

SATURDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2020

SAT 00:00 Atomic Tales (b007qtm4)

Unstoppable!
A white-knuckle ride of instellar thrills as a space train hurtles towards Earth
1950s American sci-fi spoof.
Starring the talents of:
John Guerrasio
Jeff Harding
Allison Warnyca
Lewis McLeod
Colin Stinton
Liza Ross.

Written by Adam Tandy and Nat Sones.

Producer: Adam Bromley.

Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in August 2006.

SAT 00:30 Off the Page (b007sptx)

Zeitgeist

Zeitgeist

Joe Queenan, Pauline Black and Toby Young discuss one of the few German words to find a secure place in the English language.

Though adored by fashion writers and political columnists alike, Queenan says: 'If you used words like *zeitgeist* where I grew up, they'd break your legs'.

Dominic Arkwright presents.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2007.

SAT 01:00 Maeve Binchy - Firefly Summer (b049mt8r)

5. The Legacy

After 18 months in New York, Rachel Fine has been summoned back to Ireland by Patrick O'Neill to oversee the decoration of his new hotel.

Rachel has become a close friend of Kate Ryan, who is now in a wheelchair as a result of an accident on the site of the hotel, over three years ago

Starring David Soul as Patrick O'Neill

Novel by Maeve Binchy dramatised by Jane Cassidy

Kate Ryan Anna Healy

John Ryan Lorcan Cranitch

Rachel Susan Slot

Fergus Dan Gordon

Kerry O'Neill Luke Griffin

Grace O'Neill Melissa Smith

Dr White Denys Hawthorne

Costello John Keegan

Loretta Julia Deardon

Jack Coyne Ray McBride

Brian Doyle Conleth Hill

Dennis Hill Gordon Fulton

Dara Audrey Dempsey

Music Composed by Jane Cassidy and performed by Rod

McVey and Kate O'Brien

Director: Pam Brighton

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1996.

SAT 01:30 Miss Marple (b007jpvv)

The Murder at the Vicarage

Episode 5

Amateur sleuth Jane Marple battles to unearth the proof she needs to reveal the murderer's identity - along with a few other surprises.

The conclusion of Agatha Christie's whodunit starring June Whitfield as Miss Marple.

Rev. Leonard Clement.....Francis

Matthews

Griselda Clement.....Imelda

Stanton

Lettice Protheroe.....Rachel Atkins

Colonel Melchett.....Richard Todd

Dr Haydock.....Nigel

Davenport

Inspector Slack.....John Baddeley

Gladys Cram.....Oona Beeson

Mrs Sadler.....Tina Gray

Constable.....Dominic

Letts

Dramatised by Michael Bakewell

Director: Enyd Williams

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1993.

SAT 02:00 The Personality Test (b00mf3kk)

Series 2

Roy Hattersley

Former Labour Deputy Leader and writer, Roy Hattersley quizzes a panel about his own career, whims and interests.

With Sue Perkins, Lucy Porter, Robin Ince and Mark Dolan

Series with changing hosts who quiz the panel.

Script by Richard Turner and Simon Littlefield

Devised and produced by Aled Evans.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2006.

SAT 02:30 Minor Adjustment (b0b4ft7s)

Overture and Beginners Please

Kate's in the school play, while Sarah has a problem with a client - and her husband Richard.

Six-part comedy series about the Stubbs family - cartoonist

Richard, therapist Sarah and their daughters - Kate, aged 16 and

three-year-old Amy who has Down's Syndrome.

Starring Peter Davison and Samantha Bond.

Written by son and father team, Andy and Eric Merriman -

inspired by Andy's own four-year-old daughter, Sarah. Eric

famously wrote legendary BBC comedy series 'Beyond Our Ken'.

Richard Peter Davison

Sarah Samantha Bond

Kate Claire Russell

Amy Sarah Merriman

Pat Humphreys Penelope Nice

Annie Teresa Gallagher

The Headmaster Brian Bowles

Robbie Robbie Gill

The Policeman Sebastian Brennan

Producer: Gareth Edwards

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1996.

SAT 03:00 Elena Ferrante - The Neapolitan Novels (m000msl1)

The Story of a Lost Child Part 3/3

Elena Ferrante's story of a life long friendship between Lila and Lena comes to an end in this sad and surprising final chapter.

While deep in conversation with her old lover Nino and holding his child with Lena, Lila loses sight of her own daughter who suddenly disappears. Lila's world will never be the same and, despite Lena's attempts to help her friend try to come to terms with her loss, their past comes back to haunt them and one of them finally decides that there is only one way forward.

Does this free the other or hold her prisoner to her past forever?

Lena Monica Dolan

Lila Anastasia Hille

Nino Sarratore Daniel Flynn

Pietro Ferdinand Kingsley

Adele Sylvestra Le Touzel

Dede Grace Wingate

Dede Ella Dale

Elsa Isobel Tinsley

Elsa Georgia Taft

Mariarosa Claudia Jolly

Carmela Louise Calf

Colombe Louise Calf

Antonio Hugh Kermode

Mother Jane Whittenshaw

Guido David Collings

Franco Simon Scardiffield

Augustin Simon Scardiffield

Armando Josh Dylan

Marisa Sara Markland

Elisa Nelly Harker

Photographer Nelly Harker

Enzo Carl Prekopp

Marcello Ben Crowe

Guest Ben Crowe

Alfonso Nick Armfield

Tina Sylvie Goodwin

Imma Grace Pearcey

Imma Cosima Pearcey

Michele Daniel Ryan

Guest Daniel Ryan

Gennaro Tom Davies

Pasquale Nicholas Gleaves

Written by Elena Ferrante

Translated by Ann Goldstein

Dramatised for radio by Timberlake Wertenbaker

Director: Celia de Wolff

A Pier production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in October

2017.

SAT 04:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m000msl3)

US Politics Special - featuring Emily Maitlis and Jon Sopel
Amanda Litherland is joined by the podcaster and journalist Greg Cochrane to recommend podcasts to keep up to date with the US Election and understand some of the history that's made the country what it is today.

Also Jon Sopel and Emily Maitlis discuss making the BBC's Americast - how is reporting for the podcast different to radio or TV broadcasting? And are there fans of the podcast on both sides of the Atlantic?

Podcasts mentioned this week:
Slate's Political Gabfest
FiveThirtyEight Politics
KCRW's Left Right and Center
Pod Save America
Joe Rogan Experience
Americast
CBC's Party Lines (Party In The USA mini series)
Women Belong In The House
The Brown Girls Guide To Politics

Presidential

More Perfect

1619

SAT 05:00 Alone (b0b2mgj6)

Series 1

The Reunion

Mitch's get together with an old university chum is not at all the reunion he expects - while the rest of the gang are disappointed to have to attempt the local pub quiz without their main man, Mitch.

Sitcom, written by Moray Hunter and starring Angus Deayton, about five single, middle aged neighbours living in flats in a converted house in North London.

Guest stars: Frances Barber and Clive Mantle.

Mitch is a widower and part-time therapist who is looking to

put his life back together now that he is single and living -

supposedly temporarily - with Will, his younger, more volatile and unhappily divorced half-brother.

Elsewhere in the building are schoolteacher Ellie who is shy, nervous and desperately missing her ex-boyfriend, overly honest, frustrated actress Louisa, and socially inept IT nerd Morris.

Mitch Angus Deayton

Ellie Abigail Cruttenden

Will Pearce Quigley

Louisa Kate Isitt

Morris Bennett Arron

Chris Frances Barber

Laurence Clive Mantle

Quiz Master Clive Mantle

An Absolutely production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in May 2018.

SAT 05:30 Dot (b08q3yjs)

Series 2

Psychology

by Ed Harris

Comic adventures with Dot and the gals from personnel. Peabody's not been the full shilling recently and now Dr Pinsky has arrived to test who is the psychological 'weak link' and everyone's a suspect. Who will be deemed sane and who will be sent to Sunnyside Sanatorium? Ed Harris' rollicking comedy starring Fenella Woolgar.

SAT 06:00 Ken Whitmore - A Decent British Murder (m000mybr)

Colonel Grace's house-guests include a number of people who are experienced at breaking and entering.

He decides to offer a prize of £1,000 to the one who can get into his intruder-proof library, which is protected with a deafening alarm, heavy security locks and a guillotine device that would slice in half anybody attempting to enter un-announced...

Murder mystery written by Ken Whitmore.

Vanessa Grace Kathleen Helmi

Colonel Grace Graham Roberts

Marina Grace Linda Gardner

Fred Gingrich Christopher Godwin

Lionel Monro David Calder

Ella Chatto Annette Robertson

Albert Conleton John Hollis

Director: Alfred Bradley

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 February 1980.

SAT 07:30 Great Lives (b065vrl8)

Series 37

Michael Howard on Elizabeth I

Matthew Parris meets the former leader of the Conservative Party Michael Howard to discuss the life of Elizabeth I of England.

They're joined by Professor Paulina Kewes of Jesus College Oxford.

Producer: Maggie Ayre

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.

SAT 08:00 Dilemma (b01qmb08)

Series 2

Episode 1

Sue Perkins puts Paul Sinha, Lemn Sissay, Margaret Cabourn-Smith and Graeme Garden through the moral and ethical wringer.

The return of the panel show posing finely-balanced dilemmas as Sue cross-examines their answers.

Comic Paul struggles with his sporting loyalties; poet Lemn experiences something new, actor and comic Margaret faces up to some poor parenting; and Graeme contemplates life without one of his favourite Aunties.

There are no "right" answers - but there are some deeply damning ones.

Devised by Danielle Ward.

Producer: Ed Morrish.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2013.

SAT 08:30 Kathmandu or Bust (b07rhlzg)

A Sticky Wicket

Nepal is almost in sight and the travellers are in a mellow mood - until their truck is stolen by bandits.

Series written by Mike Yeaman and David Naphine.

Simon David Haig

Petra Michelle Chadwick

Callum Forbes Masson

Trigger Richard Ridings

Joan Sarah Crowden

Ellie Lolly Susi

Bandit Lyndam Gregory

Bandit Shiv Grewal

Producer: Lissa Evans

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1996.

SAT 09:00 Last Post for the Men of Letters (b097lppp)

Russell Davies unearths from the radio and TV archives the voices of men and women who were, for many years, a staple of the broadcasting diet.

Some, but by no means all, have university pedigree but all have a breath-taking breadth of learning and the facility to deliver it, albeit to an audience who were prepared to give them time and were, it would appear, happy to be dazzled by learning.

Russell's examples from the Men and Women of Letters trope is gathered round his very personal association with John Gross, of whom he writes:

'In 1969 an author in his early thirties published his first book.

The Rise and Fall of the Man of Letters won the Duff Cooper prize, delighted the reading public, introduced them to the name of John Gross, and marked the beginning of what would be an illustrious and fascinating literary career. It ended with his death on 10 January 2011, a great sorrow for the many people who loved and admired John.

No doubt I read at the time, but had forgotten until coming across it again, since I quite lack his total recall, something he wrote here in 1983, an entertaining review of a biography of Sir George Lewis, the famous and immensely influential Victorian solicitor whose clients included the Prince of Wales. In an aside, Gross gently wondered why the biographer hadn't mentioned that Lewis 'appears by name in Conan Doyle's "The Illustrious Client" — a pretty broad clue to the client's identity'. Yes, he had read everything, high and low.

Since his death, I've thought often about John, and reread him. The breadth of his reading and his memory made him the perfect anthologist, and he edited half a dozen Oxford Books of from Aphorisms to Parodies. He also wrote three books of his own, and I wish he had written more. Shylock is a learned and highly original study of that singularly problematic character and his play, while A Double Thread is a beautiful short memoir of Gross's London childhood, 'double' because both English and Jewish. But I now see that the defining point came with his brilliant first book.

Although he and Kingsley Amis were disparate personalities, to say the least, Gross would have shared Amis's contempt for anything which 'makes a statement', and his disdain for the idea of 'importance'. But I believe that The Rise and Fall is a truly important book. It wasn't just an item on Gross's list of publications, it was part of his own story, and it made a statement of its own: a repudiation of the attempted monopoly of literary criticism by 'the university' and the larger academic appropriation of our common culture.

Producer: Tom Alban
Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in October 2017.

SAT 12:00 Foul Play (b00y8yz)

Series 4

Deadline News

Crime writers Ruth Dudley Edwards and Robert Richardson try to solve the murder of a model.

With the help of witnesses played by Maria McErlane and Lee Simpson.

Murder mystery panel game chaired by Simon Brett.

Producer: Liz Anstee

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1998.

SAT 12:30 Ed Reardon's Week (b007wlpq)

Series 1

The Old Lock-keeper

Writer Ed's week is marred by a death, deceptive junk mail and some huge egos.

Welcome to the world of Ed Reardon, author, pipe smoker, consummate fare-dodger and master of the abusive e-mail. He may have only one pair of trousers and a seven-figure Amazon sales ranking, but no writer knows more about freeloading than Ed Reardon.

Christopher Douglas stars as Ed Reardon.

Written by Christopher Douglas and Andrew Nickolds.

Featuring:

Philip Jackson

Alice Lowe

Geoffrey Whitehead

Emma Kennedy

Geoffrey McGivern

Stephanie Cole

Ronnie Golden

John Fortune

Dan Tetsell

Rita May

Producer: Simon Nicholls

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2005

SAT 13:00 Miss Marple (b007jpp2)

The Murder at the Vicarage

Episode 1

Even the vicar of St Mary Mead detests a certain member of his flock. But murder seems to be carrying things a bit far?

First published in 1930, Agatha Christie's whodunit stars June Whitfield as Miss Marple.

Rev Leonard Clement.....Francis Matthews

Griselda Clement.....Imelda Staunton

Dr Haydock.....Nigel Davenport

Dennis.....Nicholas Boulton

Lettice Protheroe.....Rachel Atkins

Miss Wetherby.....Joan Matheson

Mrs Price-Ridley.....Margot Boyd

Mrs Lestranger.....Jilly Meers

Lawrence Redding.....James Telfer

Anne Protheroe.....Frances Jeater

Colonel Protheroe.....James Greene

Mary.....Alice Arnold

Inspector Slack.....John Baddeley

Dramatised in five parts by Michael Bakewell

Director: Enyd Williams

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1993.

SAT 13:30 Miss Marple (b007jppk)

The Murder at the Vicarage

Episode 2

Much to the Vicar's embarrassment, a murder has been

committed in his study. But who killed Colonel Protheroe?

Miss Jane Marple is on the case.

Agatha Christie's whodunit stars June Whitfield as Miss Marple

Rev Leonard Clement.....Francis Matthews

Griselda Clement.....Imelda Staunton

Dr Haydock.....Nigel Davenport

Lettice Protheroe.....Rachel Atkins

Mary.....Alice Arnold

Colonel Melchett.....Richard Todd

Constable.....Malcolm Ward

Butler.....Lewis Jones

Anne Protheroe.....Frances Jeater

Lawrence Redding.....James Telfer

Inspector Slack.....John Baddeley

Gladys Cram.....Oona Beeson

Dramatised by Michael Bakewell

Director: Enyd Williams

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1993.

SAT 14:00 Miss Marple (b007jppl)

The Murder at the Vicarage

Episode 3

Multiple confessions to the murder of Colonel Protheroe mount up in the village of St. Mary Mead.

But who does amateur sleuth Jane Marple believe?

Agatha Christie's whodunit stars June Whitfield as Miss Marple

Rev. Leonard Clement.....Francis Matthews

Griselda Clement.....Imelda Staunton

Mrs Lestranger.....Jillie Meers

Mary.....Alice Arnold

Hilda.....Lisa Howard

Dr Haydock.....Nigel Davenport

Lawrence Redding.....James Telfer

Dennis.....Nicholas

Boulton

Hawes.....David Thorpe

Dr Stone.....Timothy Alcock

Raymond West.....Jan Masters

Inspector Slack.....John Baddeley

Gladys Cram.....Oona Beeson

Nancy.....Vivienne

Rochester

Dramatised by Michael Bakewell

Director: Enyd Williams

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1993.

SAT 14:30 Miss Marple (b007jppf)

The Murder at the Vicarage

Episode 4

Investigations into the murder of Colonel Protheroe don't go at all to plan. Who is the killer?

Agatha Christie's whodunit stars June Whitfield as Miss Marple.

Rev. Leonard Clement.....Francis

Matthews

Griselda Clement.....Imelda

Staunton

Lettice Protheroe.....Rachel

Atkins

Dr Haydock.....Nigel

Davenport

Anne Protheroe.....Frances

Jeater

Inspector Slack.....John

Baddeley

Gladys Cram.....Oona

Beeson

Hawes.....David

Thorpe

Mrs Price-Ridley.....Margot Boyd

Dramatised by Michael Bakewell

Director: Enyd Williams

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1993.

SAT 15:00 Miss Marple (b007jppv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 01:30 today]

SAT 15:30 A Good Read (b00vqxhc)

Mike Brearley and Julie Welch

Sue MacGregor is joined by the former England cricket captain

Mike Brearley, now a psychoanalyst, and sports writer, Julie

Welch, to discuss their chosen paperbacks.

There's a sporting tie that links this week's guests on A Good

Read. Mike Brearley captained the England cricket team in the

early 1980s, later retraining as a psychoanalyst. He discusses a

Graham Greene novel set in the Congo, while sports writer Julie

Welch chooses a book by the other Elizabeth Taylor - the

novelist, not the film star.

A Burnt Out Case by Graham Greene

Publisher: Vintage Classics

In A Summer Season by Elizabeth Taylor

Publisher: Virago Modern Classics

The White Spider by Heinrich Harrer

Publisher: Harper Perennial

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2010.

SAT 16:00 Ken Whitmore - A Decent British Murder

(m000mybr)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SAT 17:30 Great Lives (b065vr18)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

SAT 18:00 Drama (b086kjgg)

The Mysteries of Udolpho

Emily St Aubert is forced to leave France and go and live with

her Aunt and her new husband, Count Montoni, in his isolated castle in Italy.

Before long Emily discovers that the castle is a place of nightmares and Montoni a desperate man who will stop at nothing to terrorise both his wife and his niece.

Ann Radcliffe's Gothic romance revelled in both terrifying and titillating its readers. This was the sensational novel of its era, filled with dark deeds, dastardly villains and supposedly supernatural events.

As with many other Gothic novels, The Mysteries of Udolpho has at its centre a powerless young heroine often trapped in a mysterious location and pitted against an evil villain; the book revels in exploring the politics of power, pleasure and pain and sexual desire. Ann Radcliffe felt that terror was superior to horror, which nullified the senses, whereas she preferred to write about the psychological experience of being full of fear and dread manifested through the art of suggestion. Radcliffe was also unusual in always giving a rational explanation for the strange goings on in her novels.

Hattie Naylor's dramatisation takes the core of the four volumes of the novel to explore those edicts most at the heart of the Gothic Novel.

Emily Georgia Groome

Madame Cheron Tracy Wiles

Count Montoni John Douglall

Cavigni Finlay Robertson

Verizzi Luke Thompson

Annette Natasha Cowley

Ludovicio Stephen Wight

Count Morano John Bowler

Sister Agnes Karen Bartke

Abess Alison Belbin

Director: Sally Avens

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2016.

SAT 19:00 Last Post for the Men of Letters (b097lppn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SAT 22:00 Linda Smith's A Brief History of Timewasting

(b007jsf7)

Series 1

A Day Trip to Romney Marsh

Linda and her chums head to the coast, letting the train increase

the strain.

Comedy series written by and starring Linda Smith.

With Femi Elufowoju Jr, Jeremy Hardy, Martin Hyder,

Margaret John, Chris Neill and Mark Steel.

Producer: Lucy Armitage

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2001.

SAT 22:30 Rhod Gilbert's Bulging Barrel of Laughs

(b00tw32q)

Episode 4

Welsh comic Rhod Gilbert introduces regulars Lloyd Langford

and Greg Davies, plus Sarah Millican who takes a weekly look at

The Six Stages of Woman.

With live music from Goldheart Assembly, including hits King of Rome and Engravers Daughter.

Guest comedian is Edinburgh Comedy Award winner, Milton Jones.

Join Rhod for his Rant on misguided advertising, see what punch lines Lloyd Langford offers up in It's a Set Up and see if

Greg Davies can tempt you with a life time supply of chocolate if you accept his Indecent Proposal.

Producers: Julia Mckenzie and Lianne Coop.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in September 2010.

SAT 23:30 The Mary Whitehouse Experience (b048w5gl)

Series 4

Episode 5

Plumbers, eh, what are they like? Satire starring Hugh Dennis, Steve Punt, Robert Newman and David Baddiel. From

November 1990.

SUNDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 2020

SUN 00:00 Drama (b086kjgg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Saturday]

SUN 01:00 Miss Marple (b007jpp2)

[Repeat of broadcast at 13:00 on Saturday]

SUN 01:30 Miss Marple (b007jppk)

[Repeat of broadcast at 13:30 on Saturday]

SUN 02:00 Miss Marple (b007jppl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Saturday]

SUN 02:30 Miss Marple (b007jppf)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Saturday]

SUN 03:00 Miss Marple (b007jppv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 01:30 on Saturday]

SUN 03:30 A Good Read (b00vqxhc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 15:30 on Saturday]

SUN 04:00 Ken Whitmore - A Decent British Murder

(m000mybr)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Saturday]

SUN 05:30 Great Lives (b065vr18)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Saturday]

SUN 06:00 Miss Marple (b007jpp2)

[Repeat of broadcast at 13:00 on Saturday]

SUN 06:30 Miss Marple (b007jppk)

[Repeat of broadcast at 13:30 on Saturday]

SUN 07:00 Miss Marple (b007jppl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Saturday]

SUN 07:30 Miss Marple (b007jppf)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Saturday]
SUN 08:00 Miss Marple (b007jpyy)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 01:30 on Saturday]
SUN 08:30 All Gas and Gaiters (m000mxz0)
 Series 1
 The Bishop Writes a Sermon
 The Bishop has writer's block.
 All Gas and Gaiters was a television ecclesiastical sitcom which aired on BBC1 from 1966 to 1971. It was written by the husband-and-wife team Pauline Devaney and Edwin Apps, with the pilot featuring as a one-off in Comedy Playhouse. Selected scripts were later revised for Radio 4.
 The Archdeacon Robertson Hare
 The Bishop William Mervyn
 The Bishop's Chaplain Derek Nimmo
 The Dean John Barron
 The Postman Frank Abbott
 Producer: David Hatch.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1967.
SUN 09:00 Much Binding in the Marsh (b008p5c6)
 From 21/09/1948
 The gang are back from their summer holidays sharing tales - and Murdoch organises a sing-song...
 Starring Kenneth Horne and Richard 'Stinker' Murdoch.
 With Sam Costa, Maurice Denham, Maureen Riscoe and Helen Hill.
 Much Binding in the Marsh ran from 1944 to 1954 initially set at a remote RAF station before being converted to a country club and later the action moved to a newspaper. (The show also ran for a season with commercial breaks on Radio Luxembourg).
 Written by Richard Murdoch and Kenneth Horne.
 Music by the Augmented Dance Orchestra conducted by Stanley Black.
 Producer: Leslie Bridgemont
 First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in September 1948.
SUN 09:30 Millport (b0076b7f)
 Series 3
 Reinstatement
 As the first ferry of the holiday season arrives - why is Irene back on the island?
 The third series of the bittersweet comedy written by and starring Lynn Ferguson as 30-something barmaid Irene Bruce, who hankers after a better life on the mainland.
 Irene Lynn Ferguson
 Moira/Agnes Janet Brown
 Alberto/Dr Hume/Ferryman Lewis McLeod
 Ena/Bunty Gabriel Quigley
 Minister Robert Patterson
 Dougie Kenneth Bryans
 Music arranged by Oily Fox.
 Producer: Lucy Bacon
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2002.
SUN 10:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b036t5r)
 Cricketers
 Jonathan Agnew
 In an extended edition of Desert Island Discs, Kirsty Young's castaway is the cricket commentator Jonathan Agnew.
 Known simply as "Aggers" to the army of fans devoted to Test Match Special, his charm, knowledge and ready wit have gained him a place in the heart of anyone who loves the game.
 His own infatuation began as a young boy at boarding school and along with his talent and determination it took him all the way to the top of the sport. He played for Leicestershire and England. His transition from the crease to the commentary box was cemented by one of the most memorable moments in broadcasting history - the notorious "legover" comment that prompted the legendary Brian Johnson to dissolve into helpless, prolonged giggles live on air.
 He says "The great thing about our job is that you have no pre-conceived idea about what is going to happen - you have no script - the cricket is the script".
 Producer: Cathy Drysdale
SUN 11:00 The Moth Radio Hour (b0bqfj1r)
 Series 8
 Thrill Seekers, Wanderlust and an Italian Stallion
 True stories told live in in the USA: Sarah Austin Jenness introduces five stories of adventure, from thrill seeking to horses.
 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 11:55 The Listening Project (b06wf7ll)
 Jim and Robin - Setting Sail
 Fi Glover with friends who are united by their love of the sea and encourage unity through traditional seafaring: "If we don't all pull together in one direction we'll go nowhere" - 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: Marya Burgess.
SUN 12:00 Poetry Extra (m000mxzb)
 Tony Harrison and Sean O'Brien
 BBC Radio 4's Poet in Residence, Daljit Nagra revisits the BBC's radio poetry archive with 'Fine Lines' featuring Tony Harrison and Sean O'Brien.
 Poets Tony and Sean are in conversation with Christopher Cook in Newcastle.
 Fine Lines was a series looking at contemporary poetry.
 Producer: Susan Roberts
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1998.
SUN 12:30 Susan Calman Is Convicted (b04001kn)
 Series 2
 Appearance
 Susan Calman explores issues on which she has strong opinions. This week, she looks at society's obsession with appearance and explains why it has taken her so many years to feel happy with the way she looks.
 Produced by Lyndsay Fenner.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014.
SUN 13:00 Comedy Controller (b007jw11)
 Eric Sykes
 Comedian and writer Eric Sykes (05/05/1923 - 04/07/2012) takes control and picks some of his favourite BBC radio comedies:
 * The Goon Show: 'Phantom Batter Pudding Hurler'
 Constable Neddie Seagoon sets out to apprehend Minnie and Henry's Sussex assailant. Stars Spike Milligan, Peter Sellers and Harry Secombe. From 12/10/1954.
 * The Al Read Show
 A look at the fire brigade and the morning after the night before - a collection of the Northern comic's 1950s monologues. From 06/02/1966
 * Round the Horne: Series 4 (6/16)
 Kenneth Horne's in for a shock from sneaky Kenneth Williams - and bona gifts galore from Julian and Sandy. From 31/03/1968
 * The Ken Dodd Show
 Nude photography and a Scottish monster are on Doddy's chuckles menu. With John Laurie and Patricia Hayes. From 19/07/1964
 * Variety Bandbox
 With Frankie Howard, William Ternent, Jerry Allen, Barbara Leigh, Peter Sellers, Bill Kerr and Philip Slessor. From 22/01/1950
 * Take It from Here
 The fall and rise of a Punch & Judy show - and in 'The Glums' Ron and Eth are planning their honeymoon. Stars Jimmy Edwards, Dick Bentley and June Whitfield. From 19/02/1959.
 Producer: Mik Wilkojc
 Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in 2005.
SUN 16:00 Tom Stoppard - The Dog It Was That Died (b007jnhb)
 Rupert Purvis is a spy. He is also a counter-spy and even a counter-counter-spy. When, confused as to who his real masters are and why, he cracks and writes a suicide note making wild allegations about his colleagues and superiors, there has to be an investigation. The truths revealed are stranger than any fiction.
 This play was specially commissioned as part of the BBC's 60th anniversary celebrations.
 CAST:
 Rupert Purvis Dinsdale Landen
 Giles Blair ... Charles Gray
 Pamela Blair ... Penelope Keith
 Hogben ... Kenneth Cranham
 Seddon ... John Le Mesurier
 Arlon Stephen Murray
 Matron Betty Marsden
 Chief Maurice Denham
 Vicar Noel Howlett
 Wren ... Lockwood West
 Slack Peter Tuddenham
 Mrs Ryan ... Katherine Parr
 Director John Tydemam
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 3 in December 1982.
SUN 17:00 Poetry Extra (m000mxzb)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 today]

SUN 17:30 Susan Calman Is Convicted (b04001kn)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 today]
SUN 18:00 Hordes of the Things (b007jqyx)
 Episode 4
 Can the assembled forces of Radox the Green win the battle? Andrew Marshall and John Lloyd's epic Tolkien parody in 4-parts.
 CAST:
 King Yulfric the Wise Paul Eddington
 The Chronicler Patrick Magee
 Crown Prince Veganin Simon Callow
 Agar Christian Rodska
 Radox the Green Frank Middlemass
 Queen Elfreda Maggie Steed
 The Evil Flesh-Eating Lord of Craarn Aubrey Woods
 Baddedas the Blue Ballard Berkeley
 Hob-Lob, The Monstrous Spider Bob Grant
 Xanspur, the Skylord Michael Cule
 Golin Longshanks Jonathan Lynn
 Producer: Geoffrey Perkins
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1980.
SUN 18:30 The Man in Black (b00zd7gz)
 Series 3
 Perfect Home
 A man and a woman meet at a bus stop late at night - but who is fooling who...?
 More horrifying tales from The Man in Black. Wherever you encounter him, he's eager to pass on his stories. Stories to unsettle and horrify. Stories to haunt you.
 Mark Gatiss stars as sinister raconteur to introduce Nick Warburton's chilling tale.
 CAST:
 Heron Toby Jones
 Felice Zoe Tapper
 Director: Lucy Collingwood.
 Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in March 2011.
SUN 19:00 The Moth Radio Hour (b0bqfj1r)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
SUN 19:55 The Listening Project (b06wf7ll)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:55 today]
SUN 20:00 Tom Stoppard - The Dog It Was That Died (b007jnhb)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 today]
SUN 21:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b036t5r)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
SUN 22:00 Susan Calman Is Convicted (b04001kn)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 today]
SUN 22:30 The Lach Chronicles (b07hhqtq)
 Series 3
 A Trip To The Strip
 Lach was the King of Manhattan's East Village and host of the longest running open mic night in New York. He now lives in Scotland and finds himself back at square one, playing in a dive bar on the wrong side of Edinburgh.
 His night, held in various venues around New York, was called the Antihoot. Never quite fitting in and lost somewhere lonely between folk and punk music, Lach started the Antifolk movement. He played host to Suzanne Vega, Jeff Buckley and many others; he discovered and nurtured lots of talent including Beck, Regina Spektor and the Moldy Peaches but nobody discovered him.
 In this episode, Lach remembers a time when he used to live in Las Vegas. There were parties, parties and you guessed it... more parties. But the good times didn't last.
 Written and performed by Lach
 Executive Producer: Richard Melvin
 Sound design: Al Lorraine and Sean Kerwin
 A Dabster production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in June 2016.
SUN 22:45 World of Pub (b008pb2m)
 Series 1
 Episode 3
 Dodgy Phil builds the world's biggest pub named after the Titanic, but is it undrinkable? Stars John Thomson. From March 1998.
SUN 23:00 Newsjack (m000mqym)
 Series 23
 Episode 1
 Newsjack is a scrapbook sketch show written entirely by the Great British public. Hosted by Kiri Pritchard-McLean.
SUN 23:30 The Skivers (b00j5187)
 Series 3
 Peter Stringfellow
 Nightclubbing in London, courtesy of Peter Stringfellow. Sketch show with Nick Golsen and Tim de Jongh. From January 1997.
MONDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 2020
MON 00:00 Hordes of the Things (b007jqyx)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Sunday]
MON 00:30 The Man in Black (b00zd7gz)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Sunday]
MON 01:00 Comedy Controller (b007jw11)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 13:00 on Sunday]
MON 04:00 Tom Stoppard - The Dog It Was That Died (b007jnhb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Sunday]

MON 05:00 Poetry Extra (m000mxzb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 on Sunday]

MON 05:30 Susan Calman Is Convicted (b04001kn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 on Sunday]

MON 06:00 Maeve Binchy - Firefly Summer (b04b20j7)

6. The Opening

Patrick O'Neill has almost realised his dream.

The opening of his new hotel is in sight, but Kate Ryan's compensation case is looming and Kerry's gambling has further estranged father and son.

Starring David Soul as Patrick O'Neill

Conclusion of Maeve Binchy's novel dramatised by Jane Cassidy

Kate Ryan - Anna Healy

John Ryan - Lorcan Cranitch

Rachel - Susan Slot

Fergus - Dan Gordon

Kerry O'Neill - Luke Griffin

Grace O'Neill - Melissa Smith

Dr White - Denys Hawthorne

Cestello - John Keegan

Bar Man - John Hewitt

Kevin Kennedy - Trevor Moore

Sergeant Sheean - Paddy Scully

Old Walters - Anthony Finigan

Eddie - Ken Farmer

With Helen Norton, Marie Jones, Ray McBride, Ian

McElhinney, Gordon Fulton

Music Composed by Jane Cassidy and performed by Rod

McVey and Kate O'Brien

Director: Pam Brighton

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1996.

MON 06:30 Castles in Spain (m0004xtt)

Episode 1

"When I walked into this house I was simple Grahame Mayer, the bookseller. Now it seems I'm Philip Marlowe, private eye. Am I being tested for something?"

A bookseller is surprised to be asked to try and solve a military mystery...

Edward Boyd's five-part thriller serial based on his 1986 play.

Grahame Mayer Ray Brooks

Coleman John Westbrook

Teresa Alexandra Mathie

Forrest Garard Green

Hemingway William Hope

Cameron John Hannah

Rainsford Jonathan Tafler

Produced at BBC Scotland by Patrick Rayner.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1987.

MON 07:00 Relativity (b0952sv0)

Series 1

Episode 3

Richard Herring's comedy about four generations of a family.

Starring Alison Steadman, Phil Davies and Richard Herring.

Relativity is a witty and loving portrait of family life, with affectionate observation of inter generational misunderstanding, sibling sparring and the ties that bind, that will resonate with anyone who has ever argued with their dad about how to pronounce crisp brand names.

Episode 3

A Christmas visit to Doris in her care home is simultaneously poignant and hilarious. Doris has Alzheimers and Ken insists on firing mental maths questions at Doris to keep her brain cells in good working order, while Margaret struggles to get her mother simply to recognise her.

Written by Richard Herring and produced by Polly Thomas.

Sound Design: Eloise Whitmore

Broadcast Assistants: Bella Lamplough Shields, Bryony Jarvis

Taylor

Producer: Polly Thomas

Executive Producers: Jon Thoday and Richard Allen Turner

An Avalon Television production for BBC Radio 4, first

broadcast in September 2017.

MON 07:30 The Museum of Curiosity (m000mswk)

Series 15

Episode 3

Professor of Ignorance John Lloyd and the Museum's curator

Alice Levine are joined by comedian and actor Eddie Izzard. Natural History Museum curator Miranda Lowe and doctor and author Dr Roopa Farooki.

This week, the Museum's Guest Committee donate the centre of the universe, a jellyfish and a virtual patient.

In this series of The Museum of Curiosity, John and Alice are recording from various locations around their fictional Museum. This week they're in the Museum's staff canteen.

Over the series they will also visit the Museum's grand hall, the lost property office and get stuck in the Museum lift. This series was recorded remotely in June/July 2020.

The Museum's exhibits were catalogued by Mike Shephard,

Mike Turner and Emily Jupitus and Lydia Mizon of QI.

The Producer was Anne Miller.

The Exec Producer was Victoria Lloyd.

The Production Coordinator was Mabel Wright.

Edited by David Thomas.

MON 08:00 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00cbcp1)

Series 5

Episode 6

Extreme cat taming - and a magnificent Roman epic.

More quick-fire sketches, terrible puns, humorous songs and parodies.

Starring Tim Brooke-Taylor, John Cleese, David Hatch, Jo Kendall and Bill Oddie.

Written by Lizzie Evans, Eric Idle and Bill Oddie with Derek Farmer and Graeme Chapman.

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, Leon Cohen and Bill Oddie.

Producer: Humphrey Barclay

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in May 1967.

MON 08:30 The Secret Life of Rosewood Avenue

(b007k281)

Raising the Dead

"I hope you know what you're doing, Miss Tilling.

Experimenting with the paranormal can be fraught with danger."

Miss Tilling's getting in touch with her spiritual side, but

hapless vicar Timothy Carswell is not so keen.

Stephen Sheridan's six-part series

Reverend Timothy Carswell.....James Groult

Miss

Tilling.....Margaret

Courtenay

Miss Tap.....Jean

Heywood

Dr

Warlock.....Christopher

Good

Mrs Muir.....Sarah

Thomas

Arnold.....Cyril

Shaps

Eric.....Ian

Lindsay

Mrs

Garland.....Rosemary

Martin

Producer Lissa Evans.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1991.

MON 09:00 Foul Play (b00z5bl2)

Series 4

Much Ado About Murder

Crime writers Jean McConnell and Keith Miles try to solve an

Elizabethan court killing.

With the help of witnesses played by Maria McErlane and Lee

Simpson.

Murder mystery panel game chaired by Simon Brett.

Producer: Liz Anstee

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1998.

MON 09:30 Gilbert Without Sullivan (b0076f7x)

Series 1

Wide Awake

Eligible but glib Harold Sympson boasts of his fortune,

but needs to stay alert when looking for his soulmate...

Series One of short stories by W.S. Gilbert dramatised by

Stephen Wyatt.

CAST:

W.S. Gilbert Jonathan Coy

Harold Sympson Richard Derrington

Uncle Sparrow Chris Emmett

Georgiana Sparrow Julia Hills

Aunt Sparrow Joanna Wake

John Sparrow Jamie Chapman

James Sparrow Tom George

Playwright and humourist, Sir William Schwenck Gilbert

(1836-1911) is best known for his comic opera collaborations

with Sir Arthur Sullivan, which first captivated audiences across

the English-speaking world in the late 19th century.

Director: Sue Wilson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2003.

MON 10:00 Wallis - The Life and Legends of Wallis

Simpson (b0855gx9)

A Pretty Girl Is like a Melody

1986: Wallis Simpson is facing a lonely and miserable death, a

virtual prisoner of her obsessive lawyer, Maitre Blum.

As The Duchess of Windsor, Wallis was reviled for causing

King Edward VIII to abdicate his throne to marry her. But what

was she really like?

Elizabeth Proud's three-part drama.

CAST:

Wallis Simpson Stockard Channing

Maitre Blum Barbara Leigh-Hunt

Win Spencer Lewis Hancock

Ernest Simpson/Commander Lewis Little Stephen Thorne

Bessie Merryman Helen Horton

Anna Warfield/Foxie Jill Graham

Georges/Robbie Chris Emmett

Uncle Sol Ed Bishop

Nurse Christine/Corinne Mustin Sara Coward

Nurse Dominique/Mary Raffray Susan Bovell

Kitty Rogers Teresa Gallagher

Bigelow/Hugh Peter MacQueen

Herman Rogers/Chevy Chevalier William Dufres

Producer: Sue Wilson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1996.

MON 11:00 TED Radio Hour (m000my3g)

Series 7

Going Undercover

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

Guy Raz explores deception and secrecy. Can they be a necessary means to an end - when people go undercover to find the truth?

First broadcast in the USA on National Public Radio in 2017.

MON 11:50 Inheritance Tracks (b0bfX20h)

Josette Simon

The actress Josette Simon chooses 'Hit the Road, Jack' by Ray

Charles and 'You're the Best Thing That Ever Happened to Me'

by Gladys Knight and the Pips.

MON 12:00 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00cbcp1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

MON 12:30 The Secret Life of Rosewood Avenue

(b007k281)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

MON 13:00 Maeve Binchy - Firefly Summer (b04b20j7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

MON 13:30 Castles in Spain (m0004xtt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

MON 14:00 Foul Play (b00z5bl2)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

MON 14:30 Gilbert Without Sullivan (b0076f7x)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

MON 15:00 Wallis - The Life and Legends of Wallis

Simpson (b0855gx9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

MON 16:00 TED Radio Hour (m000my3g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

MON 16:50 Inheritance Tracks (b0bfX20h)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:50 today]

MON 17:00 Relativity (b0952sv0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

MON 17:30 The Museum of Curiosity (m000mswk)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

MON 18:00 Atomic Tales (b007jX7x)

Night of the Cicadas

Small and usually friendly, chirruping insects suddenly grow

huge - turning nasty and developing a taste for human flesh...

1950s American sci-fi spoof starring John Guerrasio, Jeff

Harding, Allison Warnycia, Lewis McLeod, Colin Stinton and

Liza Ross.

Written by Adam Tandy and Nat Sons.

Producer: Adam Bromley.

Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in August 2006.

MON 18:30 A Good Read (b00vrvr)

Laura Wade and Will Gregory

Sue MacGregor invites contemporary playwright Laura Wade

and composer (and Goldfrapp musician) Will Gregory to

discuss favourite books by Colm Toibin, Philip K Dick and

Edward St Aubyn.

Brooklyn by Colm Toibin

Publisher: Penguin

Ubik by Philip K Dick

Publisher: Orion

Mother's Milk by Edward St Aubyn

Publisher: Picador

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2010.

MON 19:00 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00cbcp1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

MON 19:30 The Secret Life of Rosewood Avenue

(b007k281)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

MON 20:00 Maeve Binchy - Firefly Summer (b04b20j7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

MON 20:30 Castles in Spain (m0004xtt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

MON 21:00 TED Radio Hour (m000my3g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

MON 21:50 Inheritance Tracks (b0bfX20h)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:50 today]

MON 22:00 The Museum of Curiosity (m000mswk)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

MON 22:30 Tom Wrighllesworth's Hang-Ups (b03h4294)

Series 1

Horsing Around

Tom is annoyed that his parents don't trust him - even with his

own car. He is determined to prove them wrong and what better

way - than taking care of his sister Amy when she comes to

London? But first he has to persuade mum and dad to trust him.

Tom persuades his parents that he can be trusted to look after

his sister Amy when she comes to London.

Tom Wrighllesworth's Hang Ups is a 30 minute phone call from

Tom ringing his parents for his weekly check-in. As the

conversation unfolds, Tom takes time out from the phone call to

Tom and the Wigglesworth family, so sit back and enjoy a bit of totally legal phone hacking.
Cast:
Tom Wigglesworth ... Tom
Judy Parfitt ... Granny
Paul Copley ... Dad
Kate Anthony ... Mum
Amy Wigglesworth ... Amy
Written by Tom Wigglesworth and James Kettle
Additional Material by Miles Jupp
Producer: Katie Tyrrell.

MON 23:00 The News Quiz (m000ms0k)
Series 103
Episode 4
A satirical review of the week's news with Andy Zaltzman and guests including Francis Wheen, Neil Delamere, Lucy Porter and Fern Brady.
Andy Zaltzman looks at the latest COVID-19 advice ("this is not a repeat, I repeat, this is not a repeat") and investigates dodgy bank dealings and even dodgier Welsh broadband.
Written by Andy Zaltzman with additional material from Suchandrika Chakrabarti, Charlie Dinkin, Alice Fraser and Mike Shephard.
Producer: Richard Morris
A BBC Studios Production
MON 23:30 Hut 33 (b01js406)
Series 3
Back to Your Post
Everything German's under suspicion in 1942, especially in Bletchley Park. When it's discovered Charles has German relatives, he's threatened with internment. Will Archie help him, and can he avoid Minka's attention now she knows a true German is among them?
Stars Tom Goodman-Hill as Archie, Robert Bathurst as Professor Charles Gardner, Fergus Craig as Gordon, Alex MacQueen as 3rd Lt. Joshua Featherstonhaugh-Marshall, Olivia Colman as Minka and Lill Roughley as Mrs Best.
Written by James Cary.
Producer: Adam Bromley
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2009.

TUESDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 2020

TUE 00:00 Atomic Tales (b007jx7x)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Monday]
TUE 00:30 A Good Read (b00vrvrs)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Monday]
TUE 01:00 Maeve Binchy - Firefly Summer (b04b20j7)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Monday]
TUE 01:30 Castles in Spain (m0004xtt)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Monday]
TUE 02:00 Foul Play (b00z5bl2)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Monday]
TUE 02:30 Gilbert Without Sullivan (b0076f7x)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Monday]
TUE 03:00 Wallis - The Life and Legends of Wallis Simpson (b0855gz9)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Monday]
TUE 04:00 TED Radio Hour (m000my3g)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 on Monday]
TUE 04:50 Inheritance Tracks (b0bfx20h)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:50 on Monday]
TUE 05:00 Relativity (b0952sv0)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Monday]
TUE 05:30 The Museum of Curiosity (m000mswk)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Monday]
TUE 06:00 DI Cromwell - Jagged Prayer (b00c36bm)
Where's Father Jack?
A suspicious death in a pond unites Detective Inspector Cromwell and convent Mother Helen. Are they about to embark on a long and unlikely relationship?
Crime and convents, the police and perdition come together in comedy writer and former monk Robert Smith's mystery.
Starring Timothy Spall as DI Cromwell, Cheryl Campbell as Mother Helen, Jeremy Finch as DC Kelp and Jonathan Oliver as Father Jack.
Producer: Ned Chaillet
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2000.
DI Cromwell: Timothy Spall
Mother Helen: Cheryl Campbell
DC Kelp: Jeremy Finch
Father Jack: Jonathan Olivet
Sister: Beth Chalmers
Nun: Gemma Saunders
Choice
Robert Smith, a former monk, is the author of a new series Jagged Prayer (11.30am R4), inspired by GK Chesterton's famous priest, Father Brown. Cheryl Campbell plays Mother Helen, a nun with a nose for crime, aided by the kindly Detective Inspector Cromwell, played by Timothy Spall. This morning she confronts and eventually answers the question: Where's Father Jack? SG
TUE 06:30 Castles in Spain (m0004r2s)
Episode 2
'You can't even get your act together, you lot. Do you want Jock Cameron found, or would he be better left where he is?' Armed with new information, bookseller Grahame Mayer is sent to Glasgow on the trail of Jock Cameron.

Edward Boyd's five-part thriller serial.
Grahame Mayer Ray Brooks
Coleman John Westbrook
Teresa Alexandra Mathie
Inspector McNeill Carey Wilson
Norah McGill Sybil Wintrop
Cameron Joseph Greig
Henderson Joseph Brady
Arnold Ian Thompson
Receptionist Jennifer Piercey
Passenger William Hope
Produced at BBC Scotland by Patrick Rayner.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1987.
TUE 07:00 Shush! (b06fntmg)
Series 1
New Romantics
A wandering poet, a bottle of Calpol and some Roman bathing techniques cause trouble for Snoo and Alice. And just what is Dr Cadogan's unexpected skill?
Meet Alice, a former child prodigy who won a place at Oxford aged 9 but, because Daddy went too, she never needed to have any friends. She's scared of everything - everything that is, except libraries and Snoo, a slightly confused individual, with a have-a-go attitude to life, marriage, haircuts and reality. Snoo loves books, and fully intends to read one one day.
And forever popping into the library is Dr. Cadogan, celebrity doctor to the stars and a man with his finger in every pie.
Charming, indiscreet and quite possibly wanted by Interpol, if you want a discrete nip and tuck and then photos of it accidentally left on the photocopier, Dr Cadogan is your man. Their happy life is interrupted by the arrival of Simon Nielson, a man with a mission, a mission to close down inefficient libraries. Fortunately, he hates his mission. What he really wants to do is once, just once, get even with his inexhaustible supply of high-achieving brothers.
Written by Rebecca Front and Morwenna Banks
Based on an idea developed with Armando Iannucci
Produced by David Tyler
A Pozziive production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in October 2015.
TUE 07:30 The Lenny Henry Show (m000mtlg)
Episode 5
Another helping of character-based sketch comedy from Lenny Henry, this time including more from outrageous Jamaican gameshow Box Mi Down, hosted by the great Glenroy Livingstone.
We're back in space to see if Tyrone can stop himself getting killed again. Delbert and Winston are back on the Brixton Broadcasting Co-operative to discuss celebrities they nearly met and there's more from bookseller Paul's Brixton Bibliotheque. Also, we drop in on Raheim X Davies's art history audioguide.
Cast includes Lenny Henry, Vas Blackwood, George Fouracres and Cherrille Skeete.
Written by Lenny Henry and Max Davis, with Kim Fuller and Michael Odewale.
Music by Lawrence Insula
Produced by Sam Michell
A Douglas Road and Tiger Aspect production for BBC Radio 4
TUE 08:00 The Goon Show (b007jn2)
Series 7
The Macreekie Rising of '74
Neddie Seagoon has a 60-foot caber hidden under his kilt, but the Scots want it back. Stars Spike Milligan. From October 1956.
TUE 08:30 Any Other Business (b0132mxx)
Episode 3
The new mayor has to chair his very first council meeting - and he's scared witless.
Lucy Flannery's local government sitcom stars Nelson David, John Duttine, James Grout, Rosy Fordham, Nick Hardy, Howard Lew Lewis, Toby Longworth, Jan Ravens, Vivienne Rochester and June Whitfield.
Producer: Liz Anstee
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1995.
TUE 09:00 The News Quiz (m000ms0k)
[Repeat of broadcast at 23:00 on Monday]
TUE 09:30 Ed Reardon's Week (b007vwmx)
Series 1
The Winona Defence
The writer falls in love, but his cat proves an obstacle to happy-ever-after. Stars Christopher Douglas. From February 2005.
TUE 10:00 Wallis - The Life and Legends of Wallis Simpson (b0855tzh)
Tea for Two
As Maitre Blum manipulates Wallis, she recalls her first marriage and her attempts to meet a prince.
As The Duchess of Windsor, Wallis was reviled for causing King Edward VIII to abdicate his throne to marry her. But what was she really like?
Elizabeth Proud's three-part drama.
CAST:
Wallis Simpson Stockard Channing
The Prince of Wales Christopher Cazenove
Maitre Blum Barbara Leigh-Hunt
Ernest Simpson..... Stephen Thorne
Perry Christopher Scott
Douglas David Monico
Bessie Merryman Helen Horton
Nurse Christine/Thelma Furness Sara Coward

Nurse Dominique/Sybil Susan Bovell
Nancy Sunny Ormonde
Kitty Rogers Teresa Gallagher
Ben Thaw/Herman Rogers William Dufrris
Producer: Sue Wilson
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1996.
TUE 11:00 Telling Tales (m000cctn)
Natalie Haynes
The writer and broadcaster Natalie Haynes combines a love of classical history and myth, with a background in teaching and stand-up.
In her first novel, The Amber Fury, a grief-stricken teacher turns to Greek tragedies and finds that the tales of fate, family and vengeance speak directly to her pupils. The Children of Jocasta followed, a re-imagining of the Oedipus myth; while Natalie's most recent book, A Thousand Ships, re-tells the story of the Trojan War from the perspective of women (both mortal and immortal).
In this book Natalie highlights "the pain of the women who have always been relegated to the edges of the story, victims of men, survivors of men, slaves of men." Natalie draws on two of the world's oldest poems, Homer's Iliad and Odyssey, imagining Penelope's fidelity to her questing husband, stretched to its very limits, in a series of letters.
We re-visit a previous incarnation of Odysseus' wife, in The Two Penelopes, a story commissioned by Writing West Midlands, which first broadcast on Radio 4 in 2014. In this short tale, Natalie sneaks in references to Homer's epic poem, while imagining a latter day Penelope, knitting to while away the hours in a Birmingham care home.
Natalie also talks about standing up for the classics in her titular Radio 4 series. In the upcoming fifth series, she will turn once again to the foundational poems of Homer, with an impressively concise re-telling of The Iliad. All 24 books, recorded live at the BBC Radio Theatre, in 24 minutes.
Made for Radio 4 Extra.
TUE 12:00 The Goon Show (b007jn2)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
TUE 12:30 Any Other Business (b0132mxx)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
TUE 13:00 DI Cromwell - Jagged Prayer (b00c36bm)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
TUE 13:30 Castles in Spain (m0004r2s)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
TUE 14:00 All the Way from Memphis (b00jdp93)
Series 1
Episode 4
James Walton's pop music history quiz with Andrew Collins, Martin Freeman, Tracey Mactled and Stewart Lee. From December 2004.
TUE 14:30 Ed Reardon's Week (b007vwmx)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
TUE 15:00 Wallis - The Life and Legends of Wallis Simpson (b0855tzh)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
TUE 16:00 Telling Tales (m000cctn)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
TUE 17:00 Shush! (b06fntmg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
TUE 17:30 The Lenny Henry Show (m000mtlg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
TUE 18:00 Haunted (b01qr019)
The Inexperienced Ghost by HG Wells
A man encounters a troubled spirit. But could this meeting lead to tragedy?
H.G. Wells' supernatural tale, dramatised by Patricia Mays.
CAST:
Clayton Donald Houston
Sanderson Christopher Guard
Michael Cochrane Wish
John Gillett Evans
The Barman Gary Cady
Director: Derek Hoddinott
First broadcast on the BBC World Service in 1982.
TUE 18:30 Soul Music (b0076x76)
Series 5
Clair de lune
An exploration of Claude Debussy's music for piano, which was inspired by a poem about moonlight. With Phil Cool. From February 2006.
Contributors:
Sioned Williams (Harpist)
Heather Couper
Richard Langham-Smith
Erica Duggan
Elodie Lauten
Phil Cool
Philippe Cassard
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2006.
TUE 19:00 The Goon Show (b007jn2)
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TUE 21:00 Telling Tales (m000cctn)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

TUE 22:00 The Lenny Henry Show (m000mt1g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
TUE 22:30 Great Unanswered Questions (b007jdvj)
 Series 1
 Episode 3
 Northern Ireland comedian Colin Murphy and his cohorts take on the most ridiculous of questions and try to provide either the correct or at least a funny answer.
 Could there be a city under the sea? Could pigs fly? Featuring regulars, scientist Dr David Booth and Matthew Collins, up-and-coming comedian and computer geek. Special guest Stephen Grant.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2008.

TUE 23:00 The Consultants (b0076pz9)

Series 2
 Episode 5
 The Adventure-Bakers make a time-strudel and travel through history. With Neil Edmond and Justin Edwards. From December 2003.

TUE 23:30 Angela Barnes: You Can't Take It With You (b07pj2q0)

Series 1
 Episode 3
 Super-sharp everywoman Angela Barnes tackles life and love - and, with the help of an audience, packs herself a fantasy coffin.
 Remembering her larger-than-life father - a gregarious character, sex shop manager, naturalist, and a big fan of caravans and pranks - Angela celebrates his 'carpe diem' approach to life, and his favourite motto, You Can't Take It With You. When her father died very suddenly in 2008, Angela and her family proved him wrong and stuffed his coffin with sentimental keepsakes for his final journey. In this series, Angela does the very same thing and asks her loved ones to nominate objects that they would choose to send on with her as mementoes of their time together, which she keeps in a suitcase full of memories, acting as prompts for contemplative, heart-warming and captivating comedy. Angela Barnes is a vivacious, critically acclaimed stand-up comic from Maidstone, Kent. After a career in health and social care, at aged 33 she decided to pursue a long held ambition and give comedy a go. Within a couple of years, Angela and her witty worldview had won the 2011 BBC New Comedy Award by a public vote, secured a weekly star slot in Channel 4's Stand Up For The Week and appeared on numerous radio and television shows including Loose Ends, The Now Show and writing credits on her beloved The News Quiz (BBC Radio 4), Russell Kane's Whistle Stop Tour (BBC Radio 2), Mock The Week (BBC 2) and Russell Howard's Good News (BBC 3). An impatient production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in August 2016.

TUE 23:45 Hamish and Dougal: You'll Have Had Your Tea (b007zh10)

Series 1
 Romance in the Glen
 Falling head over heels for a society beauty, Hamish finds a rival in the laird. Stars Barry Cryer and Coine Garden. From December 2002.

WEDNESDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 2020

WED 00:00 Haunted (b01qr019)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Tuesday]

WED 00:30 Soul Music (b0076x76)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Tuesday]

WED 01:00 DI Cromwell - Jagged Prayer (b00c36bm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Tuesday]

WED 01:30 Castles in Spain (m0004r2s)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Tuesday]

WED 02:00 All the Way from Memphis (b00jdp93)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Tuesday]

WED 02:30 Ed Reardon's Week (b007wvmx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Tuesday]

WED 03:00 Wallis - The Life and Legends of Wallis Simpson (b0855tzh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Tuesday]

WED 04:00 Telling Tales (m000cctn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 on Tuesday]

WED 05:00 Shush! (b06fntmg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Tuesday]

WED 05:30 The Lenny Henry Show (m000mt1g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Tuesday]

WED 06:00 DI Cromwell - Jagged Prayer (b00c3d42)

Icon, or A Pocketful of Nums
 A murder brought them together, but for DI Cromwell and Mother Helen within her enclosed convent, it's the theft of an icon that reunites them.
 And there's also the small problem of Monsignor Nietzsche. Crime and convents, the police and perdition come together in comedy writer and former monk Robert Smith's mystery. Starring Timothy Spall as DI Cromwell, Cheryl Campbell as Mother Helen, Jeremy Finch as DC Kelp and Sandor Eles as Monsignor Nietzsche.
 Producer: Ned Chaillet
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2000.
WED 06:30 Castles in Spain (m0004tr9)
 Episode 3
 'Remember, nobody knows what this Hanrahan looks like.

Nobody knows what name he's travelling under. So keep your door locked. And don't let anyone in you don't know.'
 Bookseller Grahame unearths more clues about Jock Cameron when he meets a nurse from the Spanish Civil War. Edward Boyd's five-part thriller serial.
 Grahame Mayer Ray Brooks
 Coleman John Westbrook
 Teresa Alexandra Mathie
 Inspector McNeill Carey Wilson
 Cameron John Hannah
 Norah McGill Sybil Wintrope
 Cameron Joseph Greig
 Arnold Ian Thompson
 Miss McLauchlan Yvonne Gilan
 Pat Richard Jamieson
 Paula Caroline Guthrie
 Waiter Gordon Reid
 Produced at BBC Scotland by Patrick Rayner.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1987.

WED 07:00 Clare in the Community (b03ts6jg)

Series 9
 Come Dine With Me
 Clare has finally managed to find some time for romance. Meanwhile Brian discovers that a cheap flat comes with some unusual conditions and Nali has an eventful first day in her new job.
 Sally Phillips is Clare Barker the social worker who has all the right jargon but never a practical solution. A control freak, Clare likes nothing better than interfering in other people's lives on both a professional and personal basis. Clare is in her thirties, white, middle class and heterosexual, all of which are occasional causes of discomfort to her. Each week we join Clare in her continued struggle to control both her professional and private life In today's Big Society there are plenty of challenges out there for an involved, caring social worker. Or even Clare.
 Written by Harry Venning and David Ramsden
 Producer Alexandra Smith.

WED 07:30 Phil Ellis Is Trying (m000mr6c)

Series 3
 Ghost Walk
 When that the treasure map he bought off a dodgy Tom Jones impersonator turns out - incredibly - to be useless, Polly convinces Phil to abandon his get-rich-quick schemes and opt for something more traditional, namely a ghost walk through Parbold. Phil jumps at the idea and enlists Johnny to help him. Parbold has its fair share of ghosts. And even if no-one can see them, they can just make them up: who's to know any better? More importantly, putting on a big event like a ghost walk might finally impress Phil's love interest Ellie. If only Polly and Phil hadn't shared their idea with Mick the Chinese herbalist who suddenly decides he's going to put on a ghost walk too. What a coincidence. Parbold's not big enough for two spectral spectacles so which walk is going to win?
 Cast includes:
 Phil Ellis as Phil
 Johnny Vegas as Johnny
 Amy Gledhil as Polly
 Katia Kvinge as Ellie/Goth
 Jason Barnett as Keith the Barman
 Desiree Burch as American Tourist
 Terry Mynott as German Tourist/Gravedigger/Orlando
 And
 Mick Ferry as Mick The Chinese Herbalist
 The producer was Sam Michell and it is a BBC Studios Production.

WED 08:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jp18)

Series 5
 Hancock's War
 The lad impresses the vicar with tales of his heroic exploits in Military Intelligence.
 Starring Tony Hancock. With Sidney James, Bill Kerr, Hattie Jacques and Kenneth Williams.
 Written by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.
 Theme and incidental music written by Wally Stott.
 Producer: Tom Ronald
 First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in May 1958.
WED 08:30 Up the Garden Path (b0081t4t)
 Series 2
 The View from the Bridge
 When confused Izzy meets her fiancé Charles's friend Bill, they hit it off straight away...
 Imelda Staunton stars as Izzy. With David Robb as Charles, Neil McCaul as Bill, Marty Cruickshank as Maria, Dafydd Hywel as Gwyn, Melissa Wilson as Sharon and Catherine Clarke as Lorraine.
 Tumbling from one love entanglement to another, 30 something teacher Izzy Comyn has a predilection for inappropriate men. An 8-part radio sequel adapted from Sue Limb's 1984 novel. The second of 3 series which ran from 1987 to 1993. Granada also adapted the series for ITV.
 Producer: Jonathan James-Moore
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1988.

WED 09:00 Dilemma (b01r0h4y)

Series 2
 Episode 3
 In Dilemma, Sue Perkins puts four panellists through the moral and ethical wringer by posing a series of finely-balanced dilemmas and then cross-examining them on their answers. So,

in the first series, Dominic Lawson was asked if he would provide an alibi for someone he hated; Fi Glover was offered £25,000 to give a talk to a company that once screwed over her husband; John Finnemore was asked if he'd grass up a sweet old lady who was shoplifting. (Yes, Yes, No, were the answers if you're interested.)

As well as these hypothetical questions, the show also features a variety of rounds which may include: Audience Dilemmas, where the panel 'solve' any problems the audience may be having; What Did I Do?, where each panellist relates a dilemma they were faced with in their own lives and the others have to guess how they resolved it; Why I Was Right, where each panellist is given an indefensible action that they must morally justify in 30 seconds; Choose Your Own Adventure, where the panellists get a series of dilemmas, each one following on from the last as they burrow their way deeper into a moral quagmire; and Quickfire, where shades of grey are dismissed in favour of a fingers-on-the-buzzers binary choice - "Would you rather eat a kitten or fight a swan?".

This week's show sees comedian Dave Gorman cheating higher, faster and stronger; journalist Anita Anand deal with an unexpected guest; creator of Bleak Expectations Mark Evans getting a hand in the bush (but no birds); and comedian Jenny Eclair embrace dating in the digital age.
 The show was devised by the award-winning comedian Danielle Ward, and is presented by Sue Perkins.
 Producer: Ed Morrish.

WED 09:30 Kathmandu or Bust (b07s6dls)

End of the Road
 The lights of Kathmandu are twinkling on the horizon. What can possibly go wrong? Starring Richard Ridings. From July 1996.

WED 10:00 Wallis - The Life and Legends of Wallis Simpson (b0855wfh)

The Melody Lingers On
 Wallis realises marrying an ex-King means broken promises, plus doubtful acquaintances and scandal.
 As The Duchess of Windsor, Wallis was reviled for causing King Edward VIII to abdicate his throne to marry her. But what was she really like?
 Elizabeth Proud's three-part drama.

CAST:
 Wallis Simpson Stockard Channing
 Duke of Windsor Christopher Casenove
 Maitre Blum Barbara Leigh-Hunt
 Churchill/Georges Chris Emmett
 Foxie Jill Graham
 Nancy Sunny Ormonde
 Noel Coward/Von Stohrer/1st Embassy Official John Webb
 Nurse Christine Sara Coward
 Nurse Dominique Susan Bovell
 Penelope Ross/Lady Mosley Joanna Monro
 Douglas David Monico
 Stanley/Von Ribbentrop Keith Drinkel
 Maj. Gray Phillips/BBC Announcer Tim Meats
 2nd Embassy Official David Holt
 Producer: Sue Wilson
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1996.

WED 11:00 Hilarious Histories - What's So Funny About the Past? (m000n0kq)

1. A Cad and a Bounder
 Public Historian Greg Jenner embarks on an Arthurian quest to find out how comedy writers make history funny.
 Greg is the Historical Consultant to all eight series of CBBC's Emmy and multiple BAFTA award-winning Horrible Histories. In short, he is both a nerd and a comedy nerd.
 In the first of three programmes, Greg grapples with the big questions over accuracy and ethics with the help of comedian-turned-classicist Natalie Haynes, 'Horrible Histories' Head Writer Ben Ward and 'Austentatious' improvisers Cariad Lloyd and Andrew Hunter-Murray.
 Featured programme:
 'Austentatious: A Cad and a Bounder' [R4 18/06/2017]
 Produced by Anne-Marie Luff.
 Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in February 2019.

WED 12:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jp18)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

WED 12:30 Up the Garden Path (b0081t4t)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

WED 13:00 DI Cromwell - Jagged Prayer (b00c3d42)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

WED 13:30 Castles in Spain (m0004tr9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

WED 14:00 Dilemma (b01r0h4y)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

WED 14:30 Kathmandu or Bust (b07s6dls)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

WED 15:00 Wallis - The Life and Legends of Wallis Simpson (b0855wfh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

WED 16:00 Hilarious Histories - What's So Funny About the Past? (m000n0kq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

WED 17:00 Clare in the Community (b03ts6jg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

WED 17:30 Phil Ellis Is Trying (m000mr6c)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

WED 18:00 Haunted (b01qrnb9)

The Emissary by Ray Bradbury
 The Emissary
 By Ray Bradbury
 Young Marion is unwell, but her pet dog keeps her in touch with the outside world - and beyond.
 Dramatised by Patricia Mays
 Mrs Christie.....Jennie Linden
 Marion.....Bernadette Windsor
 Marion's Father.....Stephen Thorne
 With Jean Trend and Miranda Forbes
 and Percy Edwards playing Toby the dog

Directed by Derek Hoddinott
 First broadcast on the BBC World Service in 1982.
WED 18:30 Short Cuts (b095rbth)
 Series 13
 Role Models
 What can we learn from the humanity of others? From seeing ourselves reflected in someone else? Josie Long presents stories of role models.
 "You know, vampires have no reflections in a mirror? There's this idea that monsters don't have reflections in a mirror. And what I've always thought isn't that monsters don't have reflections in a mirror. It's that if you want to make a human being into a monster, deny them, at the cultural level, any reflection of themselves... Part of what inspired me, was this deep desire that before I died, I would make a couple of mirrors. That I would make some mirrors so that kids like me might see themselves reflected back and might not feel so monstrous for it." - Junot Diaz
 Water Fleas
 Featuring Akira Sakata
 Produced by Phil Smith
 Mirrors
 Featuring Nikesh Shukla
 Nadia
 Produced by Sophie Townsend
 Intolerants Not Welcome
 Featuring Mark Thompson
 Produced by Alan Hall
 Series Producer: Eleanor McDowall
 A Falling Tree production for BBC Radio 4.
WED 19:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jp18)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
WED 19:30 Up the Garden Path (b0081t4t)
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WED 20:00 DI Cromwell - Jagged Prayer (b00c3d42)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
WED 20:30 Castles in Spain (m0004tv9)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
WED 21:00 Hilarious Histories - What's So Funny About the Past? (m000n0kq)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
WED 22:00 Phil Ellis Is Trying (m000mr6c)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
WED 22:30 The Secret World (b01mw35d)
 Series 3
 Episode 3
 From Miranda Hart to Sean Connery - Jon Culshaw and friends imagine the private lives of the famous. From September 2012.
WED 23:00 Chain Reaction (b0092j13)
 Series 4
 Richard Wilson Interviews Arabella Weir
 The famous TV pensioner passes the baton to the Fast Show gal in the relay chat show. From March 2008.
WED 23:30 28 Acts in 28 Minutes (b008khpv)
 Series 2
 Episode 1
 John Humphrys gives 28 performers 60 seconds to entertain an audience:
 Jeremy Limb
 Des Clarke
 Penny Broadhurst
 Arnab Chanda
 John Sessions
 Christina Martin
 Gavin Osborn
 Aaron Counter
 G-Force
 James Kettle
 Paula Wilcox
 James Branch
 Pegabovine
 Dave Cohen
 Jarlath Regan
 Dutch Elm Conservatoire
 Jeff Innocent
 Katherine Jakeways
 Carl Donnelly
 Stephen Grant
 Mara Carlyle
 Stephen K Amos
 Barry Davies
 Jeff Green
 Shappi Khorsandi
 Martin Jarvis
 The Puppini Sisters
 Stewart Lee
 Producers: Rohan Acharya and Ed Morrish

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2007.

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THU 00:00 Haunted (b01qrbn9)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Wednesday]
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THU 05:00 Clare in the Community (b03ts6jg)
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THU 05:30 Phil Ellis Is Trying (m000mr6c)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Wednesday]
THU 06:00 DI Cromwell - Jagged Prayer (b00c3r1j)
 Virtual Saints
 Despite moving the convent into cyber space, Mother Helen and her nuns are not safe from declining numbers. And DI Cromwell has the small matter of an old murder to solve.
 Crime and convents, the police and perdition come together in comedy writer and former monk Robert Smith's mystery.
 Starring Timothy Spall as DI Cromwell, Cheryl Campbell as Mother Helen, Jeremy Finch as DC Kelp and Bryan Pringle as Mr Lord.
 Producer: Ned Chaillet
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2000.
THU 06:30 Castles in Spain (m0004xw8)
 Episode 4
 'Each of these postcards came from a place where there had been a bomb outrage. That, Mayer, is why we want to talk to Jock Cameron.'
 Continuing his quest to hunt Jock down, Grahame meets a pop star and gets a lead on the holy pictures...
 Edward Boyd's five-part thriller serial.
 Grahame Mayer Ray Brooks
 Coleman John Westbrook
 Teresa Alexandra Mathie
 Inspector McNeill Carey Wilson
 Norah McGill Sybil Wintrop
 Nuke John McGlynn
 Apollyon Billy McColl
 Millhouse William Hope
 Produced at BBC Scotland by Patrick Rayner.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1987.
THU 07:00 North by Northamptonshire (b03mflth)
 Series 3
 Episode 2
 by Katherine Jakeways
 Sheila Hancock narrates the bittersweet adventures of the residents of a small market town in Northamptonshire. This week, against her better judgement, Jan has dinner with her ex-husband, and Mary and Jonathan have crossed wires.
 Producer: Steven Canny
 As is well-known: Yorkshiresmen wear flat caps and Essex girls wear short skirts; Liverpudlians are scallies and Cockneys are wideboys. Northamptonians gaze wistfully at these stereotypes and wish for an identity of any kind and a label less ridiculous than Northamptonians. Northamptonshire, let us be clear, is neither north, nor south nor in the Midlands. It floats somewhere between the three eyeing up the distinctiveness of each enviously. Now Katherine Jakeways is giving Northamptonshire an identity. And she waits, eagerly, for her home-county to thank her. And possibly make her some kind of Mayor.
 Joined by nearly all of the incredible cast which graced Series One and Two - including Sheila Hancock as the Narrator, Penelope Wilton, Felicity Montagu, Geoffrey Palmer and Kevin Eldon - and with the exciting addition of Tim Key and Nathaniel Parker - North by Northamptonshire hopes (and promises) to once again delight and entertain audiences and critics alike.
THU 07:30 John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme (b06vmzdy)
 Series 5
 Episode 2
 John Finnemore - writer and star of Cabin Pressure and John Finnemore's Double Acts, regular guest on The Now Show and The Unbelievable Truth - returns for a fifth series of his multi-award-winning sketch show, joined as ever by a cast of Margaret Cabourn-Smith, Simon Kane, Lawry Lewin and Carrie Quinlan.
 This second episode sees the voice in John's head push him to tipping point; a new approach to the News; and, well, since you ask him for a tale of espionage...
 John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme won the BBC Audio Drama Award for 'Best Scripted Comedy with Live Audience'

in 2015; and a Radio Academy Silver Award for Comedy in 2014.
 "One of the most consistently funny sketch shows for quite some time" - The Guardian
 "The best sketch show in years, on television or radio" - The Radio Times
 "The inventive sketch show ... continues to deliver the goods" - The Daily Mail
 "Superior comedy" - The Observer
 Written by and starring ... John Finnemore
 Producer: Ed Morrish
 John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme is a BBC Radio Comedy production.
THU 08:00 Beyond Our Ken (m000mzy3)
 Series 4
 Episode 5
 Kenneth Horne stars in a musical - Kitty from Kensington - and Hornerama looks at Sport.
 With Kenneth Williams, Hugh Paddick, Betty Marsden, Bill Pertwee and Announcer, Douglas Smith.
 The precursor to 'Round The Home', 'Beyond Our Ken' hit the airwaves in 1958 and ran to 1964 - featuring regulars like Cecil Snaith, Stanley Burkinshaw and Rodney and Charles.
 With Janet Waters and the BBC Variety Orchestra conducted by Paul Fenoulhet.
 Written by Eric Merriman
 Producer: Jacques Brown
 First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in October 1960.
THU 08:30 Yes Minister (b007k0nj)
 Series 2
 A Question of Loyalty
 With a war on waste at the Civil Service - what does Jim Hacker think?
 Antony Jay and Jonathan Lynn's satirical sitcom ran on BBC TV between 1980 and 1984. Yes Minister is centred around the hapless Jim Hacker and a collection of civil service underlings headed by the Machiavellian Sir Humphrey Appleby and obsequious Bernard.
 CAST:
 Jim Hacker Paul Eddington
 Sir Humphrey Appleby Nigel Hawthorne
 Bernard Woolley Derek Fowldes
 Betty Oldham, MP Judy Parfitt
 Sir Mark Spencer Nigel Stock
 Peter William Hope
 Gillian Helena Breck
 The Committee Chairman John Strickland
 The PM Arnold Diamond
 Adapted for radio by producer Pete Atkin.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1984.
THU 09:00 Genius (b008gh65)
 Series 1
 Paul Daniels
 From the 99p coin to steel drum urinals, Dave Gorman asks magician Paul Daniels to select the best loopy idea.
 The first of three radio comedy series where award-winning comedian Dave Gorman and a celebrity guest chew over the ridiculous, unworkable but sometimes genius inventions, schemes and policies of the public.
 Producer: Simon Nicholls
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2005.
THU 09:30 Millport (b0076bbj)
 Series 3
 Restitution
 The re-opening of the Cumbræ Club goes horribly wrong when Irene notices a fatal flaw in the plan.
 Meanwhile, Alberto is paranoid that a new money-making scheme could bring the island some unwanted attention.
 Bittersweet comedy written by and starring Lynn Ferguson as 30-something barmaid Irene Bruce, who hankers after a better life on the mainland.
 With Janet Brown as Agnes / Moira, Lewis McLeod as Alberto / Dr Hume / Ferryman / Robert, Gabriel Quigley as Ena / Bunty, Robert Paterson as the Minister /Bob and Kenneth Bryans as Dougie/Huberto.
 Producer: Lucy Bacon
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2002.
THU 10:00 Joseph Conrad - The Secret Agent (b00770cw)
 Episode 1
 When a terrorist bomb explodes in London killing the bomber, all levels of the establishment, and every anarchist circle feels threatened.
 Joseph Conrad's prescient black comedy, written in 1907 takes a wry look at the shabby truth behind the news.
 Dramatised in two parts by David Naphthine.
 Chief Inspector Heat.....Ron Cook
 Assistant Commissioner.....Robert Glenister
 Adolf Verloc.....David Calder
 Winnie Verloc.....Wendy Nottingham
 Tom Ossipon.....Paul Bazeley
 The Professor.....Robin Soans
 Vladimir.....Hugh Ross
 Sir Ethelred.....Geoffrey Beever
 Toodles.....Joseph Kloska
 George.....Paul Richard Biggin
 Waiter.....Saikat Ahamed
 Director: Jessica Dromgoole
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2006.
THU 11:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b036t5r)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Sunday]
THU 12:00 Beyond Our Ken (m000mzy3)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
THU 12:30 Yes Minister (b007k0nj)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
THU 13:00 DI Cromwell - Jagged Prayer (b00c3rlj)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
THU 13:30 Castles in Spain (m0004xw8)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
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THU 17:00 North by Northamptonshire (b03mflth)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
THU 17:30 John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme (b06vmzdy)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
THU 18:00 Haunted (b01qrt4h)
 Mists of Memory by Rosemary Timperley
 Young cellist Janet meets a confused old man. He wonders if 'music is where I live'. And he seems familiar. Stars Helen Worth.
 Janet Helen Worth
 The Old Man John Bull
 Mother Delia Peyton
 Father Douglas Blackwell
 with
 Miranda Forbes
 Steve Hodson
 Alan Woodhouse
 Written by Rosemary Timperley
 Dramatised by Patricia Mays
 Directed by Derek Hoddinott
 First broadcast on the BBC World Service in 1982.
THU 18:30 Great Lives (b05wc8wz)
 Series 36
 David Blunkett on Louis Braille
 Matthew Parris hears why David Blunkett has chosen Louis Braille, the 18th century French boy who blinded himself in his father's workshop, as his great life - with the help of guest expert the RNIB's Kevin Carey.
 Producer: Maggie Ayre
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2015.
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 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
THU 22:30 Newsjack (m000mzy5)
 Series 23
 Episode 2
 Newsjack is a scrapbook sketch show written entirely by the Great British public. Hosted by Kiri Pritchard-McLean.
THU 23:00 Knowing Me, Knowing You (b007jvc2)
 Episode 6
 A-ha! Chat show host Alan Partridge welcomes BBC TV's Commissioning Director Tony Hayers, TV presenter Trudy Sky, fashion designer Yvonne Boyd and the maverick Lord Morgan.
 With thanks to his researchers: Steve Coogan, Patrick Marber, Rebecca Front, Doon Mackicchan and David Schneider.
 Producer: Armando Iannucci
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1992.
THU 23:30 Desolation Jests (b086s7jt)
 Episode 4
 David Jason stars in the final episode of David Renwick's post-apocalyptic comedy alongside John Bird, Jan Ravens and Rory Bremner.
 Each week J P Doom interviews an iconic cultural behemoth about the comic moments they would most like by their side as they face their own mortality. This week Sydney Pynchlink, the innovative director behind some of the country's most admired weather forecasts chooses the laughs that would comfort them most during the extinction of all life on the planet; including a joke too dangerous for parliament, a horse with three legs, and a lobster with a rather crucial piece of evidence.
 Cast:
 David Jason
 John Bird
 Jan Ravens
 Rory Bremner
 Adie Allen
 James Lailey
 Nick Underwood
 Produced by Gareth Edwards
 Production Coordinator: Sophie Richardson

It was a BBC Studios Production.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2017.
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FRI 05:30 John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme (b06vmzdy)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Thursday]
FRI 06:00 Sherlock Holmes (m0001c9t)
 The Adventure of the Veiled Lodger
 A long-buried secret induces pity and sorrow in the Great Detective.
 Holmes and Watson learn the truth about the death of a lion tamer many years before, which left his wife horribly mutilated and hidden behind a veil. A tale of abuse and revenge fuelled by the ultimate betrayal of a lover and the physical and emotional scars it has left behind.
 Taken from 'The Case-book of Sherlock Holmes' published in 1927 some years after Holmes' death at the hands of Moriarty, this a story from the latter period of Sherlock Holmes mysteries.
 Read by James Nickerson.
 Producer: Joanne Reardon
 Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in 2004
FRI 06:30 Castles in Spain (m0004xw1)
 Episode 5
 'Whatever you think it is, bookseller, Terry copied pictures. End of story. Right?'.
 Will Forrest's death release bookseller Grahame Mayer from the business of tracking down Jock Cameron?
 Conclusion of Edward Boyd's five-part thriller serial.
 Grahame Mayer Ray Brooks
 Coleman John Westbrook
 Teresa Alexandra Mathie
 Dr Lovat Roy Hanlon
 Joseph Greig Cameron
 Produced at BBC Scotland by Patrick Rayner.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1987.
FRI 07:00 Alone (b0b3fkqm)
 Series 1
 The Big Match
 A sitcom, written by Moray Hunter and starring Angus Deayton, about five single, middle aged neighbours living in flats in a converted house in North London.
 Mitch (Angus Deayton) is a widower and part-time therapist who is looking to put his life back together now that he is single and living - supposedly temporarily - with Will (Pearce Quigley), his younger, more volatile and unhappily divorced half-brother.
 Elsewhere in the building are schoolteacher Ellie (Abigail Cruttenden) who is shy, nervous and desperately missing her ex-boyfriend, overly honest, frustrated actress Louisa (Kate Isitt), and socially inept IT nerd Morris (Bennett Arnon).
 In The Big Match, Mitch has plans to watch the Australian tennis final on his own - but no-one else quite got the memo and they all turn up to watch the match too. Unfortunately for Mitch, Will is trying to avoid working, Ellie is struggling with her Facebook reaction to a death, Morris is hungry and Louisa needs to find a hot date in a hurry.
 Cast:
 Mitch: Angus Deayton
 Ellie: Abigail Cruttenden
 Will: Pearce Quigley
 Louisa: Kate Isitt
 Morris: Bennett Arnon
 Tom (Chief Fire Officer): Saul Boyer
 An Absolutely production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in May 2018.
FRI 07:30 Dot (b08r1l1g)
 Series 2
 Meat
 by Ed Harris
 Comic adventures with Dot and the gals from personnel who for this week at least are in control of the War Rooms kitchens. Their task is to prepare a delicious cut of veal to woo the American Ambassador. It's a shame Dot just ate it. How will they wriggle out of this one?
 Producer/Director, Jessica Mitic.
FRI 08:00 Share and Share Alike (m000myzl)
 The Film

There is excitement at the factory where the two brothers work, because a film director wants to make a documentary about the place. Lesley sees himself as the star, but then the director meets Jack.
 Written by Harold Snoad and Michael Knowles
 Jack Burrows.....Michael Robbins
 Lesley Burrows.....Hugh Paddock
 Janice.....Elizabeth Morgan
 Ron..... Denis Bond
 Sid.....Ron Pember
 Film director.....Frank Thornton
 Producer John Dyas
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1978.
FRI 08:30 Patterson (m000myzn)
 Episode 5
 University lecturer Andrew Patterson faces many new challenges - he must deliver a lecture on someone he has never even read, start his erotic novel and mend his estranged wife's fence.
 Campus comedy in eight parts
 Written by Malcolm Bradbury and Christopher Bigsby
 Patterson.....Lewis Fiander
 Professor Misty.....Richard Vernon
 Jane.....Judy Parfitt
 Melissa.....Maureen Lipman
 Mary/Mrs Misty.....Frances Jeater
 Valerie Candle.....Leueen Willoughby
 Cuthbertson.....Richard O'Callaghan
 Victor.....Hugh Thomas
 Bannerji.....Tariq Yunus
 Producer Geoffrey Perkins
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 3 in March 1981.
FRI 09:00 The Personality Test (b00mk68l)
 Series 2
 Rick Wakeman
 Progressive rock legend, Rick Wakeman quizzes a panel about all things Wakeman.
 With Sue Perkins, Lucy Porter, Will Smith and Robin Ince.
 Series with changing hosts who quiz the panel.
 Script by Richard Turner and Simon Littlefield
 Devised and produced by Aled Evans.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2006.
FRI 09:30 Minor Adjustment (b051x67f)
 Foetal Attraction
 Sarah wants a third child. Richard suggests a holiday might be more fun.
 Six-part comedy series about the Stubbs family - cartoonist Richard, therapist Sarah and their daughters - Kate, aged 16 and three-year-old Amy who has Down's Syndrome.
 Written by son and father team, Andy and Eric Merriman - inspired by Andy's own four-year-old daughter, Sarah. Eric famously wrote legendary BBC comedy series 'Beyond Our Ken'.
 CAST:
 Richard Peter Davison
 Sarah Samantha Bond
 Kate Claire Russell
 Amy Sarah Merriman
 Emma Heather Jones
 Joni Lorelei King
 George Philip Pope
 Eddy Simon Treves
 Daniel Daniel Merriman
 Mary Alison Pettit
 The Saxophonist John Barnes
 Uncle Chuckles Bill Pertwee
 Producer: Gareth Edwards
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1996.
FRI 10:00 Joseph Conrad - The Secret Agent (b00770h8)
 Episode 2
 After a terrorist bomb explodes in London killing the bomber, all levels of the establishment, and every anarchist circle feels threatened.
 But what began as an international outrage quickly resolves into a domestic tragedy.
 Conclusion of Joseph Conrad's prescient black comedy, written in 1907 takes a wry look at the shabby truth behind the news.
 Dramatised in two parts by David Naphtine.
 Chief Inspector Heat.....Ron Cook
 Assistant Commissioner.....Robert Glenister
 Adolf Verloc.....David Calder
 Winnie Verloc.....Wendy Nottingham
 Tom Ossipon.....Paul Bazeley
 The Professor.....Robin Soans
 Vladimir.....Hugh Ross
 Sir Ethelred.....Geoffrey Beavers
 Great Lady.....Jillie Meers
 Toodles.....Joseph Kloska
 Stevie.....Paul Richard Biggin
 Waiter.....Saikat Ahamed
 Director: Jessica Dromgoole
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2006.
FRI 11:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m000myzq)
 Presenters recommend their favourite podcasts and speak to the people who make them.
FRI 12:00 Share and Share Alike (m000myzl)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
FRI 12:30 Patterson (m000myzn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

FRI 13:00 Sherlock Holmes (m0001c9t)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

FRI 13:30 Castles in Spain (m0004xw1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

FRI 14:00 The Personality Test (b00mk68l)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

FRI 14:30 Minor Adjustment (b0b51x67)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

FRI 15:00 Joseph Conrad - The Secret Agent (b00770h8)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

FRI 16:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m000myzq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

FRI 17:00 Alone (b0b3fkqm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

FRI 17:30 Dot (b08r1ljj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 18:00 Haunted (b01qrljn)

Esmeralda by John Keir Cross

Felix might finally be free of his wife, but who is the mysterious woman claiming to be his daughter?

By: John Keir Cross

Dramatised by: Patricia Mays

Mr Broome George Baker

Esmeralda Kim Braden

With

Pauline Letts

Katherine Parr

David Gooderson

Crawford Logan

Directed by Derek Hodinott for World Service Drama

First broadcast on BBC World Service in February 1982.

FRI 18:30 Off the Page (b007tn5h)

Keeping Up Appearances

Dominic Arkwright chairs the lively discussion series. This episode looks at personal image.

With Attila the Stockbroker, Susannah Jowitt and James

Delingpole

Producer Miles Warde

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2007.

FRI 19:00 Share and Share Alike (m000myzl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

FRI 19:30 Patterson (m000myzn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

FRI 20:00 Sherlock Holmes (m0001c9t)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

FRI 20:30 Castles in Spain (m0004xw1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

FRI 21:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m000myzq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

FRI 22:00 Dot (b08r1ljj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 22:30 Tom Parry's Fancy Dressed Life (b08mqtgg)

Series 1

Max

Episode 2: Max. It's the annual Parry family party and, as if you needed reminding, it's Fancy Dress. Tom is rather pleased with his typically obscure nay gloriously inaccessible choice of costume but some unhelpfully nightmarish flashbacks to his university days threaten to spoil his enjoyment of the day.

Tom Parry is an award winning comedian, writer and actor whose credits include Miranda, Phone Shop and Drunk History among many others. As a stand up, he most recently gained critical acclaim and an Edinburgh Comedy Award Best Newcomer nomination for his debut hour 'Yellow T-Shirt'. For more than a decade he has been part of the multi-award winning sketch team Pappy's. Together they have performed 6 sell out shows at the Edinburgh Fringe, completed 4 national tours, gigged all over the world, and created, written and starred in the sitcom 'Badults' for BBC3.

Cast: Tom Parry, Ben Clarke, Celeste Dring, Gareth Pierce

Producer: Richard Morris

A BBC Studios Production.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2017.

FRI 22:45 Charlotte and Lillian (b095t75x)

Series 1

The Photo

In the throes of splitting up from her boyfriend, 29-year-old Charlotte (Helen Monks) is determined to prove she's not as self-centred as he says she is. She signs up as a volunteer to visit the elderly, expecting to be paired with a frail and needy old lady who's full of gratitude and appreciation for such a selfless act. Instead she meets 82-year-old Lillian (Miriam Margolyes), a belligerent and feisty old bat who sees through her in an instant.

Needless to say, they don't get on.

But Charlotte and Lillian's conflicting outlooks on life belie a striking similarity in their personalities. Both are profoundly selfish, self-involved and stubborn. Both are quietly curious about each other - though they'd never dream of admitting it. And both are lonely.

For Charlotte, spending time with Lillian brings certain benefits, and she's keen to maximise them for her 'personal brand'. She starts capturing moments of their time together with her phone's camera - something Lillian quickly takes exception to. She wants full editorial control, along with the final say over any photos. A battle of wills and vanities ensues, but not before each of them has picked up some unforeseen advice from across the generational divide.

This four-part, two-actress comedy, written by Holly Walsh and Kat Sommers, was recorded on location and features the fantastic combination of Miriam Margolyes and Helen Monks, working together for the first time.

A Giddy Goat production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in September 2017.

FRI 23:00 I've Never Seen Star Wars (b015p8sr)

Series 4

Sarah Millican

Marcus Brigstocke invites comic Sarah Millican to eat Chinese food with chopsticks and read The Joy of Sex. From October 2011.

FRI 23:30 Simon Evans Goes to Market (b0435p0k)

Series 1

Land

How do you make economics funny? How do you put the comedy in commodity? Simon Evans has the answer in this new series which asks us to get involved in investment.

Rather than being cowed by an apparently complicated and overwhelming system, Simon jumps right in. He takes as his focus four commodities which are so intrinsic to our lives they have an almost elemental significance - land, gold, oil and grain. Yet, despite the fact we encounter them everywhere we look, very few people have been able to build a fortune on them.

All that's about to change as, Simon enlists help from the experts. Each week he will be joined by Tim Harford, Merryn Somerset Webb and a guest specialist as they examine the chequered social and economic histories of these commodities. By looking at four such fundamental products, Simon brings us to a closer understanding of how global economic forces have a far-reaching and often surprising impact on our lives.

In this first episode, Simon looks at Land. How did it come to be traded, why we think bricks and mortar are a safe investment and who really owns the land we buy.

Performed by Simon Evans, with regular guests Tim Harford and Merryn Somerset-Webb, and Land expert Kevin Cahill

Written by Simon Evans with Benjamin Partridge, Guy Venables, Andy Wolton

Producer Tilusha Ghelani.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014.