared in the same scientific journal. Each had independently "rediscovered" the rules of inheritance that Gregor Mendel had found four decades earlier in his solitary investigations of pea plants.

Kathy Willis reassesses Mendel's famous pea experiments in the light of his attempts to uncover what happens over several generations when hybrid plants are created. As historian Jim Endersby explains, Mendel's initial results may have stunned him and shown what plant breeders might have suspected for decades, but science now had mathematical laws to create new varieties.

Historian Greg Radick sheds light on how Mendelism, in the years leading up to the First World War, became heavily promoted by Cambridge botanist William Bateson and was put into action by the first Professor of Agricultural Botany, Roland Biffen. His success in creating new wheat hybrids is explained by a unique international assembly of wheat ears from the early 1900s, curated by Mark Nesbitt, Head of Kew's economic botany collection.

Producer Adrian Washbourne.

SAT 02:30 Jacqueline Susann - Valley of the Dolls (b00mfhv8)

Episode 10

Neely has won an Academy Award, but her second marriage is already on the rocks. Jacqueline Susann drama with Madeleine Potter.

SAT 02:45 Book of the Week (b00z9pzzr)

To Miss With Love

Episode 5

Written by Katharine Birbalsingh.

A third of teachers leave within their first term on the job. This one wouldn't quit for all the world.

Meet Furious - sixteen, handsome and completely out of control. Nothing frightens him and no one can get through to him. Now meet Munchkin - a sweet kid with glasses who's an easy target and needs protecting. Then there's Seething and Deranged, two girls who are brimming with bad attitude; Fifty and Cent, who act like gangsters but are afraid of getting beaten up; and Stoic, a brilliant young mind struggling to survive.

In the midst of them all, there is a bodyguard and bouncer, a counsellor and confidante, a young woman whose job it is to motivate and inspire them and somehow keep them out of trouble: their teacher. None will make it through the year unscathed. Some may not even make it at all.

Spanning a year of shocking truths and hard-won victories, of fights and phone-thefts, teenage pregnancies and the dreaded OFSTED report, this is the remarkable diary of an inner-city school teacher. Revealing the extraordinary chaos, mismanagement and wrong-thinking that plague our education system, it is a funny, surprising and sometimes heartbreaking journey from the frontlines of the classroom to the heart of modern Britain.

Katharine Birbalsingh has been teaching in the state school system in London for over a decade. Her dream is for all schools to become interesting and exciting places of learning, where children feel safe, happy and free to aim to be the best that they can be.

Read by Adjoa Andoh

Produced by Clive Brill

A Pacificus Production for BBC Radio 4.

SAT 03:00 Classic Serial (b0122r2m)

LP Hartley - The Hireling

Episode 2

In this 1957 thriller by the author of The Go-Between, L.P.Hartley, ex-Sergeant Stephen Leadbitter, raised from an unhappy working class childhood between the wars, is on a peacetime mission to business success as a chauffeur and car for hire. He uniformly despises his clients, especially the ladies, until the young, widowed, naive and immensely rich Lady Franklin hires him to take her on trips to cathedrals which she had visited with her late husband.

Lady Franklin has been in mourning for her late husband - a man considerably older than her and an invalid - for two years, and is finding it impossible to return to normal life. In the confines of the car, and in search of a cure for her depression, she shares her burden with him. He obliges with a story of his own, a fiction, which grows, monster-like, to plague the inventor. Two alien classes are put on a collision course, causing salvation or destruction to all involved, from the epicentre of an unexpected burst of love.

Simon Day (The Simon Day Show (R4), The Fast Show) stars as the lonely damaged anti-hero and Lisa Dillon (Cranford, Bright Young Things) as the hugely rich and very young widow who is the unwitting cause of his downfall. Kenneth Cranham narrates.

Dramatised by Judith Adams from the novel by L.P.Hartley.

Cast:

Narrator Kenneth Cranham
Simon Day (The Simon Day Show) Simon Day
Lady Franklin Lisa Dillon
Hughie Joseph Millson
Constance Ursula Burton
Clarice Nicola Duffett
Simmonds Anthony Gleave
Bert Standing Kevin James
Landlady Jane Purcell
Porter Andrew Cullimore

Producer/Director: Chris Wallis
An Autolycus production for BBC Radio 4.

SAT 04:00 Wildbrain (b0729kh8)

1997 - Heat 4

Lionel Kelleway visits Derbyshire, to test three contestants' wildlife knowledge in the BBC Natural History Unit's quiz.

SAT 04:30 No Commitments (b007jp1m)

Series 8

Fresh Starts

Former TV soap star Charlotte finds the path to self-knowledge. Stars Rosemary Leach and Celia Imrie. From January 2002.

SAT 05:00 Dry Slopes (b0729jgv)

Series 2

The Invisible Man

Nobody seems to pay Angus much attention these days.

He tries telling his problems to a psychiatrist, but has trouble making himself heard.

Written by and starring Nick Ball.

Angus Nick Ball

Mum Mum

With Robert Hartley and Wayne Forester.

Producer: Gareth Edwards

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1997.

SAT 05:30 Wordaholics (b011r48h)

Series 2

Episode 2

Gyles Brandreth hosts the comedy panel show challenging guests to display their knowledge of words and language.

Katy Brand and Alex Horne compete against Richard Herring and Natalie Haynes to find out who knows more about words.

Katy Brand reveals an unexpected love of Proverbs in the Old Testament and takes a guess at what 'cougar juice' meant at the turn of the 20th century; Richard Herring explains why his favourite West Country word from his school days is 'wasp'; Natalie Haynes guesses the meaning of the German word 'zechpreller' which has no direct translation in English, and Alex Horne coins his very own onomatopoeia to describe a snowflake landing on a bubble.

Writers: Jon Hunter and James Kettle.

Producer: Claire Jones

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2013.

SAT 06:00 Hood (b072nn3t)

King's Command

Summoned by King John, Philip De Nicolay, the Sheriff of Nottingham, finds himself with the power to grant the man known as Robin Hood a pardon. But there is a price to pay. But for Philip, there lies betrayal that will set former friends on a new path.

Stars Lee Ingleby as Philip De Nicolay, Peter Greenall as Little John, Damian Cooper as Will Scarlet, Sean Connolly as Brother Tuck, Anthony Milles as Robert De Loxley, Sarah McKendrick as Lady Marion and Billy Miller as King John..

Director: Iain Meadows.

Produced by Iain Meadows and Matt Hopper for Spiteful

Puppet Entertainment.

SAT 07:30 You're Entering The Twilight Zone (b00mk619)

Alan Dein explores the classic American television series The Twilight Zone, as well as the life and imagination of its creator, Rod Serling.

Fifty years ago, Serling ushered audiences into a new realm of light and shadow. He had already electrified the new medium of television with his powerful dramas and their explorations of race, morality and capitalism, but now he offered glimpses of American dreams and nightmares.

SAT 08:00 Archive on 4 (b011nnw8t)

Tuning In

The press fulminated, the enthusiasts were frustrated, and the radio manufacturers fumed. Despite the fact that Marconi had invented radio before Queen Victoria had celebrated her Diamond Jubilee in 1897, radio in Britain took another 25 years to begin an official service to listeners. But when, on November 14th 1922 the British Broadcasting Company's station at Marconi House radiated to an awaiting nation "This is 2LO calling" for the first time under the company's name, it marked the start of the first and most distinguished public-service radio station in the world.

As part of the celebrations to mark nine decades of the BBC, historian Dominic Sandbrook explores the long and involved pre-BBC history of radio in Britain, how Britain's broadcaster got going and developed into an institution dedicated to entertainment, education and information, discovers why Australian diva Dame Nellie Melba was involved, and how the improbably-named Captain Plugge made his first commercial broadcast to Britain, sponsored by Selfridges department store, from the Eiffel Tower. From Marconi to Savoy Hill via an old army hut in Essex, the story of the early radio in Britain.

Producer: Simon Elmes.

SAT 09:00 Comedy Greats (b007k3x4)

The Noughties

Episode 1

Decade by decade, Barry Cryer showcases some of the funniest and finest shows ever broadcast by the BBC.

Baz finally reaches the 21st century of radio comedy with his first selection from the noughties:

* The Small World of Dominic Holland

Series 1 (6/6)

Dominic ponders the legacy of life to adulthood. Stand-up and sketches with Dave Lamb, Sally Gaine and Simon Greenall. From 2000.

* At Home With The Nailis

Series 1 (1/4)

Angus Deayton hosts the comedy panel show with no format. Tim Key, Micky Flanagan, Bridget Christie and Nick Hancock battle it out to see who can beat each other at their own games each has brought along.

What is Micky's 'Cockney Rhyming Slang Charades' all about and is it any fun to play? Can anyone understand the rules to Tim's 'No More Women'? And what is Bridget's idea of her 'Fantasy Funeral'? Find out the answers to these questions, and more, in this show.

Angus valiantly tries to make sure everyone comes out of it with their reputations intact.

Reader: Christine Kavanagh
Writers: Angus Deayton, Ged Parsons and Paul Powell
Devised by Benjamin Partridge
Producer: Sam Michell.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2011.

TUE 16:30 Mr and Mrs Smith (b01bpg22)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

TUE 17:00 55 and Over (b01nt3xm)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

TUE 17:30 Linda Smith's A Brief History of Timewasting (b007jstf7)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

TUE 18:00 Charles Chilton - Journey into Space (b007jmvs)
Operation Luna
7. Is this The Earth?
As Captain Jet Morgan's crew are pursued on the dark side of the moon, they drift dangerously off course.
Written and produced by Charles Chilton.
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Lemmy Barnett Alfie Bass
Doc Guy Kingsley-Poynter
Mitch David Williams
All Other Parts David Jacobs
Music composed and orchestra conducted by Van Phillips.
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TUE 18:30 The Palace of Laughter (b007vcw2)
Series 1
Grand Blackpool
Known after its architect Frank Matcham as "Matcham's Masterpiece", the Grand Theatre, Blackpool, is a sumptuously decorated tribute to the greatness of Victorian theatre design. Bernard Cribbins, Bill Pertwee and Mike Harding are among those recalling their appearances there.
Series in which Geoffrey Wheeler visits variety theatres around the United Kingdom.
Producer: Libby Cross

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2002.

TUE 19:00 Round the Horne (b00spqnx)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

TUE 19:30 The Men from the Ministry (b0133g6y)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

TUE 20:00 Wilkie Collins - Who Killed Zebedee? (b007jq12)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

TUE 20:30 Mandela in His Own Words (b00wr4j3)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

TUE 21:00 Graham Swift - England and Other Stories (b04j29zn)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

TUE 21:15 Sherlock Holmes (b007k25c)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]

TUE 22:00 Linda Smith's A Brief History of Timewasting (b007jstf7)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

TUE 22:30 Tim FitzHigham: The Gambler (b040h6qx)
Series 1
Episode 2
Adventuring comedian Tim FitzHigham recreates a 'gamble Anglaise' from 1811. He's attempting to get a cheeseboard to travel a distance of four and a half miles in under 100 throws. Challenge number one? Getting permission to have the A151 closed down for the purposes of cheeseboard tossing.
Comedian-author-adventurer Tim FitzHigham recreates a series of bizarre bets from the 18th and 19th centuries.
Written by and starring Tim FitzHigham.
Additional material by Jon Hunter and Paul Byrne and sums and support from Joe Oldak.
Produced by Colin Anderson.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2014.

TUE 23:00 World of Pub (b007sygy)
Series 2
Episode 2
The Red Lion's almost bankrupt - can Dodgy Phil get the punters back?
Tony Roche's comedy about the world's worst pub in London's East End.
Dodgy Phil John Thomson
Barry Phil Cornwall
Garry Alistair McGowan
With Debra Stephenson and Simon Greenall.
Special effects: Carl Phillips and Nick Romero.
Music: Bill Bailey
Producer: Jane Berthoud
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1999.

TUE 23:30 Think the Unthinkable (b007m4dz)
Series 2
Riddlington Plastic
The consultants marvel at the world wide web, and Ryan gets embroiled in a protest. Stars Marcus Brigstocke. From November 2002.

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WED 02:00 Book at Bedtime (b01ncj0v)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Tuesday]

WED 02:15 Plants: From Roots to Riches (b04cc1wy)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Tuesday]

WED 02:30 Jacqueline Susann - Valley of the Dolls (b00mjinw)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Tuesday]

WED 02:45 Book of the Week (b00zlhhl)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:45 on Tuesday]

WED 03:00 CP Snow - Strangers and Brothers (b017gtdx)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Tuesday]

WED 04:00 It's Your Round (b00zf4nz)
[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Tuesday]

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WED 06:00 Craddock and Co (b007jsvl)
1. The Crompton Canvas
A violent burglary leads Victorian detective Charles Craddock to a sinister rendezvous.
Lucy Greenwood travels from Lancashire to London to work with her Uncle Charles at his London book shop - but soon discovers he has another profession as a private investigator.
CAST:
Charles Craddock Martin Jarvis
Lucy Greenwood Emma Tate
Grout Struan Rodger
Leopold Kransky Stephen Thorne
Slip Lyndham Gregory
Peggie McLavety John Eviitts
Captain John Trevall Gareth Armstrong
Written by Chris Thompson.
Director: John Taylor.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 5 in 1993.

WED 06:30 Plumbers and Penguins (b00wr6qk)
Stories of some of the tradesmen who live and work on Antarctica.
In the summer of 2009, British Antarctic Survey very publicly recruited 43 plumbers, carpenters, mechanics, electricians and doctors to spend 18 months working on their most southerly research stations - promising "the most exhilarating experience of a lifetime". Chris Eldon Lee discovers what actually happened to the new recruits. Almost 2000 tradesman applied to be parted from their white vans and sent into whiteout conditions. Doctors were also hired to care for their welfare in such extreme conditions.
Mark Green, a 48-year-old Bristol plumber, was sent to Halley Research Station on the eastern side of the Antarctic Peninsula. His job is to keep water supplies flowing at temperatures of minus 50 Celsius. 30-year-old Claire Lehman, a recently qualified Wiltshire GP, was posted to Rothera, on the western shore of the Peninsula.
Like everybody else in Antarctica, both have had to learn brand new skills to help keep their Bases going. Mark finds himself absiling down precipitous crevasses and learning to be a sea-ice driver's mate. Claire is refuelling planes and supplying all the field scientists with freshly baked Christmas Cakes.
Producer: Chris Eldon Lee
A Culture Wise production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in December 2020.

WED 07:00 Married (b007w523)
Series 1
Episode 5
Just as he is starting to make the most of his new life, Robin is whisked back to his old universe where his doppelganger has been wreaking havoc...
Hugh Bonneville stars in Tony Bagley's comedy.
Robin Hugh Bonneville
Lesley Josie Lawrence
Dirk Steve Frost
Julia Barbara Murray
Penny Melanie Hudson
Drunk Harry Myers
Producer Claire Jones
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1999.

WED 07:30 Chain Reaction (b071vkw1)
Series 11
Al Murray interviews Ian Hislop
Pub Landlord creator, Al Murray passes the baton to the comedian and satirist Ian Hislop.
Chain Reaction is the long running hostless chat show where this week's interviewee becomes next week's interviewer.
After an early foray into stand-up as a character called 'The Murderer', Al Murray created his famous Pub Landlord character in the mid nineties as part of a touring show with Harry Hill. The Pub Landlord went on to tour venues and festivals worldwide before making his own chat show and sitcom for Sky. Outside of the Pub Landlord, Al is well known as a presenter of history documentaries and more recently as a candidate for parliament when he stood against Nigel Farage in South Thanet during the UK General Election of 2015.
Al's guest Ian Hislop is much more used to the cut and thrust of British politics both as a long-standing team captain on 'Have I Got News for You' and as the editor of satirical magazine Private Eye. As a dedicated fan and student of history, he has made several acclaimed documentaries on wide-ranging subjects including conscientious objectors and The Beeching Report.
Al grills Ian on his early days writing for such comedians as Harry Enfield, asks how we should define the role of the satirist and poses the intriguing question, 'what's it like being sued?'
Producer: Richard Morris
A BBC Radio Comedy production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in March 2016.

WED 08:00 The Navy Lark (b01jt25y)
Series 6
The Struggle for Promotion
A new naval directive lets Pertwee apply for a commission.
Stars Leslie Phillips as the Sub-Lieutenant, Jon Pertwee as the Chief Petty Officer, Stephen Murray as the Number One, Richard Caldicote as Captain Povey, Heather Chasen as Heather and Michael Bates as the Padre and Tenniel Evans as Taffy Goldstein.

Laughs afloat aboard British Royal Navy frigate HMS Troutbridge. The Navy Lark ran for an impressive thirteen series between 1959 and 1976.

Scripted by Lawrie Wyman

Producer: Alastair Scott Johnston.

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in November 1963.

WED 08:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b012xpyk)
Series 8
Episode 5
It's music all the way on Wonderful Radio Prune with Dave "the Rave" Hatch.
Starring Tim Brooke-Taylor, 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.
Producer: David Hatch/Peter Titheradge
First broadcast on the BBC Radio 2 in March 1970.

WED 09:00 It's Not What You Know (b036v9hd)
Series 2
Episode 2
Frank Skinner, Grace Dent and Jonathan Agnew each nominate someone they know well to answer a series of questions and they than have to second guess how they answered.
Host Miles Jupp tests Frank on how well he knows his friend and radio co-host Emily Dean, Grace her best friend, the Times columnist Caitlin Moran, and Jonathan his wife's best friend Anne Davies.
What is Frank's favourite drink? Who is Grace's favourite writer? And what would Jonathan do if he wasn't a cricket commentator?
All answers and more will be revealed.
Producer: Sam Michell.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2013.

WED 09:30 The Party Line (b00sx226)
Series 1
Episode 5
Family friction for Duncan Stonebridge as MPs debate the Religious and Racial Hatred Bill. Stars James Fleet. From June 2005.

WED 10:00 CP Snow - Strangers and Brothers (b017gyjd)
The Masters, Part 1
1920s. Lewis Eliot is teaching in a Cambridge College when an election is called for a new Master.
CP Snow's epic novel sequence about the English Establishment and Power.
Dramatised by Jonathan Holloway
With Adam Godley as Lewis Eliot and narrated by David Haig
Francis Getliffe ... Andy Taylor
Winslow ... Clive Merrison
Brown ... Philip Franks
Calvert ... Adam Levy
Jago ... David Calder

Nightingale ... Jeremy Child
 Chrystal ... Matthew Marsh
 Crawford ... Hugh Quarshie
 Mrs Jago... Joanna Monroe
 Slr Horace Timberlake... Ian Hogg
 Directed by Jeremy Howe and Sally Avenis
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2003.
WED 11:00 Graham Swift - England and Other Stories (b04j2dsd)
 Articles of War
 It is September 1805 and a young lieutenant awaits his first naval action with some trepidation. Read by Ewan Bailey.
 The 25 short stories that comprise England and Other Stories mark Swift's return to the short form after seven acclaimed novels. The stories dwell on the essence of Englishness and those chosen place us on the eve of the Battle of Trafalgar, in a barbers, a supermarket, a laboratory and Macintyre's warehouse, and in each place and time, Swift perfectly captures a universal truth from the minutiae of lives.
 "This is a sharp, beautiful collection: every story quick and readable but leaving in the memory a core, a residue of thoughtfulness" The Guardian
 Graham Swift came to prominence with this second novel Shuttlecock, which won the Geoffrey Faber Memorial Prize in 1983. That same year, Swift's Waterland, set in the Fens earned him a place on the shortlist for the Booker prize. Swift would go on to win the Booker prize in 1996 with his novel Last Orders, which became a film starring Michael Caine, Tom Courtney, Bob Hoskins and Helen Mirren.
 Produced by Jeremy Osborne
 Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra by Sweet Talk.
WED 11:15 Sherlock Holmes (b007k26n)
 The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes
 The Speckled Band
 After her twin sister dies screaming in terror, a woman seeks the detective's help. Star Clive Merrison and Michael Williams.
WED 12:00 The Navy Lark (b01j25y)
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WED 14:00 Book at Bedtime (b01ncjfs)
 Patricia Ferguson - The Midwife's Daughter
 Episode 3
 By Patricia Ferguson
 Read by Joanna Tope
 The new novel by Patricia Ferguson is the compassionate and moving story of two sisters and the young black orphan who changes their lives.
 Violet has taken Grace home to Silkhampton where she causes quite a stir. And Violet receives an unwelcome visitor.
 Abridged by Robin Brooks
 Produced by Gaynor Macfarlane.
WED 14:15 Plants: From Roots to Riches (b04cffpd)
 Battling Bark and Beetle
 By the end of the First World War the mysterious sudden death of elms was a common sight across Belgium and the Netherlands. Dutch researchers managed to elucidate the real culprit amidst rumours of drought or wartime gas poisoning. It was a fungus thought to originate from America, carried by a beetle and the disease rather unfairly gained its name Dutch elm disease. Diagnosis produced no cure and it soon advanced across the channel to Britain.
 Professor Kathy Willis talks to the head of Kew's arboretum, Tony Kirkham, on the disease's impact amidst complacency, and how the emergence of a vigorous new fungal strain was to completely transform the landscape during its peak in the 1970's.
 Now that the principle replacement for lost elms, ash, itself has fallen victim to the latest disease to hitch a ride on incoming nursery stock, Paul Smith, Head of Kew's Millennium Seed Bank, explains why this new disease could be easier to control.
 Producer Adrian Washbourne.
WED 14:30 Jacqueline Susann - Valley of the Dolls (b00mjs2l)
 Episode 13
 After the tragedy, Neely gets agitated and Anne gets a visit from an old flame. Stars Madeleine Potter and Susan Jameson.
WED 14:45 Book of the Week (b00zm07y)
 John Julius Norwich - The Popes
 Episode 3
 Well known for his histories of Norman Sicily, Venice, the Byzantine Empire and the Mediterranean, John Julius Norwich has now turned his attention to the oldest continuing institution in the world, tracing the papal line down the centuries from St Peter himself - traditionally (though by no means historically) the first pope - to the present day. Of the 280-odd holders of the supreme office, some have unquestionably been saints; others have wallowed in unspeakable iniquity.
 Irresistible to women, the father of at least six children before he became pope, Rodrigo Borgia became a byword for deviousness and corruption. Bribes helped him become pope and his notorious son Cesare helped him run the Vatican. As described by John Julius Norwich in today's episode of The Popes the Papacy of 1492 was a very different world.
 Producer: David Roper

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 8. The Time Travellers
 Captain Jet Morgan and his crew find themselves on a curiously familiar planet as visitors arrive.
 Futuristic tale set in 1965 written and produced by Charles Chilton.
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 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.
WED 18:30 Off the Page (b072zkkm)
 Putting Your Foot in It
 Dominic Arkwright discusses putting your foot in it, with Melissa Kite, Dominic Holland and Annie Nightingale. From August 2006.
WED 19:00 The Navy Lark (b01j25y)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
WED 19:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b012xpyk)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
WED 20:00 Craddock and Co (b007jsvl)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
WED 20:30 Plumbers and Penguins (b00wr6qk)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
WED 21:00 Graham Swift - England and Other Stories (b04j2dsd)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
WED 21:15 Sherlock Holmes (b007k26n)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]
WED 22:00 Chain Reaction (b071vkwj)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
WED 22:30 Andrew Lawrence: How Did We End Up Like This? (b01p0sbk)
 Violence
 Andrew Lawrence continues his comic explanation of our development via stand up, sketch and song.
 This time, Andrew explores violence.
 Sara Pascoe and Marek Larwood assist.
 Producer: Jane Berthoud
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2012.
WED 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b074v66j)
 The best in contemporary comedy. Jessica Fostekew talks food and funnies with George Egg.
WED 23:00 In and Out of the Kitchen (b01qljhb)
 Series 2
 The Literary Festival
 Damien and Anthony arrive at a literary festival to promote Damien's book about the culinary habits of the Great Poets. Despite the charming hotel and the peaceful surroundings, the cookery writer can barely disguise his chagrin at his talk being in a tent smaller to other writers he considers lesser than him. But he soon has the opportunity to get the audience he feels he deserves when a fellow author is knocked unconscious and Damien is asked to fill in. But can he rise to the occasion?
 Written by Miles Jupp.
 Damien Trench Miles Jupp
 Anthony MacIlveny Justin Edwards
 Gary McDade Ben Crowe
 Sound Man Ben Crowe
 Bill Trumpetz Toby Longworth
 The Lady Sarah Thom
 Marion Duffett Lesley Vickerage
 Producer: Sam Michell
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2013.
WED 23:30 At Home With The Snails (b007k3hb)
 Series 2
 Episode 2
 George and Beverley have feigned their deaths to see how their children will cope with the grief.
 Alex is missing his parents, but his snail obsession is back with a vengeance...
 Second series of Gerard Foster's comedy drama
 George Geoffrey Palmer
 Beverley Angela Thorne
 Alex Gerard Foster
 Rose Miranda Hart
 Hosana Debra Stephenson
 Producer: Jane Berthoud
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2002.

THURSDAY 10 MARCH 2016

THU 00:00 Charles Chilton - Journey into Space (b007jmw8)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Wednesday]
THU 00:30 Off the Page (b072zkkm)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Wednesday]
THU 01:00 Craddock and Co (b007jsvl)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Wednesday]
THU 01:30 Plumbers and Penguins (b00wr6qk)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Wednesday]
THU 02:00 Book at Bedtime (b01ncjfs)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Wednesday]
THU 02:15 Plants: From Roots to Riches (b04cffpd)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Wednesday]
THU 02:30 Jacqueline Susann - Valley of the Dolls (b00mjs2l)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Wednesday]
THU 02:45 Book of the Week (b00zm07y)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:45 on Wednesday]
THU 03:00 CP Snow - Strangers and Brothers (b017gyjd)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Wednesday]
THU 04:00 It's Not What You Know (b036v9hd)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Wednesday]
THU 04:30 The Party Line (b00xs226)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Wednesday]
THU 05:00 Married (b007w523)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Wednesday]
THU 05:30 Chain Reaction (b071vkwj)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Wednesday]
THU 06:00 Craddock and Co (b007jsvx)
 2. The Play's the Thing
 1899: Victorian bookseller-cum-detective Charles Craddock and his niece, Lucy, investigate mysterious backstage dramas at a London theatre.
 CAST:
 Charles Craddock Martin Jarvis
 Lucy Greenwood Emma Tate
 Grout Struan Rodger
 James Price David Thorpe
 Rufus Weatherby Colin Pinney
 Rex Radford Barry J. Gordon
 Elizabeth Barnes Teresa Gallagher
 Hamlet Michael Onslow
 Written by Chris Thompson.
 Director: John Taylor.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 5 in 1993.
THU 06:30 Beat It: The World of The Modern Drummer (b00vkwvc)
 When John Lennon was asked if Ringo was the best drummer in the world he quipped "He wasn't even the best drummer in the Beatles". Lennon's natural put-down is typical of the way drummers are belittled within music circles.
 Presenter Phil Jupitus challenges this notion with the help of a cross-section of musicians to discover how they have gained this reputation?
 We hear from Clem Burke (drummer with Blondie) and Dr. Marcus Smith who together have proven scientifically that Clem burns a similar amount of calories during a concert as a Premiership footballer. Phil Collins (Genesis) and Stewart Copeland (The Police), explain how they cope with the physical demands of performing and how these veterans react to the negative image of the drummer.
 Having established the physical demands made on drummers does this exclude women? Dame Evelyn Glennie thinks not as she believes the physicality is not an obstacle. The programme also hears from Kenny Jones (The Small Faces, The Faces and The Who) who still features a drum solo in his set but has the drum solo had its day? Has the modern drummer discarded this indulgence and settled for keeping time at the back? If so why? For many, the drummer is the joker in the group. Phil Selway of Radiohead explains within the ranks of Britain's moodiest band, there is not too much light hearted banter but he does see his role as a supporting one for the others to be creative.
 This whimsical programme hears its fair share of drummer jokes which happily filter through this engaging half hour and yes we discover what Phil Collins thought of the gorilla crashing his way through "In The Air Tonight" for that famous chocolate TV commercial.
 Beat It - The World Of The Modern Drummer an exhaustive and fun exploration of life at the back.
 Producer: John Sugar
 A Sugar Production for BBC Radio 4.
THU 07:00 PG Wodehouse (b00bt4vw)
 What Ho! Jeeves: Joy in the Morning
 Schemes and Ruses
 Bertie Wooster is much in demand, but his best-laid plans go awry as he lands in a bit of pickle...
 P.G. Wodehouse's romp adapted in seven-parts by Chris Miller.
 CAST:
 Jeeves Michael Horder
 Bertie Wooster Richard Briers
 Boko Fittleworth Jonathan Cecil
 Percy, Lord Worplesden Peter Woodthorpe
 Florence Craye Bronwen Williams
 Nobby Hopwood Rosalind Adams
 Edwin the Boy Scout Denise Bryer
 Producer: Simon Brett
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1978.

And Jane Slavin
Who play anyone and everyone!
Ghost written by Jon Canter
Produced by: Clive Brill
A Pacific Production for BBC Radio 4.
THU 23:30 Arthur Smith's Balham Bash (b01075pz)
Series 3
Episode 2
Arthur Smith with more music and comedy from his actual flat in Balham, south London.
Jennyclair is in the front room, Simon Evans on the landing, John Smallshaw delivers poetry and Alex Wilson and his salsa combo are in the kitchen.
Producer: Alison Vernon-Smith
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2011.

FRIDAY 11 MARCH 2016

FRI 00:00 Charles Chilton - Journey into Space (b007jmwq)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Thursday]
FRI 00:30 Great Lives (b0076yft)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Thursday]
FRI 01:00 Craddock and Co (b007jsvx)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Thursday]
FRI 01:30 Beat It: The World of The Modern Drummer (b00vkwc)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Thursday]
FRI 02:00 Book at Bedtime (b01ncjyn)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Thursday]
FRI 02:15 Plants: From Roots to Riches (b04cfhtq)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Thursday]
FRI 02:30 Jacqueline Susann - Valley of the Dolls (b00mk688)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Thursday]
FRI 02:45 Book of the Week (b00zm1kv)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:45 on Thursday]
FRI 03:00 CP Snow - Strangers and Brothers (b017gzk8)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Thursday]
FRI 04:00 The Food Quiz (b072zq3m)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Thursday]
FRI 04:30 The Senses (b072zxm4)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Thursday]
FRI 05:00 PG Wodehouse (b00bt4vw)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Thursday]
FRI 05:30 Susan Calman - Keep Calman Carry On (b071whf9)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Thursday]
FRI 06:00 Craddock and Co (b007jsv5)
3. My Dear Isabelle
Spring, 1900: The reappearance of a woman from his past persuades Victorian private investigator, Charles Craddock, to help find her kidnapped husband in France, but niece Lucy realises there are hidden perils.
CAST:
Charles Craddock Martin Jarvis
Lucy Greenwood Emma Tate
Grout Struan Rodger
Isabelle Vallance Frances Jeater
Leopold Kransky Stephen Thorne
Sir Aubrey Blake Colin Pinney
Monsieur Vallance Malcolm Ward
Walter Smith Michael Onslow
Written by Chris Thompson.
Director: John Taylor.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 5 in 1993.
FRI 06:30 Once in a Blue Moon: The Songs of Lal Waterson (b00vrvqh)
Lal Waterson's voice was stark but captivating and it's been said that the songs she wrote were close to German cabaret or chanson. They were lyrically ambitious and melodically powerful.
Since her death in 1998, her reputation has grown and now she is placed alongside the great singer-songwriters like Nick Drake and Richard Thompson. She was a member of the famous Waterson family and numbered among other relatives the folk singer Martin Carthy and his daughter Eliza.
In this feature, Robin Denselow explores the life and legacy of Lal Waterson and assesses her impact on song-writers today.
Producer: Emma Kingsley
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2010.
FRI 07:00 1835 (b0125lg)
All at Sea
Aristocrat Belport and his servant Ned are called up to serve in the navy aboard the HMS Fortunate. Fortunate by name, a magnet for French cannons by nature...
Comic saga of an aristocrat and his servant who struggle to find things to do in the mid- 1830s.
Belport Paul Rider
Ned Jason Done
Black Pete Roy Barraclough
Collins Simon Greenall
Tony Nelson Jonathan Keeble
Written and directed at BBC Manchester by Jim Poyser.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2004.
FRI 07:30 Wordaholics (b01rvptv)
Series 2
Episode 3

Gyles Brandreth chairs the word-obsessed comedy panel show. Lloyd Langford and Susie Dent compete against Dave Gorman and Natalie Haynes to find out who has the most word know-how.
Dave Gorman guesses the meaning of the phrase 'living on Queen Street' from the late 1800s; Natalie Haynes unravels the word 'autodysomophobia'; Lloyd Langford guesses the meaning of the Yiddish word 'farposhtket'; and Susie Dent shares her love of the current Liverpool word 'twirlies' and explains the meaning of the word 'quickerwodger'.
Both teams also have a go at coming up with modern phrases to replace the old clichés 'When life give you lemons, make lemonade' and 'Beauty is only skin deep'.
Writers: Jon Hunter and James Kettle.
Producer: Claire Jones
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2013.
FRI 08:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b009rnlf)
Series 6
The Fete
The lad rashly agrees to tempt Sir Laurence Olivier to open the East Cheam Garden Fete.
Starring Tony Hancock. With Sidney James, Bill Kerr, Wilfred Babbage, Jack Watson and Hugh Morton.
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 December 1959.
FRI 08:30 The Goon Show (b007jnb4)
Series 6
Scradje
With Britain's boots exploding, Neddie Seagoon tries to tackle a national 'scradje' shortage.
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 March 1956.
FRI 09:00 Wildbrain (b07308t6)
1997 - Heat 5
Lionel Kelleway visits Arundel to test three contestants' wildlife knowledge in the BBC Natural History Unit's quiz.
FRI 09:30 No Commitments (b007jp22)
Series 8
New Age Differences
Victoria gets all intellectual, while Charlotte is on a spiritual path. Stars Angela Thorne and Celia Imrie. From January 2002.
FRI 10:00 CP Snow - Strangers and Brothers (b017h805)
The Light and the Dark
As the Second World War erupts, Lewis Eliot heads to Whitehall and his love life takes an unexpected turn.
CP Snow's epic novel sequence about the English Establishment and Power.
Dramatised by Jonathan Holloway
With Adam Godley as Lewis Eliot and narrated by David Haig
Hector Rose ... Rupert Vansittart
Roy Calvert Adam Levy
Houston Eggar ... Peter Marinker
Willy Romantovski ... Kenneth Collard
Gilbert Cooke ... Anthony Calf
Margaret Davidson ... Juliet Aubrey
Rosalind ... Anne-Marie Duff
Betty Vane ... Carla Simpson
Directed by Jeremy Howe and Sally Avens
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2003.
FRI 11:00 Graham Swift - England and Other Stories (b04j2yrc)
People Are Life
It's the last customer of the day for a Cypriot barber and the conversation turns toward friendship. Read by Ewan Bailey.
The 25 short stories that comprise England and Other Stories mark Swift's return to the short form after seven acclaimed novels. The stories dwell on the essence of Englishness and those chosen place us on the eve of the Battle of Trafalgar, in a barbers, a supermarket, a laboratory and Macintyre's warehouse, and in each place and time, Swift perfectly captures a universal truth from the minutiae of lives.
"This is a sharp, beautiful collection: every story quick and readable but leaving in the memory a core, a residue of thoughtfulness: The Guardian
Graham Swift came to prominence with this second novel Shuttlecock, which won the Geoffrey Faber Memorial Prize in 1983. That same year, Swift's Waterland, set in the Fens earned him a place on the shortlist for the Booker prize. Swift would go on to win the Booker prize in 1996 with his novel Last Orders, which became a film starring Michael Caine, Tom Courtney, Bob Hoskins and Helen Mirren.
Produced by Jeremy Osborne
Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra by Sweet Talk.
FRI 11:15 Sherlock Holmes (b007k297)

The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes
The Noble Bachelor
When a missing bride's clothes appear in a lake, the sleuth is bound to investigate. Stars Clive Merrison and Michael Williams.
FRI 12:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b009rnlf)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
FRI 12:30 The Goon Show (b007jnb4)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
FRI 13:00 Craddock and Co (b007jsv5)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
FRI 13:30 Once in a Blue Moon: The Songs of Lal Waterson (b00vrvqh)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
FRI 14:00 Book at Bedtime (b01nd3jk)
Patricia Ferguson - The Midwife's Daughter
Episode 5
By Patricia Ferguson
Read by Joanna Tope
The new novel by Patricia Ferguson is the compassionate and moving story of two sisters and the young black orphan who changes their lives.
Violet hears about her sister's overreaction to a description of Grace and suspects that Bea has been keeping a secret from her.
Abridged by Robin Brooks
Produced by Gaynor Macfarlane.
FRI 14:15 Plants: From Roots to Riches (b04cfvg3)
Botanical Medicine
In 1947 Sir Robert Robinson received the Nobel prize for Chemistry "in recognition of his investigations of plant products of biological importance, especially the alkaloids". This powerful family of plant chemicals was proving a potent medical tool.
Professor Kathy Willis traces the natural role of alkaloids in plants and the first attempts to isolate one of the best know - quinine, from chinchona bark growing in the Andes. This development gave rise to the emergence of a new kind of laboratory scientist equally able to handle botanical and chemical data. As Mark Nesbitt, Keeper of Kew's Economic Botany Collection explains, this was to eliminate the chance and guesswork in identifying "good" plants from "bad".
Professor Monique Simmons of Kew's Jodrell Laboratory, assesses why chemicals from the plant kingdom are still needed in the fight against some of our most challenging diseases, from breast cancer to cardiovascular disease, and how making the nuanced connections between plant species is central to success in this field.
Producer Adrian Washbourne.
FRI 14:30 Jacqueline Susann - Valley of the Dolls (b00mlk3)
Episode 15
Betrayed by Neely, and with Lyon becoming more distant, Anne turns to the dolls. Stars Madeleine Potter and Barbara Barnes.
FRI 14:45 Book of the Week (b00zm3hq)
John Julius Norwich - The Popes
Episode 5
Well known for his histories of Norman Sicily, Venice, the Byzantine Empire and the Mediterranean, John Julius Norwich has now turned his attention to the oldest continuing institution in the world, tracing the papal line down the centuries from St Peter himself - traditionally (though by no means historically) the first pope - to the present day. Of the 280-odd holders of the supreme office, some have unquestionably been saints; others have followed in unspeakable iniquity.
In the final episode of The Popes, John Julius Norwich concludes with the election of the people's pope John XXIII a welcome antidote to Pius XII. Expected to be nothing more than a brief, caretaker pope, John turned out to be anything but. Dragging the Church into the twentieth century, he shook the world.
Producer: David Roper
A Heavy Entertainment production for BBC Radio 4.
FRI 15:00 CP Snow - Strangers and Brothers (b017h805)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
FRI 16:00 Wildbrain (b07308t6)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
FRI 16:30 No Commitments (b007jp22)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
FRI 17:00 1835 (b0125lg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
FRI 17:30 Wordaholics (b01rvptv)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
FRI 18:00 Charles Chilton - Journey into Space (b007jmx1)
Operation Luna
10. The Citadel
Stranded in Earth's past, the Voice tries tempting Captain Jet Morgan and his crew out into the city of the aliens.
Futuristic tale set in 1965 written and produced by Charles Chilton.
Jet Morgan Andrew Faulds
Lemmy Barnett Alfie Bass
Doc Guy Kingsley-Poynter
Mitch David Williams
All Other Parts Deryck Guyler
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.

FRI 18:30 Soul Music (b0076xj6)

Series 5

Widor's Toccata

Ever since Widor's Toccata was included in two Royal wedding ceremonies in the 1960's, this display of fireworks at the organ has become a firm favourite for married couples to exit the Church by in the UK.

Organist Thomas Trotter dissects the music and dispels the myths about playing Widor's Toccata. Organist Daniel Roth explains what it's like to be Widor's direct successor as present day organist at the St Sulpice in Paris. And record producer Simon Cooper talks about hearing a synthesized version of the piece as a 7 year old which switched him on to music for the first time and led him to become a composer himself

Featuring:

Thomas Trotter

John Berry

Simon Cooper

Daniel Roth

Dr Francis Jackson

Katherine Dienes

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 March 2006.

FRI 19:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b009rnw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

FRI 19:30 The Goon Show (b007jnb4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

FRI 20:00 Craddock and Co (b007jsw5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

FRI 20:30 Once in a Blue Moon: The Songs of Lal Waterson (b00vrvqh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

FRI 21:00 Graham Swift - England and Other Stories (b04j2yrc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

FRI 21:15 Sherlock Holmes (b007k297)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]

FRI 22:00 Wordaholics (b01rvptv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 22:30 Rudy's Rare Records (b01nb1s7)

Series 4

Best Local Business

EPISODE TWO: BEST LOCAL BUSINESS

Father and son comedy set in the finest old-school record shop in Birmingham. Starring Lenny Henry, Larrington Walker and some terrific tunes.

Rudy's Rare Records is a tiny down at heel old reggae record shop in Birmingham - one of a dying breed; a place with real soul, stacked with piles of vinyl, where the slogan is "if we don't have it - them don't mek it". It's owned by the charismatic, irrepressible Rudy Sharpe (Larrington Walker), reluctantly helped out by his long-suffering neurotic son Adam (Lenny Henry) and Handsworth's first, black, surly girly goth, Tasha (Natasha Godfrey). Rudy has recently married his long-term love interest Doreen (Claire Benedict) which is leaving his best friend Clifton (Jeffery Kissoon) feeling left out.

But business is not booming and Adam enters a competition for the Best Local Business hoping the publicity and the prize money will give the record shop a much needed boost. It also means war between Rudy's Rare Records and Clifton's Blooms.

Adam Lenny Henry

Rudy Larrington Walker

Tasha Natasha Godfrey

Doreen Claire Benedict

Clifton Jeffery Kissoon

Richie Joe Jacobs

Darnell Javone Prince

Secret Shopper Sarah Thom

Ainsley Harriott Himself

Twitch Adam Nagaitis

Written by Paula Hines

Script Editor: Danny Robins

Producer: Katie Tyrrell

Music in this episode:

GET UP EDINA DESMOND DEKKER

RUN THIS TOWN JAY Z, RIHANNA & KANYE WEST

FUSSIN AND FIGHTING BOB MARLEY

BE PREPARED WINSTON SAMUEL

DON'T PLAY NO GAME

THAT I CAN'T WIN BEASTIE BOYS FEAT. SANTIGOLD

DO I WORRY DERRICK HARRIOT

NO FRIEND DELROY WILLIAMS.

FRI 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b074v7w1)

From 10pm to midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Arthur Smith chats to Adam Riches.

FRI 23:00 The Mark Steel Lecture (b007jlw6)

Series 2

Lord Byron

The life and times of the 'mad, bad and dangerous to know' Romantic poet, Lord Byron.

Mark Steel lectures humourously about historical figures that have shaped their era.

With:

Melanie Hudson

Martin Hyder

Producer: Lucy Armitage

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2001.

FRI 23:30 Goodness Gracious Me (b01pgs6z)

Series 3

Episode 6

The Archers and The Waltons with a twist, and the Minx Twins tackle feminism. Stars Sanjeev Bhaskar. From June 1998.