SATURDAY 07 DECEMBER 2019

SAT 00:00 David Garnett - Lady into Fox (b00cmz8m)

2. Escape
Despite Richard Tebrick's increased security for their new home, his vixen wife escapes to begin a new family life in the woods...

David Garnett's terrifying novel of transformation is concluded by Ben Miles.

Abridged by Doreen Estall

Directed at BBC Northern Ireland by Lawrence Jackson. Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in July 2008.

SAT 00:30 Last Orders (b00qpslw)

Episode 1

A celebration of the pub landlord and landlady.

With pubs disappearing at the rate of more than three a day, signalling one of the most rapid cultural shifts of recent times, half a dozen landlords and landladies reflect on life as a licensee and explore what we're in danger of losing besides the beer and the buildings.

This rueful view from behind the bar includes reflections on the qualities of a good landlord or landlady; their role as commu confessional and settler of tap room fights, dispenser of best bitter and pearls of wisdom.

We hear from old hands like Barbara, an ex-Bunny girl who runs the Grapes in London's Limehouse; Tetlev Dave who fought a battle to keep the Shoulder of Mutton from closing in Castleford; Maureen from the Waggon and Horses at Langsett who's famous for her pies ; ex miner Dennis from Barnsley, whose concern is health and safety; stand-up comedian Tobywho recalls lining up six pints apiece for the miners coming off shift at his auntie's pub in a Yorkshire pit village; and former Cambridge academic Tim, who's taken early retirement to open his first pub in York - the Pheonix- just as many others are shutting up shop.

How have these landlords and landladies kept their marriages together, living and working on the premises? How much of a tempatation was it to hit the top shelf and go for the optics after a hard day's graft behind the bar? Why do they think the pub can teach the next generation how to hold their drink .And how do they handle an objectionable customer without starting a wild-west barroom brawl?

Producer Lindsay Leonard.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2010.

SAT 01:00 Wimsey (m000c2bx)

Whose Body?

5 Bunter Brings a Letter

In his quest to finally solve the mystery of missing financier Sir Reuben Levy, Lord Peter Wimsey makes a crucial appointment.

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. Whose Body? was first published in

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

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

Lord Peter Wimsey	Ian Carmichael
Bunter	Peter Jones
Sir Julian Freke	Bernard Archard
Inspector Charles Parker	Gabriel Woolf
Piggott/Dr Colegrove	Geoffrey Beevers
Dr Grimbold/Sir Reuben Levy	Wilfred Carter
Lady Levy	Betty Cardno
Adapted by Chris Miller	

Producer Simon Brett

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1974.

SAT 01:30 The Lennon Visitors (b00v1qzc)

Every year, around 8,000 people from 50 countries pay homage to John Lennon at his childhood home, Mendips, But who are these visitors and what do they seek from an ordinary suburban semi in Liverpool?

Comedian, Alexei Sayle, took the National Trust tour in 2009 and was so taken with its 1950s charm and with the spirit of it, that he's gone back; this time meeting custodian, Colin Hall and finding out what it's like to live in one of the most famous houses in Liverpool.

He also talks to some of those who visited the house when John Lennon lived there - John's cousin Mike; Colin Hanton, the drummer in John Lennon's band, the Quarrymen; and Freda Kelly, the Beatles' Club Secretary. And of course just a few of those 8000 visitors

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2010 to mark Lennon's 70th birthday
SAT 02:00 Jennifer Donnelly - A Gathering Light

(b01683vq)

Episode 5

Will she stay or will she go? Mattie reads Grace's last letter and receives some news from Miss Wilcox. And Royal awaits. As the story behind Grace Brown's death unfolds, 17 year old Mattie Gokey must chose to between her desire to be a writer. and the excitement of a first romance.

Jennifer Donnelly's debut novel conlcuded by Vicki Simon Abridged by Penny Leicester.

Producer: Liz Allard

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2004

SAT 02:15 A History of Britain in Numbers (b053c3pd) Series 2

Voting

Andrew Dilnot, chair of the UK Statistics Authority (2012-2017), brings to life the numbers conveying the big

trends that have transformed the shape and scope of the British

He looks at what governments through the centuries have spent, borrowed, taxed, regulated and built; and he considers how we came to organise a national life that reaches into every corner of private life, from the delivery of pensions and healthcare to the surveillance of emails or rules about the temperature of a hot

By one measure, the modern British state is roughly 7,000 times bigger than the Tudor state. How and why did that happen?

The story of the state unfolds through muddy fields, smugglers coves and a Victorian village lock-up. Numbers become sound as we hear the dramatic scale of change that has occurred over

The evolution of the state may be driven less by party politics than party politicians might like us to think. Although the state's size and functions are a natural subject of fierce political argument, the impetus for the biggest changes has often come from another source - such as war, economic growth, and the power that arises from knowledge.

In the final programme of the series, Andrew turns his attention to enfranchisement.

Producer: Michael Blastland

A Whistledown production first broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in

February 2015. SAT 02:30 A House to Let (b00x544m)

Episode 5

The derelict house finally reveals its sad secrets, but Trottle is determined to make it a happy ending. Stars Marcia Warren. SAT 02:45 Book of the Week (b053c3nw)

Mary Portas - Shop Girl

Episode 5

Mary Portas reads her moving and hilarious memoir of her early years.

Mary has finally found her calling as a window dresser at Harrods. Under Berge, the Armenian Rudolf Nureyev/Freddie Mercury look-alike who's known as Oueen of the Store, she learns to create windows which will make dreams become reality and entice customers over the threshold into the magic kingdom

She thrives in the frenetic, creative environment, but now that her dad has sold the family home to move in with his new wife, she's always desperate for money and lonely in her tiny flat.

Then, one night, her step mother turns up - with shocking news.

Read by the author Abridged by Jo Coombs

Produced by Hannah Marshall

A Loftus production for BBC Radio 4

SAT 03:00 Drama (b084t17z) Robert Louis Stevenson: Terror in the South Seas

The Ebb Tide

Three destitute men steal a schooner. They drink the cargo of champagne and try to steal a treasure trove of pearls from a local slave-owning trader.

The second of two dramatisations of Robert Louis Stevenson's gripping novellas set in Samoa and written while he lived there. Starring David Tennant.

At the height of his powers, Stevenson tackled the most pressing theme on the islands - the vicious effects of colonialism including slavery, racism, sexual exploitation and the conflict between traditional and modern values. The subjects are as vivid today as in 1894 and these compelling and violent stories feature some of the most driven, dangerous and obsessive characters in fiction. Joseph Conrad drew on these novellas for Heart of Darkness.

Narrator - David Tennant

Captain John Davis - Stanley Townsend

Herrick - Rupert Evans Huish - Charles Davies

Attwater - Nick Sampson

Dramatised by Jane Rogers

Director: Clive Brill

A Brill production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in

December 2016.

SAT 04:00 It's Not What You Know (b0639w41)

Series 3

Episode 5

Which particular football match is Elis James obsessed with? What's Penny Smith's worst habit? What was the worst thing Russell Grant did as a child?

All these burning 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, comedian Elis James picks his radio show co-host, presenter Penny Smith picks her brother-in-law and astrologer Russell Grant picks his mum.

Producer: Matt Stronge.

SAT 04:30 The Phenomenon Squad (b08490hk)

The Devil

The Beevers are expecting the Devil at No 42. Brabazon and the squad are out to foil their plans.

Can they save suburbia from Satanism?

Rov Kinnear and Simon Cadell star in Michael Snelgrove's sitcom about the less-than-competent leader of a crack

undercover police squad. Supt Brabazon Roy Kinnear

Dep Asst Commissioner Simon Cadell

Sigaloff Royce Mills WPI Nuttkins Susie Blake

MacTooley Alex Norton

Humby Stephen Frost Derek ... Anthony Jackson

Donna Karen Archer

Producer: Jonathan James-Moore

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1987.

SAT 05:00 1834 (b01137b8)

What Century Are You Living In?

Jason Slater is a 21st-century English teacher from Cheadle Hulme who wakes in 19th-century Macclesfield.

In Jim Poyser's riotous comedy of transportation and delight, Jason discovers he's now Tarquin, third son of Lord Belport with a faithful valet, Ned who can't explain what's happened. He's also acquired a suspicious brother, Henry; a spurned exgirlfriend, Millicent, now going out with Henry; and an over excited Luddite-cum-cauliflower farmer.

Jason Slater Mich Ned Joe Caffrey . Michael Begley

Hoskins Kenneth Alan Taylor

Lord Belport Mark Chatterton

Henry James Nickerson

Luddite Toby Hadoke

Millicent Julia Rounthwaite Directed at BBC Manchester by Polly Thomas.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2003.

SAT 05:30 Rich Hall's (US) Breakdown (m000bp4k)

Rich Hall's (US Election) Breakdown

Thanksgiving

Join multi award-winning comedian and US citizen Rich Hall as he takes a look across the pond at the current state of US politics.

A combination of stand-up, sketch and interview, Rich Hall's (US) Breakdown broadcasts live from the fictional IBBC network in Washington to the whole of the United States. In this Thanksgiving special Rich and his co-host Nick Doody take a closer look at the impeachment process, hear from some Democratic presidential hopefuls and listen in as Trump pardons a turkey...

Written by Rich Hall & Nick Doody with additional material from Sarah Campbell and Mike Shepherd.

The cast includes Lewis McLeod, Freya Parker and Mike Wilmot. Interview Guest Dahlia Lithwick (Host of Amicus

Podcast Senior Editor at Slate) Researcher: Mandy Baker

Production co-ordinator: Candace Wilson Producer: Adnan Ahmed

A BBC Studios production

SAT 06:00 Hercule Poirot (b007rd7r)

The Murder of Roger Ackroyd When Belgian sleuth, Hercule Poirot retires to the country to grow vegetable marrows, he soon discovers that someone has

planted the seeds of treachery... and of murder. Agatha Christie's whodunit stars John Moffatt as Hercule

First published in 1926, The Murder of Roger Ackroyd was dramatised by Michael Bakewell.

Hercule Poirot John Moffatt

Dr Sheppard John Woodvine Roger Ackroyd Laurence Payne

Raymond Peter Gilmore

Parker the Butler Deryck Guyler Caroline Diana Olsson

Miss Russell Eva Stuart

Ralph Paton Paul Sirr

Flora Zelah Clarke

Mrs Ackroyd Joan Matheson Kent Peter Craze

Blunt David Goodland

Inspector Raglan Richard Tate

Inspector Davis Simon Cuff Ursula Karen Archer

Eammond Alan Dudley Director: Enyd Williams

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1987.

SAT 07:30 The Voices of... (b01n11cz)

Robert Wyatt

Robert Wyatt has been recognised as a prog-rock drummer. jazz composer, avant-garde cornet player, artist and activist in a wheelchair. But, above all else, he has been known by one of the most instantly recognisable and distinctive voices of the last fifty years.

Forever associated with Shipbuilding, Elvis Costello's song written in reaction to the Falklands War, Wvatt's voice and the causes he gives voice to are intricately entwined.

This intimate radio portrait, in his own words, traces Wyatt's journey from the psychedelic excesses of Soft Machine (appearing both with Jimi Hendrix and at the BBC Proms), through the life-changing accident that has confined him to a wheelchair for almost forty years, to recent celebrated musical projects that are reaching new audiences.

Producer: Alan Hall

A Falling Tree production first broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in

October 2012.

SAT 08:00 Archive on 4 (b04y6mw8)

Mustn't Grumble: The Noble British Art of Complaining Complaining is a vital component of British life, whether it's formal letters to a utility company, bank or broadband provider, or it's an ice-breaker at a bus stop, bemoaning the dreary weather.

Writer and broadcaster Bidisha sets out to identify why complaining is so important to us, and also precisely how we go about it.

She visits an international language school to hear how students learning English react to lessons in 'hedging' (the art of introducing a complaint with apology - "Tm terribly sorry but..", "Forgive me for mentioning it but.."); she also meets literary professor Phil Davis to track complaint through the fictional pages of history, former comedian and classicist Natalie Haynes to found out how the Ancients did it, and journalist Lynne Truss to find out why we never complain to a hairdresser Along the way she also meets a professional complainer, Jasper Griegson, who's sent thousands of letters of complaint over the years, sometimes in verse, sometimes in medieval script, to find out the best methods of complaining.

Bidisha also wonders, finally, whether complaining is actually good for us - whether the occasional gains we may achieve are worth so much of our energy and spirit. The programme will make use of the ample archive of complaint, from Juvenal to Points of View', Samuel Pepys' diaries to Alf Garnett and Tom Wrigglesworth.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2015.

SAT 09:00 Elizabeth Jane Howard Remembered (b04wjh11)

BBC Radio 4 Extra celebrates the life of the novelist, Elizabeth Jane Howard who died aged 90 on January 2nd 2014. This 3 hour special features material from the BBC archive including two of Howard's short stories, and her choice of Desert Island Discs from 1995. But it also includes an extract from her first novel The Beautiful Visit (read by Juliet Stevenson), as well as new interviews with, among others, her step-son Martin Amis and her biographer Artemis Cooper, all recorded at the Cheltenham Literature Festival.

As well as being the author of 14 novels, and selling more than a million books, Howard lived a richly eventful life. She walked out of her first marriage to naturalist Peter Scott, taking with her just £10, a suitcase and half a novel. She subsequently went on to remove herself from two more marriages. As her life-long friend, Jacqui Graham, points out, it was enormously brave. "Women just didn't do that "

Cathy Rentzenbrink, who presents the programme, says of Howard, 'What I find interesting is the way her life and fiction intertwines. I can't think of any other writer where the mistakes of life are transformed, reinterpreted, recycled into such brilliant novels."

Producer: Sarah Wade

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 Extra in 2015.

SAT 12:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b00j1wj3)

Series 3

The Pet Dog

The lad buys Andree a puppy for her birthday, but to his alarm it won't stop growing!

Starring Tony Hancock.

With Bill Kerr, Sidney James, Andree Melly 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 Rabinowitz.

Producer: Dennis Main Wilson

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in October 1955. SAT 12:30 Dad's Army (b007 ipgq)

The Day the Balloon Went Up

Captain Mainwaring gets carried away with the platoon's war

Adapted for radio from Jimmy Perry and David Croft's BBC TV scripts by Harold Snoad and Michael Knowles.

Captain Mainwaring Arthur Lowe

Sergeant Wilson John Le Mesurier Corporal Jones Clive Dunn

Private Fraser John Laurie

Private Godfrey Arnold Ridley Private Pike Ian Lavender

Warden Hodges Bill Pertwee

Vicar Frank Williams

The Verger Edward Sinclain

Squadron Leader Michael Knowles

Announcer John Snagge

Producer: John Dyas

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1975.

SAT 13:00 Anne Tyler - Ladder of Years (Omnibus) (b05n40rr)

Episode 2

An unexpected romantic encounter in the grocery aisle sparks the beginning of a new adventure for homely Delia Grinstead. Anne Tyler's unsettling story about marriage, family and hope Delia Grinstead's new job in the sleepy town of Bay Borough draws her into the business of another fractured family. Omnibus of the last five of ten episodes dramatised by Rebecca Lenkiewicz.

Delia Nancy Crane

Adrian Ian Conningham

Sam Nathan Osgood

Eliza Jessica Turner

Rosemary Rhiannon Neads Skipper David Acton

Carroll Sam Valentine

Driscoll Mark Edel-Hunt Susie Roslyn Hill

Director: David Hunter First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2015.

SAT 14:10 Inheritance Tracks (m000c33l)

Kelly MacDonald

Actor Kelly Macdonald chooses You are My Sunshine by Jimmie Davis and I Love You by Woodkid

SAT 14:15 Down Your Way (m000c33n)

Sian Phillips in Dinefwr

Actress Sian Phillips returns to her childhood haunt of Dinefwr, an area of villages and valleys north of Swansea and on the western edge of the Brecon Beacons.

Down Your Way was a schedule staple for decades - starting on the BBC Home Service in 1946 and ending its run on BBC Radio 4 in 1992. Using a variety of hosts, including Richard Dimbleby and Brian Johnston, the programme toured villages, towns and cities across the UK. At the height of the series success in the 1950s, it was attracting 10 million listeners a week.

Producer: Jill Marshall.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1990.

SAT 15:00 Archive on 4 (b04v6mw8)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today] SAT 16:00 Hercule Poirot (b007rd7r)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SAT 17:30 The Voices of... (b01n11cz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

SAT 18:00 William Boyd - A Haunting (b00765nx)

A landscape architect finds himself taken over by an unseen presence in an aeroplane and is forced to make a strange drawing which he doesn't recognise.

He begins to act out of character, lusting after waitresses and butcher's assistants, growing a beard and behaving so strangely that he seems to have a breakdown...

Published in 2000, William Boyd's ghost story stars John

Alexander Reif John Sessions

Stella Reif Emma Currie

John-Jo Harrigan Liam Brennan

Demarco Crawford Logan Leandra Eliza Langland

Stewardessr Joanna Tope

Other parts played by the cast.

Director: Dave Batchelor

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2001.

SAT 18:45 The Pond (b06z8twn) An old man calls to a frog and then catches it for a sinister

purpose, but will he pay for his crime?

George Parsons reads Nigel Kneale's short story.

Produced at BBC Bristol by Pamela Howe. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1988

SAT 19:00 Elizabeth Jane Howard Remembered (b04wih11)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SAT 22:00 It's Jocelyn (b08g7mjt)

Series 2

Series 2 of It's Jocelyn - sketches and stand-up from the wonderful mind of Jocelyn Jee Esien.

In episode two, Jocelyn talks about a dating, we follow a day in the life of Britain's worst bus driver and Kingston's take away caters for a vegan customer.

This series Jocelyn is joined by Paul Whitehouse as a cockney funeral director, as well as the vocal talents of Ninia Benjamin, Curtis Walker, Dee Kaate, Gavi Chera and Karen Bartke.

The producer is Suzy Grant and It's Jocelyn is a BBC Studios production.

SAT 22:30 Revolting People (b00wr9v4)

Reunion

Samuel and company hit London, where McGurk has a family get-together. 1775 America sitcom starring Andy Hamilton. From May 2006.

SAT 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m000cgi6)

From 10.00pm until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Angela Barnes chats to Phil

SAT 23:00 Colin Hoult's Carnival of Monsters (b0375b3z) Series 1

Episode 3

Master character comedian Colin Hoult presents his debut comedy series. Enter the Carnival of Monsters, a bizarre and hilarious world of sketches, stories and characters, presented by the sinister Ringmaster.

Meet such monstrous yet strangely familiar oddities as: Thwor-the mighty (but Leeds-based) god of Thwunder; Len Parker-Nottingham-born martial arts and transformers enthusiast; Anna Mann - outrageous star of such forgotten silver screen hits such as 'Rogue Baker', 'Who's For Turkish Delight' and 'A Bowl For My Bottom'; and many more

Writers Guild Award-winner Colin Hoult is best known for his

highly acclaimed starring roles in 'Being Human', 'Life's Too Short', and 'Russell Howard's Good News', as well as his many hit shows at the Edinburgh Festival. He has also appeared and written for a number of Radio 4 series including 'The Headset Set' and 'Colin and Fergus' Digi-Radio'.

'Lewis Carol meets The League Of Gentlemen . A beautifully

staged masterclass in character comedy' - Time Out

'Comic gold' - Metro
'Delightfully funny' - The Telegraph

Produced by Sam Bryant.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2013.

SAT 23:30 Ross Noble Goes Global (b01cjg35)

Series 2 Adelaide

Weirdness awaits the comedian in the Australian city, with men in leotards and locals with something to hide. From May 2003.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 18:45 on Saturday] SUN 01:00 Anne Tyler - Ladder of Years (Omnibus)

(b05n40rr)

[Repeat of broadcast at 13:00 on Saturday]

SUN 02:10 Inheritance Tracks (m000c33l) [Repeat of broadcast at 14:10 on Saturday]

SUN 02:15 Down Your Way (m000c33n) [Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Saturday]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 on Saturday]

SUN 04:00 Hercule Poirot (b007rd7r) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Saturday]

SUN 05:30 The Voices of... (b01n11cz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Saturday] SUN 06:00 Charles Dickens (b00x8c60)

A House to Let (Omnibus)

A festive tale by three eminent Victorian writers working together - Charles Dickens, Wilkie Collins and Elizabeth Gaskell.

Distressed by an unsettling sign of life in a derelict house across from her new London home, Sophonisba relies on the

competitive efforts of an elderly admirer and her manservant to unravel the secrets of the "house to let".

Omnibus of five episodes Sophonisba Marcia Warren

Jabez Jarber Alec McCowen Trottle Brian Croucher

Openshaw Sam Dale Alice Miranda Keeling

Norah Tracy Wiles

Frank Stephen Critchlow

Director: Ned Chaillet First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2006

SUN 07:15 From the Vineyard (b06sfrkv)

Red Burgundy by Peter Bradshaw

A crack wine consultant, who sold fine reds to the Chinese,

describes a sudden change of heart. Hugh Dennis reads Peter Bradshaw's short story

Producer: Duncan Minshull

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2015. SUN 07:30 Start/Stop (b07qc3gc)

Series 3

Friends Start/Stop is a sitcom by Jack Docherty about three marriages in various states of disrepair.

Barney and Cathy have been married for ages and it shows Evan and Fiona's marriage is one big, noisy argument and David is old enough to be Alice's father.

Start/Stop follows the story of these three couples as they try to make the best of their marriages and friendships, and the characters are able to stop the action, explain themselves to the audience and start it all up again.

This week: 'Friends'.

Barney is being suspiciously nice to Cathy. Fiona wants Evan to invest in her new business but Evan thinks it will be a disaster. And David is trying not to be so controlling.

Cast:

Barney...Jack Docherty

Cathy...Kerry Godliman Evan...John Thomson

Fiona...Fiona Allen

David...Charlie Higson Alice...Laura Aikman

Written by: Jack Docherty

Producer: Claire Jones A BBC Studio Production

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2016.

SUN 08:00 ITMA - It's That Man Again (b007jyn7)

Tommy Handley tries to set up a newspaper with Mrs Mopp as the Domestic Correspondent, Wartime comedy from 1945. ITMA proved to be one of the BBC's most popular radio comedies ever produced. It was first transmitted just before the start of the Second World War in 1939 and ran to 1949.

Domestic audiences topped 20 million, and the audience worldwide was said to number 30 million. It starred Liverpudlian comic Tommy Handley, who with Ted Kavanagh

created the series named after the phrase newspapers often used to describe Hitler: It's That Man Again!

The original setting on a ship was deemed inappropriate once war broke out, and was replaced with the Office Of Twerps, with Tommy as Minister of Aggravation and Mysteries. With:

Jack Train

Dorothy Summers

Horace Percival

Dino Galvani

Sydney Keith Fred Yule

Jean Capra

Paula Green

Music from the BBC Variety Orchestra conducted by Charles Shadwell.

Script written by Ted Kavanagh.

Producer: Francis Worsley
First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in March 1945 SUN 08:30 Educating Archie (b009gc5s)

Archie in Australia

A rare Australian outing for schoolboy Archie Andrews and his mentor Peter Brough.

Radio ventriloquism recorded in Sydney. With Ronald Chesney, Reg Quartley, Ray Barrett, Betty Parker, June Salter, Wendy Blacklock and Reginald Goldsworthy

Running from 1950-1958, Educating Archie introduced a number of soon-to-be household names to listeners, including Tony Hancock, Benny Hill, Harry Secombe, Dick Emery Hattie Jacques, Bruce Forsyth and Max Bygraves - all taking a turn in tutoring Archie.

Music by from the ABC Dance Band

Producer: Harry Freeman

From a series made by ABC in Australia and also first broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in September 1957.

SUN 09:00 Grossman's War (m000c388)

Stalingrad: Destiny of a Novel (Omnibus)

At the end of 1950 a desperate Vasily Grossman wrote to Stalin pleading for assistance in bringing his great post war novel Stalingrad to print. No answer was ever forthcoming-it would be another two years before anyone could read it. Historian Catherine Merridale chronicles the tortuous passage to publication of Grossman's book to reveal the insan complexities of Soviet censorship and the grim, even murderous, politics of a post war Soviet Union almost destroyed

For Grossman, a hugely popular chronicler of the Soviet peoples struggle against the Nazis, the war had robbed him of his mother, brought mass murder to his fellow Soviet Jews and carried the promise of new freedoms once victory was secured. There would be no such outcome.

In the last year of the war it was announced Vasily Grossman's new project was to be a novel about the defining battle against fascism-Stalingrad. Grossman dedicated it to the 'nameless heroes who must not be forgotten'. He had already been at work on his novel for some 18 months. The next 8 years would see an increasingly maddening & deadly struggle to have his novel published. His struggle to see STALINGRAD to print coincided with the last great Stalinist purge and campaign of terror directed against Stalin's own Jewish population. The novel underwent endless revision, censorship and criticism before first seeing print in 1952.

Through Grossman's own tormented journey Catherine Merridale explores both the conception of a classic work of fiction - translated for the first time into English - and the turbulent, savage post war years of late Stalinism.

Omnibus reader: Anton Lesser Producer: Mark Burman

First broadcast in five parts on BBC Radio 4 in December

SUN 10:10 The Listening Project (b05s3r6h)

Elaine and Megan-Rose - Ceramics in the Blood Fi Glover with a mother and daughter who took the same course in ceramics, but not in the expected order, on how they coped when the daughter was in the year above the mother - another conversation in the series that proves it's surprising what you hear when you listen.

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: Marva Burgess

SUN 10:15 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m000c38b)

Absent Friends

Judith Kerr

From Flanagan to Beethoven. Illustrator and author Judith Kerr shares her castaway choices with Sue Lawley. From February 2004.

SUN 11:00 The Moth Radio Hour (b09jhd5t)

The Universe of the Seemingly Impossible

True stories told live in the USA. Meg Bowles introduces tales of people encountering the seemingly impossible.

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

USA, the UK and other parts of the world. The Moth has presented more than 15,000 stories, told live and without notes, to standing-room-only crowds worldwide. The

Moth podcast is downloaded over 27 million times a year. Featuring true stories told live on stage without scripts, from the humorous to the heart-breaking.

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

SUN 11:50 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b00yrg3g) Series 2

Kiwi

New Zealand had several species of flightless bird living across the islands, all of which are now extinct, bar one. The Kiwi has become one of those species iconic of the country, like the Koala to Australia, the Giraffe to Africa and the Alpaca to South America. Historically, New Zealand didn't have ground predators such as wild cats and stoats - which allowed birds to exploit living on the ground. Being flightless in New Zealand was a good way to be a bird.

Having filmed Kiwis, Sir David Attenborough muses on the niche the Kiwi occupies on the ground. He argues the Kiwi behaves more like a mammal than a bird, but what mammal do you think, in Attenborough's view, the Kiwi most resembles? Producer: Julian Hector

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2011.

SUN 12:00 ITMA - It's That Man Again (b007jyn7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

SUN 12:30 Educating Archie (b009gc5s)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

SUN 13:00 Charles Dickens (b00x8c60) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SUN 14:15 From the Vineyard (b06sfrkv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:15 today]

SUN 14:30 Grandmothers (Omnibus) (m000c38d)

Episode 2

Three very different women's lives collide in this tender new novel about grandparents and the children they help to raise. It's summertime. Nan takes Billy on holiday, whilst Blanche is still estranged from her grandchildren. Read by Eleanor Bron. Written by best-selling writer, Salley Vickers

Omnibus of the last five of ten episodes read by Eleanor Bron. Abridger: Salley Vickers

Producer: Kirsty Williams

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2019

SUN 15:45 Who Ate All The Pies? (m000c38g)

Sussex Churdle

Does anyone eat Sussex churdles anymore?

Ian McMillan continues his nationwide search for pies, with this look at the recipe of liver, bacon, vegetables with a chees topping that is undergoing something of a revival.

Producer: Julian May

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2004.

SUN 16:00 Grossman's War (b014ptrf)

Life and Fate

Viktor and Lyuda

Viktor, a nuclear physicist, is evacuated with his family from Moscow eastwards to Kazan.

It's October 1942 and the Russians are defending Stalingrad from the ferocious attack of the Germans. Viktor has a revelatory breakthrough in his research but his wife Lyuda learns of the death of her son and her grief drives a wedge between the couple: Viktor is drawn to the kindness of Marva, the wife of his close colleague.

Kenneth Branagh and David Tennant star in Vasily Grossman's epic saga.

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Grossman died in 1964, never knowing that his book would be smuggled to the West and eventually published in 1980. Dramatised by Mike Walker.

Viktor Shtrum....Kenneth Branagh

Lyuda Shaposhnikova.....Greta Scacchi

Nadya.....Ellie Kendrick AlexandraAnn Mitchell

Pyotr Sokolov.....Nigel Anthony

Akhmet Karimov....Stephen Greif

Marya Sokolova.....Harriet Walter

Leonid Madyarov.....Ralph Ineson Sister.....Elaine Claxton

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Anna Stepanovna....Alex Tregear

Soldiers.....Gerard McDermott, Jonathan Forbes, Henry Devas Original music by John Hardy with Rob Whitehead.

Musicians: Oliver Wilson-Dickson, Tom Jackson, Stacey Blythe and Max Pownall

Translated by Robert Chandler

Director: Alison Hindell

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2011.

SUN 17:00 Poetry Extra (m000c38k)

Winter Poems

Poet Daljit Nagra revisits the BBC's radio poetry archive and selects Four Seasons: Winter - an anthology of seasonal poems originally broadcast on Winter Solstice 2016.

Memorable and much loved verse by Robert Burns, Samuel Taylor Coleridge, Louis MacNeice and Walter De la Mare, read by Simon Russell Beale, Noma Dumezweni, Bill Paterson and Anton Lesser, join recent poems read by the poets, Kathleen Jamie, Liz Lochhead, Don Paterson, Simon Armitage and Carol Ann Duffy. There is rain and snow and frost and a robin sings its winter song. And joining these is a new poem by Kayo Chingonyi remembering a teenage winter in Dagenham

The poems, originally broadcast on Winter Solstice 2016 across the schedule on Radio 4, are gathered together and broadcast here in this compilation programme.

Up in the Morning Early by Robert Burns

Read by Bill Paterson

Extract from Sir Gawain and the Green Knight by Simon

Birds at Winter Nightfall

By Thomas Hardy

Read by Sinead Cusack

In the mid midwinter by Liz Lochhead

From new book published by BIRLINN

Rain by Don Paterson.

From Rain published by Faber and Faber

Now Winter Nights Enlarge

By Thomas Campion Read by Juliet Stevenson

Snow by Carol Ann Duffy.

Was published in The Guardian 24/12/210.

A Robin by Walter de la Mare

Read by Noma Dumezweni

Perfect Day by Kathleen Jamie

from the Queen of Sheba published by Bloodaxe Read by Kathleen Jamie

Snowman (also referred to as Winter Song) by Kayo Chingonyi

Read by Kayo Chingonyi Specially commissioned

Snow by Louis MacNeice From Collected Poems published by Faber and Faber

Read by Anton Lesser

The Twelve Months

By George Ellis Read by Bill Paterson

Frost at Midnight by Samuel Taylor Coleridge

Read by Simon Russell Beale

Producer: Tim Dee.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2016.

SUN 17:30 Start/Stop (b07qc3gc) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

SUN 18:00 Nightmares (b0076nnq)

Jilly's been having recurring nightmares, in which she hears footsteps, meets a grotesquely masked stranger in a lift - or is picked up by a taxi driver who turns out to be the same person. She also dreams of being alone in the house asleep and hearing broken glass. It's all very real and very frightening.

A hospital consultant, who's attracted to her, offers advice and the pair become friends. However, the terrifying nightmares continue

Gillian Kearney stars in Dave Simpson's psychological thriller.

Jilly Gillian Kearney Nick Chris Gascovne

Penny Deborah McAndrew

Ben Jonathan Keeble

James David Harewood Directed at BBC Manchester by Pauline Harris.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2004.

SUN 19:00 The Moth Radio Hour (b09 ihd5t) [Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

SUN 19:50 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b00yrg3g) [Repeat of broadcast at 11:50 today]

SUN 20:00 Grossman's War (m000 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SUN 21:10 The Listening Project (b05s3r6h)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:10 today]

SUN 21:15 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m000c38b) [Repeat of broadcast at 10:15 today]

SUN 22:00 Start/Stop (b07qc3gc) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

SUN 22:30 The Remains of Foley and McColl (b007k4p6) Cutting Edge

Sean and Hamish board Boris' Disco Ship to convert offshore ravers into fresh, young listeners.
Surreal comedy starring award-winning double act Sean Foley

and Hamish McColl, the Right Size. With Rose English, Count Arthur Strong, Chris Lamer and

Mark Stevens

Producer: Lissa Evans

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2000.

SUN 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m000cr14) Phil Jerrod (2/2)

From 10.00pm until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Angela Barnes chats again to Phil Jerrod.

SUN 23:00 2000 Years of Radio (b007scys)

Series 1

Dark Age FM

It's AD 500, history's most miserable time, when Britain was invaded twice a week and the country was run by a bloke called Arthur.

But there was always Steve in the Afternoon to help Britons through these difficult times

Six-part series that taps into the radio archive of a bygone age. Written and performed by Marcus Brigstocke, Claire Downes, Stuart Lane, Al Holloway, Danny Robbins and Dan Tetsell. Producers: Paul Dodgson & Sean Grundy

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2000

SUN 23:15 Hannah Gadsby: Arts Clown (b054tfhw)

Jan van Eyck's The Arnolfini Portrait

Aussie comedian and art historian Hannah Gadsby continues her comedy lectures about art, looking this time at Jan Van Eyck's masterpiece 'The Arnolfini Portrait'.

She shares how she first came to study the portrait, the mystery behind it and why people have remained so fascinated by it down the years.

Plus she puts an image of Vladimir Putin in your head that you will find hard to shake.

Born in Tasmania, Hannah's first encounters with art were solely through books. When she worked in a bookshop after graduating, she realised the craze for Dan Brown's 'The Da Vinci Code' had parallels with critics' sleuth-like 'readings' of

The Arnolfini Portrait'.

Written by Hannah Gadsby Performed by Hannah Gadsby with her Quotebot aka John Lloyd.

Script edited by Jon Hunter Producer: Claire Jones

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2015.

SUN 23:30 Radio 9 (b04gnvtq)

Series 2

Episode 4

It's back to groovy 1960s London and a doctor obsessed with Womble songs. Stars Johnny Daukes and Hils Barker. From July 2005.

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MON 06:00 Julie Enfield Investigates (b007wltd)

Leaves of the Dead

1. Proverbs and Punctures from Hell

Feisty detective superintendent Julie Enfield investigates an inexplicable killing at the British Library in London. Imelda Staunton stars as Julie Enfield in Nick Fisher's

atmospheric four-part thriller.

Julie Enfield Imelda Staunton Dad Geoffrey Matthews

Lawrence Evans Ross Livingstone Stephen Arnold Alex Lowe

Amanda Thorne Janet Maw Richard Baker Ioan Meredith

Arthur Morton . Stephen Thorne

Tony Sean Baker Terry Faulkner Hugh Dickson

Sal Tracy-Ann Oberman

Melanie Sharp Colleen Prendergast Dorothy Shirley Dixon

Phil Carter Christopher Scott

Producer: Richard Wortley

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1997.

MON 06:30 Captured by Pirates (b00rdwm5)

Kate Silverton uncovers the story of the English schoolgirls who were captured by pirates off the China coast, and later ended up in a Japanese concentration camp with Eric Liddell.

In 1935, the SS Tungchow was taken over by a dozen Chinese pirates as it emerged from the Yangtse River. They were expecting a cargo of gold bullion but instead found three lady teachers and seventy British missionaries' children, on their way

to Chefoo boarding school on the North China coast. Six years later, in 1941, these same children became enemy aliens when the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbour. They were imprisoned in the Weihsien Internment Camp, Shantung

Province, along with 500 other children, half of them without parents. The morale of the girls and their teachers was greatly improved by two Brownie packs and a Girl Guide Company Their sports were organised by Eric Liddell, (Chariots of Fire) until he died.

This is an extraordinary tale, and it's told by those who were there:

Margaret Holder, née Vinden.

Beryl Goodland, née Welch.

Kathleen Foster, née Strange.

Mary Previte, née Taylor.

Evelyn Heubener, née Davey.

Producer Beth O'Dea Programme consultant Janie Hampton.

First broadcast on BBC Radio in March 2010.

MON 07:00 55 and Over (b01p09pb)

Episode 3

With new partners on the scene the possibility of progeny suddenly seems more likely. But not everyone is so keen on later-in-life breeding.

Juliet Stevenson and Philip Jackson star in Peter Souter's comedy about love, sex and other foolhardy mistakes made by the modern 50pluser.

Jane Juliet Stevenson

Ray Philip Jackson Tony Patrick Brennan

Heather Liza Sadovy

Honey Stephanie Racine

Sam Adam Nagaitis

Dr Miller Robert Blythe

Portia Sarah Thom

Director: Helen Perry

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2012.

MON 07:30 I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue (m000bvxd)

Series 72

New Theatre Royal, Portsmouth

The antidote to panel games pays a return visit to the New Theatre Royal in Portsmouth, Tim Brooke-Taylor and Tony Hawks take on Rachel Parris and Marcus Brigstocke with Jack Dee in the chair. Colin Sell attempts piano accompaniment.

Producer - Jon Naismith. It is a BBC Studios production. MON 08:00 The Enchanting World of Hinge and Bracket

(b04mhkrs)

Series 1

Marigold's Wedding

A wedding provides ample opportunity for some trademark gossip.

Starring Dame Hilda Bracket and her lifelong companion Dr

The dear ladies reside in the Suffolk village of Stackton Tressel. This was the genteel setting for three Radio 4 series between 1977 and 1979, with further spin-off seasons on Radio 2 until 1990. In the early 1980s, they expanded over to BBC TV with the series Dear Ladies.

Dame Hilda Bracket George Logan

Dr Evadne Hinge Patrick Fyffe Violet Daphne Oxenford

Leonard Joe Black

Scripted by Mike Craig, Lawrie Kinsley and Ron McDonnell.

Producer: James Casev

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1977.

MON 08:30 Dad's Army (b007jpkw)

Series 3

A Man of Action

When a landmine sparks martial law, a reporter catches Captain Mainwaring in charge.

Adapted for radio from Jimmy Perry and David Croft's TV scripts by Harold Snoad and Michael Knowles.

Captain Mainwaring Arthur Lowe

Sergeant Wilson John Le Mesurier

Corporal Jones Clive Dunn Private Frazer John Laurie

Private Pike Ian Lavender

Private Godfrey Arnold Ridley Warden Hodges Bill Pertwee

Private Walker Larry Martyn

Town Clerk Julian Orchard Mr Norris Jonathan Cecil

Inspector Baker Fraser Kerr

Producer: John Dyas

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1976.

MON 09:00 Just a Minute (b01lhbgx)

Series 64 Episode 1

Join Nicholas Parsons and friends for the first of another series of the grandaddy of all panel games

Panellists Paul Merton, Sue Perkins, Liza Tarbuck and Graham Norton join Nicholas for the verbal equivalent of the Olympics. It's an energetic game this week - but who will win gold medal for the greatest gift of the gab?

Paul talks about The Biggest Fib he Ever Told, Sue Perkins divulges a lot of information about her Famous Friends, Liza Tarbuck speaks knowledgeably on the subject of Fake Tan and Graham Norton gives his tips on How To Annoy The Audience.

Producer: Claire Jones First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2016.

MON 09:30 Huddwinks (b00fsmz4)

Series 1

Dead Men Don't Eat Pilchards

Top cops are on the case, when a witness protection programme goes catastrophically wrong. Stars Roy Hudd. From August

MON 10:00 Grossman's War (b014pw49)

Life and Fate

Anna's Letter

Viktor's mother, Anna, writes him a farewell letter in September 1941.

As a Jew in Berdichev, in the Ukraine now occupied by the Nazis, she has been forced into a ghetto and understands what will come next. The letter somehow finds its way to Viktor and is to be a source of strength for him in days to come

Anna Semyonovna Janet Suzman

Kenneth Branagh, Janet Suzman, David Tennant, Greta Scacchi and Harriet Walter star in Vasily Grossman's epic saga.

Set against the ferocious Battle of Stalingrad, Life and Fate is a sweeping historical tale that charts the fate of both a nation and a family in the turmoil of war and is increasingly hailed as the most important Russian novel of the 20th century. Its

comparison of Stalinism with Nazism was considered by Soviet authorities to be so dangerous that the manuscript itself was arrested and Grossman was told that it would not be published for at least 200 years. He died in 1964, never knowing that his book would be smuggled to the West and eventually published in 1980.

Dramatised by Mike Walker

Original music by John Hardy with Rob Whitehead.

Performed by Oliver Wilson-Dickson, Tom Jackson, Stacey

Blythe and Max Pownall

Translated by Robert Chandler

Director: Alison Hindell First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2011.

MON 10:15 Grossman's War (b014pw4m)

Life and Fate

Krymov and Zhenya - Lovers Once

October 1942. Evacuated from Moscow to Kuibyshev before the invading German army, the beautiful Yevgenia (Zhenya), Lvuda's sister, is alone.

While she tackles Soviet bureaucracy for the residence permit she needs for food, her ex-husband, the Commissar Nikolai Krymov, is posted into the heart of the battle for Stalingrad, hundreds of miles away.

Continuing Vasily Grossman's epic saga.

Nikolai Krymov David Tennant Zhenya Shaposhnikova Raquel Cassidy

Jenni Eleanor Bron

General Rodimtsev Bruce Alexander Major Byerozkin Sam Dale

District Inspector Grishin Peter Polycarpou

Limonov Adrian Scarborough Seryozha Shaposhnikov Freddie Fox With Elaine Claxton, James Lailey, Gerard McDermott, Simon Bubb, Alun Raglan, Jonathan Forbes, Carl Prekopp, and Katie

Angelou.

Dramatised by Jonathan Myerson Original music by John Hardy with Rob Whitehead

Director: Jonquil Panting

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never knowing that his book would be smuggled to the West and eventually published in 1980.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2011. MON 11:00 TED Radio Hour (m000c578)

Peering Deeper into Space Host Guy Raz explores the explosion of new discoveries about our universe - what are the implications and what mysteries

remain? A journey through fascinating ideas based on talks by riveting speakers on the TED (Technology, Entertainment, Design)

stage. First broadcast in the USA on National Public Radio in 2018. MON 11:50 Inheritance Tracks (b0824q6c)

PP Arnold American soul singer PP Arnold chooses 'River Deep Mountain High' by Ike & Tina Turner and Aretha Franklin's 'Natural

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[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today] MON 14:00 Book at Bedtime (b07h6zg9)

Graham Greene: The Third Man

Heard of Harry Lime? Samuel West reads from the classic Graham Greene novella that inspired one of the most acclaimed films of all time, starring Orson Welles.

In this episode, as snow falls on a ravaged postwar Vienna, penniless pulp Western writer Rollo Martins arrives, hoping to meet his old school chum and hero, Harry Lime. But why isn't

Harry there to greet him? Rollo is about to learn the first of many shocking truths about his greatest friend.

Greene's novella was published the year after the film, The Third Man, was released, but formed the basis of Greene's screenplay. The Oscar-wining film, directed by Carol Reed, is now considered a masterpiece, and was chosen by the BFI as the best British film of the 20th century in 1999.

Author: Graham Greene, 1904-91, is one of the most acclaimed and most popular writers of the 20th century. He won several awards for his work including the 1948 James Tait Black Memorial Prize. His novels include: Brighton Rock, The End of the Affair, The Power and the Glory, and The Honorary Consul.

Reader: Samuel West Abridger: Richard Hamilton Producer: Justine Willett

Music from the original soundtrack written and performed by

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2016.

MON 14:15 Bone Stories (b090whd4)

Irish Giant

The first of five stories in which evolutionary biologist Ben Garrod follows a trail of clues beginning with a bone or skeleton and leading to a fascinating revelation.

Ben explores the link between an 18th century skeleton in the Hunterian Museum and Brendan Holland from County Tyrone who reached a height of 6'10" and has been diagnosed with gigantism. Ben follows a trail of clues and discovers how recent findings could mean that in the future there are no more Irish

Producer Sarah Blunt.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2017.

MON 14:30 15 Minute Drama (b019f8bc)

Edith Wharton - Ethan Frome

Episode 1

Why does Ethan Frome walk with a limp? And what is the tragedy that befell him over twenty years earlier? A visitor to the town attempts to find out.

Ethan Frome Dominic Mafham

MattieJessica Raine

ZeenaLaurel Lefkow

Denis Eady Christopher Webster

Post Mistress Adjoa Andoh

Andrew Hale Paul Moriarty

Edith Wharton Fenella Woolgan written by Edith Wharton

Dramatised by Lin Coghlan

Directed by Sally Avens

Ethan Frome is one of Edith Wharton's most enduring and powerful stories.

Set against the cold, grey, bleakness of a New England winter. Ethan Frome scrapes a living from his woodlot whilst trapped in an unhappy marriage with his hypochondriac wife, Zeena. A ray of light enters Ethan's life when his wife's cousin Mattie arrives to help. His life is transformed as he falls in love with Mattie but their fate is determined by their circumstances and the stifling conventions of the time.

Ethan Frome was deemed shocking when first published as it appeared to condone infidelity. What many readers did not know was that many of the novella's themes mirrored real events in the life of Edith Wharton. Her own story is told in an accompanying play 'The Jinx Element' that explores her own sexless marriage and a passionate affair that begun when she was 47

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2012.

MON 14:45 Book of the Week (b05mqpgd)

Boundless

Episode 1

When a man called Noah invites you on a boat trip. Teresa Gallagher reads Kathleen Winter's story of her journey as the Writer-in-Residence on a boat travelling through the Northwest Passage, and how the voyage became as much an exploration of her own roots as a venture into the arctic ice fields.

Kathleen Winter was born in Bill Quay, near Gateshead. When she was still young, the family emigrated to Newfoundland. Winter, who now lives in Montreal, was a TV scriptwriter and a newspaper columnist before turning her hand to short stories Her first collection of stories - 'boYs' - was published in 2007 and her first novel 'Annabel' came out three years later. 'Annabel' was shortlisted for the three main Canadian literary prizes in 2010 - the Scotiabank Giller Prize, the Rogers' Writers' Trust Prize and the Governor General's Award. Boundless was shortlisted for the RBC Taylor Award for non-

fiction. Abridged by Pete Nichols

Producer: Karen Rose

A Sweet Talk production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in March 2015.

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MON 18:00 William Gibson - Pattern Recognition (b007k1wb)

Cayce Pollard is a young American advertising consultant with an unusual allergy - she's hyper-sensitive to brands and

It's a pretty lucrative affliction, because Cayce is a 'coolhunter'. employed by multinational companies to test new brands and logos. She knows, instinctively, what will work - and what won't.

But visiting London for what should have been a straightforward job, Cayce becomes involved in something

altogether more mysterious and complicated...

Stylish fast-moving thriller by award-winning cult American writer William Gibson.

Read by Lorelei King.

Abridged by Ron Roberts.

Producer: David Jackson Young.

Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in 2007.

MON 18:30 A Good Read (b00j71vy)

Thea Gilmore and Paul Gambaccini

Sue MacGregor and her guests - musician, Thea Gilmore and broadcaster, Paul Gambacinni - discuss their favourite paperbacks by Chinua Achebe, JG Farrell and Jose Eduardo Agualusa.

Things Fall Apart by Chinua Achebe

Publisher: Penguin Red Classics

The Siege of Krishnapur by JG Farrell

Publisher: Phoenix

The Book of Chameleons by Jose Eduardo Agualusa (Author), Daniel Hahn (Translator)

Publisher: Arcadia

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2009.

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MON 22:30 Bleak Expectations (b00nw3rs)

Series 3

A Horrible Life Un-Ruined and Then Re-Ruined a Lot Pip, Harry, Pippa and Ripely are reduced to abject poverty on the banks of the Thames. Will Pip and Harry be able to find work, or will they have to end their days eating mud and listening to the gloating of Mr Benevolent?

Comedy Victorian adventure by Mark Evans.

Sir Philip Richard Johnson Young Pip Bin Tom Allen

Gently Benevolent Anthony Head Harry Biscuit James Bachman

Barker Wackwallop Geoffrey Whitehead

Ripely Sarah Hadland

Pippa Susv Kane

Vegetarian Lion Mark Evans

Producer: Gareth Edwards

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2009

MON 23:00 The Now Show (m000c2j0)

Series 55

Episode 7

Steve Punt and Hugh Dennis present the week via topical standup and sketches. They're joined by Phil Wang, Lee Ridley, Jess Robinson and Gemma Arrowsmith.

Katie Perrior gives us insight into what it's like doing PR for politicians on the campaign trail.

It was written by the cast with additional material by Sarah Morgan, Gabby Hutchinson-Crouch, Aidan Fitzmaurice and Mandy Baker.

It was a BBC Studios production.

MON 23:25 The Comedy Club Interviews (m000cqnh)

Dominic Holland (1/3)

From 10.00pm until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Paul Garner chats to Dominic Holland

MON 23:30 Radio Active (b007 inck)

Music Festival

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

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

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

Producer: Jamie Rix

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1985

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Leaves of the Dead

2. Stacks and Baps and Amulets

Feisty detective superintendent Julie Enfield begins to unravel the murder in the British Library when she learns of a second killing - a new "mummy" in the Egyptian rooms.

Imelda Staunton stars as Julie Enfield in Nick Fisher's

atmospheric thriller.

Julie Enfield Imelda Staunton

Dad Geoffrey Matthew Lawrence Evans Ross Livingstone

Stephen Arnold Alex Lowe

Amanda Thorne Janet Maw Ken Ioan Meredith

Tony Sean Baker Terry Faulkner Hugh Dickson

Melanie Sharp Colleen Prendergast

Dorothy Shirley Dixon Phil Carter Christopher Scott

Producer: Richard Wortley

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1997.

TUE 06:30 Bridging the Gulf (b01q97lb) Razia Iqbal joins the women architecture students who are planning to make a difference to the urban environment of the

Gulf region. From a western perspective, we often get the impression that the Middle East doesn't offer women much in the way of equal opportunities. But in the United Arab Emirates, women architects are helping design and build their own cities. In Abu Dhabi, for example, the Urban Planning Council has women

much as those of big business. Razia visits the American University of Sharjah. Its College of Architecture, Art and Design has a highly respected course, and Razia joins the students on campus. What she finds remarkable is the self-confidence and enterprise of the young women who have come from all of the Middle East and North Africa and who make up the majority of the class. She'll speak to students and tutors to analyse what their futures will hold for them in the

ensuring that the built environment will cope with their needs as

Gulf and beyond.

Producer: Mark Rickards. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2013.

TUE 07:00 Four Joneses and a Jenkins (b007jqnd)

June - An Ill Wind

Episode 4

Elizabeth Bennett.

As a storm descends on the village, the talk is all electric. Stars Geoffrey Whitehead and Lisabeth Miles. From September

2000. TUE 07:30 Tom Wrigglesworth's Hang-Ups (m000bx2c) Series 5

In the last episode of series 5, Dad attempts to take centre stage. Starring Tom Wrigglesworth, Paul Copley, Kate Anthony and

Written by Tom Wrigglesworth and James Kettle with additional material by Miles Jupp.

Produced by Richard Morris A BBC Studios Production

TUE 08:00 The Goon Show (b007k43y)

The Affair of the Lone Banana Neddie Seagoon tracks young Fred Nurke, who's vanished from

his banana-growing family's home. Groundbreaking, surreal BBC radio comedy written by Spike Milligan.

Starring:

Peter Sellers

Harry Secombe Spike Milligan

First billed as Crazy People, ten series of The Goon Show were

recorded between 1951 and 1960, but sadly many of the earliest shows weren't kept in the archive.

With the Ray Ellington Quartet and Max Geldray.

Orchestra conducted by Wally Stott. Announcer: Wallace Greenslade

Producer: Peter Eton

First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in October 1954. TUE 08:30 Round the Horne (b007jlx6)

Episode 4

Kenneth Horne heads up the river and swings by Julian and Sandy's Bona Antiques shop just off the Portobello Road.

Rambling Syd Rumpo sings 'The Taddle Groper's Dance'. With Kenneth Williams, Hugh Paddick, Betty Marsden and Bill

Recorded at the BBC's Paris Studio in Lower Regent Street, London. Announcer: Douglas Smith

Round The Horne was born out of the demise of BBC radio comedy Beyond Our Ken, after the end of writer Eric Merriman's involvement. Using the same cast and producer, Barry Took and Marty Feldman were persuaded to write the scripts - which led to four series that ran between 1965 and

1968 - packed full of parodies, recurring characters, catchphrases and double-entendres.

Producer: John Simmonds

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in March 1967.

Music by Edwin Braden and the Hornblowers and The Fraser

TUE 09:00 The Now Show (m000c2i0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 23:00 on Monday] TUE 09:30 Stilgoe's Around (b007k3xj)

City of London

Haves Four.

Richard Stilgoe goes into Britain's financial heartland to dispel the myths of money-making.

With Belinda Lang, Tim Piggott Smith, Charles Collingwood and Kathryn Tickell.

Written by Richard Stilgoe

Producer: Neil Cargil

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1989.

TUE 10:00 Grossman's War (b014pxnv)

Life and Fate

Vera and Her Pilot

In a forest in northern Russia, Lenya, a pilot, longs to see his pregnant girlfriend, Vera, She is stranded in Stalingrad with her father, Stepan. Her mother (another sister of Lyuda) has drowned in the Volga. She watches the planes hoping to catch sight of Lenya.

Kenneth Branagh, Janet Suzman, David Tennant, Greta Scacchi and Harriet Walter star in Vasily Grossman's epic saga.

Lenya Viktorov Luke Treadaway Vera Spiridonov Morven Christie

Pavel Andreyevich Malcolm Tierney Stepan Spiridonov Kenneth Cranham

Skotnoy Jonathan Forbes Solmatin Carl Prekopp

Mukhin Simon Bubb Zakabluka Gerard McDermott

Dramatised by Jonathan Myerson.

Original music by John Hardy with Rob Whitehead

Performed by Carl Prekopp & Gerard McDermott

Translated by Robert Chandler

Director: Alison Hindell

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First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2011.

TUE 10:15 Grossman's War (b014q001)

Life and Fate

Journey

Sofya, a Jewish doctor, is taken prisoner in Stalingrad and put on a cattle-truck going west to Poland.

A German SS officer, Liss, oversees the building of the gas chambers and entertains Eichmann on an inspection tour. Liss is convinced that the Nazi and Soviet systems are more similar than their followers like to think.

Kenneth Branagh, Janet Suzman, David Tennant, Greta

Scacchi, Samuel West, John Sessions and Harriet Walter star in Vasily Grossman's epic saga.

Sofya Levinton Sara Kestelman

Liss Samuel West

Eichmann John Sessions

Mostovskoy Peter Marinker David Laurence Belcher

Musya Christine Kavanagh

....Deeivya Meir Lvusia..

Khmelkov... ...Henry Devas

With Adeel Akhtar, Sean Baker, Sam Dale and Sally Orrock

Dramatised by Mike Walker.

Director: Alison Hindell

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First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2011.

TUE 11:00 Telling Tales (m000c55w)

Tenx9 Storytelling

We turn to the truth this week, celebrating the art of live storytelling in Belfast.

The journalist Paul Doran and poet Pádraig Ó Tuama launched Tenx9 as a small monthly gathering, in the front room of the Black Box, in Belfast's Cathedral Quarter.

The event has now expanded to 15 cities, and festivals, around the world, and selected stories have featured in the BBC Radio Ulster series, Tell Tales, which is presented by Kathy Clugston. Kathy introduces her favourite story, which recalls a young couple's memorable night in a Parisian bistro. The other tales from the Tenx9 archives cover friendship and fear during The Troubles, a work appraisal that led to award-winning

acceptance, a secret pregnancy, and a young band's compelling

Paul and Pádraig also share a few storytelling tips and reflect upon the power of stories to promote healing and understanding.

Made for Radio 4 Extra

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TUE 13:30 Bridging the Gulf (b01q97lb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

TUE 14:00 Book at Bedtime (b07hg4vq)

Graham Greene: The Third Man

Everybody's in a Racket

Second-rate thriller writer Rollo Martins has arrived in a snow bound postwar Vienna to meet his old school chum Harry Lime - only to find that Harry has recently been killed in a car

And now the police are accusing him of racketeering. Rollo is desperate to clear his old friend's name, and already the

circumstances of Harry's death are proving suspicious. Samuel West reads from the classic Graham Greene novella that inspired one of the most acclaimed films of all time,

starring Orson Welles. Author: Graham Greene Reader: Samuel West

Abridger: Richard Hamilton Producer: Justine Willett

Music from the original soundtrack written and performed by

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2016

TUE 14:15 Bone Stories (b090xwq1)

West Runton Mammoth

Evolutionary biologist Ben Garrod heads to a Norfolk beach to hear how a raging storm led to the discovery of one of the oldest mammoth skeletons ever to have been found in the UK and the best preserved skeleton of this species in the world.

The skeleton revealed a treasure trove of information about life some 600,000 to 700,000 years ago.

Producer Sarah Blunt.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2017. TUE 14:30 15 Minute Drama (b019f9hc)

Edith Wharton - Ethan Frome

Episode 2

Zeena goes away to visit a Doctor and Ethan and Mattie are left alone together for the first time.

Ethan Frome Dominic Mafham

Mattie Jessica Raine

Zeena Laurel Lefkow

Andrew Hale Paul Moriarty

Edith Wharton Fenella Woolgar

written by Edith Wharton Dramatised by Lin Coghlan

Directed by Sally Avens

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First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2012.

TUE 14:45 Book of the Week (b05nv8l1) Boundless

Episode 2

A Viking Funeral.

Teresa Gallagher reads Kathleen Winter's story of her journey as the Writer-in-Residence on a boat travelling through the Northwest Passage, and how the voyage became as much an exploration of her own roots as a venture into the arctic ice

Kathleen Winter was born in Bill Quay, near Gateshead. When she was still young, the family emigrated to Newfoundland. Winter, who now lives in Montreal, was a TV scriptwriter and a newspaper columnist before turning her hand to short stories. Her first collection of stories - 'boYs' - was published in 2007 and her first novel 'Annabel' came out three years later. 'Annabel' was shortlisted for the three main Canadian literary prizes in 2010 - the Scotiabank Giller Prize, the Rogers'

fiction. Abridged by Pete Nichols

Producer: Karen Rose

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Writers' Trust Prize and the Governor General's Award.

TUE 15:00 Grossman's War (b014pxnv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

TUE 15:15 Grossman's War (b014q001)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:15 today]

TUE 16:00 The Unbelievable Truth (b06bnbpn)

Series 15

Episode 5

David Mitchell hosts the panel game in which four comedians are encouraged to tell lies and compete against one another to see how many items of truth they're able to smuggle past their opponents.

David O'Doherty, Susan Calman, Jon Richardson and Arthur Smith are the panellists obliged to talk with deliberate inaccuracy on subjects as varied as Yorkshire, fizzy drinks, skin and pirates.

The show is devised by Graeme Garden and Jon Naismith, the team behind Radio 4's I'm Sorry I Haven't a Clue Produced by Jon Naismith

A Random Entertainment production for BBC Radio 4. TUE 16:30 Kalangadog Junction (b09dlz94)

Episode 4

Len takes over Gaelene's Olympic training schedule - a recipe for trouble with Madge, Meanwhile, Thomas and Jane

endeavour to find some time for romance.

Six-part comedy drama series by Moya O'Shea Starring Caroline Quentin as Jane. John Duttine as Thomas Niall Ashdown as Jimmy, Toby Longworth as Pete, Brian Bowles as Len, Joanna Monro as Madge, Julie Gibbs as Milly,

June Whitfield as Phoebe and Mova O'Shea as Gaylene Producer: Liz Anstee

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1996. TUE 17:00 Four Joneses and a Jenkins (b007 jund)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

TUE 17:30 Tom Wrigglesworth's Hang-Ups (m000bx2c)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

TUE 18:00 William Gibson - Pattern Recognition

Episode 2

Advertising guru Cayce Pollard's been employed to search for the maker of a mysteriously addictive online film called "the

Now the Coolhunter's search takes her to Tokyo - where the mystery deepens... William Gibson's fast-moving 21st Century detective thriller,

Read by Lorelei King.

Abridged by Ron Roberts

Producer: David Jackson Young.

Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in February 2007. TUE 18:30 Sounds Natural (b08yf6wv)

Frank Thornton

'Are You Being Served?' actor Frank Thornton shares his

fascination for birds with Derek Jones. The Snipe, Oriole and Towhee are among his choice of

recordings from the vast BBC Sound Archives. Produced in Bristol by John Burton.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1980. TUE 19:00 The Goon Show (b007k43y)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

TUE 19:30 Round the Horne (b007jlx6) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today

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[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

TUE 22:00 Tom Wrigglesworth's Hang-Ups (m000bx2c)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

TUE 22:30 Armstrong and Miller (b00t1bct)

Time management plus some special detectives.

Sketches and songs with Ben Miller and Alexander Armstrong in their first series for radio. With Samuel West and Tony Gardiner.

Producer: Gareth Edwards First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1998.

TUE 22:45 Jelly Mountain (b00fkp5z) Episode 3

A visit to the circus heralds arcane amusements. Songs and stories from Ivor Cutler, with Craig Murray-Orr. From May

TUE 23:00 Chat Show Roulette (b05r40rf)

Episode 6

Justin Edwards is the host of the new improvised chat show. His guests are Pippa Evans, Hugh Dennis, Robert Popper and Matt Lucas - with musical accompaniment from James Sherwood. Devised by Ashley Blaker and Justin Edwards.

Produced by Ashley Blaker

A John Stanley production for BBC Radio 4. TUE 23:30 Think the Unthinkable (b007m4dz)

Series 2

Riddlington Plastic

The consultants marvel at the world wide web, and Ryan gets embroiled in a protest. Stars Marcus Brigstocke. From November 2002.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Tuesday]

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WED 02:00 Book at Bedtime (b07hg4vq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Tuesday]

WED 02:15 Bone Stories (b090xwq1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Tuesday] WED 02:30 15 Minute Drama (b019f9hc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Tuesday]

WED 02:45 Book of the Week (b05nv8l1) [Repeat of broadcast at 14:45 on Tuesday]

WED 03:00 Grossman's War (b014pxnv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Tuesday] WED 03:15 Grossman's War (b014q001)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:15 on Tuesday]

WED 04:00 The Unbelievable Truth (b06bnbpn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Tuesday]

WED 04:30 Kalangadog Junction (b09dlz94)

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:30 on Tuesday] WED 05:00 Four Joneses and a Jenkins (b007 and)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Tuesday]

WED 05:30 Tom Wrigglesworth's Hang-Ups (m000bx2c)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Tuesday] WED 06:00 Julie Enfield Investigates (b010nnhx)

Leaves of the Dead

Welcome to the Nightmare

Feisty Detective Superintendent Julie Enfield probes a third killing. Could it be a ritual murder? Stars Imelda Staunton. WED 06:30 The Art of Water Music (b0132p7x)

Starting with an underwater concert, Midge Ure sounds the depths of the complex relationship between music and water. Water has fascinated classical composers, modernist musicians and contemporary sound artists alike, and in this programme Midge hears some of the extraordinary ways in which water has been represented, evoked and even used as an instrument by musicians over the centuries. It flows through an extraordinary range of pieces. Midge meets experts on water compositions by Beethoven, Wagner and Debussy and explains why Handel's Water Music is not technically speaking water music at all. While some of the water music we know best might be classical, water continues to appeal to those working at the musical cutting edge. Midge has a go at playing a bizarre instrument called a 'waterphone' and talks to sound artist Lee Patterson as he performs a strangely hypnotic piece of 'drip music'. He also listens to recordings of the Danube by sound artist Annea Lockwood. She believes the sound of running water is itself music, raising the question of whether or not water and music are actually different at all. Water, it seems, continues to excite, mystify and intrigue, and musicians have engaged with it with whatever instruments they have had at their disposal; orchestras, pianos, and now computers. Midge goes to meet Simon Harding who makes electronic music on his computer using the water sounds from appliances in his house, while Professor Doug James, a computer scientist at Cornell University, explains some of the science behind water's unique musicality. There is a wealth of beautiful water music already in existence as this programme shows, but water is still a vigorously flowing source of musical inspiration, even

expanding our ideas of what we consider music to be. Presenter: Midge Ure Producer: Tom Rice

A Pier Production first broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2011.

WED 07:00 The Change (b00p2jn5)

Series 1

When a Man Loves a Woman

Ken comforts Carol, who despairs over transvestite hubby George. Stars Lynda Bellingham and Chris Ellison. From December 2001.

WED 07:30 Susan Calman Makes Me Happy (m000bxjz)

Taking part in Strictly Come Dancing made Susan Calman

happy. Completely, totally happy. And having lived with anxiety for so long, it was something of a surprise to discove something new that gave her feelings of joy. So, in Susan Calman Makes Me Happy, she explores and explains the other things in life that bring her happiness.

This week, aided and abetted by her studio audience and her wife Lee, Susan investigates food and drink, looking at its emotional importance above and beyond mere sustenance and pondering why a bad meal can ruin an entire day.

Produced by Lyndsay Fenner

Written by Susan Calman and Jon Hunter Production Co-ordinator: Tamara Shilham A Somethin' Else production for BBC Radio 4 WED 08:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b00j283q)

The Jewel Robbery

The lad's getting a new car, so Sid makes the most of the opportunity.

Starring Tony Hancock, Bill Kerr, Sidney James. Andree Melly 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

Producer: Dennis Main Wilson

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in October 1955.

WED 08:30 Listen to Les (b00kmn1b)

From 11/09/1983

Cissie Braithwaite is in despair as she instructs Ada

Shufflebotham on the finer points of ballet.

Starring Les Dawson. With Roy Barraclough, Daphne Oxenford and Colin Edwynn.

Music by Brian Fitzgerald.

Scripted and produced by James Casey.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in September 1983.

WED 09:00 Many a Slip (b007jv0k)

From 08/08/1978

Roy Plomley challenges Eleanor Summerfield and Gillian Reynolds to battle David Nixon and Tim Rice in the panel game to spot mistakes.

Featuring more tune-twisters from Steve Race.

Devised and written by Ian Messiter.

Producer: Martin Fisher

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1978.

WED 09:30 Mind Your Own Business! (b009xyw7)

The Premature Berth

Tycoon Jimmy's lavish new yacht infuriates his head of finance Stars Bernard Cribbins and Frank Thornton. From January

WED 10:00 Grossman's War (b014anct)

Life and Fate Abarchuk

Life and Fate: Abarchuk

Kenneth Branagh, Janet Suzman, David Tennant, Greta Scacchi, Malcolm Storry and Harriet Walter star in this eight hour dramatisation of Life and Fate by Vasily Grossman Set against the ferocious Battle of Stalingrad, Life and Fate is a sweeping historical tale that charts the fate of both a nation and a family in the turmoil of war and is increasingly hailed as the most important Russian novel of the 20th century. Its comparison of Stalinism with Nazism was considered by Soviet authorities to be so dangerous that the manuscript itself was arrested and Grossman was told that it would not be published for at least 200 years. He died in 1964, never knowing that his book would be smuggled to the West and eventually published in 1980

Lyuda's ex-husband, Abarchuk, is still a staunch believer in the Party even though he was sent to a Russian labour camp some years ago. In November 1942, he assumes his son, Tolya, is fighting for the motherland and composes a letter to him about his beliefs; beliefs that may have been shaken by a recent encounter with his former mentor, Magar,

Dramatised for radio by Mike Walker

Abarchuk Malcolm Storry Rubin Peter Polycarpou

Barkhatov Alun Raglan

Magar Sean Baker Mishanin Jonathan Forbes

With Simon Bubb, James Lailey, Stuart Mcloughlin and Daniel

Rabin

Original music by John Hardy with Rob Whitehead

Translated by Robert Chandler

Directed and Produced by Alison Hindell

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2011.

WED 10:15 Grossman's War (b014and6)

Life and Fate

Building 6/1 - Those Who Were Still Alive

Late October 1942. Building 6/1 is a former apartment building in the centre of Stalingrad, being held by a rag-tag band of Russian soldiers against all the odds, in the teeth of the German

Soon the building, and its charismatic Commander, Captain Grekov, are a legend across Russia. But inside the building, Commissar Krymov has arrived to tackle what appears to be subversion, while the radio operator, Katya, falls in love with

Kenneth Branagh and David Tennant star in Vasily Grossman's

epic saga.

Captain Grekov Joseph Millson

Commissar Krymov David Tennant

Vasya Stephen Hogan Katya Katie Angelou

Lyakhov Carl Prekopp

Polyakov Peter Polycarpou Seryozha Shaposhnikov Freddie Fox

Batrakov James Lailey

Zubarev Gerard McDermott Bunchuk Jonathan Forbes

Dramatised by Jonathan Myerson.

Director: Jonquil Panting

Producer: Alison Hindell

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First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2011. WED 11:00 Laura Barton's American Road Trip (m000c54q)

2. The Southern States

Using BBC Archives, writer Laura Barton takes to the road for an audio adventure across the USA - from New York to California. In this episode:

'World Roots: An Appalachian Road Trip' [2009]

'Conversations with the Blues' [1961] 'French Men Desire Good Children' [1992]

'South and West' [2017]

Producer: Luke Doran. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 Extra in 2018.

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Graham Greene: The Third Man

I'd like to hear him squeal In a snow-bound postwar Vienna, writer Rollo Martins is still

the on hunt for evidence to clear Harry Lime's name. But the web of lies and deceit surrounding his old friend's death

is growing ever more intricate....And who is the mysterious third man, said to be present at Harry's death?

Samuel West continues reading from the classic Graham

Greene thriller that inspired the acclaimed 1949 film.

Author: Graham Greene

Reader: Samuel West Abridger: Richard Hamilton

Producer: Justine Willett Music from the original soundtrack written and performed by

Anton Karas.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2016. WED 14:15 Bone Stories (b090ygbd)

Series 1 Mary Rose Archer Evolutionary biologist Ben Garrod tries his hand at pulling a medieval long bow and discovers how studies of the skeletons of the archers who sank with the Mary Rose could help patients

with dyspraxia

Producer Sarah Blunt

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2017. WED 14:30 15 Minute Drama (b019fxjc)

Edith Wharton - Ethan Frome

Episode 3

Ethan and Mattie's idyll is shattered by the return of Zeena.

Ethan Frome Dominic Mafham

Mattie Jessica Raine

Zeena Laurel Lefkow Jotham Powell Adam Billington

Denis Eady Christopher Webster

Widow Homan Victoria Inez Hardy Edith Wharton Fenella Woolgar

Written by Edith Wharton Dramatised by Lin Coghlan

Directed by Sally Avens

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appeared to condone infidelity. What many readers did not know was that many of the novella's themes mirrored real events in the life of Edith Wharton. Her own story is told in the play 'The Jinx Element' which explores her own sexless marriage and a passionate affair that begun when she was 47. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2012.

WED 14:45 Book of the Week (b05nv8sd)

Boundless

Teresa Gallagher reads Kathleen Winter's story of her journey as the Writer-in-Residence on a boat travelling through the Northwest Passage, and how the voyage became as much an exploration of her own roots as a venture into the arctic ice fields.

Episode 3: In the Sermermuit Valley, the author is thrilled by a

symphony of ice. Kathleen Winter was born in Bill Quay, near Gateshead. When she was still young, the family emigrated to Newfoundland. Winter, who now lives in Montreal, was a TV scriptwriter and a newspaper columnist before turning her hand to short stories. Her first collection of stories - 'boYs' - was published in 2007 and her first novel 'Annabel' came out three years later. 'Annabel' was shortlisted for the three main Canadian literary prizes in 2010 - the Scotiabank Giller Prize, the Rogers' Writers' Trust Prize and the Governor General's Award. This year, Boundless was shortlisted for the RBC Taylor Award for non-fiction.

Abridged by Pete Nichols

Producer: Karen Rose

A Sweet Talk production for BBC Radio 4

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WED 18:00 William Gibson - Pattern Recognition (b007k1vz)

Episode 3

'Coolhunter' Cayce Pollard is mugged in Tokyo, but who is behind her assailants? Fast-moving thriller read by Lorelei King. From February 2007.

WED 18:30 The Palace of Laughter (b007tbvx)

Series 1

Glasgow Pavilion Theatre

Geoffrey Wheeler's affectionate look at one of Scotland's last variety venues, which legend claims is haunted. From March

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WED 22:30 Arthur Smith's Balham Bash (b00s0hn9)

Series 2

Episode 2

Comedy and music from the Arthur Smith residence. With Paloma Faith, Miles Jupp and Tom Wrigglesworth,

WED 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m000cqhp) Dominic Holland (2/3)

From 10.00pm until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Paul Garner chats again to Dominic Holland.

WED 23:00 Clare in the Community (b00slgvv)

Luck of the Irish

Clare Barker is the self-absorbed social worker who has the right jargon for every problem she comes across, though never a practical solution. But there are plenty of challenges out there for an involved, caring social worker. Or even Clare.

The team at the Family Centre has been shaken around and shuffled about. Clare is now Acting Team Leader, as Irene has job-swapped. And whilst Irene is in Melbourne the team here are joined by Libby - an Aussie and a lezzie, proud to be both, and after Clare's job.

But it is in the nature of hell to be unchanging, and most of the regulars are present and correct for a further round of frustration, despair, disappointment, team meetings and eleven o'clock cakes at the Sparrowhawk Family Centre.

This week: Clare is delighted to discover she has an Irish ancestor.

Clare ... Sally Phillips Helen ... Liza Tarbuck

Alex Lowe

Ray ... Richard Lumsden

Libby ... Sarah Kendall

Ptolemy ... Philip Pope

Megan/Na ... Nina Conti Written by Harry Venning and David Ramsden

Produced by Katie Tyrrell.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2010. WED 23:30 The Consultants (b0628g9r)

Series 4

Two travellers stumble upon a very unusual pub quiz. Neil Edmond and James Rawlings' cerebral sketches. From November 2005

THURSDAY 12 DECEMBER 2019

THU 00:00 William Gibson - Pattern Recognition (b007k1yz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Wednesdav] THU 00:30 The Palace of Laughter (b007tbvx) [Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Wednesday] THU 01:00 Julie Enfield Investigates (b010nnhx) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Wednesday] THU 01:30 The Art of Water Music (b0132p7x)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Wednesday] THU 02:00 Book at Bedtime (b07hhqtk)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Wednesday] THU 02:15 Bone Stories (b090ygbd)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Wednesday]

THU 02:30 15 Minute Drama (b019fxjc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Wednesday] THU 02:45 Book of the Week (b05nv8sd)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:45 on Wednesday]

THU 03:00 Grossman's War (b014qnct)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Wednesday] THU 03:15 Grossman's War (b014qnd6)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:15 on Wednesday]

THU 04:00 Many a Slip (b007jv0k)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Wednesday]

THU 04:30 Mind Your Own Business! (b009xyw7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Wednesday] THU 05:00 The Change (b00p2jn5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Wednesday]

THU 05:30 Susan Calman Makes Me Happy (m000bxjz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Wednesday]

THU 06:00 Julie Enfield Investigates (b010nwbj)

Leaves of the Dead

Pyramids in the Spider

Can detective superintendent Julie Enfield manage to escape before she becomes the next murder victim? Stars Imelda

THU 06:30 The Legacy of Uncle Tom (b03j9lv8)

When Harriet Beecher Stowe wrote Uncle Tom's Cabin in 1852, it immediately caused a stir and created a groundswell of anti-slavery feeling. Legend has it that when Stowe visited the White House during the American Civil War, Abraham Lincoln greeted her with the words 'So you're the little woman who wrote the book that made this great war!'.

The novelist and critic Erica Wagner examines the lasting legacy of this book, from its abolitionist beginnings to the racial stereotypes Stowe's characters became. To be called an 'Uncle Tom' is one of the harshest racial slurs that can be thrown at an African-American person, and yet the idea of the submissive race traitor is quite different from Stowe's original character. Erica explores the part that Uncle Tom's Cabin played in the politics of race in America, and how the ground that it broke, in fact, resulted in its own demise. The programme ranges from Stowe's home in Brunswick Maine, where Harriet Beecher Stowe harboured a runaway slave, to the American Antiquarian Society in Massachusetts and the Harriet Beecher Stowe Center in Connecticut, where the wealth of spin-off merchandise are explored, Joan Hedrick, who won a Pulitzer Prize for her biography Harriet Beecher Stowe: A Life sets Stowe in historical context and the award-winning choreographer Bill T Jones, and the playwright Robert Alexander bring the novel's story right up to date. The Legacy of Uncle Tom traces the reactions to this work from the Abolition Movement, through the Civil Rights Movement to the Rodney King beating in 1991 and the murder of Trayvon Martin last year. Race and politics remain at the heart of this story, as does every person's right to liberty.

Producer: Philippa Geering

A Unique production first broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2013.

THU 07:00 Ballylenon (b00y j976)

Series 8

Agroturismo in Irlande

Ballylenon, County Donegal. Pop. 1,999 was founded by St Lenon of Padua, when he fell into the river at this spot in 953. Ballylenon is situated on the shores of Lough Swilly with entrancing views of Muckish Mountain, in the Diocese of Derry and Raphoe. (Note: Ballylenon is a fictional name, but the other landmarks are identifiable.)

In this society, there exists an uneasy balance of interests. Communication has all the appearances of power, and in Ballylenon, communication means the local Telephone Exchange and Post Office. Both these are firmly in the control of sisters, Vera and Muriel McConkey, who in cahoots with

hotelier and funeral undertaker, Phonsie Doherty, would seek to rule the roost in Ballylenon. However, other forces have their own guiding principles, and where the McConkey sisters and Mr Doherty, aided by The Vindicator, would dominate reactionary thinking, a dangerous liberal tendency is championed by Vivienne and Rev. Samuel Hawthorne, and the somewhat unlikely, Guard Gallagher. The antagonism between these camps is only ever thinly veiled.

In this brand new series, Christopher Fitz-Simon takes a jocos but jaundiced look at 1960's Ireland, where we discover Muriel McConachie, 62. Spinster remnant of a family once active in politics, Muriel inherited the corner shop and, due to her Councillor father's influence, has the Post Office franchise. Known as the eyes of Ballylenon, Muriel, the Honouree Secretary of the Development Association, has a long-term 'understanding' with its Chair, Phonsie Doherty. She is a gentle personality, but misses nothing and can see a midge on a mare's

We also discover, Vera McConachie, 61, Muriel's younger and more forthright spinster sister who runs the 10-line manual Telephone Exchange and is known as the Ears of Ballylenon Every call goes through her switchboard, its content noted, discussed and any necessary action taken. She also writes the Horoscope anonymously for the Donegal Vindicator. The McConkey's closest confidant is Phonsie [Alphonsus] Doherty. 58. Phonsie is a widower, proprietor of the Swilly Arms Hotel and of Doherty's Estate Agency and Funeral Furnishers and Chair of the Development Association. Up to the present is politically 'in' and therefore in the way of knowing what grants and subsidies are available for all manner of projects. His relationship with Muriel McConachie is proprietorial rather than romantic.

If there is a thorn in the side of this trio it is, Vivienne Hawthorne, 30, the former Miss Boal. Bright, breezy, busy primary schoolteacher. Organist and choir-mistress of the Presbyterian congregation. Though seemingly rationalist, Vivienne is secretly much influenced by horoscopes. She is supporter of cultural causes like the music festival and architectural conservation. And though apparently straightforward, she achieves certain aims by devious means. Ballylenon by Christopher Fitz-Simon

Muriel McConkey -Margaret D'Arcy

Vera McConkey -Stella McCusker

Phonsie Doherty -Gerard Murphy Mrs Vivienne Hawthorne -Aine McCartney

Rev. Samuel Hawthorne -Dermot Crowley

Kevin 'Stumpy' Bonnar - Gerard McSorley Guard Gallagher -Frankie McCafferty

Daniel O'Searcaigh - James Greene Monsignor McFadden - Niall Cusack

Aubrey Frawley - Chris McHallem

Polly Acton - Joanna Munro Eamonn Dovle - Patrick Fitzsymons

Mr Boylan - Derek Bailey

Directed By Eoin O'Callaghan.

THU 07:30 Tom Allen Is Actually Not Very Nice (m000c0cl) Episode 1

A new series from Tom Allen, star of Mock The Week, Bake Off Extra Slice, The Apprentice: You're Fired and fresh from a sell out solo performance at The London Palladium.

Tom Allen is Actually Not Very Nice explores what happens when Tom's calm and collected exterior collapses. He used to be such a nice boy but what has happened to turn him naughty? With help from the assembled studio audience, Tom works out how best to navigate some tricky social situations and how to keep a lid on his fury when confronted with life's small injustices.

Featuring Gabby Best.

Photo credit: Edward Moore @edshots

Producer: Richard Morris A BBC Studios Production

THU 08:00 The Ken Dodd Show (b05nciz0)

From 18/04/1965

Home wine-making tips from Andy Mann, and poetic tributes to those who watch over us at night. With John Laurie. From April 1965.

THU 08:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b008m22m)

Series 3 Episode 3

Genghis Khan Reincarnated - and an incompetent zoo keeper. More quick-fire sketches, terrible puns, humorous songs and parodies.

Stars Tim Brooke-Taylor, John Cleese, Graeme Garden, David Hatch, Jo Kendall and Bill Oddie

Written by John Esmond and Bob Larbey, Graeme Garden, David Lund and Bill Oddie.

Originating from the Cambridge University Footlights revue 'Cambridge Circus', ISIRTA ran for 8 years on BBC Radio and

quickly developed a cult following. Music and songs by Dave Lee and Bill Oddie

THU 09:00 It's Your Round (b00yrfwr)

Producer: Humphrey Barclay First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in March 1966.

Series 1 Episode 2

"It's Your Round" is the comedy panel show where the format is simple: there is no format. Instead, each of the panellists has brought along their own round for the others to play, meaning that each show is unique, untried, and unpredictable

This episode Andy Parsons, Rebecca Front, Miles Jupp and prog-rock legend, Rick Wakeman battle it out to see who can beat each other at their own games.

Enjoy the hilarity that ensues when each of them play the games they've brought along. Can the teams guess the concept for Rick's new prog rock album in his "What's The Concept" round? And what happens when the teams have to play Andy's inventively titled "It's Not Your Round"? And would Rebecca Front like to marry Prince William? Find out the answers to these questions and more in this show.

Angus Deayton is the host valiantly trying to make sure everyone comes out of it with their reputations intact.

Writers: Angus Deayton and Paul Powell Devised by Benjamin Partridge

Producer: Sam Michell.

THU 09:30 Change at Oglethorpe (b007k04h)

The Brew That Is True

June's passion for station manager, David has so far been unrequited. But an interesting recipe in Old Cronwick's Book of Potions from Field and Forest should change all that...

Meanwhile, Rocket is expecting to meet an old flame when the Royal Train is diverted through the station.

Peter Morfoot's comedy stars Michael Williams as Rocket, Peter Davison as David, Rosemary Martin as June, Phillippa Wilson as Points, Madge Hindle as Hattie and Chris Emmett as Sodd. Other parts played by Paul Jenkins.

Producer: Gareth Edwards

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in December 1995.

THU 10:00 Grossman's War (b014qnli)

Life and Fate

Lieutenant Peter Bach

Peter Bach, a German officer, is wounded and treated at a military field hospital in November 1942.

The brief respite from the fighting gives him time to contemplate his secret affair with a Russian girl, Zina, an affair that he roughly denies when confronted with it.

Kenneth Branagh, Janet Suzman, David Tennant, Greta Scacchi and Harriet Walter star in Vasily Grossman's epic saga.

Lieutenant Peter Bach Geoffrey Streatfeild

Gerne Lloyd Thomas Fresser Michael Shelford The Goalkeeper Tony Bell

Zina Jessica Raine

Hospital Sister Christine Kavanagh Hospital Orderly David Seddon

Dramatised by Jonathan Myerson,

Original music by John Hardy with Rob Whitehead

Director: Alison Hindell

Set against the ferocious Battle of Stalingrad, Life and Fate is a sweeping historical tale that charts the fate of both a nation and a family in the turmoil of war and is increasingly hailed as the most important Russian novel of the 20th century. Its comparison of Stalinism with Nazism was considered by Soviet authorities to be so dangerous that the manuscript itself was arrested and Grossman was told that it would not be published for at least 200 years. He died in 1964, never knowing that his book would be smuggled to the West and eventually published

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2011.

THU 10:15 Grossman's War (b014qnwg)

Life and Fate

Novikov's Story

November, 1942. Novikov, a tank commander, prepares his troops for Operation Uranus, the campaign which is to be the turning point in the Battle of Stalingrad.

On his way to the front, he visits Zhenya, his lover, in Kuibyshev. He dreams of marrying her but she is still torn between him and Krymov. She tells an anecdote about Krymov and Trotsky, a slip of the tongue that leads to betraval.

Kenneth Branagh and David Tennant star in Vasily Grossman's epic saga.

Pyotr Pavlovich Novikov Don Gilet Getmanov Philip Jackson Nyeudobnov Peter Wight

Zhenya Shaposhnikova Raquel Cassidy Nicky Simon Bubb

Vershkov Stuart Mcloughlin

Galina Terentyevna Jane Whittenshaw Mashuk Peter Polycarpou

Zhakharov Sean Baker

With Jonathan Forbes, James Lailey, Daniel Rabin and Alun

Dramatised by Mike Walker

Raglan

Original music by John Hardy with Rob Whitehead

Directors: Alison Hindell and Jonquil Panting

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First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2011. THU 11:00 Laura Barton's American Road Trip (m000c567)

3. California Bound

Using BBC Archives, writer Laura Barton takes to the road for an audio adventure across the USA - from New York to California. In this episode:

Inside Track: Cowgirls' [1998]

'A Bright Light in the Night' [2005]

'American Beauty: Death Valley Opera' [1995]

On the Town' [1980] 'Not Yet, Jayette' [1992]

Producer: Luke Doran

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 Extra in 2018.

THU 12:00 The Ken Dodd Show (b05ncjz0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

THU 12:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b008m22m)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today] THU 13:00 Julie Enfield Investigates (b010nwbi)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

THU 13:30 The Legacy of Uncle Tom (b03j9lv8)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

THU 14:00 Book at Bedtime (b07hj3xh)

Graham Greene: The Third Man

Do you believe in ghosts?

Faced with the harsh fact that his old friend Harry Lime wasn't the hero he thought him to be, Rollo is drowning his sorrows. Doubting he'll ever track down the third man present at Harry's death, or even get Harry's girl to fall in love with him, Rollo's desperate to leave the war-torn city. But the elusive Harry Lime is about to shock him one more time.

Samuel West continues reading Graham Greene's classic thriller, which was the inspiration for the 1949 film, starring Orson Welles

Author: Graham Greene Reader: Samuel West Abridger: Richard Hamilton

Producer: Justine Willett Music from the original soundtrack written and performed by Anton Karas

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2016.

THU 14:15 Bone Stories (b0910n6v)

Series 1 Dodo

> The Dodo is byword for extinction, or at least it has been Evolutionary biologist Ben Garrod discovers how the skeletal remains of this extinct bird may hold the key to life beyond the grave and that extinction could be a thing of the past

Producer Sarah Blunt.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2017. THU 14:30 15 Minute Drama (b019gy9t)

Edith Wharton - Ethan Frome

Episode 4

Ethan becomes determined to escape his marriage and runaway with Mattie.

Ethan Frome Dominic Mafham

Mattie Jessica Raine Zeena Laurel Lefkow

Edith Wharton Fenella Woolgar

Written by Edith Wharton

Dramatised by Lin Coghlan

Directed by Sally Avens

Ethan Frome is one of Edith Wharton's most enduring and powerful stories.

Set against the cold, grey, bleakness of a New England winter. Ethan Frome scrapes a living from his woodlot whilst trapped in an unhappy marriage with his hypochondriac wife, Zeena. A ray of light enters Ethan's life when his wife's cousin Mattie arrives to help. His life is transformed as he falls in love with Mattie but their fate is determined by their circumstances and the stifling conventions of the time.

Ethan Frome was deemed shocking when first published as it appeared to condone infidelity. What many readers did not know was that many of the novella's themes mirrored real events in the life of Edith Wharton. Her own story is told in a play 'The Jinx Element' which explores her own sexless marriage and a passionate affair that begun when she was 47. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2012.

THU 14:45 Book of the Week (b05nvb23)

Boundless

Episode 4

Teresa Gallagher reads Kathleen Winter's story of her journey as the Writer-in-Residence on a boat travelling through the Northwest Passage, and how the voyage became as much an exploration of her own roots as a venture into the arctic ice fields.

Episode 4: On Dundas Island, the arctic animals lay claim to

their habitat. Kathleen Winter was born in Bill Quay, near Gateshead. When she was still young, the family emigrated to Newfoundland. Winter, who now lives in Montreal, was a TV scriptwriter and a

newspaper columnist before turning her hand to short stories Her first collection of stories - 'boYs' - was published in 2007 and her first novel 'Annabel' came out three years later. 'Annabel' was shortlisted for the three main Canadian literary prizes in 2010 - the Scotiabank Giller Prize, the Rogers'

Writers' Trust Prize and the Governor General's Award. This year, Boundless was shortlisted for the RBC Taylor Award for non-fiction.

Abridged by Pete Nichols

Producer: Karen Rose A Sweet Talk production for BBC Radio 4

THU 15:00 Grossman's War (b014qnlj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

THU 15:15 Grossman's War (b014qnwg) [Repeat of broadcast at 10:15 today]

THU 16:00 It's Your Round (b00yrfwr)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

THU 16:30 Change at Oglethorpe (b007k04h)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

THU 17:00 Ballylenon (b00vj976)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

THU 17:30 Tom Allen Is Actually Not Very Nice (m000c0cl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
THU 18:00 William Gibson - Pattern Recognition

(b007k208)

Episode 4

Searching for footage clues, 'coolhunter' Cayce locates the menacing Baranov. Lorelei King reads the fast-moving thriller. From February 2007.

THU 18:30 Great Lives (b03q8z43)

Series 32

Mark Constantine on Kahlil Gibran

Businessman Mark Constantine chooses Lebanese-American author of 'The Prophet', Khalil Gibran. With Matthew Parris. Snubbed and practically ignored by the literary establishment in the West, but regarded by millions as a world-class poet his work, The Prophet, published in 1923, has never been out of print and next to the bible is the biggest selling book in America.

Businessman Mark Constantine champions the poet and together with the actor Nadim Sawalha. Matthew Parris is the

Producer : Perminder Khatkar

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2014.

THU 19:00 The Ken Dodd Show (b05nciz0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

THU 19:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b008m22m)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today] THU 20:00 Julie Enfield Investigates (b010nwbj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

THU 20:30 The Legacy of Uncle Tom (b03j9lv8) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

THU 21:00 Laura Barton's American Road Trip

(m000c567) [Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

THU 22:00 Tom Allen Is Actually Not Very Nice (m000c0cl)

[Reneat of broadcast at 07:30 today] THU 22:30 Newsjack (m000c56c)

Newsjack Unplugged, Series 4

Enisode 8 Darren Harriott hosts Newsjack's little brother with this week's

satirical instalmen

THU 22:45 The Goldfish Bowl (m000c56h)

Series 1

Episode 8

As their owners quarrel, is it the end for fish Anton and Liam? With Shaun Prendergast and Hamish McColl. From October

THU 23:00 Mr and Mrs Smith (b01b9kdj)

Sally's Birthday

Episode 2 - Sally's Birthday

An audience sitcom about a couple in marriage counselling. Will and Annabelle attend her mum's 60th Birthday Party. Will makes an effort to get on with his straight talking father-in-law Iohn

FULL CAST DETAILS:

Will Smith Will Smith Annabelle Smith Sarah Hadland

Guy Paterson Joseph

John Geoffrey Whitehead Sally Susie Blake

Shop Assistant Tracy Wiles Written by Will Smith

Produced by Tilusha Ghelani

ABOUT THE SERIES: A year into married life and already things are a little creaky. So, following Will's unimaginative anniversary present (a draining rack), Annabelle has signed them up for a course of marriage counselling.

Each week, counsellor Guy mediates a recent dispute between Will and Annabelle, with flashbacks to the events that spawned the argument, and by the end, the couple find marital equilibrium once more. Sort of.

Guy arbitrates, usually leaning towards Annabelle's more

sensible point of view. In contrast to Will's uptightness, Guy is laconic and urbane and clearly irritates Will.

The writer and comedian Will Smith leads the starry cast of Mr and Mrs.Smith. Will's writing credits include Armstrong and Miller (BBC1), Harry and Paul (BBC1), Moving Wallpaper (ITV1), Time Trumpet (BBC2), the multi-award winning The Thick Of It (BBC2) in which he also appears as Phil Smith, and Veep (HBO).

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2012.

THU 23:25 The Comedy Club Interviews (m000cqkf) Dominic Holland (3/3)

From 10.00pm until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Paul Garner chats again to Dominic Holland.

THU 23:30 Deborah Frances-White Rolls the Dice (b05ssqpn)

Series 1

Episode 4

Comedian Deborah Frances-White was adopted as a baby in Australia and has only recently discovered her true life mother. Now, in the last of the series, Deborah attempts to find her real father.

Unfortunately, her birth mother's recall is none too good and, despite much probing, she seems unable to remember which of her partners could be the true dad.

So, with the voices of Thom Tuck, Alex Lowe and Celia Pacqola, Deborah sets out on one last Google-driven attempt to complete the circle.

Producer: Alan Nixon

A So Television production for BBC Radio 4.

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FRI 06:00 Charles Paris: So Much Blood (m000c58m) The Photo Call

An actor dies as the thespian sleuth is rehearsing in Edinburgh is it murder? Simon Brett's thriller stars Francis Matthews.

FRI 06:30 In Search of the Holy Whale (b00xnynk) In this sequel to In Search Of The Holy Quail, broadcaster Marc Riley and two more friends from the world of popular music, Richard Hawley and Jarvis Cocker, set out on a quirky quest to find some of the world's most spectacular and elusive sights. Riley's whale-watching passion has taken him from Baja, Mexico to Iceland but in 2003 he discovered that some of the

Keen to share his discovery, Marc persuades his curious friends to set sail on the very rough seas in the hope of an exhilarating encounter with these elusive creatures. As they struggle to find their sea legs our intrepid three contemplate life, the universe and the most important questions - how do you stop your glasses

most amazing sights could be seen right on our doorstep in

falling off and why shouldn't you sing to whales? Producer: John Leonard

A Smooth Operations production first broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2011.

FRI 07:00 1834 (b011db7v)

The Time Machine

Jason decides the invention of the toasted sandwich maker will sort out his new 19th-century life.

21st-century teacher, Jason Slater, is coming to terms with waking up in 19th-century Macclesfield.

In Jim Poyser's riotous comedy of transportation and delight, Jason is now Tarquin, third son of Lord Belport with a faithful

Stars Michael Begley as Jason Slater, Joe Caffrey as Ned, Kenneth Alan Taylor as Hoskins, Mark Chatterton as Lord Belport, Glenn Cunningham as Stubbs and Julia Rounthwaite as

Directed at BBC Manchester by Polly Thomas.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2003.

FRI 07:30 Fred at The Stand (b09cz4d4)

Johns, Storrie, Brister and Graffoe

Fred MacAulay introduces some of the funniest comedians in the UK doing what they do best - pure stand-up comedy. Recorded at The Stand Comedy Club in Edinburgh.

This week, Dave Johns tells tales of coping with stardom following the success of I, Daniel Blake, Glaswegian Ashley Storrie tries to get one over her father at Christmas time, Jen Brister is proud to not to be a biological mother, and Boothby Graffoe is himself and cares not what anyone thinks.

A Dabster production for BBC Radio 4. FRI 08:00 The Burkiss Way (b007jrr7)

The Next to Last Burkiss Way

Waves are parted as the team take on the Holly Bibbly - and another edition of Syrup on Sunday.

Starring Fred Harris, Jo Kendall, Nigel Rees and Chris Emmett

Cult sketch comedy series which originally ran from 1976 to

Scripted by David Renwick and Andrew Marshall.

Producer: John Lloyd First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1978.

FRI 08:30 Something to Shout About (m000c58t) Series 3

Episode 4

Michael receives a windfall and the vultures soon circle in search of loans

'Something To Shout About' debuted in July 1960, hot on the heels of the demise of both 'The Goon Show' and 'Hancock's Half Hour'. The show had big boots to fill, but managed, running to 54 episodes over three series across two years. The series is based in a London advertising agency called 'Apsley, Addis, Cohen, Barbican, Blythe, Giddy & Partners'.

CAST: Michael Lightfoot Michael Medwin Janet Harris Fenella Fielding

Maggie Tufnell Eleanor Summerfield

Mavis Willis ...Joan Sims Adrian Beales Nicholas Phipps

Mr Botting/Various Warren Mitchell

Written by Myles Rudge and Ronnie Wolfe.

Producer: John Simmonds.

First heard on the Light Programme in October 1961.

FRI 09:00 It's Not What You Know (b0640pnx)

Series 3

Episode 6

Who does Susan Calman often get mistaken for? What does Vernon Kay consider his career lowlight? What's the naughtiest thing Sara Pascoe did as a child?

All these burning 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, comedian Susan Calman picks her friend, presenter Vernon Kay picks his old university pal, and comedian Sara

Pascoe chooses her mum.

Producer: Matt Stronge. FRI 09:30 The Phenomenon Squad (b084p6qt)

The undercover police squad try to foil a massive art fraud. But Crispin Pollock has other ideas, Stars Roy Kinnear, From October 1987.

FRI 10:00 Grossman's War (b014qxbd)

Life and Fate

A Hero of the Soviet Union

November, 1942. Krymov denounces Grekov as an enemy of

the state

After speeches marking the 25th anniversary of the Revolution at which he is cold-shouldered by his colleagues, he slips out to find Stepan Spiridonov at the Central Power Station. He recalls the heady days of 1917 and Lenin's funeral and compares those ideals with the days of the show-trials.

Kenneth Branagh, Janet Suzman, David Tennant, Kenneth Cranham, Greta Scacchi and Harriet Walter star Vasily

Grossman's epic saga.
Nikolai Krymov David Tennant
Stepan Spiridonov Kenneth Cranham

Pryakhin Gerard McDermott

Pavel Andrevey Malcolm Tierney Ogibalov Carl Prekopp

Makuladze James Lailey

Dramatised by Jonathan Myerson. Original music by John Hardy with Rob Whitehead.

Translated by Robert Chandler.

Director: Alison Hindell

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FRI 10:15 Grossman's War (b014qxbs)

Life and Fate

Krymov in Moscow

Moscow, Winter 1942. Commissar Nikolai Krymov has been denounced and arrested. He's taken to the dreaded Lubyanka prison in Moscow: a place where, in the past, he has denounced

Meanwhile his ex-wife Zhenya arrives in Moscow, to stay with Viktor and Lyuda, and to face the consequences of her actions. Kenneth Branagh and David Tennant star in Vasily Grossman's epic saga.

Commissar Nikolai Krymov David Tennant

Viktor Shtrum Kenneth Branagh

Lyuda Shaposhnikova Greta Scacchi Zhenya Shaposhnikova Raquel Cassidy

Marya Sokolova Harriet Walter

Nadya Ellie Kendrick Katsenelenbogen Ewan Bailey

NKVD Interrogator Elliot Levey

With Simon Bubb, Elaine Claxton, Jonathan Forbes, James Lailey, Gerard McDermott, Chris Pavlo, Peter Polycarpou, Carl Prekopp, Alun Raglan and Susie Riddell

Dramatised by Jonathan Myerson.

Directors: Alison Hindell and Jonquil Panting

Producer: Alison Hindell

Set against the ferocious Battle of Stalingrad, Vasily Grossman's huge novel charts the fate of both a nation and a family in the turmoil of war and is increasingly hailed as the most important Russian novel of the 20th century. Its comparison of Stalinism with Nazism was considered by Soviet authorities to be so dangerous that the manuscript itself was arrested. Grossman died in 1964, never knowing that his book would be smuggled to the West and eventually published in 1980.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2011.

FRI 11:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m000c592)

100 Podcast Radio Hours!

Podcast Radio Hour celebrates its 100th episode by looking

back on some of the best
FRI 12:00 The Burkiss Way (b007jrr7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

FRI 12:30 Something to Shout About (m000c58t)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
FRI 13:00 Charles Paris: So Much Blood (m000c58m)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

FRI 13:30 In Search of the Holy Whale (b00xnynk)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

FRI 14:00 Book at Bedtime (b07hj93g)

Graham Greene: The Third Man Bloody fool

Harry Lime is very much alive, but no longer the heroic figure from Rollo Martins' school days. In a snow-covered, war-torn Vienna, Rollo decides to confront his old friend over the terrible crimes he's said to have committed. But, first he has to

track him down Samuel West reads the final part of Graham Greene's classic thriller - the inspiration for the 1949 film, starring Orson Welles

Author: Graham Greene Reader: Samuel West

Abridger: Richard Hamilton

Producer: Justine Willett Music from the original soundtrack written and performed by Anton Karas

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2016.

FRI 14:15 Bone Stories (b0910svm)

Series 1 Man-eating Tiger

Evolutionary biologist Ben Garrod stares into the jaws of a maneating tiger and learns how samples from the bones are providing vital evidence in understanding the role of predation on our evolutionary behaviour. Were our early ancestors primarily hunters or hunted?

Producer Sarah Blunt. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2017.

FRI 14:30 15 Minute Drama (b019h2b6)

Edith Wharton - Ethan Frome

Episode 5

Mattie and Ethan take desperate measures not to be separated. Ethan Frome Dominic Mafham Mattie Jessica Raine

Zeena Laurel Lefkow

Mrs Hale Tracy Wiles Edith Wharton Fenella Woolgar

by Edith Wharton dramatised by Lin Coghlan

Directed by Sally Avens Ethan Frome is one of Edith Wharton's most enduring and powerful stories.

Set against the cold, grey, bleakness of a New England winter. Ethan Frome scrapes a living from his woodlot whilst trapped in an unhappy marriage with his hypochondriac wife, Zeena. A ray of light enters Ethan's life when his wife's cousin Mattie arrives to help. His life is transformed as he falls in love with Mattie but their fate is determined by their circumstances and the stifling conventions of the time.

Ethan Frome was deemed shocking when first published as it appeared to condone infidelity. What many readers did not know was that many of the novella's themes mirrored real events in the life of Edith Wharton. Her own story is told in 'The Jinx Element' that explores her own sexless marriage and a

passionate affair that begun when she was 47. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2012. FRI 14:45 Book of the Week (b05nvb6f)

Boundless

Episode 5

As the passengers prepare for journey's end, there is an unscheduled stop.

Teresa Gallagher concludes Kathleen Winter's story of her journey as the Writer-in-Residence on a boat travelling through the Northwest Passage, and how the voyage became as much an exploration of her own roots as a venture into the arctic ice

Kathleen Winter was born in Bill Quay, near Gateshead. When she was still young, the family emigrated to Newfoundland. Winter, who now lives in Montreal, was a TV scriptwriter and a newspaper columnist before turning her hand to short stories. Her first collection of stories - 'boYs' - was published in 2007 and her first novel 'Annabel' came out three years later 'Annabel' was shortlisted for the three main Canadian literary prizes in 2010 - the Scotiabank Giller Prize, the Rogers' Writers' Trust Prize and the Governor General's Award. Boundless was shortlisted for the RBC Taylor Award for non-

Abridged by Pete Nichols

Producer: Karen Rose

fiction.

A Sweet Talk production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in

FRI 15:00 Grossman's War (b014qxbd)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 10:15 today]

FRI 16:00 It's Not What You Know (b0640pnx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

FRI 16:30 The Phenomenon Squad (b084p6qt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

FRI 17:00 1834 (b011db7v)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

FRI 17:30 Fred at The Stand (b09cz4d4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 18:00 William Gibson - Pattern Recognition (b007k21k)

Episode 5

In seedy Moscow, 'coolhunter' Cayce meets the maker of the footage. Lorelei King concludes the fast-moving thriller. From February 2007.

FRI 18:30 Last Orders (b00qx1m5)

Episode 2

Conclusion of a two-part celebration of the pub landlord and landlady.

With pubs disappearing at the rate of more than three a day, signalling one of the most rapid cultural shifts of recent times, half a dozen landlords and landladies reflect on life as a licensee and explore what we're in danger of losing besides the beer and the buildings.

This rueful view from behind the bar includes reflections on the qualities of a good landlord or landlady; their role as comm confessional and settler of tap room fights, dispenser of best bitter and pearls of wisdom.

We hear from old hands like Barbara, an ex-Bunny girl who runs the Grapes in London's Limehouse; Tetley Dave who fought a battle to keep the Shoulder of Mutton from closing in Castleford; Maureen from the Waggon and Horses at Langsett who's famous for her pies; ex miner Dennis from Barnsley. whose bête noir is health and safety; stand-up comedian Tobywho recalls lining up six pints apiece for the miners coming off shift at his auntie's pub in a Yorkshire pit village; and former Cambridge academic Tim, who's taken early retirement to open his first pub in York - the Phoenix- just as many others are shutting up shop.

How have these landlords and landladies kept their marriages together, living and working on the premises? How much of a tempatation was it to hit the top shelf and go for the optics after a hard day's graft behind the bar? Why do they think the pub can teach the next generation how to hold their drink. And how do they handle an objectionable customer without starting a wild-west barroom brawl?

Producer Lindsay Leonard.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2010

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[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

FRI 19:30 Something to Shout About (m000c58t)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

FRI 20:00 Charles Paris: So Much Blood (m000c58m)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

FRI 20:30 In Search of the Holy Whale (b00xnynk) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

FRI 21:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m000c592)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

FRI 22:00 Fred at The Stand (b09cz4d4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 22:30 Josie Long: Romance and Adventure (b077jp15)

Series 1

Episode 4

Comedy drama about a young woman trying to build a more fulfilling life for herself in Glasgov

Josie and Darren go camping but find themselves disastrously ill equipped for the great outdoors.

Based on characters from the short films "Romance and Adventure" and "Let's Go Swimming" by Josie Long and Douglas King.

Josie Josie Long

Darren Osborne Margaret Clare Grogan

PCSO Officer Chris Pavlo

The Podcaster Jesse Thorn

Shondra Claudia O'Doherty Unfeasably Handsome Man John Early

Written by Josie Long

Producer: Colin Anderson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2016.

FRI 23:00 The Iguanodon (b0075cj0)

Big Fat Liars

Don O'Reilly discovers smoking and hiding do not mix - and they all come second in a run-in with some very insistent pirates.

The passengers and crew of 'The Iganodon' are still adrift in the Woe Betides.

A three-part comedy adventure by Paul Lucas Starring Paul Haigh as Sam Varley, Bernard Cribbins as Mr

Brook, Rosemary Leach as Isabel, Dermot Crowley as Don O'Reilly, John Arthur as the Captain, Patsy Byrne as Harriet and Sally Phillips as Laura.

Other parts played by Fred Harris and Kevin Eldon.

Producer: Jo Clegg First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1997.

FRI 23:30 The Mel and Sue Thing (b00769tt)

Episode 2

Bergerac and Love joy on Leather Island, and Ukraine's Eurovision entry. Sketches with Sue Perkins and Mel Giedroyc. From October 2002.