

SATURDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2019

SAT 00:00 Carey Harrison - A Call from the Dead (b01nf2h9)

It's good to talk - or so they say - but not when you're called from beyond the grave... Stars John Shrapnel as Dr Edward Elmore, Nick Dunning as Stephen Warburton, Christopher Scott as the Reverend Neville Barber and Carolyn Jones as Martha. Scripted by Carey Harrison. Director: Sally Avens. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1997.

SAT 00:30 Off the Page (b0076mns)

Pomp and Circumstance
Matthew Parris performs his formalised radio ritual with Times editor Mary Ann Sieghart, sports writer Mihir Bose and actor Tom Mitchelson. From August 2004.

SAT 01:00 Paul Temple (b007k0cx)

Paul Temple and the Sullivan Mystery
The House of Bahri
The suave sleuth acts on wife Steve's hunch - and ends up meeting a ghost. In this 2006 recreation of the 1947 vintage crime serial, Crawford Logan stars as Paul Temple and Gerda Stevenson as Steve. Between 1938 and 1968, Francis Durbridge's incomparably suave amateur detective Paul Temple and glamorous wife Steve solved case after baffling case in one of BBC radio's most popular series. They inhabited a sophisticated, well-heeled world of cocktails and fast cars. Sadly, only half of their adventures survive in the archives. But in 2006, the BBC began recreating them using original scripts and incidental music, and recorded with vintage microphones and sound effects. Paul Temple Crawford Logan. Steve Gerda Stevenson. Miss Fraser Eliza Languard. Victor Armstrong Michael MacKenzie. Harold Darwin Richard Greenwood. Colonel Marquand. Zoltan Bahri Angus MacInnes. Olaf Schreider Nick Underwood. Signor Rossette Greg Powrie. Patrick Quinn. Monsieur Flamberg Gareth Thomas. Sidney Jeans Wendy Seager. Producer: Patrick Rayner. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2006.

SAT 01:30 The World Cup for Writers (b01qfhh6)

The England Writers Football team brings together some of the most exciting writers - and the worst footballers - in Britain. Despite sounding like a Monty Python joke, its members would claim that there is a connection between the two activities that's well worth exploring. Author of Submarine and acclaimed new talent (literary) Joe Dunthorne provides a running commentary on a match between his England Writers Football Team and the newly-formed Scotland Writers Football Team, at a hotly-contested international match in Glasgow. Can a writer ever make a really good footballer? Producer: Beth O'Dea. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2013.

SAT 02:00 Book at Bedtime (b052mjzv)

In Certain Circles
'I'm marvellously happy'
The unlikely marriage between Zoe and Stephen continues to raise eyebrows. Internationally acclaimed Australian author Elizabeth Harrower's novel was written in 1971 and was finally published in 2015. This tale of love, class and freedom is set among the grand houses and lush gardens of Sydney Harbour just after the Second World War, following the lives of Zoe and Russell Howard. Charismatic and confident, the children of affluent and loving parents, they welcome into their circle two orphans, Stephen and Anna. It's a meeting that will resonate for decades. Reader: Penny Downie. Abridger: Sally Marmion. Producer: Justine Willett. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2015.

SAT 02:15 What Is a Story? (b061tpq2)

As If: Dreams of Shelter
Marina Warner concludes her series with an episode titled 'As if: Dreams of Shelter'. A look at the world of contemporary fiction. In the company of leading contemporary writers, she considers a story and story writing from a different angle. Marina speaks with writers as diverse as Julian Barnes, Michelle Roberts, Fanny Howe, Marlene van Niekerk, Alain Mabanckou, Lydia Davis, Edwin Frank, Elleke Boehmer, Wen-Chin Ouyang, Daniel Medin, Nadeem Aslam and Laszlo Krasznahorkai. There are questions around the boundaries between fact and fiction which Marina believes are central to any consideration of storytelling, since readers' pleasure depends so much on trust built up between the storyteller or writer and the audience. With discussions on the reasons for writing, writers as witnesses and political interaction. Marina was Chair of the Man Booker International Prize 2015 and the series draws on the expertise of the International Booker judging panel, the views of the shortlisted writers, as well as other key literary talent. Producer: Kevin Dawson. A Whistledown production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in July 2015.

SAT 02:30 15 Minute Drama (b06d9p9s)

CJ Sansom - Shardlake: Sovereign
Episode 10
Falsely accused of treason and unable to answer the gaoler's questions, Shardlake awaits his fate in the Tower of London. Can Barak convince Archbishop Cranmer that the allegations are false and save him from the torture chamber? Final instalment of the dramatisation of CJ Sansom's third Tudor crime novel series featuring lawyer detective Matthew Shardlake. Shardlake Justin Salinger. Barak Bryan Dick. Wrenne Geoffrey Whitehead. Tamasin Cath Whitefield. Radwinter David Acton. Broderick Nick

Underwood. Maleverer Stephen Critchlow. Jennet Alex Tregear. Rawling Patrick Brennan. Cranmer Sam Dale. Rochford Amelia Lowdell. Rich Chris Pavlo. Dereham Mark Edel. Hunt. Queen Catherine Melody Grove. Other parts are played by members of the cast. Dramatised by Colin MacDonald. Director: Kirsteen Cameron. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2015.

SAT 02:45 Book of the Week (b04wvwtj)

Different Every Time - Robert Wyatt
Episode 5
Wyatt curates a very successful Meltdown Festival in London. Plus an insight into 'le trac' - his particular form of stage fright - and meet some of his famous collaborators who continue to hold him in high esteem. Marcus O'Dair's biography of Robert Wyatt, a musical cult cum national treasure. Concluded by Julian Rhind-Tutt. Abridged in five parts by Katrin Williams. Producer: Duncan Minshull. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2015.

SAT 03:00 Peter Tinniswood (b0075667)

Next Time We Might Play Better
An excruciatingly inept quartet of musicians' fervent aim is to play better. Peter Tinniswood's touching comedy stars Graham Crowden as Mr Leslie Deedes and Hugh Dickson as the Narrator. Mr Deedes Graham Crowden. Narrator Hugh Dickson. Mrs Klite Jillie Meers. Penelope Carolyn Jones. Esmond Christopher Scott. Old/Young Mr Sievwright Stephen Thorne. Mr Martindale Anthony Ofoegbu. Mistress Tracy-Ann Oberman. Duffy Gerard McDermott. Musical director: Michael Haslam. Director: Enyd Williams. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1997.

SAT 04:00 Who Goes There? (b0076bdv)

Series 6
Martin Young presents the biographical quiz show. Team captains Francis Whene and Fred Housego are joined by broadcaster and magician, Geoffrey Durham and writer Jenny Colgan. Producer: Elizabeth Freestone. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2002.

SAT 04:30 Mark Tavener - In the Red (b007k07w)

Episode 4
Reporter George Cragge grabs headlines, as the plot to overthrow the BBC Director General grows darker. London is plagued by a series of bizarre murders of bank managers. Hot on the trail of the killer are an old-style Chief Police Inspector and BBC Radio's crime correspondent, George Cragge. A blackly humorous murder mystery set in the world of City finance, the BBC and political parties. Dramatised in seven parts by Mark Tavener and Peter Baynham from Mark Tavener's novel. George Cragge Michael Williams. Frank Jefferson Barry Foster. Geoffrey Crichton-Potter Stephen Moore. Henry Julian Rhind-Tutt. Max Peter Woodthorpe. Controller Radio 2 Stephen Fry. Controller Radio 4 John Bird. Dominic De'ath Benjamin Whitrow. Hercules Fortescue Nicholas Le Prevost. Andrew James Peter Serafinowicz. Laetitia Victoria Carling. Caroline Susie Brann. Other parts played by Jonathan Keeble, Don Macokindale, Annabel Mullion and Alice Arnold. Music by Paul Mottram. Producer: Paul Schlesinger. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1995.

SAT 05:00 Babblewick Hall (b01n2111)

Series 1
Episode 2
Having foiled his servant's attempts to get him back to London, Fenton Babblewick sets about establishing his reputation as a great agricultural reformer - with a radical proposal for the growing of the humble beetroot. Starring Nicholas Le Prevost as Fenton Babblewick and Forbes Masson as Augustus Snipe. Scott Cherry's six-part sitcom set in the 18th-century. Fenton Babblewick Nick Le Prevost. Augustus Snipe Forbes Masson. Barney David Antrobus. Jack Sam Kelly. Molly Gillian Bevan. Peck Alex Lowe. Pickett Christain Rodska. Grunter Geoff McGiven. Fiofin Paul Mottram. Music by Paul Mottram. Producer: Paul Schlesinger. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1996.

SAT 05:30 Cooking in a Bedsitter (b09hr1g3)

Series 2
Veiled Country Lass
Beattie Edmondson and Nikesh Patel star in Sue Teddner's romantic comedy, inspired by Katharine Whitehorn's cookery classic. Trisha makes a special pudding for her first visit to Robert's parents' house. Extracts from Cooking in a Bedsitter are read by Eleanor Bron. Directed by Emma Harding.

SAT 06:00 Len Deighton - The Ipress File (b01697h2)

An unnamed agent is ensnared in a sinister plot to brainwash scientists and trade them across the Iron Curtain. Len Deighton's gripping Cold War thriller was first published in 1962. This taut BBC radio dramatisation is by Mike Walker. The Agent Ian Hart. Colonel Ross James Laurens. Major Dalby Jonathan Coy. Chico Jamie Bamber. Jean Fenella Woolgar. Alice Rachel Atkins. Jay Peter Marinker. Skip Kerry Shale. Keightley Adam Tedder. Adem Raad Rawi. Battersby John Sharian. Embassy Official John Sharian. Producer: Toby Swift. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2004.

SAT 07:30 Britain in a Box (b01shqc1)

Series 6
Casualty
Paul Jackson visits the purpose-built TV studios of the longest running medical drama in the world. Born out of necessity (as a

weapon in the weekly battle for audience-share on Saturday nights) "Casualty" has become one of BBC 1's most consistent performers. Series in celebrating innovative TV programmes, whilst using them as a window on a particular period in our cultural and social history. Paul discusses the programme's origins with the show's creators (Jeremy Brock and Paul Unwin) and the people who commissioned it and stood by it during its lean years (Lord Grade and Jonathan Powell). He assesses how much it has changed in its long life. Featuring cast members Patrick Robinson (Ash) and the ever-present Derek Thompson who from the very first episode played Charlie Fairhead. Plus Pete Salt, the medical consultant on whom Charlie is based) and series producer Nikki Wilson. Paul also gauges the future of the programme with the head of BBC 1's scheduling, Dan McGolpin. Producer: Paul Kobrak. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2013.

SAT 08:00 Archive on 4 (b0076ecs)

The Liverpool Poets
In 1967, three young poets found fame and popularity with the publication of the anthology, The Mersey Sound. Pete McCarthy looks at the work of Roger McGough, Adrian Henri and Brian Patten. Contributors include artist and critic George Melly, musician Andy Roberts and writer Phil Bowen. Produced by Bob Dickinson. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2003.

SAT 09:00 Fathers and Sons (m0008qlm)

'The Bard of Barnsley', Ian McMillan has some competition... his son Andrew McMillan, is a poet too. Here, they jointly present this showcase which looks at the Father and Son relationship. Together they dig in the archive to talk masculinity, inheritance and ask 'how should you bring up a boy?' They discuss the generation gap and the difficulties men often have saying 'I love you', embarrassing incidents, and hopes and dreams for the future. They also focus on literary heritage, as we hear archive from the famous father and son writers Kingsley and Martin Amis. Ian and Andrew discuss passing on poetry, and the strange experience Andrew had following his dad round on work experience as a poet. They also interview the writer Luke Kennard on failing to live up to his father's kindness, and how to bring up boys in the 21st century. In the archive we also meet some difficult and emotionally unavailable fathers and ask how not to pass this down to the next generation? Archive featured: * Tom Wrighlesworth's Hang-Ups (2013) * Dad Made Me Laugh (2005): Michael Sellers discusses his relationship with his father, Peter* Amis and Amis (1989): Interview with Kingsley Amis and his son, Martin* A Death in the Family (2017) : Episode 7 of the Book at Bedtime adaptation of Karl Ove Knausgaard's* Rudy's Rare Records (2008)* Fathers and Sons (2017): Episode 4 of Howard Cunnell's Memoir Presenters: Andrew McMillan and Ian McMillan. Producer: Jessica Treen. Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in September 2019.

SAT 12:00 Whispers (b007k2kg)

Series 1
Episode 1
What is the rather inflammatory connection between Salman Rushdie and The Beatles? Celebrating our fascination with gossip, rumour and controversy. Gyles Brandreth hosts the panel game with scandal on its mind and slander at its heart. Regular team captains writer and critic Anthony Holden and writer and actor Stella Duffy are joined by broadcaster Rosie Millard and best-selling author Jenny Colgan to test their wits, and wit against the most notorious figures in history. Producer: Elizabeth Freestone. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2003.

SAT 12:30 Fat Chance (b019fwxg)

Weigh in with Wendy
Graham joins the members of a slimming club run by Wendy Bottomley. Jenny McDade's high-fat bittersweet comedy for those believing there's a thin person inside them begging to get out. Graham Pitscottie Gareth Corke. Wendy Bottomley Janine Duvitski. Clive Bottomley Michael Troughton. Soo Pitscottie Anne Reid. Tina Tattersall Julia Deakin. Kelly Chambers Tilly Gaunt. Lee Dubs Harry Myers. Mrs Enright Frances Jeater. Producer: Sally Avens. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1999.

SAT 13:00 Blackwater (Omnibus) (m0008rh0)

Episode 2
The conclusion of Claire McGowan's multi-voiced dark story about secrets and lies in a small town. Golden girl Zoe's been dead for ten years, her body dragged from the river Black after a night out to celebrate the end of school. But now a woman who says she's Zoe has turned up in her hometown of Blackwater, on the Irish border, with no memory of the last decade. She claims she woke up in a forest nearby, bruised and bleeding, and doesn't know where she's been all this time. What happened to her? Is she really Zoe? If so, who's in her grave? Paul, a local boy whose band were playing in the venue where Zoe was last seen, went to prison for her murder. Now he's out, but he's lost everything and is shunned in the town. The people of Blackwater were easily convinced that a black boy murdered Zoe, and the evidence did stack up - but if she's not even dead, then how did he get convicted? Did someone deliberately frame him? He's determined to find out the truth and clear his name. But does he really know nothing about what happened? Could it be that everyone involved with the case is hiding something? There's Zoe's uncle Phil, a former detective superintendent with an explosive secret. There's Steve, the police officer who found 'Zoe's' body in the river Black, and

sent Paul to prison for her murder. And there's Zoe's friend Danny, who wasn't were she said she was on that night ten years ago. When Paul and Zoe collide, they realise they're the only ones who can help each other. As they sift through their conflicting memories of that day ten years ago, they start to discover that not everyone is happy Zoe's back from the dead. Omnibus of the last five of ten parts. Clare Dunne Zoe Richard Clements Steve Claire McGowan Writer Celia De Wolff Producer First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2019.

SAT 14:10 Inheritance Tracks (m0008qlp)

Stephen Poliakoff
Playwright and director Stephen Poliakoff chooses The Forsyte Saga theme by Eric Coates and Willow by Joan Armatrading. SAT 14:15 Frankly Speaking (b07zd0nz)

Hugh Cudlipp

A newspaper editor at just 24, Hugh Cudlipp had left Cardiff aged 14 to become a reporter in Manchester. At 52, when he was the charismatic Chairman of the Mirror Newspaper group, he was interviewed by Joan Yorke and Derek Cooper. Joan Yorke was a journalist and went on to present the very first edition of You and Yours in 1971. Derek Cooper was a radio reporter and went on to present Radio 4's long running Food Programme. Hugh Cudlipp died in 1998 aged 85. Launched in 1952 on the BBC Home Service, Frankly Speaking was a novel, ground breaking series. Unrehearsed and unscripted, the traditional interviewee/interviewer pairing was initially jettisoned for three interviewers firing direct questions. Early critics described it as 'unempt', 'an inquisition' and described the guest as prey being cornered, quarry being pursued - with calls to axe the unscripted interview. But the format won out and eventually won over its detractors. Only 40 or so of the original 100 programmes survive. First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in 1965.

SAT 14:45 15 Minute Drama (b09jf4qg)

Holmes and Watford

Burglary

Comedy about two policewoman crewing in a small village. For PC Sue Holmes policing is about keeping the peace but PC Tina Watford yearns for excitement and she'll stop at nothing to ensure some action. Today a burglary has taken place and Tina has a lightbulb moment as to whom may have committed the crime. by Jon Canter Directed by Sally Avens

SAT 15:00 Archive on 4 (b0076csc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

SAT 16:00 Len Deighton - The Ipress File (b01697h2)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SAT 17:30 Britain in a Box (b01shqc1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

SAT 18:00 Doctor Who (b08vbgwy)

The Lost Stories: Paradise 5

Episode 2

The Sixth Doctor and his companion Peri uncover the true, deadly purpose of the sinister resort vessel...An adventure originally written for the BBC's Doctor Who TV series but never made. An adventure originally written for the BBC's Doctor Who TV series but never made. Colin Baker stars as the Sixth Doctor. Peri Nicola Bryant Gabriel Alex MacQueen Michael James D'Arcy Stella/Bella Helen Goldwyn Lorelei Andree Bernard Elohim Teddy Kempner Mrs. Aht Claire Wyatt Mr. Tapp Richard Earl Written by PJ Hammond and Andy Lane. Director: Barnaby Edwards Made by Big Finish and reversioned for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in 2017.

SAT 19:00 Fathers and Sons (m0008qlm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SAT 22:00 Political Animals (b01m179f)

Series 1

Humphrey

The notoriously photo-shy Humphrey, Chief Mouser to the Cabinet Office 1989 to 1997, a cat with a robust vocabulary and a pretty earthy view of political life, looks back on his struggles with all things New Labour. Series of scurrilous talks given by well-known, if unreliable, Downing Street cats, who relate their trials and tribulations under four different Prime Ministers. Starring James Fleet. Written by Tony Bagley. Director: Marc Beby First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2012.

SAT 22:15 Gus Murdoch's Sacred Cows (b00fgq45)

Bank Hols

Incisive reporter Gus Murdoch investigates the pros and cons of bank holidays. Written by and starring Stephen Carlin. With Neil Edmond, Margaret Cabourn-Smith, Stephen Carlin, Helen Longworth and Chris Pavlo. Producer: Tilusha Ghelani Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in November 2008.

SAT 22:30 Revolting People (b008kmv2)

Series 3

Secrets and Lies

War is now only two days away. Or three if wet. Sitcom set just before the American War of Independence. Written by Andy Hamilton and Jay Tarses. Mc Gurk Andy Hamilton Samuel Jay Tarses Captain Brimshaw James Fleet Joshua Tony Maudsley Mary Jan Ravens Joshua Tony Maudsley Ezekiel Hugh Dennis Cora Penelope Cora Stan Philip Pope Elizabeth Rebecca Front Agnes Selina Griffiths Producer: Paul Mayhew-Archer First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2004.

SAT 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m00091wg)

Shappi Khorsandi 1/2

From 10.00pm until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Arthur Smith is joined in the studio by Shappi Khorsandi.

SAT 23:00 Alice's Wonderland (b011ldlg)

Series 1

Episode 3

A trip round Wonderland, the Poundland of magical realms. It's a kingdom much like our own, and also nothing like it in the slightest. Stay a while and meet wafes and strays, wigshops and witches, murderous pensioners and squirrels of this delightful land as they go about their bizarre business. A sketch show written and performed by Alice Lowe. Also starring Richard Glover, Simon Greenall, Rachel Stubbings, Clare Thompson and Marcia Warren. Producer: Sam Bryant First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2012.

SAT 23:30 Ross Noble Goes Global (b007jvsn)

Series 1

South Africa

The stand-up comic tries to climb Table Mountain and discovers that Cape Town has some very posh monkeys... Producer: Danny Wallace First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2002.

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SUN 06:00 CJ Sansom - Sovereign (Omnibus) (b06fq5nt)

Episode 2

Colin MacDonald's dramatisation of the third novel in C J Sansom's bestselling crime series, set during Henry VIII's Royal Progress to the north of England in 1541. Lawyer Mathew Shardlake, and his assistant Barak, arrived in the York a day ahead of the 3,000-strong procession. Officially there to prepare petitions for the King, they have been secretly tasked with a mission by Archbishop Cranmer: to ensure the welfare of one of the northern conspirators, Sir Edward Broderick, who is to be brought back to London for questioning in the Tower. Soon after his arrival, Shardlake was called upon to investigate a suspicious death - and stumbled upon a daring plot that has the potential to shake England to its core. Having been badly shaken by an attempt upon his life, Shardlake hopes to convince Sir William Mal-everer that he should be sent back to London. Omnibus of the final five parts of Colin MacDonald's atmospheric dramatisation. Shardlake Justin Salinger Barak Bryan Dick Mal-everer Stephen Critchlow Radwinter David Acton Wrenne Geoffrey Whitehead Broderick Nick Underwood Tamasin Cath Whitefield Rich Chris Pavlo Rochford Amelia Lowdell Writer C J Sansom Dramatised by Colin MacDonald Producer/Director Kirsteen Cameron First broadcast on Radio 4 in September 2015.

SUN 07:15 Alex Ferguson - Where the Kids Are At (b065ys33)

"The headmaster was young, naive and very new, and the ladies of his staff were none of these things." A resented young teacher re-enacts the events of Eyam, the Derbyshire Plague Village, in a history project. Avril Elgar reads Alex Ferguson's short story. Producer: Gillian Hush First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1991.

SUN 07:30 Ed Reardon's Week (b07wt5tq)

Series 11

The Reboot

Ed Reardon is back, and this time in slightly unfamiliar territory as he has entered the groves of academe and returned to full-time education at 'Uni'. He's doing a three-year course in, well he's not entirely sure, but at the end he'll get a BA with the chance of a two-year MA add-on. The fact that he'll have warm, comfortable accommodation for the foreseeable future, a student loan to pay the rent and that he'll reach 65 by the time he's finished the course and therefore passed the age of paying back the fees has nothing to do with his decision to study. No, this is all to do with making up for lost time when his studies were cut short in his youth following expulsion from school. Of course, as with all students nowadays Ed will need to boost his loan by earning extra cash so he'll still be pestering his agent, Ping for writing opportunities and so it is as we renew our acquaintance with Ed, and trusty companion Elgar, that we find him reimagining a series of children's books and giving them a savvy post-modern twist for a "cool hundred each" whilst trying to keep up with the other students and their love of coffee shop loyalty cards, seminar satisfaction surveys and certain daytime TV programmes. Written by Andrew Nickolds and Christopher Douglas Ed Reardon Christopher Douglas Olive Stephanie Cole Pearl Brigit Forsyth Max Divian Ladwa Antonia Sylvestra Le Touze Jaz Milvain Philip

Jackson Ping Barunka O'Shaughnessy Stan Geoffrey Whitehead Producer: Dawn Ellis First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2016.

SUN 08:00 The Arthur Haynes Show (m0008ppy)

From 21/07/1963

A pensioner and his guest require a discount at the cinema, and a very persistent stranger demands a lift to Dagenham. The comic characters of popular comedian Arthur Haynes in Johnny Speight's sketches. After originally working with Charlie Chester on a number of series for BBC Radio, Arthur Haynes (1914-1966) became a big star on ITV in the late 1950s/early 1960s. With Nicholas Parsons, Leslie Noyes, Gary Watson and Joyce Stewart. Music by The Hedley Ward Trio. Producer: Richard Dingley First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in July 1963.

SUN 08:30 A Life of Bliss (m0008pq0)

Mixed Feelings

David has been dating Zoe for over a year. Is it time to make a commitment? Tony thinks so. Godfrey Harrison's sitcom about shy, bumbling bachelor David Alexander Bliss starring George Cole. David Bliss George Cole Anne Fellows Diana Churchill Tony Fellows Colin Gordon Zoe Hunter Sheila Sweet 'Psyche' the Dog Percy Edwards Beginning in 1953, it ran for six series of 118 episodes concluding in 1969 - but few survive in the BBC archive. (A TV series was made in 1969). For the first 7 episodes, David Tomlinson played David, but the rest starred the future star of The St Trinian's films - destined to find great fame as the dodgy Arthur Daley in ITV's Minder - George Cole. Producer: Leslie Bridgmont First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in March 1959.

SUN 09:00 The Europeans (Omnibus) (m0008pq2)

With the building of the railways and new technological advances, 19th Century Europe is hovering on the brink of great change. By exploring the love triangle between a famous opera singer, her husband-manager and a Russian novelist, Orlando Figes' latest book charts the emergence of a cosmopolitan Europe. Omnibus read by Hugh Bonneville. The Europeans takes us back to the 19th century and tells the story of the intimate relationship which existed between opera superstar, Pauline Viardot, her husband and manager Louis Viardot and the Russian novelist, Ivan Turgenev. Alongside their personal story The Europeans also tells of the role they played in Europe's cultural renaissance. From the mid-19th century up until the outbreak of the First World War, Europe experienced a cultural revolution which stretched from the British Isles to Imperial Russia heralding in a new age of heady optimism. A thirst for literature, art and music flourished during this period bringing about a commercial demand that was facilitated by technology changes from the railways to the factory scale production of upright pianos. Each of the five episodes focuses on a different stage of the Viardot's and Turgenev's relationship and a selection of the ways in which they and their work contributed to Europe's evolving cultural landscape. Abridged by Richard Hamilton Producer: Elizabeth Allard Director: Gemma Jenkins First broadcast in five parts on BBC Radio 4 in 2019.

SUN 10:10 The Listening Project (b06sddmc)

Yasmin and Lana - Sharing a Room

Fi Glover introduces a conversation recorded at the CBBC Live and Digital Festival in Hull, between sisters negotiating the early morning wake-up call, once the younger one joins the elder at secondary school. Another conversation that proves it's surprising what you hear when you listen, and this one can be seen, animated, on <http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc> The Listening Project is a Radio 4 initiative that offers a snapshot of contemporary Britain in which people across the UK volunteer to have a conversation with someone close to them about a subject they've never discussed intimately before. The conversations are being gathered across the UK by teams of producers from local and national radio stations who facilitate each encounter. Every conversation - they're not BBC interviews, and that's an important difference - lasts up to an hour, and is then edited to extract the key moment of connection between the participants. Most of the unedited conversations are being archived by the British Library and used to build up a collection of voices capturing a unique portrait of the UK in the second decade of the millennium. You can learn more about The Listening Project by visiting bbc.co.uk/listeningproject Producer: Marya Burgess

SUN 10:15 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b04hbxzv)

Teachers

Dame Fanny Waterman

Kirsty Young's castaway is Dame Fanny Waterman. It was during a sleepless night, more than forty years ago, that she came up with the idea of launching a piano competition in Leeds. Since then it's become a world renowned event and been a springboard for many of our most celebrated pianists including Radu Lupu and Murray Perahia. Although she is now 90 years old, she still teaches masterclasses and continues to be involved with every detail of the competition. "They call me Field Marshal Fanny" she says, "I am a busy beechee." Record: Radu Lupu - Piano Concerto No. 3 Book: The Diary of a Nobody by George Grossmith Luxury: A grand piano and a stool

SUN 11:00 Radiolab (b096nxw0)

Series 2

The Bad Show

Radiolab wrestles with the dark side of human nature. Can we ever understand or escape it? With Jad Abumrad and Robert Krulwich. Radiolab is a Peabody-award winning show about curiosity. Where sound illuminates ideas, and the boundaries

blur between science, philosophy, and the human experience. First broadcast on public radio in the USA.
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SUN 14:30 Margaret Atwood - The Testaments (Omnibus) (m0008pq5)
 Episode 1
 Margaret Atwood's powerful and long-awaited sequel to *The Handmaid's Tale*, set 15 years after the events of her dystopian masterpiece. The Republic of Gilead maintains its grip on power, but there are signs it is beginning to rot from within. Now the testimonies of three different women bring the story to a dramatic conclusion. We hear from infamous Aunt Lydia. From Agnes, a young girl who has only known life in Gilead; and from Daisy, a teenage girl in living in Canada. Omnibus of the first five of fifteen parts. Readers: Sara Kestelman, Katherine Press and Samantha Dakin. Margaret Atwood is the author of more than 50 books, including novels such as *Cat's Eye*, *The Robber Bride*, *Alias Grace*, *The Blind Assassin* and the *MaddAddam* trilogy. Her 1985 classic, *The Handmaid's Tale*, went back into the bestseller charts with the election of Donald Trump, when *Handmaids* became a symbol of resistance against the disempowerment of women, and with the 2017 release of the award-winning Channel 4 TV series. Abridger: Katrin Williams. Producer: Justine Willett. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2019.
SUN 15:45 Diplomatic Dinners (m0008pq8)
 Potage Aux Ambassadeurs
 Chris Bowlby hears what it's like to eat for Britain from such wined-and-dined luminaries as Chris Patten and Christopher Meyer. In this episode, he hears how Britain has tried to improve the image of its cuisine in the eyes of the French and some of the more challenging dishes the diplomats have to eat for Queen and country. Producer: Mark Savage. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2006.
SUN 16:00 Saturday Drama (b007734t)
 David Edgar - Something Wrong about the Mouth
 London's Soho, 1958. A mysterious American wants to commission a portrait of a woman he can't produce, in a dress he can only describe, at an event which never happened. David Edgar's love story told at the border between memory and fiction, trust and betrayal, East and West. Gene Pew Damian Lewis. Desmond McElwee Bill Paterson. Mrs Pew Lisa Dillon. Dr Frisch David De Keyser. The Hotelier Andrew Sachs. Peter Szabo Julian Rhind-Tutt. Other parts played by Carolyn Pickles, Éva Magyar, Kenneth Collard, Christine Kavanagh and Joseph Kloska. Director: Jonquil Panting. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2007.
SUN 17:00 Poetry Extra (m0008pqh)
 Emily Dickinson, Fred D'Aguiar, Grace Nichols and John Agard
 Poet Daljit Nagra revisits the BBC's radio poetry archive and selects Twenty Minutes: Fred D'Aguiar on Emily Dickinson; plus poems from Three Score and Ten featuring Grace Nichols, John Agard and Fred D'Aguiar. Twenty Minutes: Fred D'Aguiar on Emily Dickinson. The American poet Emily Dickinson was very reclusive and spent most of her adult life in her room in Amherst, Massachusetts where, after her death, her extraordinary poems were discovered. When Aaron Copland composed the settings of her poems to music he spent many hours there trying to capture something of the spirit of Emily Dickinson. Someone who knows the room well is the poet Fred D'Aguiar, who lived in Amherst for several years. He reflects on Emily Dickinson's room, the place where he himself writes, and the significance of "The Poet's Room". Reader - Christine Kavanagh. Producer - Julian May. First broadcast on BBC Radio 3 in 2010. Three Score and Ten: Grace Nichols, John Agard and Fred D'Aguiar. Three Score and Ten features archive recordings from the last seven decades of the Third Programme and Radio 3, with 70 remarkable poets reading their own poems. Ian McMillan continues with three poets originally from the Caribbean. Reading their new poems from Poetry Now 1982 Grace Nichols reads 'Night is Her Robe', John Agard 'Pan Recipe' and Fred D'Aguiar extracts from his 'Mama Dot' sequence. Producer: Sharon Septon. First broadcast on BBC Radio 3 in 2016. From 2010.
SUN 17:30 Ed Reardon's Week (b07wt5tq)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
SUN 18:00 Night Terrace (m0008pqd)
 Series 2
 Ancient History
 Anastasia and Sue are fed up with Eddie making their adventures difficult. At least he can't get them into trouble in a peaceful part of ancient Europe... Or can he? If only they'd paid more attention in history class! As tension between the housemates reaches boiling point, will any of them notice that something weirder than usual is going on? Sci-fi comedy starring Neighbours' Jackie Woodburne. Written by Ben McKenzie. Jackie Woodburne Anastasia Black Ben McKenzie Eddie Jones. Petra Elliott Sue Denholm. Brianna Williams Korisa Adam. Samuel Gammulf. Vernogenos Dave Lamb. Gesataia Amanda

Buckley. King Caturix Dave Callan. Additional parts played by Ian Carey, Tony Flynn, Daniel Sullivan, Kevin Powe and Andrew Hansen. Music by David Ashton. Producer: Ben McKenzie and John Richards. A Splendid Chaps Production.
SUN 18:30 The Man in Black (b018j7ww)
 Series 4
 The New Boy
 Mark Gatiss introduces Matthew Wilkie's tale. Craig has a new job, but how far will he go to impress his boss? Craig Simon Bubb. Mr Rubenstein Stephen Greif. Beth Victoria Inez. Hardy Nelson Adam Billington. William Christopher Webster. More horrifying tales from *The Man in Black*. You might meet him at a luggage carousel in an airport, or behind the desk at an employment agency or he might approach you in the corridor of a care home. Wherever you encounter him, he's eager to pass on his stories. Stories to unsettle and horrify. Stories to haunt you. Director: Lucy Collingwood. Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in December 2011.
SUN 19:00 Radiolab (b096nxw0)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
SUN 20:00 The Europeans (Omnibus) (m0008pq2)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
SUN 21:10 The Listening Project (b06sddmc)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:10 today]
SUN 21:15 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b04hbzsv)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:15 today]
SUN 22:00 Ed Reardon's Week (b07wt5tq)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
SUN 22:30 Chain Reaction (b05417lh)
 Series 10
 Bob Mortimer talks to Vic Reeves
 One half of comedy double-act Vic & Bob, Bob Mortimer, talks to the other half of comedy double-act Vic & Bob, Vic Reeves. Vic & Bob are best known as the creators and stars of *The Smell of Reeves and Mortimer*, *Shooting Stars* and *House of Fools*. *Chain Reaction* is the long running hostless chat show where last week's interviewee becomes this week's interviewer. Producer: Charlie Perkins. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2015.
SUN 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m00091wj)
 Shappi Khorasandi 2/2
 From 10.00pm until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Arthur Smith is once again joined by Shappi Khorasandi.
SUN 23:00 Newsjack (m0008jnw)
 Series 21
 Episode 2
 Newsjack is a scrapbook sketch show written entirely by the Great British public. Host Kiri Pritchard-McLean is joined this week by Chiara Goldsmith, George Fouraces and Raphael Wakefield. Script Editors: Ed Amsden and Tom Coles. Production Coordinator: Damiolola Mabadaje. Producers: Suzy Grant and Hayley Sterling. Newsjack is a BBC Studios Production.
SUN 23:30 A Short Gentleman (b018xt55)
 Episode 1
 Robert sails through all his exams, but finding a girlfriend is more testing. Hugh Bonneville stars as Robert Purcell, QC, a perfect specimen of the British Establishment, who applies faultless legal logic to his disastrous personal life. Jon Canter's comic novel 'A Short Gentleman' adapted by Robin Brooks. Father James Hayes. Mother Nichola McAuliffe. Young Robert Josef Lindsay. Pilkington Ewan Bailey. Ticky Moxon-Smith Katherine Jakeways. Judy Page Tracy Wiles. Alan Temperley Gerard McDermott. Brilliant, but for God's sake don't let this book fall into the hands of any women - if they find out what we're really like we'll never hear the end of it. Charlie Higson. A witty, accomplished, and highly entertaining warning about the folly of ambition. Mail on Sunday. Elegantly written, civilised and genuinely funny. The Scotsman. Robert is infectious. You might just catch yourself bringing his loathsome logic to your own domestic dilemmas. Time Out. Jon Canter read Law at Cambridge, where he was President of Footlights, then worked as an advertising copywriter before becoming a radio and TV scriptwriter. His comic novels include *Seeds of Greatness*, *A Short Gentleman* and *Worth*. Director: Jonquil Painting. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in From January 2012.

MONDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2019

MON 00:00 Night Terrace (m0008pqd)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Sunday]
MON 00:30 The Man in Black (b018j7ww)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Sunday]
MON 01:00 CJ Sansom - Sovereign (Omnibus) (b06fq5nt)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Sunday]
MON 02:15 Alex Ferguson - Where the Kids Are At (b065ys33)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:15 on Sunday]
MON 02:30 Margaret Atwood - The Testaments (Omnibus) (m0008pq5)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Sunday]
MON 03:45 Diplomatic Dinners (m0008pq8)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 15:45 on Sunday]
MON 04:00 Saturday Drama (b007734t)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Sunday]
MON 05:00 Poetry Extra (m0008pqh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 17:00 on Sunday]
MON 05:30 Ed Reardon's Week (b07wt5tq)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Sunday]
MON 06:00 Paul Temple (b007k0cy)
 Paul Temple and the Sullivan Mystery
 A Message from Sir Graham
 The suave sleuth and wife Steve face a dangerous houseboat rendezvous on the Nile. In this 2006 recreation of the 1947 vintage crime serial, Crawford Logan stars as Paul Temple and Gerda Stevenson as Steve in a twisting tale of murder. Between 1938 and 1968, Francis Durbridge's incomparably suave amateur detective Paul Temple and glamorous wife Steve solved case after baffling case in one of BBC radio's most popular series. They inhabited a sophisticated, well-heeled world of cocktails and fast cars. Sadly, only half of their adventures survive in the archives. But in 2006, the BBC began recreating them using original scripts and incidental music, and recorded with vintage microphones and sound effects. Paul Temple Crawford Logan. Steve Gerda Stevenson. Miss Fraser Eliza Langland. Sidney Jeans Wendy Seager. Colonel Marquand/Zoltan Bahri Angus MacInnes. Patrick Quinn/Sir Graham Forbes Gareth Thomas. Harold Darwin Richard Greenwood. Olaf Schreider Nick Underwood. Tom Durrant/Zilla the Head Waiter John Paul Hurley. Producer: Patrick Rayner. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2006.
MON 06:30 I Was... (b0b91109)
 Series 5
 I Was Frank Sinatra's Unwanted Saxophonist
 Andrew McGibbon talks to Duncan Lamont about growing up in Greenock, playing jazz saxophone, composing music for Mr Benn, King Rollo and Spot, and being fired from Sinatra's band. Frank Sinatra remains one of the most influential singers of the 20th century. In a singing career characterised by a spectacular reinvention after falling out of fashion, he came to epitomise a cool, intelligent post war jazz chic - a singer with a unique, close mic singing technique, supported in the studio and live by some of the best musicians and bandleaders in the world. Throughout the 1960s, he solidified further his claim on the swingin' crooner style with a string of critically acclaimed albums, and Shappi Khorasandi 2/2 appearing with his cartoonish mob of co-performers in the Rat Pack, Sammy Davis Junior and Dean Martin. He maintained a sure grip on the business side of his music, creating his own record label, Reprise. His touring schedule meant that, when he came to the UK, only the best musicians were called upon to play with him. British tenor saxophonist Duncan Lamont was a successful jazz saxophonist in his own right. His unique tone has been heard on thousands of recordings and he was one of the key UK studio musician legends. He was also one of Frank Sinatra's regular musicians when he performed in the UK until, without warning, he found himself unwanted. Duncan is a prolific composer, having written the music to the TV shows Mr Benn, King Rollo and Spot as well as the critically praised, *Young Persons Guide to the Jazz Orchestra*. But as a musician he will have always faced the possibility of being out of work. After having been faithful to Frank for many years, he found that as far as Sinatra was concerned, he was "outta luck". Written and presented by Andrew McGibbon. Producer: Nick Romero. A Curtains For Radio production for BBC Radio 4.
MON 07:00 A Whole 'Nother Story (b0076b8m)
 Series 2
 Episode 6
 It's crunch time for Cassie, who's decided that having her Dad live with her is no bed of roses. Even if he is an expert on compost. And more importantly, she finally hears what her heart has, for a while, been trying to tell her. Amanda Murphy's comedy-drama series about Cassie and Pete, who'd make a great couple - if they weren't so busy being friends. Starring Debra Stephenson as Cassie and David Lamb as Pete. Dad Mike Grady. Mum Brigit Forsyth. Jenny Mika Simmons. PJ Brendan Burns. Producer: Graham Frost. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2002.
MON 07:30 Just a Minute (m0008hks)
 Series 85
 Episode 7
 Tony Hawks, Phil Wang, Sheila Hancock and Paul Merton join Nicholas Parsons for the panel game where the challenge is to speak without repetition, hesitation or deviation. A BBC Studios Production.
MON 08:00 Marriage Lines (b04nqbmh)
 Series 1
 Four-Part Harmony
 Whilst George is in the pub, Kate worries about what he's really up to... A series based on the mutual love and mistrust of two newly-weds. Starring Richard Briers as George Starling and Prunella Scales as Kate Starling. This 1960s newlyweds sitcom brought Richard Briers and Prunella Scales to prominence. Originating on BBC TV, it was adapted for radio due to its popularity. A decade later, Richard Briers went on to play Tom Good in *The Good Life* and Prunella Scales went on to star as Sybil in *Fawlty Towers*. George Richard Briers. Kate Prunella Scales. Laura Heather Chasen. Peter Geoffrey Matthews. Other parts played by Jo Kendall and Nigel Graham. Written by Richard Waring. Producer: Charles Maxwell. First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in June 1965.
MON 08:30 Dad's Army (b007jnj5)
 Series 2

Brain Versus Brawn

Disguised as firemen for an exercise, the Walmington-on-Sea platoon must tackle a real blaze. Captain Mainwaring Arthur Lowe/Sergeant Wilson John Le Mesurier/Corporal Jones Clive Dunne/Private Fraser John Lunden/Private Pike Ian Lavender/Private Godfrey Arnold Ridley/Warden Hodges Bill Pertwee/Private Walker Larry Martin/The Waitress/The Policewoman Avril Angers/Colonel Pritchard Robert Raglan/Mr. Fairbrother/The Corporal Stuart Sherwin/Announcer John Snagge/Adapted for radio from Jimmy Perry and David Croft's TV scripts by Harold Snoad and Michael Knowles.Producer: John Dyas.First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1975.

MON 09:00 Whispers (b00b0hml)

Series 1

Episode 2

Discover the truth about how Bram Stoker broke Oscar Wilde's heart.Gyles Brandreth hosts the scandals quiz show that puts naughty before nice, dishing the dirt on the bad boys and girls in history.Regular team captains writer and critic Anthony Holden and writer and actor Stella Duffy are joined by writer and broadcaster Lynne Truss and former editor of the Erotic Review Rowan Pelling.Producer: Elizabeth Freestone.First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2003.

MON 09:30 Semi Circles (b091w10y)

Series 1

A Desirable Residence

Helen and Ben disagree over restoring their home to its original character.The improving story of life and improving times in an improving neighbourhood.Starring Paula Wilcox as Helen and David Wood as BenWritten by Simon BrettHelen Paula Wilcox/Ben David Wood/Mrs Kelly Pat Heywood/Alastair Bruce Alexander/Mr Juke Arthur English/Producer: Pete AtkinFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1982

MON 10:00 Drama (b06bcv9s)

Dead Girls Tell No Tales

It's media folklore that the death of BBC soap opera heroine Grace Archer was a ploy to thwart the launch night of ITV on 22 September 1955.But for the first time, this drama delves deep into The Archers' archives to reveal what really inspired 20 million people to tune in and left tens of thousands of listeners distraught.Starring Simon Russell Beale, Eleanor Tomlinson and Ysanne Churchman Joanna Toye's drama explores the backstage story to a watershed moment in the history of broadcasting which became one of the defining cultural events of the 1950s.Dan Archer/Harry Oakes Jon Culshaw/Doris Archer/Gwen Berryman Pam Ferris/Phil Archer/Norman Painting Lex Shrapnell/Grace Archer/Ysanne Churchman Eleanor Tomlinson/Christine Archer/Lesley Saward Georgie Fuller/John Tregorran /Basil Jones Geoffrey Street/fieldCarol Grey/Anne Cullen Sally Bretton/Godfrey Baseley Simon Russell Beale/Tony Shryane John Hopkins/Valerie Hodggets Claudie Blakley/Godfrey Webb David Reed/Edward J Mason Miles Jupp/BBC Announcer Zeb Soanes/TV Interviewer Paddy O'Connell/Ysanne Churchman Herself/OTHER ROLES:David Hounslow, Sam Dale, Chris Pavlo, Jessica Turner, Alex Tregear.Director Sean O'ConnorFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2015.

MON 11:00 The TED Interview (m0008qwy)

Sylvia Earle

Founded in 1984 in the USA, TED stands for Technology, Entertainment, Design. The first TED Talks were first posted online in 2006 and since then TED Talks have had many millions of views.In The TED Interview, hosted by Chris Anderson, audiences can immerse themselves more deeply in some of the most compelling ideas heard on the TED stage.Sylvia Earle makes a case for our oceans.Dive deep into the fascinating, horrifying, hopeful story of the ocean with world-renowned marine biologist Sylvia Earle.A TED original podcast.

MON 11:45 Multi Story Shorts (m0008qx0)

Life on the Fair

What's it like to grow up on the fair? Experience the hidden traditions of Hull street fair, through the eyes of the young travellers who call it their temporary home each year.Four children become reporters, under the guidance of BBC Radio Humberside's David Reeves.Find more personal stories like this on the BBC podcast, Multi Story - presented and produced by Becca Bryers.

MON 12:00 Marriage Lines (b04nqbmh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

MON 12:30 Dad's Army (b007jn5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

MON 13:00 Paul Temple (b007k0cy)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

MON 13:30 I Was... (b0b91t09)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

MON 14:00 Book at Bedtime (b053721t)

In Certain Circles

"It was enough that he existed"

The bleakness of unrequited and of married love.Internationally acclaimed Australian author Elizabeth Harrower's novel was written in 1971 and was finally published in 2015.This tale of love, class and freedom is set among the grand houses and lush gardens of Sydney Harbour just after the Second World War, following the lives of Zoe and Russell Howard.Charismatic and confident, the children of affluent and loving parents, they

welcome into their circle two orphans, Stephen and Anna. It's a meeting that will resonate for decades.Reader: Penny Downie/Abrider: Sally Marmion/Producer: Justine WillettFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2015.

MON 14:15 Five Hundred Years of Friendship (b03yn6xm)

Gossips and Goodfellows

Social networking appears to be expanding our circles of friendship just as our sense of community is contracting:Dr Thomas Dixon presents a major 15-part history of how the meaning and experience of friendship have changed over the centuries.In the 16th century, friendships were generally limited to an overlapping network of family members and neighbours, who lived and worked in close proximity, and shared their lives at home, in church, at the well, the bake-house and the tavern.Today, our friendships often extend across the globe, and our Social Networks can extend to thousands.Thomas Dixon launches this series by talking with the anthropologist and evolutionary psychologist Robin Dunbar, whose influential research explores the number of people with whom each individual is cognitively capable of sustaining a meaningful relationship.The newly named "Dunbar's Number" is around 140, and Thomas maps this figure onto the historical picture of village life. He speaks with historians Bernard Capp and Naomi Tadmor about close-knit, real-life friendships in the 16th and 17th centuries. He learns how a group of female "Gossips" supported their friend Mary Freeman when her husband accused her of giving him the pox; and about two young "Goodfellows" in 1617, who got so drunk that they pissed into a chamber pot and shared the contents.This is the beginning of an absorbing story in which both the similarities and the differences between friendship past and present emerge.Producer: Beaty RubensPresenter: historian Dr Thomas Dixon is the Director of the Centre for the History of the Emotions at Queen Mary, University of London.First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2014.

MON 14:30 Dave Sheasby - Shifting the Leaves (b007jtbl)

Episode 1

Returning to Porthant Bay in Cornwall after 60 years. Marjorie Beaumont is coming to terms with her pastWritten by Dave Sheasby.Marjorie Beaumont Elizabeth Bradley.Mrs Nugent June Barrie/Mandy Alison Pettit/Tilson Tristan Sturrock/Producer: David HunterFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1998.

MON 14:45 Ricky Tomlinson - Ricky (m0008qx2)

Episode 1

'The Royle Family' actor Ricky Tomlinson reads from his autobiography. Growing up near Anfield, he discovers football, girls and rock 'n' roll.Producer: Liz WebbFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2003.

MON 15:00 Drama (b06bcv9s)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

MON 16:00 Whispers (b00b0hml)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

MON 16:30 Semi Circles (b091w10y)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

MON 17:00 A Whole 'Nother Story (b0076bm8)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

MON 17:30 Just a Minute (m0008hks)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

MON 18:00 Oscar Wilde (b008hvxx)

The Canterville Ghost

Episode 1

When American Minister, Hiram B Otis signs the deeds for Canterville Chase, he not only buys a piece of English history, but he also inherits a troublesome ghost.No sooner have Mr Otis and his family moved into their new home than they come up against this unruly spirit and a battle of wills ensues...First published in 1887, Oscar Wilde's novella is read by Alistair McGowan.Producer: Gemma Jenkins.Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in December 2007.

MON 18:30 A Good Read (b00fb4x0)

Robin Hanbury-Tenison and Sam Smith

Sue MacGregor and her guests – explorer and conservation campaigner, Robin Hanbury-Tenison and ex-tennis player and commentator, Sam Smith - discuss books by Patrick Leigh Fermor, Brian Keenan and Herman Melville.The Violins of Saint-Jacques: A Tale of the Antilles by Patrick Leigh Fermor/Publisher: John Murray/An Evil Cradling by Brian Keenan/Publisher: Vintage/Billy Budd by Herman Melville/Publisher: Wordsworth ClassicsFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2008.

MON 19:00 Marriage Lines (b04nqbmh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

MON 19:30 Dad's Army (b007jn5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

MON 20:00 Paul Temple (b007k0cy)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

MON 20:30 I Was... (b0b91t09)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

MON 21:00 The TED Interview (m0008qwy)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

MON 21:45 Multi Story Shorts (m0008qx0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:45 today]

MON 22:00 Just a Minute (m0008hks)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

MON 22:30 Bleak Expectations (b00d0yhx)

Series 2

A Recovery All Made Miserable

The thrilling Victorian comic epic sees young Pip nursed to

health by the Reverend Fecund and his daughter Ripely, but why must her face remain hidden? Witness the horrors the rural poor in the stricken parish of Poverty Saint Mary. But will Pip choose to fight against the injustice of it all in Parliament, where the walls are soaked in brandy, and so are the MPs, or will he follow his heart, just as soon as he can work out what it is saying to him. Meanwhile Harry has developed the steam powered Pippa detector. But will it work?Mark Evans's epic comedy in the style of Charles Dickens. Volume Two, Chapter the Third: A Recovery All Made MiserableSir Philip.....Richard JohnsonMr Benevolent/Sourquill.....Anthony Head/Young Pip.....Tom Allen/Reverend Godly Fecund.....David Mitchell/Sternbeater.....Geoffrey Whitehead/Harry Biscuit.....James Bachman/Ripely Fecund.....Sarah

Hadland/Pippa.....Susy Kane/Sundry

MPs.....Mark Evans/Producer: Gareth

EdwardsFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2008.

MON 23:00 The News Quiz Extra (m0008q22)

Series 27

Episode 4

Guest host Andrew Maxwell is joined by Lucy Porter, Helen Lewis, Lloyd Langford and Alun Cochrane.Producer: Sarah SharpeA BBC Studios Production

MON 23:45 Life on Egg (b09k840g)

Series 1

Method

Harry Hill stars in this sitcom set in The Egg, Britain's remotest prison, built on a giant prehistoric egg floating in the middle of the ocean.When famous movie star Brad De Depprio comes to visit The Egg in order to research a film role, the team are predictably excited to welcome him. But will they be able to put up with his outrageous showbiz demands, especially when he asks to share a cell with The Egg's most dangerous prisoner?Governor Harry Harry Hill/Anne Karen Bartke/Peter Marek Larwood/The Minister Tanya Moodie/Tim the Helicopter Pilot Dan Maier/Brad De Depprio Demetri Goritsas/Written by Dan Maier/Producer: Sam MichellA BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in January 2018.

TUESDAY 24 SEPTEMBER 2019**TUE 00:00 Oscar Wilde (b008hvxx)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Monday]

TUE 00:30 A Good Read (b00fb4x0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Monday]

TUE 01:00 Paul Temple (b007k0cy)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Monday]

TUE 01:30 I Was... (b0b91t09)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Monday]

TUE 02:00 Book at Bedtime (b053721t)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Monday]

TUE 02:15 Five Hundred Years of Friendship (b03yn6xm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Monday]

TUE 02:30 Dave Sheasby - Shifting the Leaves (b007jtbl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Monday]

TUE 02:45 Ricky Tomlinson - Ricky (m0008qx2)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:45 on Monday]

TUE 03:00 Drama (b06bcv9s)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Monday]

TUE 04:00 Whispers (b00b0hml)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Monday]

TUE 04:30 Semi Circles (b091w10y)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Monday]

TUE 05:00 A Whole 'Nother Story (b0076bm8)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Monday]

TUE 05:30 Just a Minute (m0008hks)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Monday]

TUE 06:00 Paul Temple (b00vsv7w)

Paul Temple and the Sullivan Mystery

Mr Darwin Entertains

Danger lurks in Egypt for the suave sleuth and wife Steve at the Hotel Karamet.In this 2006 recreation of the 1947 vintage crime serial, Crawford Logan stars as Paul Temple and Gerda Stevenson as Steve.Between 1938 and 1968, Francis Durbridge's incomparably suave amateur detective Paul Temple and glamorous wife Steve solved case after baffling case in one of BBC radio's most popular series. They inhabited a sophisticated, well-heeled world of cocktails and fast cars.Sadly, only half of their adventures survive in the archives. But in 2006, the BBC began recreating them using original scripts and incidental music, and recorded with vintage microphones and sound effects.Paul Temple Crawford Logan/Steve Gerda Stevenson/Olaf Schreider Nick Underwood/Colonel Marquand Angus MacInnes/Harold Darwin Richard Greenwood/Miss Fraser Eliza Langland/Sir Graham Forbes/Gustav Valkerie Gareth Thomas/Victor Armstrong Michael MacKenzie/Producer: Patrick RaynerFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2006.

TUE 06:30 The Music That Melted (b00y8v0w)

Every year on a frozen fjord in Norway, musicians gather under the full moon, and a canopy of Northern Lights, to perform ice music. Over a weekend, instruments are carved from blocks of ice, and music played in an arena of carved ice blocks to a well wrapped audience, who arrive on cross country skis. Sometimes

standing in flurries of snow, sometimes in the light of flame torches, under the northern lights, they listen spellbound (and a bit chilly) to the magical sounds produced by instruments with a short life span - each one as unique and short-lived as a sandcastle. Richard Coles, ex band member of the 90's pop group The Communards, meets the people who play these instruments, which last only as long as the temperature stays below zero, and has a go himself. Bill Covitz is the expert ice sculptor who makes a different range of instruments each festival. This year he is creating, for the first time, an Isleik, an ice version of a langeleik, the traditional harp of Norway. Musicians come from across the globe to try their hands at instruments which require, more often than not, fingerless gloves and good circulation; the ice-sculpted instruments giving off surprising sounds that vary according to the quality of the ice and the temperature. Richard Coles joins the preparations, to see the creation and the destruction of the music that melted. Producer: Sara Jane Hall. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2011.

TUE 07:00 Smelling of Roses (b00f86x3)

Series 4
Episode 4

Rosie Burns and company find themselves involved in the relaunch of a radio station... and of an old disc jockey's career. Another assignment for Rosie Burns and the event management company, where the clients are only part of the problem... Written by Simon Brett. Rosie Prunella Scales Jo Rebecca Callard Bob Duncan Preston Tess Annette Badland Brad Marshall Colin Stinton Kenny Truman Chris Emmett Valerie Pilkington Sheila Mitchell Producer: Maria Esposito. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2003.

TUE 07:30 Paul Sinha's General Knowledge (m0008hxl)

Episode 4

Paul Sinha - comedian, lapsed GP, Chaser and genuinely the fourth best quizzer in the United Kingdom - returns to tell you about... well, everything. Paul has already told you about history in the Rose d'Or-winning Paul Sinha's History Revision, as well as Britishness (Paul Sinha's Citizenship Test), Magna Carta (The Sinha Carta), the Olympics (The Sinha Games) and, most importantly, cricket (The Sinha Test). But, as a competitive quizzer, Paul learns fascinating facts all the time. As a curious man, he then looks up the stories behind those facts and they often turn out to be even more fascinating. In Paul Sinha's General Knowledge, he shares these stories with you. In this final episode of the series, Paul reveals a dazzling list of facts, each one connected to a different year between 1970 and 1995. From the fictional character who got a Times obituary to the woman who ruined her TV career by being too mean, this is the closest a comedy show about facts can get to being a Billy Joel song. Written and performed by Paul Sinha. Produced by Ed Morrish. A Somethin' Else production for BBC Radio 4.

TUE 08:00 Lines From My Grandfather's Forehead (b00glrvd)

From 22/03/1971

A struggling vicar, a Welsh birthday card poet and a perplexed psychoanalyst. A sequential entertainment for radio starring Ronnie Barker. With Terence Brady and Pauline Yates. Pianist: Gordon Langford. Written by Chris Allen, David Climie, Allan Scott and Chris Bryant, and Gerald Wiley. Producer John Fawcett-Wilson. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1971.

TUE 08:30 Beyond Our Ken (m0008q20)

Series 3

Episode 7

Kenneth Horne's busy week - and check out the latest film releases in 'Picture Go Round'. With Kenneth Williams, Hugh Paddick, Betty Marsden and Bill Pertwee. Written by Eric Merriman and Barry Took. The precursor to 'Round The Horne' - series 3 has been fully restored using both home and overseas (BBC Transcription Service) recordings. A madcap mix of sketches and songs. Beyond Our Ken hit the airwaves in 1958 and ran to 1964 - featuring regulars like Arthur Fallowfield, Cecil Snaith and Rodney and Charles. Music from Pat Lancaster, the Fraser Hayes Four and the BBC Variety Orchestra conducted by Paul Fenoulhet. Incidental music by Edwin Braden. Announcer: Douglas Smith. Producer: Jacques Brown. First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in May 1960.

TUE 09:00 The News Quiz Extra (m0008q22)

[Repeat of broadcast at 23:00 on Monday]

TUE 09:45 Life on Egg (b09k840g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 23:45 on Monday]

TUE 10:00 Elizabeth Bowen - The Last September (m0008q24)

Episode 1

1920, Danielstown, County Cork. Lois is poised on the brink of womanhood. She dances and flirts with English officers, but they do not always return from patrols. Elizabeth Bowen's 1929 novel dramatised in two-parts by Nigel Gearing. Lois ... Anna Healy Gerald ... Greg Wise Lady Myra ... Carmel McSharry Sir Richard ... Denys Hawthorne Marda ... Frances Tomelty Hugo ... Billy Boyle Francis ... Janet Maw Livvy ... Anna Livia Ryan David ... Robert Harper Laurence ... J D Kelleher Daventry ... Dorian Lough Director: Claire Grove. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1996.

TUE 11:00 Wilkie Collins - Who Killed Zebedee? (b007jq12)

Episode 2

With just days to live, a Victorian policeman continues his final confession from his death bed. With mystery still surrounding

the brutal murder of John Zebedee, he recalls his determination to solve the case when the rest of the police force had given up. Detective story by Wilkie Collins, first published in 1881. Concluded by Ronald Pickup. Producer: Joanne Reardon. Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in October 2003.

TUE 11:30 After Eden (m0008q26)

Grace and Truth

The Rev Elaine Metcalfe's culottes raise parish eyebrows and her "green" opinions raise her ex-husband's hackles. Alison Leonard's warm-hearted six-part drama about the life of a woman priest. Rev Elaine Metcalfe Christine Pritchard Sian Sue Jones Davies Phil Hywel Morgan Mr Hudson Steve Hodson Gareth Simon Harris Melvyn Michael Povey Sergei Oliver Senton Christina Jilly Bond Director: Alison Hindell. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1995.

TUE 12:00 Lines From My Grandfather's Forehead (b00glrvd)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

TUE 12:30 Beyond Our Ken (m0008q20)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

TUE 13:00 Paul Temple (b00vs7w)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

TUE 13:30 The Music That Melted (b00y8v0w)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

TUE 14:00 Book at Bedtime (b0537668)

In Certain Circles

"No one knows me"

While Anna remains defiantly single, Zoe regrets her own defiance in marrying Stephen. Internationally acclaimed Australian author Elizabeth Harrower's novel was written in 1971 and was finally published in 2015. This tale of love, class and freedom is set among the grand houses and lush gardens of Sydney Harbour just after the Second World War, following the lives of Zoe and Russell Howard. Charismatic and confident, the children of affluent and loving parents, they welcome into their circle two orphans, Stephen and Anna. It's a meeting that will resonate for decades. Reader: Penny Downie. Abridged by: Sally Marmion. Producer: Justine Willett. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2015.

TUE 14:15 Five Hundred Years of Friendship (b03y3nj3)

A Marriage of Minds

Social networking appears to be expanding our circles of friendship just as our sense of community is contracting. Dr Thomas Dixon presents a timely history of how the meaning and experience of friendship have changed over the centuries. Having launched the series by exploring the close-knit but instrumental friendships which most people experienced in the 16th and 17th centuries, Dr Thomas Dixon turns to the elite ideal of friendship as expressed in classical writers such as Aristotle and Cicero, and as lived out by Renaissance men such as Thomas More and Erasmus. He looks into the continuing influence of these emotional "friendships of choice". Today we take such friendships for granted but in the seventeenth century they were available only to those who had the time, money and education to pursue them. It was commonly believed that only men had the capacity for such friendships but Thomas Dixon reveals how women too were beginning to spread their social wings. He tells the story of the Welshwoman Katherine Philips, a published poet and the wife of a wealthy landowner, who argued that since the soul has no gender, then friendship - a mingling of souls - was equally available to both men and women. Producer: Beaty Rubens. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2014.

TUE 14:30 Dave Sheasby - Shifting the Leaves (b007jbtb)

Episode 2

Back in Cornwall's Porthant Bay after 60 years, Marjorie Beaumont visits the Tate in St Ives and finds a supper companion. Written by Dave Sheasby. Marjorie Beaumont Elizabeth Bradley Mrs Nugent June Barrie Mandy Alison Pettit Tilson Tristan Starrock Producer: David Hunter. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1998.

TUE 14:45 Ricky Tomlinson - Ricky (m0008q28)

Episode 2

Reading from his autobiography, actor Ricky Tomlinson recalls starting his showbiz career on Liverpool's pub circuit - and falling in love. Producer: Liz Webb. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2003.

TUE 15:00 Elizabeth Bowen - The Last September (m0008q24)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

TUE 16:00 Act Your Age (b00qvm9f)

Series 2

Episode 6

Simon Mayo hosts the comedy show that pits the comic generations against each other to find out which is the funniest. Team captains Jon Richardson, Lucy Porter and Roy Walker are joined by Hills Barker and Cannon and Ball. Producers: Ashley Blaker and Bill Matthews. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2010.

TUE 16:30 The Patrick and Maureen Maybe Music Experience (b007k4xw)

Episode 3

Patrick and Maureen have hit desperation point and invite a marriage counsellor to advise them on their communication skills live on-air. It's a recipe for disaster. Starring Imelda Staunton as Maureen Maybe and Patrick Barlow as Patrick Maybe. Special guests: Mike Smith and Sarah Greene. Doctor Peter Jones Dennis Kevin Eldon Sergio Simon Greenall. Written by Patrick Barlow. Script associate: Nev

Fountain. Producer: Claire Jones. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1999.

TUE 17:00 Smelling of Roses (b00f86x3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

TUE 17:30 Paul Sinha's General Knowledge (m0008hxl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

TUE 18:00 Oscar Wilde (b008jw9k)

The Canterville Ghost

Episode 2

Troublesome ghost of a dead nobleman, Sir Simon is determined to oust the Otis family from his ancestral home. So his hauntings are becoming more and more elaborate... First published in 1887, Oscar Wilde's novella is read by Alistair McGowan. Producer: Gemma Jenkins. Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in December 2007.

TUE 18:30 Musical Genes (b00h33zj)

Series 2

Deana Martin

Tom Morton meets Deana Martin, daughter of legendary Rat-Pack singer Dean Martin. Series searching for the true story behind some of our best loved musicians. Producer: Deirdre Waldie. First broadcast on BBC Radio Scotland in January 2009.

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TUE 21:00 Wilkie Collins - Who Killed Zebedee? (b007jq12)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

TUE 21:30 How to Burn a Million Quid (m0008q2d)

Rule 2

Rule 2: Don't do anything unless it's heroic. Bill, Jimmy and Gimpo set off for Sweden in order to persuade Abba to let them sample their music. They'll be OK with that. Won't they? Just in case they say no, they're taking all the records with them so that they can burn the vinyl before the legal deadline. Just in case. Besides, Bill has another plan for how to get onto Top of the Pops. Part two of the outrageous comedy drama telling the true story of the chart-topping pop duo known as KLF, who, in 1994, burned £1 million in cash on a remote Scottish island. It was their mission to cause chaos. And they did. How to Burn a Million Quid features Paul Higgins (The Thick of It, Line of Duty) as Bill Drummond, Nicholas Burns (Nathan Barley, The World's End) as Jimmy Cauty, with Kevin Eldon as Gimpo, Jeremy Stockwell as Ken Campbell and an outstanding cast of multi-voice comedy performers. Bill Drummond: Paul Higgins Jimmy Cauty: Nicholas Burns Gimpo: Kevin Eldon Ken Campbell: Jeremy Stockwell Everyone else: Kate O'Sullivan, Polly Kemp, Ronnie Jhuttie and Niall Ashdown. Original music by Somerset & Lewin. Original music by MZYLYKPOP (Mick Somerset, David Lewin, Simon Lewinski, Rachel E, Flip Clegg and Thom Foote). Sound Design by Carl Schelesht Johnson. Produced and Directed by Boz Temple-Morris. Written by Sean Grundy and Cara Jennings. A HOLY MOUNTAIN production for BBC Radio 4.

TUE 22:00 Paul Sinha's General Knowledge (m0008hxl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

TUE 22:30 Sarah Kendall: Australian Trilogy (b08g5h2g)

Series 1

A Day in October

Multi-award winning storyteller Sarah Kendall, brings her critically acclaimed trilogy of funny and moving, live shows to BBC Radio. "This show is a story about a day in October in 1990, when I saw a miracle happen to a boy, and his name was George Peach..." The story of Sarah's secret relationship with bullied classmate, George Peach. Following an accident at the beach, George Peach died for exactly 11 seconds. Sarah's story examines the remarkable effect those eleven seconds had on Sarah and her schoolmates. The show plays with the relationship between fiction and real-life and explores the redemptive power of storytelling. A Day in October won the 2018 Writers' Guild Award the Audio Drama Award for best comedy production. Taking her audience on a trip, Sarah gives a unique snapshot of small-town life in Australia in the early 90s. At a time when most people were seeing Australians through the filter of 'Home and Away' and 'Neighbours', Sarah's shows present a darker underbelly to the stereotype of the sun-loving, happy-go-lucky Aussie teenager. Comedic and tragic in equal measure, Sarah's tales of her teenage life blend intricate narratives with a cast of memorable characters, bringing events to life in front of your very ears. Written and performed by Sarah Kendall. Producer - Carl Cooper. Production Coordinator - Emily Hallett. A BBC Studios Production for Radio 4 first broadcast in February 2017.

TUE 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m000925p)

Jake Lambert 1/2

From 10.00pm until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Suzi Ruffell is joined for a chat by Jake Lambert.

TUE 23:00 Seekers (b05wyrqg)

Series 2

So What Did I Miss?

Stuart is back from America, and there's been big changes at the Essex job centre while he's been away. Series 2 of the job

seeking sitcom starring Matthew Horne, Daniel Mays, Tony Way and Zahra Ahmadi. Stuart ----- Matthew Horne Joseph ----- Daniel Mays Terry ----- Tony Way Nicola ----- Zahra Ahmadi Vanessa ----- Natalie Walter Gary Probert ----- Steve Oram Ralph ----- Ian Cunningham Mr Thompson ----- Sam Dale Written by Steve Burge. Producer: Victoria Lloyd First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2015.

TUE 23:30 Think the Unthinkable (b007jm31)

Series 1

Barrington Council

Unthinkable Solutions inflict their peculiar brand of help on Barrington Council. Brought in to rationalise council refuse services (to sack people) - Ryan and Daisy decide instead to take the bin men on a weekend in the Cairngorms. Meanwhile, Ryan's failure to pay taxes has attracted HM Customs and Excise. James Cary's award-winning sitcom about management consultants. Ryan Packer Marcus Brigstocke Sophie Stott Emma Kennedy Daisy Catherine Shepherd Vanessa Olivia Colman Bob Mark Heap Bernard Simon Godley Tony Simon Greenall Script associates: Paul Mayhew-Archer and Ed Drew. Music by John Whitehall. Producer: Adam Bromley. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2001.

WEDNESDAY 25 SEPTEMBER 2019

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[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Tuesday]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Tuesday]

WED 02:15 Five Hundred Years of Friendship (b03yms3j)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Tuesday]

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WED 06:00 Paul Temple (b007k0dd)

Paul Temple and the Sullivan Mystery

Still Having a Wonderful Time

With the villains' desperate final move - the suave sleuth battles to reveal the secret of the spectacles. Conclusion of the 2006 recreation of the 1947 vintage crime serial, starring Crawford Logan as Paul Temple and Gerda Stevenson as Steve. Between 1938 and 1968, Francis Durbridge's incomparably suave amateur detective Paul Temple and glamorous wife Steve solved case after baffling case in one of BBC radio's most popular series. They inhabited a sophisticated, well-heeled world of cocktails and fast cars. Sadly, only half of their adventures survive in the archives. But in 2006, the BBC began recreating them using original scripts and incidental music, and recorded with vintage microphones and sound effects. Paul Temple Crawford Logan Steve Gerda Stevenson Miss Fraser Eliza Langland Victor Armstrong Michael MacKenzie Olaf Schreider Nick Underwood Colonel Marquand Angus MacInnes Sir Graham Forbes Gareth Thomas Harold Darwin Richard Greenwood Producer: Patrick Rayner First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2006.

WED 06:30 China, Britain and the Nunzilla Conundrum (b00rbpb4)

China - manufacturer of Nunzilla the fire-breathing nun, the Egyptian mummy-shaped elastic band holder Mummified Mike, and the Dashboard Jesus. Britain - home of the creative types who send these ironic, sometimes blasphemous, novelty gift designs to the Chinese for manufacture. What do these throwaway gifts tell us about our own society and our relationship with China? While our economic relationship flourishes, our respective cultures remain poles apart. Writer and comedian Anna Chen follows a novelty toy from design through manufacture to the gift shops. Workers on the production lines in a south Chinese factory give their take on what on earth it is they're making and British designers try their best to deconstruct the joke. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2010.

WED 07:00 Potting On (b00kmm18)

Stones

Garden centre owners Pam and Gordon argue over how to grow old. Stars Pam Ayres and Geoffrey Whitehead. From February 2008.

WED 07:30 The Quanderhorn Xperimentations (b0b86qzl)

Series 1

Mummy! My Donkey's Head Is Exploding

It's still 1952. It's always still 1952. The crew of Professor Quanderhorn (James Fleet) are about to have their space craft shredded like a savoy cabbage by a massive gravitational wave.

Only Martian hostage Guuurk (Kevin Eldon) can save them. But will the self-declared 'miserable coward and despicable turncoat' risk his life and even his very sanity by mind-leaping into Quanderhorn's 'son' Troy (Freddie Fox), a half-insectoid, touted as 'a major breakthrough in Artificial Stupidity'? Meanwhile, behind the post office in the nearby village, a glowing, throbbing meteorite is exuding a strange influence on the local inhabitants. When Dr Janussen (Cassie Layton), Guuurk, Troy and even Quanderhorn himself appear to be possessed by an alien intelligence, Brian (Ryan Sampson) is faced with a perilous dilemma. And who is that peculiar hot chestnut seller who bears a startling resemblance to Prime Minister Churchill (John Sessions)? The Quanderhorn Xperimentations - an adventure beyond human understanding. An Absolutely production for BBC Radio 4.

WED 08:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jz69)

A Trip to France

The lad's longing to sample life across the English Channel, but Sid's got other ideas. Starring Tony Hancock. With Moira Lister, Bill Kerr, Sidney James and Kenneth Williams. Written by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson. Theme and incidental music composed by Wally Stott. Recorded by the BBC Revue Orchestra conducted by Harry Rawlinowitz. Producer: Dennis Main Wilson First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in January 1955.

WED 08:30 Listen to Les (b01696lw)

From 07/12/1980

Les Dawson presents a gritty UK version of TV's Dallas, plus culture with Cosmo Smallpiece and a not-so-tuneful piano singalong. With Daphne Oxenford and Colin Edwynn. Music by Brian Fitzgerald. Scripted and produced by James Casey. First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in December 1980.

WED 09:00 The Rest is History (b04y9v20)

Series 1

Episode 6

Frank Skinner loves history, but just doesn't know much of it. This comedy discussion show with celebrity guests promises to help him find out more about it. With Josh Widdicombe, Roisin Conaty and historian in residence Dr Kate Williams. Frank and company navigate their way through the annals of time, picking out and chewing over the funniest, oddest, and most interesting moments in history. Producers: Dan Schreiber and Justin Pollard. An Avalon production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in January 2015.

WED 09:30 An Actor's Life for Me (b007rh7q)

Series 1

I Can Do That

Young actor Robert Wilson gets a film role playing a chauffeur. The trouble is he can't drive... Sitcom by Paul Mayhew-Archer. Robert Wilson John Sinclair Desmond Shaw Gary Waldhorn Sue Caroline Quentin With Jo Kendall Joanna Mackie Blain Fairman Producer: Paul Spencer First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in January 1989.

WED 10:00 Elizabeth Bowen - The Last September (m0008prc)

Episode 2

1920, Danielstown, County Cork: Lois and Marda face a gunman in the deserted mill. Lois thinks she is in love with an English officer, but her aunt has other plans for her. Conclusion of Elizabeth Bowen's novel dramatised by Nigel Gearing. Lois ... Anna Healy Gerald ... Greg Wise Lady Myra ... Carmel McSharry Sir Richard ... Denys Hawthorne Marda ... Frances Tomelty Hugo ... Billy Boyle Francis ... Janet Maw Livvy ... Anna Livia Ryan David ... Robert Harper Laurence ... J D Kelleher Daventry ... Dorian Lough Director: Claire Grove First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1996.

WED 11:00 Poetry Pub-lease (m0008prk)

3. Presley, Stanza and Cooper Clarke
Comedy and poetry have always had strong links, with many comics and poets blurring the boundaries. Now, comedian Kevin Eldon takes peeks either side of the fine line that divides them. In this programme: 'Sir Ralph Stanza's Letter from Salford' [Srs. 2 6/6] Special guest John Cooper Clarke: 'Hovis Has Left the Building' Along the way there is a rich mix of poetry that might be funny, sometimes cringe-worthy, occasionally absurd, sporadically nonsensical, but often brilliant. Produced by Luke Doran. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 Extra in January 2015.

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WED 13:00 Paul Temple (b007k0dd)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

WED 13:30 China, Britain and the Nunzilla Conundrum (b00rbpb4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

WED 14:00 Book at Bedtime (b053bq5k)

In Certain Circles

"It harmed him"

Zoe realises that not everyone can bear to be loved. Internationally acclaimed Australian author Elizabeth Harrower's novel was written in 1971 and was finally published in 2015. This tale of love, class and freedom is set among the grand houses and lush gardens of Sydney Harbour just after the

Second World War, following the lives of Zoe and Russell Howard. Charismatic and confident, the children of affluent and loving parents, they welcome into their circle two orphans, Stephen and Anna. It's a meeting that will resonate for decades. Reader: Penny Downie. Bridger: Sally Marmion. Producer: Justine Willett. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2015.

WED 14:15 Five Hundred Years of Friendship (b03yvnbd)

Love Your Enemies

Social networking appears to be expanding our circles of friendship just as our sense of community is contracting: Dr Thomas Dixon presents a timely history of how the meaning and experience of friendship have changed over the centuries. At a time when Christianity taught a gospel of universal love, including loving your enemy, individuals might still find themselves drawn to particular friendships. The Bible itself contained such contradictions, as the 17th century Anglican poet George Herbert put it: "David had his Jonathan, Christ his John." These apparent contradictions were the cause of real anxiety amongst devout Christians. The role of individual friendships became even more apparent after the Reformation, when personal friendships began to assume the confessional role once held by priests. Thomas Dixon takes up the story during the Civil War, and considers this tension within particular religious communities such as the Quakers. He talks with the historian Naomi Tadmor and also hears from Anglican-turned-Quaker, Terry Waite, who movingly recalls the meaning of friendship and of learning to love himself as a friend, during years of solitary confinement after being taken hostage in 1987. Producer: Beaty Rubens. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2014.

WED 14:30 Dave Sheasby - Shifting the Leaves (b007jt0)

Episode 3

Coming to terms with her Cornish past, Marjorie finds local fame and receives a mysterious visitor. Written by Dave Sheasby. Marjorie Beaumont Elizabeth Bradley Mrs Nugent June Barrie-Tilson Tristan Sturrock. Producer: David Hunter. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1998.

WED 14:45 Ricky Tomlinson - Ricky (m0008prq)

Episode 3

Reading from his autobiography, actor Ricky Tomlinson recalls his arrest for strike action - and being detained at Her Majesty's pleasure. Producer: Liz Webb. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2003.

WED 15:00 Elizabeth Bowen - The Last September (m0008prc)

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WED 16:00 The Rest is History (b04y9v20)

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WED 17:30 The Quanderhorn Xperimentations (b0b86qzl)

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WED 18:00 Oscar Wilde (b008l2z2)

The Canterville Ghost

Episode 3

Troublesome ghost of a dead nobleman, Sir Simon is determined to oust the Otis family from his ancestral home. So his hauntings are becoming more and more elaborate... First published in 1887, Oscar Wilde's novella is concluded by Alistair McGowan. Producer: Gemma Jenkins. Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in December 2007.

WED 18:30 That Reminds Me (b01mx2zc)

Series 5

Nerys Hughes

'The Liver Birds' actress Nerys Hughes recalls her career, reflects on being Welsh and reveals how Liz Taylor upstaged her. Series showcasing the reminiscences of celebrated raconteurs before a live audience. Producer: Claire Jones. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2003.

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WED 21:00 Poetry Pub-lease (m0008prk)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

WED 22:00 The Quanderhorn Xperimentations (b0b86qzl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

WED 22:30 The Problem With Adam Bloom (b00h4cwy)

Series 2

Friendship

Earlier this year, Adam told three of his closest friends what he most disliked about them. This is how they reacted. Written by and starring Adam Bloom. With Adam Bloom and Brendon Burns. Producer: Victoria Lloyd. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2004.

WED 22:45 Sounding Off with McGough (b007k4tl)

What She Did

Roger McGough's poetic reflections on the perennially fruitful topic of love. Recorded at the Bath Festival. From June 2000.

WED 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m000925m)

From 10.00pm until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy

Club has two hours of comedy.

WED 23:00 The Jason Byrne Show (b01p6pxc)

Series 3

I Won't Eat Bread From a Puddle

Jason Byrne looks at the subject of fears with members of the audience revealing an eccentric range of phobias include feet; boats in dry docks and being forced to eat white bread out of puddles. Themed audience comedy show with high-energy stand-up and sketches with Laurence Howarth and Daisy Haggard. Producer: Julia McKenzie. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2010.

WED 23:30 I Think I've Got a Problem (b00cfzrg)

Series 2

Episode 2

Tom tried to get into his mother's good books by helping out at her folk club, but soon finds himself in the doghouse when the band inside his head launch into a jazz number in the middle of her song. In an attempt to make amends he tries to raise money for the church funds and finds himself taking part in a stand-up comedy competition... Andrew McGibbon and Nick Romero's everyday story about a man who can't stop himself from breaking into song. Suggests... Tom Caine Bob Monkhouse... Dr Boone Phil Cornwell... Bouche Andrew McGibbon... Jake Nick Romero... Monty De Vere Bill Nighy... Malc Julia Deakin... Phelia Toby Longworth... Clammy Tracy-Ann Oberman. Songs: Andrew McGibbon, Nick Romero and Suggests. Producers: Andrew McGibbon and Dawn Ellis. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2003.

THURSDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2019

THU 00:00 Oscar Wilde (b008l2zg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Wednesday]

THU 00:30 That Reminds Me (b01mx2zc)

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[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Wednesday]

THU 06:00 Wimsey (b007jvld)

Unnatural Death

No Sign Of Foul Play

Not satisfied with Agatha Dawson's post-mortem, Lord Peter Wimsey investigates. Ian Carmichael stars as the aristocratic sleuth. British gentleman detective Lord Peter Wimsey features in a number of detective novels and short stories by English crime writer, Dorothy L Sayers. Have Unnatural Death was first published in 1927. Classy and sharp-witted, aristocratic amateur sleuth Lord Peter Bredon was born in 1890 and educated at Eton and Oxford, before serving in the military during the First World War. Ian Carmichael appeared as Lord Peter Wimsey for BBC Radio from 1973 to 1983, in addition to the BBC TV adaptations that were broadcast between 1972 and 1975. Adapted for radio in seven episodes by Chris Miller. Lord Peter Wimsey... Ian Carmichael Miss Climpson... Ambrosine Phillpotts Inspector Parker... Gabriel Woolf Doctor Carr... Peter Baldwin Nurse Philliter... Corinna Marlowe Waiter... Christopher Emmett. Producer: Simon Brett. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1975.

THU 06:30 A Room for a View: The Artist's Studio (b01sd5gx)

Rats in the skirting boards, paint splattered floors, absinthe bottles in the corner of the room, the odd severed ear. The artist's studio imagined. But what about the real thing? Armed with sharpened palette knife and microphone, artist Susan Aldworth explores studios of the future and the past, posing the question are you an artist if you don't have a studio, and in the age of computer technology, do you need one at all? Most artists work alone - hidden from the world, in a private sanctuary where they can think, dream, create and most importantly make mistakes. Anish Kapoor and Anthony Gormley, like Michelangelo, have huge warehouse spaces, along with teams of assistants - their studios are bustling hives of creation, almost manufacturing. By contrast Frank Laws is an early career artist, just beginning to make a living, his canvasses are too large to paint in his flat - so despite it taking half his income, he has a shared studio in a warehouse in the East End of London. In "A Room for a View: The Artist's Studio" Susan Aldworth visits

the studio of artist Tony Bevan, to find out how he uses the space to create his art; hears of rat infested studios from Jonathan Harvey, executive director of legendary studio co-operative ACME, who are currently building new studios for the future, and talks to Hossein Amirsadeghi who has just visited over 100 British artists in their studios, resulting in an encyclopaedic photographic record - "Sanctuary" - all exploring the idea of what makes a great studio and good place to make art. Presenter: Susan Aldworth is an artist with a current display at the National Portrait Gallery, and 20 years' experience as an artist and teacher. Produced by Sara Jane Hall. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2013.

THU 07:00 Fat Chance (b019m4rs)

Celebrity Square

Graham becomes Tina Tattersall's escort for the night in a bid to make her errant husband jealous - and the rest of the slimming club have some surprising news. Jenny McDade's high-fat bittersweet comedy for those believing there's a thin person inside them begging to get out. Graham Pitscottie... Gareth Corke Wendy Bottomley... Janine Duvitski Clive Bottomley... Michael Troughton Soo Pitscottie... Anne Reid Tina Tattersall... Julia Deakin Kelly Chambers... Tilly Gaunt Lee Dubs... Harry Myers Mrs Enright... Frances Jeater. Producer: Sally Avens. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1999.

THU 07:30 Alexei Sayle's Imaginary Sandwich Bar (m0008j9)

Series 3

Santa Claused Faced Old...

Alexei tells the story of a long lost tin of pâté, offers his thoughts on the gig economy and reveals what he believes to be the secret war being waged by the old on the young. Written by Alexei Sayle. Performed by Alexei Sayle. Produced by Joe Nunney. A BBC Studios Production.

THU 08:00 Brothers in Law (b007jryl)

Series 1

Solicitor's Instructions

Barrister Roger Thursty takes on an elaborate drink-driving case. Starring Richard Briers as Roger Thursty, Richard Waring as Henry Blagrove and Ann Davies as Sally Mantering. With guest stars James Hayter as Tewkesbury and Geoffrey Sumner as the Magistrate. Adapted for radio by Richard Waring from the BBC TV scripts. Restored from BBC Transcription Service tapes - originally edited for sale abroad. Published in 1955, Henry Cecil's comic legal novel Brothers in Law was adapted first for TV in 1962 by Frank Muir and Denis Norden. It provided the first regular starring role for Richard Briers, who later reprised his role of the idealistic young lawyer Roger Thursty for BBC Radio between 1970 and 1972. Produced by David Hatch. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1970.

THU 08:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b006r5f)

Series 2

Episode 1

A trendy couple debate "what's in and what's out" - and a lonesome two-headed giant. More quick-fire sketches, terrible puns, humorous songs plus TV and cinema parodies. Stars Tim Brooke-Taylor, Graeme Garden, David Hatch, Jo Kendall and Bill Oddie. Written by John Cleese, Graeme Garden, Tony Hendra, Brian Cooke, Johnnie Mortimer and Hugh Woodhouse. Originating from the Cambridge University Footlights revue 'Cambridge Circus', ISIRTA ran for 8 years on BBC Radio and quickly developed a cult following. Songs by Bill Oddie and Jean Hart with music by Dave Lee. Producer: Humphrey Barclay. First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in October 1965.

THU 09:00 The Write Stuff (m0008qt8)

Series 3

Thomas Hardy

James Walton chairs the game of literary correctness testing Sebastian Faulks, John Walsh, Lynne Truss and Sue Limb. Author of the week: Thomas Hardy. Reader: Beth Chalmers. Producer: Jon Rolph. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2000.

THU 09:30 Bristow (b007w5jb)

Series 3

Repaying Mr Piper

Why is Bristow surrounded by incompetents? He has a theory - and determines to bumble toward the proof. Michael Williams stars as Bristow, the buying clerk from Frank Dickens' famous newspaper cartoon strip. Syndicated internationally, it ran for 41 years in London's Evening Standard. Bristow... Michael Williams Jones... Rodney Bewes Mrs Purdy... Dora Bryan Hewitt... Owen Brennan Perkins... Leslie Phillips Gerit... Liz Fraser Daisy... Joan Sims Miss Sunman... Katy Odey Fudge... Jon Glover Postbox... Simon Schatzberger Stokes... David Battley Miss Pleasant... Jackie Neglia Music: John Whitehall. Producer: Neil Cargill. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2000.

THU 10:00 Classic Serial (b01h2kvn)

F Scott Fitzgerald - The Great Gatsby

Episode 1

F Scott Fitzgerald's seminal novel, a portrait of the Jazz Age in all of its decadence and excess, is perhaps the greatest book on the fallibility of the American dream. Nick Carraway arrives in Long Island and is reacquainted with his distant cousin, Daisy Buchanan. He falls in with her wealthy crowd. His neighbour, the self-made and self-invented millionaire, Gatsby, is the man who has everything - but one thing will always be out of his reach. Dramatised in two-parts by Robert Forrest. Nick... Bryan Dick Gatsby... Andrew Scott Tom... Andrew

Buchan Daisy... Pippa Bennett-Warner Jordan... Melody Grove Wolfsheim... Karl Johnson Klipspringer... Sam Dale Wilson... Gerard McDermott Myrtle... Susie Riddell Catherine... Tracy Wiles Chester... Patrick Brennan Lucille... Christine Absalom Alice... Amaka Okafor. Director: Gaynor Macfarlane. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2012.

THU 11:00 Opening Lines (b063zky1)

Series 17

Mussels by Sue Healy

Recently arrived from Ireland, Triona takes a job as a teacher in a Norfolk prison and finds herself at the sharp end of the refugee crisis. She must balance her roles as sympathetic mentor and authority figure to the prison's population of migrant detainees, many of whom are traumatised by their experiences before coming to the UK. But when a relationship with a Vietnamese inmate threatens her new life, she must decide which immigrant she will save: the prisoner or herself. Sue Healy's short story selected from thousands of entries for the BBC Opening Lines 2015 initiative, our annual open submission window for writers new to radio. Read by Dervla Kirwan. Producer: Simon Richardson

THU 11:15 Drama (b0410j7)

Paul's Dodgson - Home

When you're a child your home feels like the centre of the universe. As a teenager it starts to feel claustrophobic. You begin to hate all it represents with a passion and can't wait to leave. Until one day, when you're faced with losing it for good, you find you're going to miss it with all your heart. Paul Dodgson's drama is about what makes a home, what sustains a home and what happens when it's about to disappear forever. Cast: Narrator... Paul Dodgson Older mum... Pamela Benham Younger mum... Sally Orrock Dad... Ewan Bailey. Director: Kate McAleer. BBC/Cymru Wales production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in October 2014.

THU 12:00 Brothers in Law (b007jryl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

THU 12:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b006r5f)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

THU 13:00 Wimsey (b007jvld)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

THU 13:30 A Room for a View: The Artist's Studio (b01sd5gx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

THU 14:00 Book at Bedtime (b053bxyf)

In Certain Circles

"Something's happened to Anna"

The devastating fallout from the arrival of an unexpected letter. Internationally acclaimed Australian author Elizabeth Harrower's novel was written in 1971 and was finally published in 2015. This tale of love, class and freedom is set among the grand houses and lush gardens of Sydney Harbour just after the Second World War, following the lives of Zoe and Russell Howard. Charismatic and confident, the children of affluent and loving parents, they welcome into their circle two orphans, Stephen and Anna. It's a meeting that will resonate for decades. Reader: Penny Downie. Abridger: Sally Marmion. Producer: Justine Willett. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2015.

THU 14:15 Five Hundred Years of Friendship (b03yqj3f)

Webs of Loyalty

Social networking appears to be expanding our circles of friendship just as our sense of community is contracting. Dr Thomas Dixon presents a timely history of how the meaning and experience of friendship have changed over the centuries. Renaissance thinkers insisted that friendships were purely about emotional ties, but, in reality, friendships are often formed for more instrumental reasons - to give practical support in times of need. "That's what friends are for", observes one speaker in the opening montage of this episode. Thomas Dixon takes up his story to explore the impact of expanding commerce and politics on friendship in the 18th century. He learns about the friendship of the midwife and money-lender, Elizabeth Hatchett, with the pawn-broker, Elizabeth Carter, who lived and worked together in London in the early 18th century. And he looks into the circles of friendship of a Sussex shopkeeper, Thomas Turner, during the 1761 General Election, as an example of friendship within political life. Historians Alex Shepard and Naomi Tadmor share their research and vivid examples of such complex webs of loyalty. Producer: Beaty Rubens. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2014.

THU 14:30 Dave Sheasby - Shifting the Leaves (b007jtc7)

Episode 4

Marjorie Beaumont discovers a link to her Cornish past, but still feels matters are not yet fully resolved. Written by Dave Sheasby. Marjorie Beaumont... Elizabeth Bradley Mrs Nugent... June Barrie Mrs Lancaster Fry... Shirley Brown. Producer: David Hunter. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1998.

THU 14:45 Ricky Tomlinson - Ricky (m0008qt8)

Episode 4

Reading from his autobiography, actor Ricky Tomlinson recalls his release from jail - and being a TV extra, ahead of landing his big break. Producer: Liz Webb. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2003.

THU 15:00 Classic Serial (b01h2kvn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

THU 16:00 The Write Stuff (m0008qt8)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

THU 16:30 Bristow (b007w5jb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

THU 17:00 Fat Chance (b019m4rs)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

THU 17:30 Alexei Sayle's Imaginary Sandwich Bar (m0008jf9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

THU 18:00 Daphne du Maurier - The Blue Lenses (b007k4jq)

Episode 1

Recovering from a serious eye operation, Marda West discovers her vision has been heightened to a frighteningly new degree of clarity. It makes her fear that people she trusts the most have sinister designs against her...Daphne du Maurier's two-part fantasy thriller explores the darker aspects of human nature. Read by Emma Fielding. Produced and abridged by Gemma Jenkins. Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in 2007.

THU 18:30 Great Lives (b039q24y)

Series 31

Peter Bowles on George Devine

Matthew Parris is joined by actor Peter Bowles who nominates George Devine, groundbreaking artistic director of the Royal Court Theatre. Devine battled against the theatrical establishment, repressive censorship, helped the careers of actors like Laurence Olivier and Peggy Ashcroft, and by discovering writers like John Osborne and other 'Angry Young Men' - he changed British theatre forever. Helping guide us through the post-war landscape of Devine's life, is Philip Roberts, Emeritus Professor of Drama and Theatre Studies at the University of Leeds. Produced in Bristol by Melvin Rickaby. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2013.

THU 19:00 Brothers in Law (b007jryl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

THU 19:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b006r5f)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

THU 20:00 Wimsey (b007jvld)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

THU 20:30 A Room for a View: The Artist's Studio (b01sd5gx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

THU 21:00 Opening Lines (b063zky1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

THU 21:15 Drama (b041i0j7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]

THU 22:00 Alexei Sayle's Imaginary Sandwich Bar (m0008jf9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

THU 22:30 Newsjack (m0008qgt)

Series 21

Episode 3

Newsjack is a scrapbook sketch show written entirely by the Great British public. Hosted by Kiri Pritchard-McLean.

THU 23:00 Little Lifetimes by Jenny Eclair (b098n4vk)

Series 4

The Last Day

It's Miss Cavendish's last day at school and retirement looms but surely it can't go completely unmarked, that's enough to send even the most sensible woman over the edge. The first in a series of by Jenny Eclair's comic monologues where four women reach a crisis in their lives. Vicki Pepperdine is one of the country's leading comic actors. She co-wrote and starred in the sit-com 'Getting On' and can currently be seen in The Windsors. Jenny Eclair is a comedian, novelist and actress. She blazed a trail for female comedians and is now a stalwart of the comedy circuit. Producer: Sally Avens. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2017.

THU 23:15 The Lach Chronicles (b04srx99)

Series 2

Sally's Gone Blue

Lach was the King of Manhattan's East Village and host of the longest running open mic night in New York. He now lives in Scotland and finds himself back at square one, playing in a dive bar on the wrong side of Edinburgh. His famous night, held in various venues around New York, was called the Antihoot. Never quite fitting in and lost somewhere lonely between folk and punk music, Lach started the Antifolk movement. He played host to Suzanne Vega, Jeff Buckley and many others. He discovered and nurtured lots of talent including Beck, Regina Spektor and the Moldy Peaches - but nobody discovered him. In this episode, entranced by the Edinburgh Fringe Festival, Lach harvests his extrawordly experiences and starts a new adventure into an unexplored world - comedy. Producer: Richard Melvin. Dabster production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in December 2014.

THU 23:30 Lionel Nimrod's Inexplicable World (b007jtql)

Series 2

The Scheme of Things

Where does Britain fit in the Theatre of Being? Cult New Age comedy that answers the questions which leave other shows scratching their beards. Starring Stewart Lee and Richard Herring. With Rebecca Front, Armando Iannucci and the voice of Tom Baker. Producer: Sarah Smith. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1993.

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FRI 00:00 Daphne du Maurier - The Blue Lenses (b007k4jq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Thursday]

FRI 00:30 Great Lives (b039q24y)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Thursday]

FRI 01:00 Wimsey (b007jvld)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Thursday]

FRI 01:30 A Room for a View: The Artist's Studio (b01sd5gx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Thursday]

FRI 02:00 Book at Bedtime (b053bxyf)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Thursday]

FRI 02:15 Five Hundred Years of Friendship (b03yqj3f)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Thursday]

FRI 02:30 Dave Sheasby - Shifting the Leaves (b007jtc7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Thursday]

FRI 02:45 Ricky Tomlinson - Ricky (m0008qtd)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:45 on Thursday]

FRI 03:00 Classic Serial (b01h2kvn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Thursday]

FRI 04:00 The Write Stuff (m0008qt8)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Thursday]

FRI 04:30 Bristow (b007w5jb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Thursday]

FRI 05:00 Fat Chance (b019m4rs)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Thursday]

FRI 05:30 Alexei Sayle's Imaginary Sandwich Bar (m0008jf9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Thursday]

FRI 06:00 Wimsey (b007jvld)

Unnatural Death

Death In Epping Forest

After another killing, Lord Peter Wimsey questions an evasive would-be divorcee. Ian Carmichael stars as the aristocratic sleuth. British gentleman detective Lord Peter Wimsey features in a number of detective novels and short stories by English crime writer, Dorothy L. Sayers. Have Unnatural Death was first published in 1927. Classy and sharp-witted, aristocratic amateur sleuth Lord Peter Bredon Wimsey was born in 1890 and educated at Eton and Oxford, before serving in the military during the First World War. Ian Carmichael appeared as Lord Peter Wimsey for BBC Radio from 1973 to 1983, in addition to the BBC TV adaptations that were broadcast between 1972 and 1975. Adapted for radio in seven episodes by Chris Miller. Lord Peter Wimsey Ian Carmichael/Miss Climpson Ambrosine Phillpotts/Inspector Parker Gabriel Woolf/Mrs. Peasgood Betty Cardno/Mrs. Forrest Bridget McConnell/Superintendent Walmisley Godfrey Kenton/Mrs. Gulliver Pauline Lettis/Miss Murgatroyd Madi Hedd/Producer: Simon Brett. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1975.

FRI 06:30 Going on the Gallopers (b011c222)

A portrait of the life, popular art and remarkable engineering of Carters Steam Fair. John Carter was interested in old machinery and fairground art. People began giving him gear and rides, or selling them to him when they retired, knowing he would keep them working. His obsession encompassed his family and now, a decade after his death, Carters Steam Fair, staffed by John's widow, his sons and many old friends, travels for 7 months of the year, and spends winter in the yard fettling, burnishing and painting. There are gallopers (no, not carousels) of extraordinary glamour and beauty, dizzying steam yachts and the amazing Chair-o-Planes. The family and workers live in exquisite 1940s art deco showmen's wagons, with cut-glass celerestories. Their set-up is different everywhere they go because they regard all this as art and architecture - that moves. Even their lorries are ancient and beautiful - This programme, recorded in their winter yard and on site while they work, captures the wild, bright, musical, oily beauty, and thoughtful philosophy, of the life of the steam fair. Producer: Julian May. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2011.

FRI 07:00 Babbewick Hall (b01n6zrr)

Series 1

Episode 3

After a sermon from Parson Flinch on the dangers of worldly lusts, Fenton Babbewick finds himself smitten by the exquisite charms of Miss Lucinda Bluntstone. However, before any progress can be made Fenton must satisfy the terms and conditions of Lucinda's formidable mother which includes strict stipulations concerning the long-suffering Augustus Snipe - will this prove the end of an enduring master/servant relationship? Starring Nicholas Le Prevost as Fenton Babbewick and Forbes Masson as Augustus Snipe. Scott Cherry's six-part sitcom set in the 18th-century. Fenton Babbewick Nick Le Prevost/Augustus Snipe Forbes Masson/Barney David Antrobus/Jack Sam Kelly/Molly Gillian Bevan/Flinch Maurice Denham/Mrs Bluntstone Liz Spriggs/Lucinda Tracie Bennett/Smellie David Timson/Hartson Geoffrey Whitehead/Music by Paul Mottram. Producer: Paul Schlesinger. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1996.

FRI 07:30 Cooking in a Bedsitter (b09jcd4g)

Series 2

Green Pea Sandwiches

Beattie Edmondson and Nikesh Patel star in Sue Teddern's romantic comedy, inspired by Katharine Whitehorn's cookery classic. Deepak takes Trisha on an outing to Oxford. But it's not quite the punting and picnic she expects. Extracts from Cooking in a Bedsitter are read by Eleanor Bron. Directed by Emma Harding.

FRI 08:00 The Burkiss Way (b007jqv4)

Series 3

How to Succeed in Business The Burkiss Way

"It's That Script Again!" with fast-talking old-time radio comedy fun - and at the Council Planning Committee, will Satan eat a cucumber or offer a million pound bribe? Starring Fred Harris, Jo Kendall, Nigel Rees and Chris Emmett. Cult sketch comedy series which originally ran from 1976 to 1980. Scripted by David Renwick and Andrew Marshall. Producer: John Lloyd. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1977.

FRI 08:30 Steptoe and Son (b007jnjq)

Series 6

Loathe Story

Sleepwalking Harold gives dad Albert a fright. Starring Wilfrid Brambell and Harry H. Corbett as Steptoe and Son. Written for TV and adapted for radio by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson. Albert Wilfrid Brambell/Harold Harry H. Corbett/Psychiatrist Graham Stark/Bunty Jo Manning/Wilson/Mrs Kennington-Stroud Margot Boyd. Following the conclusion of their hugely successful association with Tony Hancock, writers Ray Galton and Alan Simpson wrote 10 pilots for the BBC TV's Comedy Playhouse in 1962. The Offer was set in a house with a yard full of junk, featuring the lives of rag and bone men Albert Steptoe and his son Harold and it was the spark for a run of 8 series for TV later adapted for radio. Producer: Bobby Jaye. First broadcast on the BBC Radio 2 in February 1976.

FRI 09:00 It's Not What You Know (b036kbm5)

Series 2

Episode 1

What is Frankie Boyle's worst habit? What is the best piece of advice Diane Morgan's dad ever gave her? Which government department did Alan Johnson most like being in charge of? All these questions, and more, will be answered in the show hosted by Miles Jupp, where panellists are tested on how well they know their nearest and dearest. In this case, Alan Johnson picks his son Jamie, Diane Morgan her father Peter and Frankie Boyle his mate Stuart to answer questions about each other. Producer: Sam Michell. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2013.

FRI 09:30 Mark Tavener - In the Red (b007k0hz)

Episode 5

A crucial by-election result is due, as the murders continue - but reporter George Cragge is on the case. London is plagued by a series of bizarre murders of bank managers. Hot on the trail of the killer are an old-style Chief Police Inspector and BBC Radio's crime correspondent, George Cragge. A blackly humorous murder mystery set in the world of City finance, the BBC and political parties. Dramatised in seven-parts by Mark Tavener and Peter Baynham from Mark Tavener's novel. George Cragge Michael Williams/Frank Jefferson Barry Foster/Geoffrey Crichton-Potter Stephen Moore/Henry Julian Rhind-Tutt/Max Peter Woodthorpe/Controller Radio 2 Stephen Fry/Controller Radio 4 John Bird/Dominic De'ath Benjamin Whitrow/Hercules Fortescue Nicholas Le Prevost/Andrew James Peter Serafinowicz/Laetitia Victoria Carling/Caroline Susie Brann/Home Secretary Peter Yapp/Auntie Agony Eva Stuart/Controller BBC 1 Ian McNiece/PA Woman Annabel Mullion/With Alice Arnold, Richard Turner and Tim Hope. Music by Paul Mottram. Producer: Paul Schlesinger. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1995.

FRI 10:00 Classic Serial (b01hdyq0)

F Scott Fitzgerald - The Great Gatsby

Episode 2

Nick has fallen in with the wealthy crowd on Long Island. His neighbour, Gatsby, asks Nick to engineer a meeting with his lost love, Nick's cousin, Daisy. Conclusion of F Scott Fitzgerald's seminal novel, a portrait of the Jazz Age in all of its decadence and excess, is perhaps the greatest book on the fallibility of the American dream. Dramatised by Robert Forrest. Nick Bryan Dick/Gatsby Andrew Scott/Tom Andrew Buchan/Daisy Pippa Bennett-Warner/Jordan Melody Grove/Wolfsheim Karl Johnson/Klipspringer/Michaelis Sam Dale/Wilson/Gatz Gerard McDermott/Myrtle Susie Riddell/Alice Amaka Okafor/Director: Gaynor Macfarlane. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2012.

FRI 11:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m0008r26)

Around The World with Chrystal Genesis - Africa
Amanda Litherland and Chrystal Genesis recommend some great podcasts made on the African continent. Including Sound Africa's true crime series The Killed Dulcie, Afroqueer, Not Your African Cliché and Afropop Worldwide.

FRI 12:00 The Burkiss Way (b007jqv4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

FRI 12:30 Steptoe and Son (b007jnjq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

FRI 13:00 Wimsey (b007jvld)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

FRI 13:30 Going on the Gallopers (b011c222)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

FRI 14:00 Book at Bedtime (b053c3q9)

In Certain Circles

"You must solve yourself"

Endings and new beginnings, as Anna and Zoe realise what love is. Conclusion of internationally acclaimed Australian author Elizabeth Harrower's novel written in 1971 and finally published in 2015. This tale of love, class and freedom is set among the grand houses and lush gardens of Sydney Harbour just after the Second World War, following the lives of Zoe and

Russell Howard. Charismatic and confident, the children of affluent and loving parents, they welcome into their circle two orphans, Stephen and Anna. It's a meeting that will resonate for decades. Reader: Penny Downie. Abridger: Sally Marmion. Producer: Justine Willett. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2015.

FRI 14:15 Five Hundred Years of Friendship (b03yqz9)

When William Met Mary

Social networking appears to be expanding our circles of friendship just as our sense of community is contracting: Dr Thomas Dixon presents a timely history of how the meaning and experience of friendship have changed over the centuries. The famous 1989 film, *When Harry Met Sally*, crystallised for modern viewers the key question of whether a man and woman can truly be friends without any sexual element. This was a question which radical and educated people were beginning to ask in the 18th century, alongside its mirror image - can a husband and wife also be friends? Thomas Dixon traces the changing face of friendship and the new idea of "companionate marriage" during this era, through the linked histories of the feminist Mary Wollstonecraft and the radical philosopher William Godwin. With the help of the historian Barbara Taylor, he considers three moving stories: Mary's early friendship with Fanny Blood, of whom she declared: "To live with this friend is the height of my ambition"; the halting start, close friendship and devoted but tragically short marriage of Wollstonecraft with Godwin, who described their relationship as "friendship melting into love"; and the marriage of their daughter, Mary, who wrote of her desolation after the death by drowning of her husband, the poet Percy Shelley: "I have now no friend." Thomas Dixon brings together issues of friendship and marriage in this most contemporary of historical series. Producer: Beaty Rubens. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2014.

FRI 14:30 Dave Sheasby - Shifting the Leaves (b007jtch)

Episode 5

In her quest to finally come to terms with her Cornish past, Marjorie gets help from some youngsters. Written by Dave Sheasby. Marjorie Beaumont Elizabeth Bradley. Mrs Nugent June Barrie. Mandy Alison Pettit. Tison Tristan Sturrock. Producer: David Hunter. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1998.

FRI 14:45 Ricky Tomlinson - Ricky (m0008r28)

Episode 5

Concluding his autobiography, actor Ricky Tomlinson recalls how disaster followed TV success in 'Brookside' - until Jim Royle barged in. Producer: Liz Webb. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2003.

FRI 15:00 Classic Serial (b01hdyq0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

FRI 16:00 It's Not What You Know (b036kbm5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

FRI 16:30 Mark Tavener - In the Red (b007k0hz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

FRI 17:00 Babbewick Hall (b01n6zrr)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

FRI 17:30 Cooking in a Bedsitter (b09jcd4g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 18:00 Daphne du Maurier - The Blue Lenses (b007k4rp)

Episode 2

After discovering she's able to see things that others can't, Marda West fears for her survival in this dangerous new world. The conclusion of Daphne du Maurier's two-part fantasy thriller exploring the darker aspects of human nature. Read by Emma Fielding. Produced and abridged by Gemma Jenkins. Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in 2007.

FRI 18:30 Off the Page (b0076mw8)

Boredom

Matthew Parris and his guests are inspired by boredom. With writers Brian Dooley, Matthew Sharpe and Susan Elderkin. From August 2004.

FRI 19:00 The Burkiss Way (b007jqv4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

FRI 19:30 Steptoe and Son (b007jnjq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

FRI 20:00 Wimsey (b007jvlj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

FRI 20:30 Going on the Gallopers (b011c222)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

FRI 21:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m0008r26)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

FRI 22:00 Cooking in a Bedsitter (b09jcd4g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 22:30 In and Out of the Kitchen (b01qlhjh)

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.

FRI 23:00 Talking to Strangers (b06z5d2v)

Episode 1

Comic monologues in which a range of characters find themselves engaging in that most un-British of activities: talking to a stranger. Each piece is a character study: funny, frank, absurd, moving... Characters include a sex councillor who loves to draw, a spy who loves to share, a woman who likes to help too much ('I'm a serial helpist...'), a frustrated falconer, and a cheater who has to call her cheatee the morning after. And in this show, the listener themselves 'plays' the silent stranger in the piece... Written and performed by Sally Phillips and Lily Bevan. With guest stars including Emma Thompson, Olivia Colman, Jessica Hynes, Steve Evets, Sinead Matthews and Joel Fry. Producer: Sam Bryant. BBC Comedy Production first broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2016.

FRI 23:30 The Masterson Inheritance (b007jswb)

Series 1

The Tating of the Mastersons

The Wild West is the setting for a show-down over faulty dental work! An improvised historical saga of a family at war with itself - based entirely on audience suggestions. Starring Paul Merton, Josie Lawrence, Caroline Quentin, Jim Sweeney and Phelim McDermott. Producer: Phil Clarke. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1993.