

SATURDAY 25 JUNE 2016

**SAT 00:00 John Wyndham - The Day of the Triffids (b007jrp9)**

Episode 15

In a world ravaged by the Triffids, survivor Bill Masen works hard to make a new home for his new family. Read by Roger May.

**SAT 00:30 Sounds Natural (b07h4xwy)**

Percy Edwards

From Willow Warblers to Little Crakes. Bird-imitator, animal impersonator and entertainer, Percy Edwards discusses his love of the British countryside and, in particular, its birdlife with Derek Jones - aided by recordings from the BBC Sound Archive. Percy Edwards MBE: born 1908 - died 1996. Producer: John Burton. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1972.

**SAT 01:00 Father Brown Stories (b00f0sgy)**

Series 2

The Arrow of Heaven

An American millionaire safe in his fortress, death threats, a murky past and a bolt from the blue. Father Brown, on his first visit to the United States, unravels the mystery and exposes thereby a mire of hypocrisy.

Stars Andrew Sachs as Father Brown.

GK Chesterton's stories of an amateur clerical sleuth with an uncanny understanding of the criminal mind at work.

Father Brown ..... Andrew Sachs

Barnard ..... Ed Bishop

Harris ..... Guy Gregory

Wendell ..... Andrew Branch

Norman Drage ..... Sean Prendergast

Brander Merton ..... Richard Durden

Peter Wayne ..... Johnny Myers

Matt ..... Harry Towb

Customs Officer ..... Tim Reynolds

Dramatised by John Scotney

Directed at BBC Bristol by Alec Reid.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1986.

**SAT 01:30 Based on a True Story (b00g63pz)**

The first production of Howard Brenton's play Never So Good brought to life on stage the experiences of Harold Macmillan. In this programme, which reflects on real life events set against their fictional portrayal, Peter Curran discusses the production with Brenton, Jeremy Irons, who played Macmillan, and Lord Alexander Stockton, the grandson of Macmillan and his close companion in later life. Producer Kevin Dawson. A Whistledown production for BBC Radio 4.

**SAT 02:00 Deborah Moggach - Tulip Fever (b007jm4d)**

Episode 5

Can Sophia's plan fool her husband and keep her affair a secret? Read by Emma Fielding and William Gaminara.

**SAT 02:15 The Invention of Childhood (b00scz3n)**

Overburdened with Children

Michael Morpurgo tells the story of the Poor Law, a forerunner of the welfare state and a safety net for many poor children.

**SAT 02:30 AS Byatt - The Frederica Quartet (b007jsps)**

Babel Tower, Part 5/8

Frederica visits the doctor and makes a major decision. Daniel learns the identity of his mystery caller.

CAST:

Frederica .... Indira Varma

Thomas Poole .... Gerard McDermott

Winifred .... Barbara Flynn

Daniel .... Shaun Dooley

Nigel .... Mark Bazeley

Bill .... Geoffrey Whitehead

Mary .... Ruby Williams

Leo .... Jack Langan

Jude Mason .... Mark Heap

Begbie .... Ben Onwukwe

Written by A.S. Byatt and dramatised by John Harvey.

Producer: Mary Peate.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2002.

**SAT 02:45 Kazuo Ishiguro - The Remains of the Day (b07h1gyj)**

Evening, Weymouth

Stevens finally meets Miss Kenton, but the event makes him question the worthiness of his life's work. Read by John Moffatt. From February 1990.

**SAT 03:00 Classic Serial (b00m8pvn)**

Thomas Hardy - Two on a Tower

Episode 2

Dramatisation by Jon Sen of Thomas Hardy's tragic tale of star-crossed lovers in the West Country.

Viviette and Swithin have married in secret, but chance and convention conspire against them and painful sacrifices have to be made.

Lady Constantine ..... Maggie O'Neill

Swithin St Cleve ..... Blake Ritson

Parson Torkingham ..... Conrad Nelson

Tabitha Lark ..... Amy Humphreys

Fellows ..... Stephen Tomlin

Louis ..... Richard Heap

Bishop Helmsdale ..... Russell Dixon

Joshua ..... Carter Thomas

Directed by Stefan Escreit.

**SAT 04:00 Whispers (b00n90xf)**

Series 3

Episode 1

Gyles Brandreth chairs the scandals quiz with Anthony Holden, Lucy Moore, Penny Junor and Julian Fellowes. From October 2005.

**SAT 04:30 No Commitments (b01m431l)**

Series 10

The Real World

Charlotte de-clutters and Anna provides a love nest. Simon Brett's tale of three sisters. Stars Bill Nighy. From January 2004.

**SAT 05:00 Crowned Hudds (b00qh0lv)**

Grecian 2001

Liberation for Helen of Troy? Roy Hudd's historical royal romp, with June Whitfield and Chris Emmett. From September 1995.

**SAT 05:30 Clare in the Community (b038xtdd)**

Edinburgh Special: In Treatment

Clare and Brian's relationship has always been fraught but with communication at all time low the couple try relationship counselling. A one-off episode recorded in Edinburgh at the Festival.

Sally Phillips is Clare Barker the social worker who has all the right jargon but never a practical solution. A control freak, Clare likes nothing better than interfering in other people's lives on both a professional and personal basis. Clare is in her thirties, white, middle class and heterosexual, all of which are occasional causes of discomfort to her.

Clare struggles to control both her professional and private life and in this special one-off episode recorded at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival - Clare's professional life is impacting on her personal life as she and Brian seek help with their relationship. After all, Clare gives of herself everyday at work - is it her fault there's little left for Brian's everyday problems at the end of the day?

In Treatment - Cast

Written by Harry Venning

Producer: Katie Tyrrell.

**SAT 06:00 The Complete Smiley (b0112csv)**

Call for the Dead

Dramatisation by Robert Forrest of John le Carre's first novel.

London, the late 1950s, and a disenchanted George Smiley is engaged in the routine job of security vetting. When a Foreign Office civil servant commits suicide not long after being cleared of Communist sympathies, Smiley investigates and uncovers a deadly conspiracy with its roots in his own wartime past.

George Smiley ..... Simon Russell Beale

Inspector Mendel ..... Kenneth Cranham

Elsa Fennan ..... Eleanor Bron

Ann Smiley ..... Anna Chancellor

Peter Guillam ..... Richard Dillane

Maston ..... James Laurensen

Dieter Frey ..... Henry Goodman

Adam Starr/Mundt ..... Sam Dale

Ludo Oriel ..... Janice Acquah

Nursing Sister ..... Caroline Guthrie

With Benjamin Askew and Jonathan Tafler.

**SAT 07:30 Three Rivers (b00lh5pb)**

The Liffey

Hardeep Singh Kohli travels from source to sea of three major rivers that are being regenerated after years of neglect and industrial use.

The Liffey, a river beloved of Irish writers - particularly James Joyce, winds its way from the Wicklow Mountains into the heart of Dublin and under 14 bridges. It has also provided power and clean water for those along its path, and at its outer edges encouraged trade with the wider world beyond.

**SAT 08:00 Archive on 4 (b0167rdv)**

Mind Your PMQs

Prime Minister's Questions dominates our image of Parliament. It's one of the things foreign observers automatically associate with life in Britain, but far from being an indelible part of our political heritage, it was introduced only fifty years ago in 1961.

Tony Blair once described it as the most challenging and terrifying experience of his life, but what really is the point of Prime Minister's Question Time? Does it really hold the Prime Minister to account? In this programme, historian Dominic Sandbrook traces its development to show how it has reflected the changing political culture.

Throughout its short history, there have been constant calls for reform. Just last year The Speaker John Bercow described PMQs as 'scrutiny by screech' but has it always been like this? Harold Wilson's former private secretary reveals how the personal animosity between Heath and Wilson poisoned the atmosphere of PMQs. It was never to be the same again with successive party leaders calling for an end to Punch & Judy politics whilst simultaneously using Prime Minister's Questions for political point scoring.

The programme features interviews with Lord Kinnoch, Lord Ashdown, Commons Speaker John Bercow, former Speaker Betty Boothroyd, MPs John Whittingdale and Stephen Pound as well as Tony Blair's former Chief of Staff Jonathan Powell.

Produced by Barney Rowntree

A Somethin' Else production for BBC Radio 4.

**SAT 09:00 Larry Adler, All Mouth Organ (b07hnqrq)**

Nick Baker explores the remarkable life of virtuoso musician Larry Adler.

Larry Adler's achievement was to take the harmonica, until then thought of as a children's toy, onto the concert stages of the world. He did this with a parallel career as a celebrity, a raconteur, writer and funny man. This celebration of his work includes rare archive and new contributions from broadcaster Paul Gambaccini, author Michael Freedland along with musician Philip Achille and those close to him.

\* "The Adler Archives" - A selection of hidden gems.

\* "Nice Work if You Can Get It (part one) - The Tin Sandwich" Russell Davies explores Adler's early days in Baltimore, tours of the United States and how his virtuoso harmonica playing inspired composers. Originally broadcast in 2001

\* "Deconstructing Larry"

A brand new programme sees Nick Baker attempting to unravel the mercurial world of the infamous mouth organist.

\* "Blow Suck - The World's Most Successful Instrument"

Nick Baker traces the history of the harmonica. First broadcast in 1987

\* "Nice Work if You Can Get It (part two) - It Ain't Necessarily So"

Russell Davies concludes his series on Adler with more anecdotes and musical tales. Originally broadcast in 2001

Producer: Stephen Garner

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 Extra in June 2016.

**SAT 12:00 Over the Garden Wall (b04v986b)**

From 07/10/1948

Norman Evans plays toothless Lancastrian housewife Fanny Fairbottom, later inspiring Les Dawson's homage Ada. From October 1948.

**SAT 12:30 All the Young Dudes (b019m2ys)**

Series 2

Still Crazy

Patrick wonders who Green Day are, and Joe turns into a doting daddy. Written by and starring Jim Sweeney. From September 2002.

**SAT 13:00 Dear Baby Mine by Lucy Caldwell (Omnibus) (b07hns9n)**

This is a story of rooms. Of waiting rooms. Or maybe just the one room and the endless variations on it.

When Conor is told he has the condition azoospermia and is not producing any sperm, he struggles to come to terms with the implications of his diagnosis. He cannot father his own child. He cannot give his wife Keeley the baby she so desperately longs for. He feels lost, confused, guilty, responsible. All his assumptions and expectations for the future are thrown out of the window.

As both he and Keeley try to come to terms with the fact that Conor cannot father a child naturally and explore the other options available to them they embark on an emotional rollercoaster that will challenge their assumptions, their relationship, and their idea of family.

Lucy Caldwell is an award-winning playwright and novelist whose work is no stranger to Radio 4. Her novels 'The Meeting Point' and 'All the Beggars Riding' were serialised on Book at Bedtime and her dramas include 'Notes to Future Self', 'Avenues of Eternal Peace', 'Quicksands' and the Imison award winning 'Girl from Mars'.

Conor .... Jonathan Harden

Keeley .... Laura Donnelly

Air Hostess / Nurse .... Emilie Hetland

Therapist .... Maggie Cronin

Chris .... Christopher Simpson

Doctor .... Mary Moulds

Ryan .... Faolan Morgan

Annie .... Mary Murray

Ruby .... Clodagh Casey

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2016.

**SAT 14:10 Inheritance Tracks (b07hnspp)**

Jon Culshaw

Comic impersonator Jon Culshaw chooses 'Memories' by Elvis Presley and 'The Boy With The Thorn In His Side' by The Smiths.

**SAT 14:15 Sentimental Journey (b0076zkh)**

Brendan Foster

Arthur Smith digs out his old running shoes to help retrace the footsteps of former Olympian and athletics commentator Brendan Foster around South Tyneside.

Producer: Sharon Banoff

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2006.

**SAT 14:45 Uncle Mort's North Country (b007jl5v)**

Series 1

Dog Days

At the allotment, Carter's Uncle Mort sounds off on sunshine, southerners and a smart mutt.

Carter Brandon gets a week off work, so he decides to go on day-trips in his car, with his Uncle Mort, 'where the fancy takes them.

Peter Tinniswood's continuing tales of Carter Brandon and his curmudgeonly uncle.

Uncle Mort and his Yorkshire based family first appeared in Tinniswood's novel 'A Touch Of Daniel' which earned them a run of four series of 'I Didn't Know You Cared' on BBC TV from 1975 to 1979.

Uncle Mort .... Stephen Thorne

Carter Brandon .... Peter Skellern

Narrator .... Christian Rodska

Producer: Pete Atkin.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1987.

**SAT 15:00 Archive on 4 (b0167rdw)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

**SAT 16:00 The Complete Smiley (b0112csv)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

**SAT 17:30 Three Rivers (b00lh5pb)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

**SAT 18:00 Doctor Who (b07hvwvm)**

The Curse of Davros

Episode 1

The fugitive Doctor joins forces once more with Philippa 'Flip' Jackson to beat back the Daleks' incursion into 21st century London.

But the real plan of Daleks mastermind, Davros, is taking shape nearly 200 years in the past, on the other side of the English Channel at the Battle of Waterloo...

Colin Baker stars as the Sixth Doctor.

Flip ..... Lisa Greenwood

Davros ..... Terry Molloy

Jared ..... Ashley Kumar

Napoleon Bonaparte ..... Jonathan Owen

Writer: Jonathan Morris

Director: Nicholas Briggs

A Big Finish production.

**SAT 19:00 Larry Adler, All Mouth Organ (b07hmqrq)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

**SAT 22:00 Buy Me Up TV (b007l8q0)**

Pilot

Every shopping channel you've ever seen, every product you've never wanted. Stars Justin Edwards. From May 2007.

**SAT 22:30 Knowing Me, Knowing You (b009h7n0)**

Episode 3

A-ha! Alan Partridge meets France's second-best racing driver Michel Lambert, saucy East End glamour girl Shirley Dee and looks for the lighter side of being held hostage...

Classic chat from On the Hour's supreme sports reporter and his guests from the world of theatre, politics and emotional tragedy. With thanks to Alan's chief researcher Steve Coogan

Assistant researchers:

Patrick Marber

Rebecca Front

Doon Mackichan

David Schneider

Producer: Armando Iannucci

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1992.

**SAT 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b07hxdy8)**

The best in contemporary comedy. Arthur Smith chats to Barry Fens.

**SAT 23:00 I, Regress (b01rr6cg)**

Series 2

Cats

Matt Berry plays a corrupt and bizarre regression therapist in this dark, Lynch-meets-Kaufman-style comedy.

Unsuspecting clients are taken on twisted, misleading journeys through their subconscious.

Each episode sees the doctor dealing with a different client who has come to him for a different phobia. As the patient is put under hypnosis, we 'enter' their mind, and all the various situations the hypnotherapist takes them through are played out for us to hear. The result is a dream (or nightmare-like) trip through the patient's mind, as funny as it is disturbing.

With:

Steve Pemberton

Daisy Haggard

Sally Okafor

A compelling late night listen: tune in and occupy someone else's head!

Producer: Sam Bryant

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2013.

**SAT 23:15 Richard Marsh (b01rlnj6)**

Love and Sweets

The Perfect Match

Winner of Best Scripted Comedy in the BBC Audio Awards

2014, poet and playwright Richard Marsh fuses poetry and prose to tell a witty and honest story about moving in with his girlfriend Siobhan, planning the perfect proposal, and the build-up to his wedding day. What could be easier?

Richard's exhilarating relationship with Siobhan is going from strength to strength, and they are swept up in the heady rush of friends meeting friends and moving in together. Sharing a flat is a whirlwind of excitement, but also throws up problems for the couple - especially when Siobhan's mum comes to stay and doesn't pull her punches when it comes to what she thinks of Richard.

But Richard's got bigger things to worry about. He's secretly planning the perfect proposal, and even though when it comes to the big moment things don't go exactly as planned, soon Richard and Siobhan find themselves preparing for the wedding of their dreams. But if planning the perfect proposal was fraught with complications, it's nothing compared to planning the perfect wedding. Richard's just not sure why the joining of two hearts needs to involve Microsoft Excel...

Contains some explicit language.

Written and performed by Richard Marsh

Producer: Ben Worsfield

A Lucky Giant production for BBC Radio 4.

**SAT 23:30 Mark Thomas: The Manifesto (b00qjx5j)**

Series 2

Episode 2

Mark Thomas: The Manifesto. Comedian-activist, Mark Thomas creates a People's Manifesto, taking suggestions from his studio audience and then getting them to vote for the best. The winner of each show will be enforceable by law, so pay attention.

This edition includes such policies as forcing Ofsted inspectors to teach; taxing commodities trading; and paying off the mortgages of the customers of failed banks.

Produced by Ed Morrish.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Saturday]

**SUN 06:00 AS Byatt - The Frederica Quartet (Omnibus) (b07hp75x)**

Babel Tower

In 'Babel Tower', the third novel of the quartet, Frederica finds herself embroiled in two court cases.

CAST:

Older Frederica .... Rosemary Leach

Frederica .... Indira Varma

Daniel .... Shaun Dooley

Nigel .... Mark Bazeley

Bill .... Geoffrey Whitehead

Winifred .... Barbara Flynn

Jude .... Mark Heap

Hugh .... Mark Umbers

Pippy .... Deborah Findlay

Alexander .... Adam Kotz

Thomas .... Gerard McDermott

Alan .... Kenny Flynn

Ruth .... Jasmine Hyde

Ginnie .... Hannah Dee

Leo .... Jack Langan

Will .... Alex Etchart

Mary .... Ruby Williams

Rupert .... Robert Portal

Begbie .... Ben Onwukwe

Stephanie .... Helen Longworth

Marcus .... Carl Prekopp

Written by A.S. Byatt and dramatised by John Harvey.

Producer: Sally Avens.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2002.

**SUN 07:15 Robb Wilton: I Should Say So (b039gk6j)**

Series 2

The Pantomime

Robb Wilton (1881 - 1957) was one of the most popular music hall and radio comics of the 1930s and 1940s.

Famed as an all-round pessimist - what would he have made of 1980s Britain? Can Clara be prevented from playing Peter Pan? Michael Williams stars as Robb Wilton - making as little sense out of life as he did 40 years before...

Written by Allen Saddler.

Producer: Brian Miller

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1988.

**SUN 07:30 Count Arthur Strong's Radio Show! (b01dtkv9)**

Series 7

Knights of the Round Table

Returning home from Spain early, Arthur applies to join the Round Table. A bang on the head at the Mason's HQ confuses matters somewhat as a concussed Arthur steps back to the days of the Knights of the Round Table.

Count Arthur Strong - one time Variety Star, now sole proprietor and owner of Doncaster's Academy of Performance - is a show business legend, raconteur, and lecturer extraordinaire. He stars in a Sitcom with regular sidekick Wilfred Taylor, Master Butcher, and a host of other characters. All false starts and nervous fumbling, badly covered up by a delicate sheen of bravado and self-assurance, and an expert in everything from the world of entertainment to the origin of the species, everyday life with Arthur is an enlightening experience.

Cast:

Steve Delaney

Mel Giedroyc

Alastair Kerr

David Mounfield

Producer: John Leonard

A Komedia Entertainment production for BBC Radio 4.

**SUN 08:00 Ray's a Laugh (b07hpb34)**

From 16/01/1959

Ted is feeling very nervous. Why would a solicitor want to pay

him a visit at home?

Starring Ted Ray. With Kitty Bluett and Kenneth Connor. Ray's a Laugh - the successor to ITMA - follows the comedy exploits of Ted's life at home with his 'radio' wife Kitty, as well as in a variety of jobs. It ran from 1949-1961.

Scripted by Bernard Botting and Charles Hart.

BBC Variety Orchestra conducted by Paul Fenoulhet.

Producer: Leslie Bridgmont

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in January 1959.

**SUN 08:30 Floggit's (b00d06hc)**

From 02/11/1956

Village shopkeepers Gert and Daisy prepare for a Bonfire Night party.

Starring Elsie and Doris Waters as Gert and Daisy.

With Joan Sims, Hugh Paddick, Ronnie Barker, Doris Rogers and Ron Moody.

Originally popular regulars in 'Workers' Playtime' on the BBC Home Service during wartime, Gert and Daisy won their own series, Floggit's, where they've inherited a village general store in Russett Green with a ragbag of local characters to deal with. It ran for 2 series between 1956 and 1957.

Scripted by Terry Nation, John Junkin and Dave Freeman.

Producer: Bill Gates

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in November 1956.

**SUN 09:00 The Gene by Siddhartha Mukherjee (Omnibus) (b07hpg65)**

Siddhartha Mukherjee is a cancer physician and researcher, a stem cell biologist and cancer geneticist. He is also author of The Emperor of All Maladies, a biography of cancer which won the 2011 Pulitzer Prize for general non-fiction, and the Guardian first book award.

He is assistant professor of Medicine at Columbia University.

Written by Siddhartha Mukherjee

Read by Raj Ghatak

Abridged and Produced by Jill Waters

A Waters Company Production for BBC Radio 4

**SUN 10:10 Inheritance Tracks (b07hpg67)**

Rachael Stirling

Acclaimed actress Rachael Stirling chooses 'Lay Lady Lay' by Bob Dylan and 'Too Darn Hot' by Ella Fitzgerald.

**SUN 10:15 World Book Club (b07hpg69)**

Malorie Blackman - Noughts and Crosses

Malorie Blackman talks about her novel where racial prejudice has been turned on its head. With Harriett Gilbert. From April 2014.

**SUN 11:15 The Moth Radio Hour (b07hpg6c)**

Series 3

Bathtub Tailor, Seamstress, Spy

True stories told live: Meg Bowles introduces stories told in London about record breaking and Second World War espionage.

The Moth is an acclaimed not-for-profit organisation dedicated to the art and craft of storytelling based in the USA. Since 1997, it has celebrated both the raconteur and the storytelling novice, who has lived through something extraordinary and yearns to share it. Originally formed by the writer George Dawes Green as an intimate gathering of friends on a porch in Georgia (where moths would flutter in through a hole in the screen), and then recreated in a New York City living room, The Moth quickly grew to produce immensely popular events at theatres and clubs around New York City and later around the USA, the UK and other parts of the world.

The Moth has presented more than 15,000 stories, told live and without notes, to standing-room-only crowds worldwide. The Moth podcast is downloaded over 27 million times a year. Featuring true stories told live on stage without scripts, from the humorous to the heart-breaking.

The Moth Radio Hour is produced by Jay Allison and Atlantic Public Media in Woods Hole, Massachusetts and is distributed by the Public Radio Exchange.

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**SUN 14:30 Vinegar Girl by Anne Tyler (Omnibus) (b07hpgd0)**

Episode 2

Kate has agreed to marry her father's research assistant.

Continuing Anne Tyler's contemporary response to Shakespeare's The Taming of the Shrew following the story of college drop-out Kate Battista, who keeps house for her widowed father and 15 year old sister, Bianca. Kate also works at a preschool nursery where her forthright ways win her the affection of the children but are not appreciated by the school's principal who would prefer her to exercise a little tact, restraint and diplomacy when dealing with the parents.

When her obsessively dedicated scientist father makes uncharacteristic use of his mobile phone to summon her to his lab, she is not prepared for what he has in mind.

Omnibus of the last five of ten parts read by Liza Ross.

Abridged by Isobel Creed

Producer: Jill Waters

A Waters Company production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in June 2016.

**SUN 15:45 Martin Sorrell - Eleven Plus (b0106yq4)**

A journey back home brings a middle-aged man face to face with his outrageously rebellious childhood.

John Branwell reads Martin Sorrell's monologue.

Producer: Melanie Harris

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1998.

**SUN 16:00 Lucy Catherine - The Goldilocks Zone (b0076smd)**

"There are a hundred billion nerve cells in the mind, a hundred billion stars in the galaxy and a hundred other paths I could have taken."

A modern day Brief Encounter showing how when we are lost, only a true connection with another human being can bring us back to ourselves.

Written by Lucy Catherine.

Nicola ..... Nicola Walker

Hux ..... Stuart McQuarrie

Shannon ..... Clemmie Hooton

Jamie ..... Johnny Thomas Davies

Mohammed ..... Shiv Grewal

Jenny ..... Amelda Brown

John ..... Carl Prekopp

Alice/Brigita ..... Alice Hart

Ross ..... Harry Myers

Sandra ..... Colleen Prendergast

Woman ..... Susan Jameson

Director: Mary Peate

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 n July 2005.

**SUN 17:00 Poetry Extra (b07hpkmy)**

Poetry Idol

BBC Radio 4's Poet in Residence, Daljit Nagra revisits the BBC's radio poetry archive with 'Poetry Idol'.

Poetry's always had an essential role to play in Arab literature, and the tradition is thriving in unexpected ways. Shahidha Bari travels to Abu Dhabi to join the audience of 'Million's Poet', a massive televised competition to find the best poet across the Middle East.

Every year this huge contest takes place under the spotlight of the cameras in Abu Dhabi. Million's Poet is broadcast live with a huge following, as judges and viewers both have the chance to vote. There's plenty at stake, as the top prize is an eye-watering five million United Arab Emirate dirhams, a figure getting close to one million pounds.

So how did this TV contest begin and why do people tune in to hear poets reading their work? It's not the sort of show that would be likely to take off in the west. Judges, competitors and the audience all offer clues to the secret of the success of Million Poet's.

Producer: Mark Rickards

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014.

**SUN 17:30 Count Arthur Strong's Radio Show! (b01dtkv9)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

**SUN 18:00 Simon Bovey - The Voice of God (b007jwkl)**

Fields of Thunder

Earthquakes rock Australia. Seismologist Sam stumbles into a top secret world - and uncovers a nightmare.

Simon Bovey's sci-fi thriller stars Geoffrey Beevors as Carl Walker, David Thorpe as Nick Bowman, Beth Chalmers as Belinda Preedy, Clare Corbett as Sam Rideout and Matthew Dyktinski as Joshua Patamerri.

Australia gets thirty to forty earth tremors a year. Yet they've had that many in the past two months alone. Seismologist, Sam Rideout and her outbreak guide Joshua Patamerri track them to an epicentre inside the old British nuclear test site, Maralinga.

Joshua is half Aboriginal and this is a sacred place to his people. But it's now a top secret facility researching the use of infrasound as a weapon, and the source of the tremors - which Carl Walker, head of the project, wants to eliminate involving a mysterious death...

Producer: Mark Beeby

Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in 2006.

**SUN 18:30 Algernon Blackwood - The Willows (b007jvd3)**

Episode 1

When the narrator and his companion camp on a remote island, they think they see a body in the water and a man calling to them. But that's just the start of this clawing claustrophobic tale of suspense and mounting terror.

Read by Roger Allam.

Algernon Blackwood's chilling tale has been described as one of the finest supernatural stories ever.

Producer: Lawrence Jackson

Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in 2005.

**SUN 19:00 The Moth Radio Hour (b07hpg6c)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]

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**SUN 21:00 World Book Club (b07hpg69)**

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**SUN 22:00 Count Arthur Strong's Radio Show! (b01dtkv9)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

**SUN 22:30 The Masterson Inheritance (b007jq63)**

Series 2

The Mastersons Go Down

The Masterson's epic tale of murder, intrigue and a fast-talking

parrot aboard a luxury cruiser.

The award-winning improvised historical family saga based entirely on audience suggestions.

Starring Paul Merton, Josie Lawrence, Jim Sweeney, Lee Simpson, Phelim McDermott and Caroline Quentin.

Producer: Phil Clarke

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1994.

**SUN 23:00 Think the Unthinkable (b01jdck)**

Series 3

Barrington Zoo

Barrington council desperately needs to raise money. They must be desperate to call in the services of Unthinkable Solutions, who create truly unthinkable answers to the problem with Barrington Zoo.

James Carey's sitcom about a clueless bunch of management consultants, Unthinkable Solutions, effortlessly screwing-up their clients' businesses.

Starring:

Marcus Brigstocke

Robin Ince

Catherine Shepherd

Beth Chalmers

With Ewan Bailey, Tilly Gaunt, Simon Greenall and Neil Edmond.

Producer: Adam Bromley.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2004.

**SUN 23:30 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

Written by Ben Moor, Katherine Parkinson and Ben Willbond.

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.

## MONDAY 27 JUNE 2016

**MON 00:00 Simon Bovey - The Voice of God (b007jwkl)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Sunday]

**MON 00:30 Algernon Blackwood - The Willows (b007jvd3)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Sunday]

**MON 01:00 AS Byatt - The Frederica Quartet (Omnibus) (b07hp75x)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Sunday]

**MON 02:15 Robb Wilton: I Should Say So (b039gk6j)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:15 on Sunday]

**MON 02:30 Vinegar Girl by Anne Tyler (Omnibus) (b07hpgd0)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Sunday]

**MON 03:45 Martin Sorrell - Eleven Plus (b0106yq4)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 15:45 on Sunday]

**MON 04:00 Lucy Catherine - The Goldilocks Zone (b0076smd)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Sunday]

**MON 05:00 Poetry Extra (b07hpkmy)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 17:00 on Sunday]

**MON 05:30 Count Arthur Strong's Radio Show! (b01dtkv9)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Sunday]

**MON 06:00 Father Brown Stories (b007jp3p)**

Series 2

The Mistake of the Machine

A suspect is locked away, but has a prison governor got the right man? Can Father Brown discover the answer as he makes his way across America?

Stars Andrew Sachs as Father Brown.

GK Chesterton's stories of an amateur clerical sleuth with an uncanny understanding of the criminal mind after.

Father Brown ..... Andrew Sachs

O'Connor ..... TP McKenna

McGurk ..... Billy Boyle

Usher ..... Don Fellows

Prisoner ..... Brian Haines

Todd ..... Ed Bishop

Butler ..... Manning Wilson

Convict ..... Stuart Organ

Dramatised by John Scotney

Directed at BBC Bristol by Alec Reid.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1986.

**MON 06:30 Tarantino's Jukebox (b001j8yt)**

Episode 1

Episode 1/2

For the first time since Hitchcock, moviegoers have embraced a film director whose name denotes a genre in itself.

Transcending his reputation as a maker of violent movies, Quentin Tarantino is also recognised by his fans and admirers as an exceptional soundtrack producer. True Romance, Natural Born Killers, Reservoir Dogs, Pulp Fiction, Jackie Brown, Kill Bill... Tarantino selected all the tracks himself. In the first of two programmes, the enfant terrible of American Cinema reveals his musical obsessions and his influences, and talks us through the contents of his virtual jukebox.

Music is a critical element in many movies, but never more so than in Tarantino's - he plunders his own backstory,

remembering the tracks of his youth, as well as often making references to - and featuring music from - cult movies and television.

This intriguing documentary (coming to you from the red leatherette banquettes of Quentin's favourite virtual diner in LA) not only forage in the annals of great popular music, they provide a unique insight into the way music can infuse a film, and the way a film can bring music back from the dusty vaults. Also featuring Mary Wilson of the Supremes, Vicki Wickham (manager of Dusty Springfield), film producer Laurence Bender, music & movie critic Paul Gambaccini, film editor Sally Menke and music supervisors Mary Ramos and Karyn Rachtman.

Presented by conductor/composer & film-music historian Robert Ziegler.

Produced by Heavy Entertainment.

**MON 07:00 Charles Dickens (b00rk14f)**

Sketches by Boz: Series 1

The Great Winglebury Duel

Alexander Trott finds it is possible to become betrothed in very trying circumstances. Stars Nicholas Farrell and Peter Gunn.

**MON 07:30 Just a Minute (b07g911)**

Series 75

Episode 4

Nicholas Parsons and guests return for the 75th series of the panel show where participants must try to speak for 60 seconds without hesitation, deviation or repetition. No repetition? That's no small order after nearly 50 years.

In this episode Paul Merton, Josh Widdicombe, Holly Walsh and Marcus Brigstocke join Nicholas Parsons as they try to shine discussing such diverse topics as The Hanging Gardens of Babylon, The Bard, and A Nice Cup of Tea.

Hayley Sterling blows the whistle.

Produced by Victoria Lloyd.

**MON 08:00 Parsley Sidings (b008s3d0)**

Series 1

Goodbye Parsley Sidings

Station Master Horace Hepplewhite takes on the bolshie buffet staff.

Starring Arthur Lowe as Horace, Ian Lavender as Bert, Liz Fraser as Gloria, Kenneth Connor as Bradshaw and Bill Pertwee as Trimwick.

Jim Eldridge's eponymous series is set in a sleepy railway station. The Hepplewhites have run 'Parsley Sidings' station for generations and the current Station Master, Horace, hopes that his son Bert will continue the line. Mild-mannered Ticket Clerk Bert wants to work anywhere but on the railways. His colleague, Station Announcer Gloria Simpkins, secretly loves him. Porter Percy Valentine is an archetypal wheeler-dealer and the ancient Signalmen, Bradshaw, causes havoc and dispenses home-made remedies in equal measure. The 'Parsley Sidings' nemesis is Phineas Perkins, the station master of Potwhistle Halt, one stop down the line.

Producer: Edward Taylor

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in February 1972.

**MON 08:30 J Kingston Platt's Showbiz Handbook (b007k19l)**

My Stag Movie, part 1/2

The veteran auditionee recalls how sometimes talent can be found in the unlikely places - and sometimes it can't be found at all...

British show business doyen, J Kingston Platt shares reminiscences drawn from the wealth and the poverty of his experience from the past 40 years.

Performed and written by Peter Jones.

Producer: Pete Atkin

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1986

**MON 09:00 Quote... Unquote (b038xmd9)**

The quotations quiz hosted by Nigel Rees.

As ever, a host of celebrities will be joining Nigel as he quizzes them on the sources of a range of quotations and asks them for the amusing sayings or citations that they have personally collected on a variety of subjects. We find out their least favourite quotes, and discover the most quotable people they have ever met.

This week Nigel is joined by veteran broadcast war reporter and former independent politician - Martin Bell; arts journalist - Viv Groskop; actor, writer and artist - Edward Petherbridge and actor, comedian and writer David Schneider.

Reader ..... Peter Jefferson.

Produced by Carl Cooper.

**MON 09:30 King Street Junior (b007jnb0)**

Series 7

Fatal Attraction

'Outrageous fortune' deals a cruel blow to Mr Sims - and to an unsuspecting Mrs Patterson. Stars Karl Howman. From April 1992.

**MON 10:00 The Complete Smiley (b07pt2lr)**

The Spy Who Came in From the Cold

Episode 1

Dramatisation by Robert Forrest of John le Carre's classic novel featuring intelligence officer George Smiley.

Berlin, the early 1960s - the Wall is up between East and West and the Cold War is at freezing point. Alec Leamas is Circus Head of Station in Berlin, and his network of agents in East Germany is in great danger.

Smiley ..... Simon Russell Beale

Alec Leamas ..... Brian Cox

Liz Gold ..... Ruth Gemmill

Control ..... John Rowe  
 Peter Guillam ..... Richard Dillane  
 Elsie/Elvira ..... Siobhan Redmond  
 Ashe ..... Jamie Newall  
 Miss Crail ..... Liza Sadovy  
 Mr Pitt ..... Philip Fox  
 Grocer ..... David Hargreaves  
 CIA Man ..... Benjamin Askew.  
**MON 11:00 Sailors' Knots (b01jqbff)**  
 Self-Help  
 Written by W.W. Jacobs. Read by Mark Williams.  
 Sailors' Knots, published in 1909, is an anthology of comic stories set around London and the Thames Estuary at the turn of the last century. The 'knots' are the various mix-ups that occur between sailors on shore leave and the local residents. The tales are great fun, full of entertaining characters with names like Silas Winch, Sam Small and Ginger Dick, and often deal with marital spats, misunderstandings, and rascals getting their just rewards.  
 W.W. Jacobs is best known for his horror story, The Monkey's Paw (1902), but the majority of his writing is comic. He was born in Wapping in 1863, where his father was manager at the South Devon Wharf at Lower East Smithfield, and his early observation of merchant ships and the behaviour of their crews informed his many humorous tales.  
 Mark Williams is well-known as one of the stars of BBC TV's The Fast Show ("Suits you, sir...!") and for the role of Ron Weasley's father in the Harry Potter films.  
 Abridged by Roy Apps  
 Producer: David Blount  
 A Pier Production for BBC Radio 4.  
**MON 11:15 Drama (b012fts1)**  
 Nick Payne - The Day We Caught the Train  
 BAFTA winner Olivia Colman, star of Broadchurch, Rev and a score of other hits, heads up the cast in this quietly intense play about Sally, a woman beset by one problem after another. Rain, a problematic car, a problematic cat and Harold - everything seems to conspire against Sally to prevent some quality time with David.  
 Written by Olivier Award nominee and Devine Award-winning playwright Nick Payne.  
 First broadcast on Radio 4 in July 2011.  
**MON 12:00 Parsley Sidings (b008s3d0)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]  
**MON 12:30 J Kingston Platt's Showbiz Handbook (b007k19l)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]  
**MON 13:00 Father Brown Stories (b007jp3p)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]  
**MON 13:30 Tarantino's Jukebox (b00lj8yt)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]  
**MON 14:00 Deborah Moggach - Tulip Fever (b007jm5m)**  
 Episode 6  
 Sophia and Jan's plan to conceal their affair now depends on tulip mania in Amsterdam.  
 Deborah Moggach's bestselling story of passion set during 17th century Holland's tulip mania.  
 Read by Emma Fielding and William Gaminara.  
 First published in 1999. Abridged in ten parts by Elizabeth Bradbury.  
 Producer: Sarah Johnson  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1999.  
**MON 14:15 The Invention of Childhood (b00s11tp)**  
 Like an Angelic Choir  
 Michael Morpurgo explains how Britain's first foundling hospital met with great acclaim in 1741, but some children were still neglected.  
**MON 14:30 AS Byatt - The Frederica Quartet (b007jsqh)**  
 Babel Tower, Part 6/8  
 Frederica's estranged husband Nigel demands to see his son Leo and she finds a new love interest. Stars Mark Bazeley.  
**MON 14:45 Book of the Week (b06j13r5)**  
 John le Carre: The Biography  
 Episode 1  
 The life of John le Carre by Adam Sisman, is abridged for radio in 5 episodes by Katrin Williams:  
 'John le Carre' was born David Cornwell, and his early life was in thrall to a genial, vivid and rascally father called Ronnie, who was never short of surprises.  
 Reader: Stephen Boxer.  
 Producer: Duncan Minshull.  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2015.  
**MON 15:00 The Complete Smiley (b07pt2lr)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]  
**MON 16:00 Quote... Unquote (b038xmd9)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]  
**MON 16:30 King Street Junior (b007jnb0)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]  
**MON 17:00 Charles Dickens (b00rk14f)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]  
**MON 17:30 Just a Minute (b07gf911)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]  
**MON 18:00 John Wyndham - The Day of the Triffids (b007jrps)**  
 Episode 16  
 Bill and Josella take a trip to the beach and ponder their future. But help is closer than they think. Read by Roger May.  
**MON 18:30 A Good Read (b00767hq)**  
 James Fox & Dr Ato Quayson

Rosie Boycott and her guests, writer James Fox and Professor Ato Quayson, discuss paperbacks by JT LeRoy, Tayeb Salih and John Steinbeck. From 2002.  
 The Heart is Deceitful Above All Things by JT LeRoy  
 Publisher: Bloomsbury  
 The Season of Migration to the North by Tayeb Salih  
 Publisher: Heinemann International Literature  
 Travels with Charley by John Steinbeck  
 Publisher: Penguin.  
**MON 19:00 Parsley Sidings (b008s3d0)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]  
**MON 19:30 J Kingston Platt's Showbiz Handbook (b007k19l)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]  
**MON 20:00 Father Brown Stories (b007jp3p)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]  
**MON 20:30 Tarantino's Jukebox (b00lj8yt)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]  
**MON 21:00 Sailors' Knots (b01jqbff)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]  
**MON 21:15 Drama (b012fts1)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]  
**MON 22:00 Just a Minute (b07gf911)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]  
**MON 22:30 Concrete Cow (b04tvp6y)**  
 Series 2  
 Spies  
 An evil genius and superspy turn out to have a shared interest in John Candy films. Plus the truth behind laser eye surgery and all Mr Eater wants is to be loved  
 Second series of the four-part sketch show in which anything is possible.  
 Starring:  
 Robert Webb  
 Beth Chalmers  
 Catherine Shepherd  
 Steven Kynman  
 Abigail Burdass  
 Chris Pavlo  
 Written by James Cary.  
 Producer: Adam Bromley  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2004.  
**MON 23:00 Dead Ringers (b07gix81)**  
 Series 16  
 Episode 2  
 With the Referendum result now in the team give in-depth analysis of the highs, lows and madness of the EU Campaigns.  
 Performed by Jon Culshaw, Lewis MacLeod, Jan Ravens, Debra Stephenson and Duncan Wisbey.  
 Written by... Tom Jamieson and Nev Fountain, Tom Coles and Ed Amsden, Laurence Howarth, Duncan Wisbey, Sarah Campbell, Laura Major, James Bugg, Jack Bernhardt, Liam Beirne and Max Davis.  
 Producer... Bill Dare  
 A BBC Studios Production.  
**MON 23:25 The Comedy Club Interviews (b07jghgx)**  
 From 10pm to midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Paul Garner chats to The Inbetweeners co-creator Damon Beesley.  
**MON 23:30 Elvenquest (b017mvr)**  
 Series 4  
 Queen Eleanor  
 The noble Questers set off once again to find the Sword of Asnagar, the only thing that can rid Lower Earth from the tyranny of the evil Lord Darkness.  
 Their search brings them to the kingdom of Premenstrua, where they defeat a band of trolls that have been terrorising the land.  
 As a reward for their heroism, they are offered the Sword of Asnagar by its grateful ruler, Queen Eleanor. But before it's placed in their hands, they must first get her a birthday present...  
 Meanwhile, Kreech tries to convince Lord Darkness that what he needs to help him maintain eternal dominion over Lower Earth is a personal assistant...  
 Cast:  
 Vidar - Darren Boyd  
 Queen Eleanor - Louise Delamere  
 Dean/Kreech - Kevin Eldon  
 Amis - Dave Lamb  
 Sam - Stephen Mangan  
 Lord Darkness - Alistair McGowan  
 Penthiselea - Ingrid Oliver  
 Writers: Anil Gupta and Richard Pinto  
 Producer: Sam Michell.

## TUESDAY 28 JUNE 2016

**TUE 00:00 John Wyndham - The Day of the Triffids (b007jrps)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Monday]  
**TUE 00:30 A Good Read (b00767hq)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Monday]  
**TUE 01:00 Father Brown Stories (b007jp3p)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Monday]  
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 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Monday]  
**TUE 02:00 Deborah Moggach - Tulip Fever (b007jm5m)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Monday]

**TUE 02:15 The Invention of Childhood (b00s11tp)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Monday]  
**TUE 02:30 AS Byatt - The Frederica Quartet (b007jsqh)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Monday]  
**TUE 02:45 Book of the Week (b06j13r5)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:45 on Monday]  
**TUE 03:00 The Complete Smiley (b07pt2lr)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Monday]  
**TUE 04:00 The Complete Smiley (b07pt51g)**  
 The Spy Who Came in From the Cold  
 Episode 2  
 Dramatisation by Robert Forrest of John le Carre's classic novel featuring intelligence officer George Smiley.  
 The trap is set to catch the East German spymaster who has ruthlessly destroyed Alec Leamas's Berlin network - and the bait is Leamas himself.  
 Smiley ..... Simon Russell Beale  
 Alec Leamas ..... Brian Cox  
 Fiedler ..... Henry Goodman  
 Liz Gold ..... Ruth Gemmell  
 Control ..... John Rowe  
 Peter Guillam ..... Richard Dillane  
 Mundt ..... Sam Dale  
 Ashe ..... Jamie Newall  
 Doorman ..... Stephen Hogan  
 Miss Crail ..... Liza Sadovy  
 Mr Pitt ..... Philip Fox  
 Grocer ..... David Hargreaves  
 CIA Man ..... Benjamin Askew.  
**TUE 05:00 The Complete Smiley (b07pt51j)**  
 The Spy Who Came in From the Cold  
 Episode 3  
 Dramatisation by Robert Forrest of John le Carre's classic novel featuring intelligence officer George Smiley.  
 The deadly game of deceit and betrayal reaches its climax at the foot of the Berlin Wall.  
 Smiley ..... Simon Russell Beale  
 Alec Leamas ..... Brian Cox  
 Fiedler ..... Henry Goodman  
 Mundt ..... Sam Dale  
 Liz Gold ..... Ruth Gemmell  
 Ashe ..... Jamie Newall  
 Tribunal President ..... Siobhan Redmond  
 Peter Guillam ..... Richard Dillane  
 Commissar ..... Liza Sadovy  
 Agent ..... Stephen Hogan  
 Miss Crail ..... Liza Sadovy  
 Mr Pitt ..... Philip Fox  
 Grocer ..... David Hargreaves  
 CIA Man ..... Benjamin Askew.  
**TUE 06:00 Father Brown Stories (b007jp44)**  
 Series 2  
 The Curse of the Golden Cross  
 What do an itinerant gambler, an English lady, a steward, a vicar and a professor have in common? And who has the right to it? Father Brown finds the answer.  
 Stars Andrew Sachs as Father Brown.  
 GK Chesterton's stories of an amateur clerical sleuth with an uncanny understanding of the criminal mind at work.  
 Father Brown ..... Andrew Sachs  
 Professor Smail ..... Tim Reynolds  
 Mr Tarrant ..... Peter Marinker  
 Lady Diana ..... Natasha Pyne  
 Leonard Smythe ..... Peter Wickham  
 Steward ..... Terry O'Brien  
 Driver ..... Jonathan Taffler  
 Doctor ..... Eric Stovell  
 Dramatised by John Scotney  
 Directed at BBC Bristol by Alec Reid.  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1986.  
**TUE 06:30 Tarantino's Jukebox (b00lnczw)**  
 Episode 2  
 Episode 2/2  
 For the first time since Hitchcock, moviegoers have embraced a film director whose name denotes a genre in itself.  
 Transcending his reputation as a maker of violent movies, Quentin Tarantino is also recognised by his fans and admirers as an exceptional soundtrack producer. True Romance, Natural Born Killers, Reservoir Dogs, Pulp Fiction, Jackie Brown, Kill Bill... Tarantino selected all the tracks himself. In the 2nd of two programmes, the enfant terrible of American Cinema reveals his musical obsessions and his influences, and talks us through the contents of his virtual jukebox.  
 Music is a critical element in many movies, but never more so than in Tarantino's - he plunders his own backstory, remembering the tracks of his youth, as well as often making references to - and featuring music from - cult movies and television.  
 This intriguing documentary (coming to you from the red leatherette banquettes of Quentin's favourite virtual diner in LA) not only forages in the annals of great popular music, it focuses on the new styles of music Quentin has found for his latest movie Inglourious Basterds, which was recently nominated in the Best Picture category at the Oscars.  
 Also featuring film producer Laurence Bender, music & movie critic Paul Gambaccini, film editor Sally Menke, composer Charles Bernstein and music supervisors Mary Ramos and Karyn Rachtman.  
 Presented by conductor/composer & film-music historian

Robert Ziegler.  
Produced by Heavy Entertainment.  
**TUE 07:00 Two Doors Down (b00899nl)**  
Series 1  
The Minister Has a Window  
Clare's in a flap when the Minister from the Northern Ireland office comes for dinner with this dog.  
So cleaner Sally is booked for overtime to make sure the evening runs smoothly...  
Series one of Annie McCartney's four-part sitcom.  
Starring Frances Tomelty as Sally, Marcella Riordan as Clare, Roma Tomelty as Miss Black, Katy Gleadhill as Evie, Gerard Murphy as Fintan, Alan Mckee as Victor, Bethan Lloyd as Anna, Patrick Gleadhill as Simon, Robert Patterson as Tony, Emily Walmsley as Layla, Joel McElnay as Ben and Alfie Lloyd as Sam.  
Director: Tanya Nash  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2011.  
**TUE 07:30 My Teenage Diary (b07gfjhm)**  
Series 7  
Sara Pascoe  
Comedian Sara Pascoe joins Rufus Hound and reads from her teenage diaries.  
She works at the Millennium Dome, gets a new boyfriend, starts university and takes her dog along for company. What could possibly go wrong?  
Producer: Harriet Jaie  
Executive Producer: Aled Evans  
A Talkback production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in June 2016.  
**TUE 08:00 Steptoe and Son (b007j15j)**  
Series 1  
The Offer  
After a row with his father Albert, Harold decides to leave their rag and bone business and take up another offer of employment.  
Starring Wilfrid Brambell as Albert and Harry H Corbett as Harold.  
Following the conclusion of their hugely successful association with Tony Hancock, Ray Galton and Alan Simpson wrote 10 pilots for BBC TV's Comedy Playhouse in 1962.  
The Offer was set in a house with a yard full of junk, featuring the lives of rag and bone man Albert Steptoe and his son Harold and it was the spark for a run of 8 series for TV.  
Adapted for BBC radio from Galton and Simpson's TV script by Gale Pedrick.  
Produced by Bobby Jaye  
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in July 1966.  
**TUE 08:30 The Men from the Ministry (b007jz45)**  
Nothing But the Vest  
The bungling bureaucrats play cupid for Mildred - and spark mayhem with their requisitions.  
Stars Richard Murdoch and Deryck Guyler.  
With Norma Ronald, Ronald Baddiley and John Graham.  
Written by Edward Taylor and John Graham.  
'The Men from the Ministry' ran for 14 series between 1962 and 1977. Deryck Guyler replaced Wilfrid Hyde-White from 1966. Sadly many episodes didn't survive in the archive, however the BBC's Transcription Service re-recorded 14 shows in 1980 - never broadcast in the UK, until the arrival of BBC Radio 4 Extra.  
Producer: Edward Taylor  
First broadcast on the BBC Radio 4 in May 1975.  
**TUE 09:00 Dead Ringers (b07gls81)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 23:00 on Monday]  
**TUE 09:30 King of Bath (b045q4t8)**  
By Any Other Name  
No self-respecting Bath heiress would join the travelling players, but when one does, Beau Nash comes to the rescue.  
Six-part comedy drama series by Arnold Evans casting the 18th-century dandy Richard 'Beau' Nash in a series of adventures.  
Beau Nash ..... David Bamber  
Annie ..... Eiry Thomas  
Lucy ..... Lynn Seymour  
Dr Cheyne ..... Andrew Wincott  
Hazlitt ..... Peter Gunn  
Fanny ..... Alice Arnold  
Composer: John Hardy.  
Directed at BBC Wales by Alison Hindell  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1999.  
**TUE 10:00 The Complete Smiley (b07pt2m0)**  
The Looking Glass War  
Episode 1  
Dramatisation by Shaun McKenna of John le Carre's novel, the fourth to feature spymaster George Smiley.  
When word reaches The Department that Soviet missiles are being installed close to the West German border, they seize the opportunity to relive former glories.  
Leclerc ..... Ian McDiarmid  
George Smiley ..... Simon Russell Beale  
Avery ..... Patrick Kennedy  
Haldane ..... Philip Jackson  
Woodford ..... David Hargeaves  
Sarah ..... Fenella Woolgar  
Control ..... John Rowe  
Carol ..... Annabelle Dowler  
Taylor/Sutherland ..... Philip Fox  
Peersen ..... Stephen Hogan  
Lansen ..... Matt Addis

Girl ..... Lizzy Watts  
Fred Leiser ..... Piotr Baumann  
Directed by Marc Beeby.  
**TUE 11:00 Sailors' Knots (b01jwfx5)**  
Keeping Up Appearances  
Written by W.W. Jacobs.  
Published in 1909, Sailors' Knots is an anthology of comic stories set around London and the Thames Estuary at the turn of the last century. The 'knots' are the various mix-ups that occur between sailors on shore leave and the local residents. The tales are great fun, full of entertaining characters (with names like Silas Winch, Sam Small and Ginger Dick) and often deal with marital spats, misunderstandings, and rascals getting their just rewards.  
In this second episode, Mark Williams reads the story of Bill Buttenshaw, who is put off drink for life by the terrifying ghost of an old shipmate.  
W.W. Jacobs is best known for his horror story, The Monkey's Paw (1902), but the majority of his writing is comic. He was born in Wapping in 1863, where his father was wharf manager at the South Devon Wharf at Lower East Smithfield, and his early observation of merchant ships and the behaviour of their crews informed his many humorous tales.  
Mark Williams is well-known as one of the stars of BBC TV's The Fast Show ("Suits you, sir...!!") and for the role of Ron Weasley's father in the Harry Potter films.  
Abridged by Roy Apps  
Producer: David Blount  
A Pier production for BBC Radio 4.  
**TUE 11:15 Martyn Wade - A Home of Their Own (b00b4038)**  
To escape their children who won't leave home, Kenneth and Clare move to a smaller house - with no space for visitors.  
But the couple are soon plagued by former residents and visitors - unaware that the previous owner Mrs Hooper has departed...  
Martyn Wade's comedy starring David Troughton as Kenneth and Barbara Flynn as Clare.  
With Margaret Tyzack as Mrs Hooper, Richenda Carey as Miss Grainger-Taylor, Jonathan Keeble as Mr Norton, Wayne Foskett as Maurice, Harry Myers as George and Colleen Prendergast as Jill.  
Production note:  
'A Home of Their Own' was due to be recorded on location in a house used for a number of Martyn's previous plays, but which had become too noisy for period plays.  
Ironically during the recording, the cast and crew had to decamp to a studio as severe building work at both the back and front of the house made the recording inaudible. Perhaps the house was having the last word...?  
Producer: Cherry Cookson  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2005.  
**TUE 12:00 Steptoe and Son (b007j15j)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]  
**TUE 12:30 The Men from the Ministry (b007jz45)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]  
**TUE 13:00 Father Brown Stories (b007jp44)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]  
**TUE 13:30 Tarantino's Jukebox (b00lnczw)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]  
**TUE 14:00 Deborah Moggach - Tulip Fever (b007jm64)**  
Episode 7  
Sophia and Jan gamble all on the tulip markets, but will they have enough time? Read by Emma Fielding and William Gaminara.  
**TUE 14:15 The Invention of Childhood (b00sf8t9)**  
Mr Locke and Mr Rousseau  
Michael Morpurgo tells the story of two great 18th century philosophers, whose child-rearing ideas are influential to this day.  
**TUE 14:30 AS Byatt - The Frederica Quartet (b007jsqs)**  
Babel Tower, Part 7/8  
Frederica discovers that her new lover, John, has an unhealed brother and Paul makes a dramatic statement. Stars Tim Treloar.  
**TUE 14:45 Book of the Week (b06j6fey)**  
John le Carre: The Biography  
Episode 2  
The life of John le Carre by Adam Sisman, is abridged for radio in five episodes by Katrin Williams:  
2. Under his real name of David Cornwell, he leaves Sherbourne, goes to Bern and meets Joe Kraemer, who proves a route of sorts into the spying game.  
Reader: Stephen Boxer.  
Producer: Duncan Minshull.  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2015.  
**TUE 15:00 The Complete Smiley (b07pt2m0)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]  
**TUE 16:00 Counterpoint (b00fd2wx)**  
2005  
Semi-final 1  
Ned Sherrin's music quiz with Andrew Beardsell of Brighouse, Graham Bennett from Surbiton and Brian Clements of Chelmsford.  
**TUE 16:30 King of Bath (b045q4t8)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]  
**TUE 17:00 Two Doors Down (b00899nl)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]  
**TUE 17:30 My Teenage Diary (b07gfjhm)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

**TUE 18:00 John Wyndham - The Day of the Triffids (b007jrq5)**  
Episode 17  
An unexpected visitor to Shirning threatens to undermine Bill and Josella's future plans. Concluded by Roger May.  
**TUE 18:30 John Wyndham: No Place Like Earth (b00wqb56)**  
'The Day of the Triffids' is one of the great post war British novels. It was the first big success for its author John Wyndham - and it came late. He was in his 40s when it was published. He went on to write a series of successful books including The Kraken Wakes, The Chrysalids and The Midwich Cuckoos. His novels are set in middle class British suburbia - and have been accused of being 'cosy catastrophes', but at their heart is a streak of darkness. Wyndham was interested in how ordinary people would cope when extraordinary, and terrifying things happened to them.  
His greatest successes came in the 1950s and his preoccupations were very much post war and cold war; nuclear annihilation, social breakdown and anxieties over communism. He was also prescient; he touches on climate change, genetically modified crops and species extinction. He was fascinated by evolution; would human beings one day be supplanted by something superior? He was also intriguing when it came to his heroines - they were resourceful, sensible and clever. An occasional tear might be shed, but the Wyndham girl was soon decapitating triffids or felling religious fanatics.  
In 'No Place Like Earth' Dan Rebellato examines the importance and influence of John Wyndham on the history of British and American science fiction. The programme is produced in Manchester by Nicola Swords.  
**TUE 19:00 Steptoe and Son (b007j15j)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]  
**TUE 19:30 The Men from the Ministry (b007jz45)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]  
**TUE 20:00 Father Brown Stories (b007jp44)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]  
**TUE 20:30 Tarantino's Jukebox (b00lnczw)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]  
**TUE 21:00 Sailors' Knots (b01jwfx5)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]  
**TUE 21:15 Martyn Wade - A Home of Their Own (b00b4038)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]  
**TUE 22:00 My Teenage Diary (b07gfjhm)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]  
**TUE 22:30 Bleak Expectations (b01p71gl)**  
Series 5  
A Writely Life Made Dreadfully Different  
There's a novel writing showdown between Pip and Charles Dickens to find out who is the greatest writer in Britain.  
Mark Evans's epic Victorian comedy in the style of Charles Dickens.  
Sir Philip ..... Richard Johnson  
Young Pip Bin ..... Tom Allen  
Gently Benevolent ..... Anthony Head  
Harry Biscuit ..... James Bachman  
Clampvulture ..... Geoffrey Whitehead  
Ripely ..... Sarah Hadland  
Pippa ..... Susy Kane  
Lily ..... Sarah Hadland  
Producer: Gareth Edwards  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2012.  
**TUE 23:00 Children's Hour with Armstrong and Miller (b00933zr)**  
Episode 4  
Martin Bain-Jones is left in the studio, while Craig Children's got a dubious new job.  
Ben Miller and Alexander Armstrong star as the pompous critics.  
With:  
Charlie Condou  
Melissa Lloyd  
Tony Gardner  
Written by Ben Miller and Alexander Armstrong.  
Producer: Jon Rolph  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1998.  
**TUE 23:25 The Comedy Club Interviews (b07jghj7)**  
From 10pm to midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Paul Garner chats again to The Inbetweens co-creator Damon Beesley.  
**TUE 23:30 Danny Robins Music Therapy (b00fgts9)**  
Episode 1  
Danny Robins harnesses the power of music to improve the world to help humanity - and a dormouse.  
With Isy Suttie, boxer Beadyman and the Finchley Children's Music Group.  
Written by Danny Robins with Isy Suttie and Danielle Ward.  
Producer: Ben Walker  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2008.  
**WEDNESDAY 29 JUNE 2016**  
**WED 00:00 John Wyndham - The Day of the Triffids (b007jrq5)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Tuesday]  
**WED 00:30 John Wyndham: No Place Like Earth (b00wqb56)**



think is 'Help!'.

King of the one-liners, Milton Jones returns BBC to Radio 4 for an amazing 10th series in a new format where he has decided to set himself up as a man who can help anyone anywhere - whether they need it or not. Because, in his own words, "No problem too problem".

But each week, Milton and his trusty assistant Anton set out to help people and soon find they're embroiled in a new adventure. So when you're close to the edge, then Milton can give you a push.

This week, a friend who runs a B&B is in trouble - so it's time for Milton to dust off those nylon sheets and let the sparks fly. Written by Milton with James Cary ("Bluestone 42", "Miranda") and Dan Evans (who co-wrote Milton's Channel 4 show "House Of Rooms") the man they call "Britain's funniest Milton," returns to the radio with a fully-working cast and a shipload of new jokes.

The cast includes regulars Tom Goodman-Hill ("Spamalot", "Mr. Selfridge") as the ever-faithful Anton, and Dan Tetsell ("Newsjack"), and features the one and only Josie Lawrence working with Milton for the first time.

Producer David Tyler's radio credits include Armando Iannucci's Charm Offensive, Cabin Pressure, Bigpedia, Another Case Of Milton Jones, Jeremy Hardy Speaks To The Nation, The Brig Society, Giles Wembley Hogg Goes Off, The 99p Challenge, The Castle, The 3rd Degree and even, going back a bit, Radio Active.

Produced and Directed by David Tyler

A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4.

**WED 23:00 The Mel and Sue Thing (b00769y0)**

Episode 3

More mayhem from Mel Giedroyc and Sue Perkins.

Tragedy befalls the family in Jane Austen's lost novella, plus a pair of rather tame Shock Jocks; a ridiculously simple murder to solve in Leather Island and a rare treat as the Queen pays her very own special tribute to Brian May.

With Paul Chahidi

Written by Mel Giedroyc and Sue Perkins.

Producer: Elizabeth Freestone.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2002.

**WED 23:30 The Hudson and Pepperdine Show (b0075tfg)**

Series 1

Episode 4

Have the girls from hit American TV show 'Friends' really come to visit?

Variety meets sitcom meets sketch show - written and performed by Mel Hudson and Vicki Pepperdine.

With Martin Hyder and Jim North.

Script editor: Graeme Garden

Music by Richard Webb.

Producers: Claire Jones and Helen Williams

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2000.

#### THURSDAY 30 JUNE 2016

**THU 00:00 Simon Clark - The Night of the Triffids (b07htd4f)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Wednesday]

**THU 00:30 Off the Page (b008jd1m)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Wednesday]

**THU 01:00 Father Brown Stories (b0081lvr)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Wednesday]

**THU 01:30 Meet the Patels (b00kvryj)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Wednesday]

**THU 02:00 Deborah Moggach - Tulip Fever (b007jm6m)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Wednesday]

**THU 02:15 The Invention of Childhood (b00sfcy9)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Wednesday]

**THU 02:30 AS Byatt - The Frederica Quartet (b007jsr3)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Wednesday]

**THU 02:45 Book of the Week (b06j6g4p)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:45 on Wednesday]

**THU 03:00 The Complete Smiley (b07pt1v0)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Wednesday]

**THU 04:00 The Complete Smiley (b07pt1v7)**

Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy

Episode 2

Dramatisation by Shaun McKenna of John le Carre's classic novel.

George Smiley, called back from retirement, tries to piece together the events of the past to find the mole he believes is tearing apart the British Secret Intelligence Service.

George Smiley ..... Simon Russell Beale

Ann Smiley ..... Anna Chancellor

Control ..... John Rowe

Peter Guillam ..... Ewan Bailey

Percy Alleline ..... Bill Paterson

Ricki Tarr ..... Jamie Foreman

Toby Esterhase ..... Sam Dale

Bill Haydon ..... Michael Feast

Roy Bland ..... David Hargreaves

Sam Collins ..... Nicholas Boulton.

**THU 05:00 The Complete Smiley (b07pt1w3)**

Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy

Episode 3

Dramatisation by Shaun McKenna of John le Carre's classic novel.

George Smiley, called back from retirement, is reaching the end

of his hunt to find the mole he believes is tearing the British

Secret Intelligence Service apart.

George Smiley ..... Simon Russell Beale

Ann Smiley ..... Anna Chancellor

Control ..... John Rowe

Peter Guillam ..... Ewan Bailey

Jim Prideaux ..... Anthony Calf

Mendel ..... Kenneth Cranham

Magyar ..... Peter Magyer

Ricki Tarr ..... Jamie Foreman

Toby Esterhase ..... Sam Dale

Bill Haydon ..... Michael Feast

Karla ..... Philip Fox

Polyakov ..... Stephen Greif

Steve Mackelvore ..... Piers Wenhner

Mrs McCraig ..... Kate Layden

Bill Roach ..... Ryan Watson.

**THU 06:00 Bill Murphy - Hallows End (b007k2zc)**

Wealthy Dubliner Dermot McPhail misguidedly buys a Gothic mansion on the wild coast of west Cork, but things start going dramatically wrong when the unscrupulous property developer and his pampered wife Clodagh move in.

Is someone sabotaging Dermot's dream, or is the ancient curse of Hallows End at work?

Bill Murphy's whodunit stars Gerry O'Brien as Dermot, Ann Marie Horan as Clodagh, Darragh Kelly as Patrick, Helen Norton as Aoife and Simon Delaney as Martin/Barman.

Producer: Lawrence Jackson

Made for BBC Radio 7 by BBC Northern Ireland.

First broadcast in 2007.

**THU 06:30 The Walpole Chronicle (b01016wg)**

The novelist Hugh Walpole was one of the most successful writers of his generation; a consummate story teller. In the 1920s and 30s he was a publisher's dream ticket.

Each new novel dramatically outsold the one before. On his lucrative literary tours of America he pulled in even bigger audiences than Charles Dickens who had done the circuit 80 years before. He was a friend of and admired by Virginia Woolf, Arnold Bennett, John Buchan, Henry James, Clemence Dane, and T.S. Eliot. He wrote more than 50 books including 36 novels. He was the master of the epic family saga and also an accomplished writer of psychological thrillers and supernatural tales. Carl Jung thought Walpole was a better psychologist than many of his professional colleagues.

Today Walpole is largely forgotten. It was said that "the works of Hugh Walpole will go on forever" but today only a couple of his books are still in print. But what caused this catastrophic decline in Walpole's reputation?

For this re-appraisal of Walpole and his work Eric Robson travels to the Borrowdale Valley in the Lake District where Hugh settled for the last twenty years of his life. We go in search of this larger than life character who denied the existence of income tax, spent several fortunes on collections of books and art works and sought the love of London's literary set only to be ridiculed and parodied whilst his back was turned. Why has the verdict of posterity apparently been so harsh?

Producer: Barney Rowntree

A Somethin Else production for BBC Radio 4

**THU 07:00 All the Young Dudes (b01b3cgf)**

Series 2

Happy Together

Patrick and Helen have a massive row, while Billy arranges to meet another Prisoner fan off the web. Comedy written by and starring Jim Sweeney. From September 2002.

**THU 07:30 Welcome to Wherever You Are (b07gh5z2)**

Pilot

Andrew Maxwell hosts a truly global stand-up show, in which comedians perform from wherever on the planet they happen to be, via high quality phone lines and internet video, to a live audience in the BBC Radio Theatre, London.

This pilot features award-winning comedians in Jakarta, St Petersburg, and Los Angeles, giving the range of observations a little wider than in a typical stand-up show. Subjects covered include being the freedoms afforded to women; how powerful Vladimir Putin really is; and why Canada probably doesn't exist.

With:

Sakdiyah Ma'ruf

Igor Meerson

Guy Branum

Andrew Maxwell is a multiple Edinburgh Comedy Award nominee and a regular on BBC Radio 4.

Producer: Ed Morrish

A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in June 2016.

**THU 08:00 The Small, Intricate Life of Gerald C Potter (b007jzjx)**

Series 3

The Fridge

Author Gerald and his wife Diana blow hot and cold over refrigeration.

The convoluted chronicle of an optimistic author starring Ian Carmichael as Gerald C Potter and Charlotte Mitchell as his wife, Diana.

With Brian Carroll and Danny Schiller.

Written by Basil Boothroyd.

Producer: Bobby Jaye

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1979.

**THU 08:30 Radio Active (b007jpkc)**

Series 5

Music Festival

Mike Flex and Mike Channel host Radio Active's very own live music extravaganza.

Starring Helen Atkinson-Wood, Angus Deayton, Geoffrey Perkins, Philip Pope and Michael Fenton-Stevens.

Music by Philip Pope, Steve Brown and Geoffrey Perkins. Written by Angus Deayton and Geoffrey Perkins with John Docherty, Moray Hunter and Jeremy Pascall.

Producer: Jamie Rix

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1985 .

**THU 09:00 Booked (b0075sqz)**

Series 4

Episode 3

Ian McMillan chairs the irreverent writing game.

Regular panellists Mark Thomas and Dillie Keane are joined by Roger McGough and Miles Kington.

Producer: Marc Jobst

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1998.

**THU 09:30 When the Dog Dies (b045bss6)**

Series 4

The Hills Are Alive

Another chance to hear the much missed Ronnie Corbett in the final series of his popular sitcom by Ian Davidson and Peter Vincent. Ronnie is granddad Sandy and his old dog is Henry. If the dog dies or his lodger moves on, Sandy's children want him to downsize. He doesn't.

To help his finances, Sandy, still in the family home, took in a young couple as lodgers. But then the man left - leaving the attractive Dolores behind. And Sandy's children are quite sure she's a gold-digger. Sandy's opinion that it would be inhuman to move Henry somewhere unfamiliar is wearing a bit thin - as is the old dog himself.

Keeping the dog alive and the lodger happy is one thing, but what really concerns Sandy deeply is providing a guiding hand to his whole family - advising here, prompting there, responding to any emergency callout. If he kept himself to himself, of course, things would be a lot simpler and smoother. But a lot duller too.

Episode Four - The Hills Are Alive

Sandy's holding auditions for The Sound of Music. Everyone wants to be in it. Complete strangers burst into song. Son-in-law Blake takes advantage of Sandy's distraction to lure him into a skyscraper for old people.

Written by Ian Davidson and Peter Vincent

Producer: Liz Anstee

A CPL production for BBC Radio 4.

**THU 10:00 The Complete Smiley (b07ps220)**

The Honourable Schoolboy

Episode 1

It's 1975, and spymaster George Smiley takes charge of dealing with a betrayal. Stars Simon Russell Beale and Hugh Bonneville.

**THU 11:00 Half-Light (b01h14gy)**

The Black Woolen Gloves

By Neil M. Gunn, first published in 1928.

Read by Claire Knight.

A newly qualified school-mistress, just arrived in the Highland town of Inverness, chances upon the love of her life in the reading room of the local library.

First in a series of three short stories by one of Scotland's finest writers, Neil M. Gunn (best known for his 1941 novel, The Silver Darlings). Gunn was born in 1891, in the coastal village of Dunbeath, in Caithness, and wrote prolifically over a period that spanned the recession of the 1920s through to the aftermath of the second world war. He died in 1973.

The stories in this series are taken from Half-Light, a new collection of Gunn's short fiction compiled by his nephew Dairmid Gunn and published by Caithness-based Whittles Publishing.

Abridged and produced by Kirsteen Cameron.

**THU 11:15 Drama (b015p86d)**

Mark Lawson - The Artist is Thinking

In an intriguing murder mystery in the art world, Mark Lawson pursues a theme which for him holds particular fascination; the desire of the artist to remain illusive and anonymous behind work which is heavily codified and seemingly impenetrable.

When a brilliant young art historian flies in the face of the received wisdom regarding the work of the reclusive Anderson Perrine, the artist feels a distinct invasion of his privacy. He sets about laying a series of false trails but her pursuit of him is unrelenting and he is obliged to take radically evasive action. 'THE ARTIST IS THINKING' by Mark Lawson

THE ARTIST IS THINKING is directed by Eoin O'Callaghan and produced in Belfast for Radio 4.

**THU 12:00 The Small, Intricate Life of Gerald C Potter (b007jzjx)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

**THU 12:30 Radio Active (b007jpkc)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

**THU 13:00 Bill Murphy - Hallows End (b007k2zc)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

**THU 13:30 The Walpole Chronicle (b01016wg)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

**THU 14:00 Deborah Moggach - Tulip Fever (b007jm73)**

Episode 9

Sophia is in hiding and Jan is trying to plan their escape, but will fate intervene? Read by Emma Fielding and William Gaminara.

**THU 14:15 The Invention of Childhood (b00sglgn)**





Harry Secombe

Spike Milligan

Jack Train

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: Pat Dixon

First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in February 1957.

**FRI 09:00 Whispers (b007k2sf)**

Series 3

Episode 2

Gyles Brandreth chairs the scandals quiz with Anthony Holden, Lucy Moore, Richard Herring and Louise Doughty. From October 2005.

**FRI 09:30 No Commitments (b01m8511)**

Series 10

Rules of Engagement

With Emily due to wed, Victoria is finally able to upstage her younger sister Charlotte. Stars Angela Thorne. From February 2004.

**FRI 10:00 The Complete Smiley (b07psz6r)**

Smiley's People

Episode 1

George finds himself back in harness to the circus when an old friend and colleague is found dead. John le Carre thriller stars Simon Russell Beale.

**FRI 11:00 Half-Light (b01hxtmk)**

The White Hour

By Neil M. Gunn, first published in 1924.

Read by Ann Louise Ross.

An elderly Highland woman is comforted in her final hours by the companionable nearness of her beloved granddaughter and the young woman's lover.

Second in a series of three short stories by one of Scotland's finest writers, Neil M. Gunn (best known for his 1941 novel, The Silver Darlings). Gunn was born in 1891, in the coastal village of Dunbeath, in Caithness, and wrote prolifically over a period that spanned the recession of the 1920s through to the aftermath of the Second World War. He died in 1973.

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Abridged and produced by Kirsteen Cameron.

**FRI 11:15 Dermot Bolger - Temptation (b0076frt)**

Powerful emotions erupt as married Alison is reunited with a long lost love on holiday in Ireland.

Stars Zara Turner as Alison Gill, Peter McDonald as Chris Conway, Gary Whelan as Peadar, Eleanor Methven as Joan, Gerard McSorley as the Doctor, Coirle Magee as Sheila, Jack Logue as Danny and Emma McNeill as the Babysitter.

Producer: Gemma McMullan

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2003.

**FRI 12:00 Whatever Happened to the Likely Lads?**

(b007nflx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

**FRI 12:30 The Goon Show (b007jtth)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

**FRI 13:00 Graham Swannell - Hec (b07hwpdl)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

**FRI 13:30 Down and Out in the City of Angels (b0128lmt)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

**FRI 14:00 Deborah Moggach - Tulip Fever (b007jm7m)**

Episode 10

Sophia feels she has committed a terrible sin and must pay for it, but how? Read by Emma Fielding and William Gaminara.

**FRI 14:15 The Invention of Childhood (b00sg3tf)**

The Child Is Father of the Man

With evangelicals to rationalists battling over Britain's children, Michael Morpurgo searches surviving 18th-century records.

**FRI 14:30 AS Byatt - The Frederica Quartet (b007jsrt)**

A Whistling Woman, Part 2/7

Frederica has doubts about her television career and her brother, Marcus, makes a shocking discovery. Stars Karl Prekopp.

**FRI 14:45 Book of the Week (b06j5ycc)**

John le Carre: The Biography

Episode 5

The life of John le Carre by Adam Sisman, is abridged for radio in five episodes by Katrin Williams:

From The Constant Gardener in the 1990s to the present day, and the author is still very much at work - "I find it very difficult to read my own stuff, but I look at it with satisfaction."

Reader: Stephen Boxer

Producer: Duncan Minshull

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2015.

**FRI 15:00 The Complete Smiley (b07psz6r)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

**FRI 16:00 Whispers (b007k2sf)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

**FRI 16:30 No Commitments (b01m8511)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

**FRI 17:00 Tom Wrigglesworth: Utterly at Odds with the Universe (b04g8rhd)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

**FRI 17:30 Rumblyngs from the Rafters (b07h65c6)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

**FRI 18:00 Simon Clark - The Night of the Triffids**

(b07jw32)

Episode 3

The more David Masen learns about Manhattan, the less he likes it. And the island's leader has a dubious past.

Simon Clark's 2001 novel is the sequel to John Wyndham's sci-fi classic. At the conclusion of 'The Day of the Triffids', scientist Bill Masen had escaped with his wife and four-year-old son to the island.

Now grown up, Bill's son, David wakes up one morning to a world plunged into darkness. Now, the Triffids have an advantage over humanity.

Stars Sam Troughton as David Masen, Nicola Bryant as Cerys/Marnie/Rowena, Paul Clayton as Bill Masen/General Fielding, Geff Francis as Gabriel and John Schwab as Sam Dynes.

Adapted by the author.

Producer: John Ainsworth.

Executive Producers: Jason Haigh-Ellery & Nicholas Briggs. A Big Finish production.

**FRI 18:30 Sounds Natural (b07hwrh5)**

Spike Milligan

From Rhesus Monkeys to Kookaburras. Star of The Goon Show, Spike Milligan talks to Derek Jones about his enthusiasm for wild animals and his concern for their future - aided by recordings from the BBC Sound Archives.

Spike Milligan KBE: born 1918 - died 2002.

Producer: John Burton.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1972.

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**FRI 22:00 The Iguanodon (b0075cbr)**

Away and Slightly to the Left

Sam Varley is looking for a lift back to the mainland when his boat is wrecked in a storm.

Mr Brook is looking for an unforgettable adventure at sea, after a lifetime in custards.

Neither of them get quite what they're expecting on a boat called 'The Iguanodon'...

Three-part comedy adventure by Paul Lucas.

Sam Varley ..... Paul Haigh

Mr Brook ..... Bernard Cribbins

Don O'Reilly ..... Dermot Crowley

Isabel ..... Rosemary Leach

The Captain ..... John Arthur

Laura ..... Sally Phillips

Harriet ..... Patsy Byrne

Producer: Jo Clegg

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1997.

**FRI 22:30 BBC New Comedy Awards (b07hnq1k)**

2016

Heat 3 - Manchester

Ten new comedians perform in the third heat from Manchester's Comedy Store with host Justin Moorhouse.

**FRI 23:25 The Comedy Club Interviews (b07kd804)**

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

**FRI 23:30 The Consultants (b0076q2b)**

Series 2

Episode 6

Crossword challenges and dinner with the devil. Offbeat songs and sketches with Neil Edmond, Justin Edwards and James Rawlings. From May 2004.