

SATURDAY 10 OCTOBER 2020

SAT 00:00 Peter Elliott Hayes - Orbit One Zero (b08fy3g)

5. The Frozen World
"If I had known, that night, the terrible risk Elizabeth had taken!" But Clifford knew...

Newspaper reporter, Tom Lambert has decided to reinvestigate the strange events of ten years before, concerning the "cosmic noise". Believing the inside story was never told, he's tracked down the only man who knows, Dr Hayward Petrie.

Told in flashbacks, the story unfolds from Dr Petrie's own recordings of the time when the detection of a strange pattern of signals sparks a mysterious discovery...

Dr Petrie Felix Felton

Tom Lambert David Spenser

Clifford Brown Graydon Gould

Elizabeth Ryder Elaine MacNamara

Professor Campbell McLaren Ian Sadler

Peter Garrick Harold Reese

Lord Hetherington Charles West

Written by Peter Elliott Hayes

Producer: David Davis

First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in May 1961.

SAT 00:30 Off the Page (b007v1lx)

Lunch is for Wimps

Dominic Arkwright discusses whether we should enjoy a good lunch, with Giles Coren, Lucy Kellaway and Martin Rowson. From August 2007.

SAT 01:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b007jvhq)

Charles Paris: Cast, in Order of Disappearance

5. Slapstick Scene

Marius Steen has been found dead. His lover Jacqui Mitchell suspects foul play and now that a new will has been found made in her favour, Charles Paris begins to believe her.

Movie making becomes a horror story.

Francis Matthews stars as actor-cum-sleuth, Charles Paris.

Adapted by Simon Brett from his thriller.

Charles Paris Francis Matthews

Jacqui Mitchell Fiona Hendley

Gerald Venable Jeremy Child

Joanne Menzies Sandra Clark

Nigel Steen Richard Morant

Jean-Luc Roussel Harry Fowler

Garth Nigel Graham

P.A. Eileen Tully

Eric Mark Jones

Producer: Martin Fisher

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in June 1984.

SAT 01:30 Hercule Poirot (b007k213)

Three Act Tragedy

Episode 5

Just as Hercule Poirot looks set to solve the murder mystery, there's a fresh death.

Agatha Christie thriller dramatized by Michael Bakewell

Hercule Poirot.....John Moffatt

Mr Satterthwaite.....George Cole

Sir Charles Cartwright.....Michael Cochrane

Egg Lytton Gor.....Beth Chalmers

Angela Sutcliffe.....Jemma Churchill

Oliver Manders.....Carl Prekopp

Matron.....Natasha Pyne

Director Enyd Williams

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2002.

SAT 02:00 The Personality Test (b00mrc84)

Series 2

Adam Hart-Davis

Broadcaster, writer and science enthusiast, Adam Hart-Davis quizzes a panel about himself.

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.

SAT 02:30 Ballylenon (b007nfs3)

Series 1

Episode 1

1953: Trouble brews when the McConkey sisters join forces with hotel owner, Phonsie Doherty to campaign for the demolition of the Georgian courthouse to make way for a car park.

Series set in the sleepy town of Ballylenon, Co Donegal, in 1953, before the days of mass tourism and proper plumbing in every home. Written by Christopher Fitz-Simon.

Starring TP McKenna as Phonsie Doherty, Margaret D'Arcy as Muriel McConkey, Stella McCusker as Vera McConkey, Aine McCartney as Vivienne Boal, John Hewitt as Guard Gallagher, Gerard Murphy as Reverend Samuel Hawthorne, Roma Tomelty as RL Watson and Kevin Flood as O'Broolochain.

Music arranged and performed by Stephanie Hughes

Director: Eoin O'Callaghan

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1994.

SAT 03:00 Elizabeth Bowen - The House in Paris (b0890hpt)

3. 1924-1934

Fading fast, is scheming Mme Fisher sowing the seeds for the ultimate destruction of her house in Paris?

Elizabeth Bowen's classic novel dramatised in three-parts by Margaret Steward.

CAST:

Mme Fisher Sara Kestelman

Karen Sunny Ormonde

Naomi Fisher Susan Bovell

Max John Duttine

Aunt Violet Ann Windsor

Uncle Bill David King

Henrietta Fiona Christie

Leopold Joshua Goodman

Music by Anthea Gomez.

Producer: Sue Wilson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1994.

SAT 04:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m000n6zx)

New releases for Autumn, wellbeing tips with Dr Chatterjee

and raving with Chris Warburton

Amanda Litherland and Scott Bryan recommend great podcasts and meet the people who make them.

This week Dr Chatterjee talks "Feel Better. Live More.", a health podcast focusing on intimate, authentic conversations.

Then we're focusing on documentaries - and Chris Warburton discusses Ecstasy: The Battle of Rave, a documentary drama blend on rave culture.

Featured Podcasts This Week:

Feel Better, Live More

Great Scot

David Tennant Does A Podcast With

Mid Point With Gabby Logan

Who Am I This Time? with David Morrissey

Ecstasy: The Battle of Rave

The Fault Line – Blair Bush and Iraq

Coming In From The Cold

Twenty Twenty

The Secret Life of Teachers

French and Saunders Titting About

SAT 05:00 Alone (b0b48yxn)

Series 1

Birthday Drinks

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 Birthday Drinks, Mitch's birthday is approaching and he's

desperately trying to avoid any fuss - not least because he's

having a break from alcohol. Meanwhile Louisa is on the warpath, wanting feedback after her latest acting role, but

everyone seems to be trying to change the subject for some reason.

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

SAT 05:30 Dot (b08rpr4)

Series 2

Trees

by Ed Harris

Comic adventures with Dot and the gals who are tasked with a top secret mission in the countryside. A German plane crashes nearby, will this be Dot's big chance for promotion?

Producer/Director, Jessica Mitic.

SAT 06:00 HRF Keating - The Murder of the Maharajah (b00vthv3)

Set in the India of the British Raj - His Highness plays one

April Fool's joke too many.

Written by H.R.F Keating and dramatised by Neville Teller

Maharajah Zia Mohyeddin

Dewan Renu Setna

Porgy Lyndam Gregory

D S P Howard Sam Dastor

Ram Singh Amerjit Deu

Sir Arthur Philip Anthony

Michael Luke Beeson

Schoolmaster Bhasker

Dolly Rachel Atkins

Judy Oona Beeson

Elaine Ms Sheila Mitchell

Frere Dominic Letts

Joe Steve Hodson

Morton Barry Gordon

Directed by Matthew Walters

First broadcast on Radio 4 in November 1993.

SAT 07:30 Great Lives (b066w57n)

Series 37

George Washington Williams

George Washington Williams was an incredibly early, mould-breaking, self-made black intellectual who fought in the

American civil war and went on to write the first history of African Americans. He met King Leopold of Belgium and

exposed that country's treatment of Africans under Belgian colonial rule.

Nominating the life of George Washington Williams is

television presenter, and former Paralympic medallist, Ade

Adeptian. The expert witness is Dr David Brown, Senior

Lecturer in American Studies at the University of Manchester.

The presenter is Matthew Parris.

Producer: Perminder Khatkar

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.

SAT 08:00 Dilemma (b01r5pxg)

Series 2

Episode 4

Sue Perkins puts Roisin Conaty, Samira Ahmed, David Reed and Robin Ince through the moral and ethical wringer.

The panellists finely-balanced dilemmas involve changing history; dipping into the archives; unjust justice and a maths teacher's non-standard deviation.

Devised by Danielle Ward.

Producer: Ed Morrish.

SAT 08:30 North East of Eden (b01f9t2c)

Invaders and Outsiders

Marcia leaves London when she inherits her uncle's medical practice on the remote Paradise Island in Northumbria - with its

Wind O' Change pub and populace of slightly dodgy fisherman. Rebecca Front and Joan Sims stars in Peter Kerry's sitcom.

Doctor Marcia Hulme Rebecca Front

Auntie Annie Joan Sims

Hjorst/The Translator Niall Ashdown

Joseph Gates James Garbutt

Mrs Peevis Jean Southern

William Sammy Johnson

Ralph Gates Stephen Thirkield

Other Roles Peter Kerry

Producer: Kathy Smith

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1997.

SAT 09:00 Inside the Music: From Score to Encore (b05nybcs)

Gavin Henderson is passionate about music. Formerly a noted trumpeter in an orchestra, he's been Director of Brighton Arts

Festival, Principal of Trinity College of Music and is now Principal of the Central School of Speech and Drama in

London.

In this sequence of programmes, he explores the complex creative communities that coalesce to bring a piece of music to

life in a concert hall. Becoming a member of a musical ensemble has been described as "more like joining a cause than

a profession". He talks to members of orchestras and ensembles to get their personal perspectives on music making. What do

they feel about their own instrument? What are relations like between members of the orchestra? Or between an orchestra

and a conductor?

It's a world of titanic egos, and creative humility; where the rigours of touring and performing, the frustrations of forever

being the second violin and the vagaries of venue acoustics and audience responsiveness can be forgotten in a feat of collective

creative expression.

Gavin throws light on some of the less known inner workings of an orchestra and the sometimes intuitive relationships "behind

the podium" – such as that between the Orchestral Librarian and Conductor, or piano tuner and pianist.

And he tries to understand and convey what motivates a group of individuals to act like an organism greater than the sum of its

parts, bringing pleasure and, occasionally, transcendence, to performers and audience alike.

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra by Pier Productions

First broadcast on Radio 4 Extra in 2015.

SAT 12:00 My Favorite Husband (m000ndg5)

Katy and Roscoe

Life gets complicated when the Cugat's maid Katy lands them is a mess.

Her long-distance boyfriend Roscoe is coming to visit for the first time in 15 years – and she's not too truthful about

how she's been living...

Starring Lucille Ball as Liz and Richard Denning as George.

The story of Liz and George Cugat, a happily married couple living in Sheridan Falls. Based on the novels by Isabel Scott

Rorick

Liz Cugat Lucille Ball

George Cugat Richard Denning

Katy Ruth Perrot

Roscoe Hans Conried

The popularity of this radio series led to Lucille's ground breaking TV sitcom role, I Love Lucy. This was to cement her

long-running position as one of America's favourite entertainers over several decades.

First broadcast in the USA on CBS Radio in November 1948.

SAT 12:30 Barbara Nice (m000n5d9)

Pilot

Stockport housewife extraordinaire Barbara Nice is the creation of 'Peter Kay's Phoenix Nights' star Janice Connolly.

In this warm-hearted sitcom pilot, Janice and John Henshaw play husband and wife Barbara and Ken.

Barbara is worried she and Ken are at risk of adding to the numbers of silver splitters - they have nothing in common;

Ken's idea of retirement involves a marathon session of 'Pointless' and that doesn't fit with Barbara's idea of a well spent

golden age.

When a homeless Spanish busker (David Sant) needs some help, Barbara sees it as the perfect opportunity to do some good

and stir things up home ... A little more than she expected.

Barbara Nice ... Janice Connolly

Ken Nice ... John Henshaw

Mary ... Angela Curran

Tonio ... David Sant

Hostel Manager ... Debra Baker

Guitar by Kester Owen

Produced by Rebecca Papworth

Carl Cooper

A BBC Studios Production

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in 2015.

SAT 13:00 Hercule Poirot (b007k1vw)

Three Act Tragedy

Episode 1

Hercule Poirot, his amateur detective acquaintance Mr Satterthwaite, and the distinguished Harley Street nerve specialist Sir Bartholomew Strange, are amongst the guests at a weekend party being given by the celebrated actor Sir Charles Cartwright at his cliff-top house in Cornwall.

On the first evening after their arrival there is a cocktail party - at which an elderly clergyman, who's only had a sip of dry martini, falls dead. Was it through natural causes - or could it be murder?

Starring John Moffatt as Hercule Poirot.

Agatha Christie's 1935 novel dramatised in five parts by

Michael Bakewell

Hercule Poirot.....John Moffatt

Mr Satterthwaite.....George Cole

Sir Charles Cartwright.....Michael

Cochrane

Sir Bartholomew Strange.....Clive Merrison

Lady Mary Lytton Gore.....Pauline Jamieson

Hermione 'Egg' Lytton Gore.....Beth Chalmers

Cynthia Dacres.....Paula Jacobs

Muriel Wills.....Elizabeth

Proud

Oliver Manders.....Carl Prekopp

Miss Milray.....Helen

Longworth

The Rev Babbington.....Peter Marinker

Director: Eynd Williams

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2002.

SAT 13:30 Hercule Poirot (b007k1x7)

Three Act Tragedy

Episode 2

Hercule Poirot is now on the Riviera in Monte Carlo, but death appears to be following him.

1935 novel by Agatha Christie dramatized by Michael Bakewell

Hercule Poirot.....John Moffatt

Mr Satterthwaite.....George Cole

Sir Charles Cartwright.....Michael

Cochrane

Hermione 'Egg' Lytton Gore.....Beth Chalmers

Colonel Johnson.....John Baddeley

Supt Crossfield.....Martin Hyder

Mrs Leckie.....Kathleen

Helme

Little Boy.....Tom

Glenister

Directed by Eynd Williams

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2002.

SAT 14:00 Hercule Poirot (b007k1yj)

Three Act Tragedy

Episode 3

Hercule Poirot re-enters the mystery deaths investigation, to the relief of all involved.

1935 Agatha Christie thriller dramatized by Michael Bakewell

Hercule Poirot.....John Moffatt

Mr Satterthwaite.....George Cole

Sir Charles Cartwright.....Michael Cochrane

Lady Mary Lytton Gore.....Pauline Jamieson

Hermione 'Egg' Lytton Gore.....Beth Chalmers

Mrs Babbington.....Patricia Scott

Oliver Manders.....Carl Prekopp

Directed by Eynd Williams

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2002.

SAT 14:30 Hercule Poirot (b007k1zt)

Three Act Tragedy

Episode 4

As the murder suspects are investigated, the Belgian sleuth issues an invitation.

1935 Agatha Christie thriller dramatized by Michael Bakewell

Hercule Poirot.....John Moffatt

Mr Satterthwaite.....George Cole

Sir Charles Cartwright.....Michael Cochrane

Hermione 'Egg' Lytton Gore.....Beth Chalmers

Muriel Wills.....Elizabeth Proud

Oliver Manders.....Carl Prekopp

Cynthia Dacres.....Paula Jacobs

Captain Dacres.....Nigel Anthony

Angela Sutcliffe.....Jemma Churchill

Doris, the model.....Angela Sims

Directed by Eynd Williams

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2002.

SAT 15:00 Hercule Poirot (b007k213)

[Repeat of broadcast at 01:30 today]

SAT 15:30 A Good Read (b00vy0dw)

Stephanie Cole and Michael Horovitz

Sue MacGregor and her guests - actress, Stephanie Cole and distinguished poet, Michael Horovitz - discuss favourite books

by John Fante, GK Chesterton and Joyce Johnson

Wait Until Spring, Bandini by John Fante

Publisher: Canongate

The Man who was Thursday by G K Chesterton

Publisher: Penguin

Minor Characters by Joyce Johnson

Publisher: Methuen

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2010.

SAT 16:00 HRF Keating - The Murder of the Maharajah

(b00vfhv3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SAT 17:30 Great Lives (b066w57n)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

SAT 18:00 JM Barrie - Dear Brutus (b0bn5b71)

In a magic wood, on Midsummer's eve, a second chance is offered to those who believe they've taken the wrong turning in life. Some will take the same path, while others will have a precious glimpse of what can now never be...

Written in 1917, JM Barrie's play was adapted by Jeffrey Segal.

Death Bernard Hepton

Margaret Jenny Quayle

Lob Jeffrey Segal

Mrs Murdie Carole Boyd

Jenny Dearth Frances Jeater

Matey Stephen Thorne

Lady Caroline Brenda Kaye

Joanna Jane Knowles

Mr Coade Anthony Newlands

Mrs Coade Katherine Parr

Purdie Geoffrey Beevers

Written over a decade after Peter Pan, JM Barrie's title is taken

from a line in 'Julius Caesar' summing up Shakespeare's

argument that we should take responsibility for our own actions:

"The fault, dear Brutus, is not in our stars. But in ourselves that we are underlings."

Director: Gordon House.

First broadcast on the BBC World Service in 1987

SAT 19:00 Inside the Music: From Score to Encore

(b05nybcs)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SAT 22:00 Just a Minute (b085pxyj)

Just a Minute Does Panto!

A tribute to the late broadcasting legend Nicholas Parsons, CBE.

2017 marked Just A Minute's 50th year, and what better way to kick off the celebrations by combining the longest-running panel show with another great British institution - the pantomime!

In Just A Minute Does Panto! Nicholas Parsons is joined by

Just A Minute regulars, Paul Merton Sheila Hancock and Gyles

Brandreth, as they journey through Panto-land in search of the

missing Just A Minute Golden Whistle! Their companions on

their quest include, Tom Allen, Pippa Evans, Tony Hawks,

Rufus Hound and Julian Clary.

The show flits between the scripted pantomime sections when the team are on their quest and the usual off-the-cuff game of Just A Minute.

There'll be adventure! Genies! Panto dames! Goodies! Baddies!

Audience Participation! But above all, at the heart of it, a cracking game of the nation's favourite comedy show - Just A Minute!

CREDITS

Just A Minute was chaired by Nicholas Parsons

The panel were:

Paul Merton

Sheila Hancock

Gyles Brandreth

Tony Hawks

Tom Allen

Rufus Hound

Pippa Evans

The Genie was played by Julian Clary

The pantomime script was written by Gyles Brandreth with

additional material by Paul Merton and Matt Stronge

The Composer was Susannah Pearson

The lyrics to 'All About You' were written by Jenny Laville

The Musical Director was Tim Sutton

The live band was:

Tim Sutton - Piano

Katie Punter - Flute/Alto Sax

Mark White - Trumpet/Flugelhorn

Tim Maple - Guitar

Tim Weller - Drums

Nick Allen - Cello

The Production Coordinator was Hayley Sterling

The Producer was Matt Stronge

Just A Minute was devised by Ian Messiter

Just A Minute Does Panto! is a BBC Studios production.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2016.

SAT 22:45 Linda Smith's A Brief History of Timewasting

(b00g2glw)

Series 1

999 Emergency

Linda's procrastinating live-in builder finds fame and neighbour

Betty's got worries.

Comedy series written by and starring Linda Smith.

With Femi Elufowaju Jr, Martin Hyder, Margaret John, Chris

Neill and Mark Steel.

Producer: Lucy Armitage

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2001.

SAT 23:15 Friends Like These (b0076xrp)

You'll Always Be A Part of Me

Part of a collection of comic plays about friendship, each

featuring a different comedy partnership.

Two men have been best friends for years when one suddenly

needs a new kidney. His mate has always said he'd do anything for him. Now it's time to find out if that includes organ donation.

Written by Jim Sweeney.

Jim.....Jim Sweeney

Steve.....Steve Steen

Directed by Claudine Toutoungi.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2006.

SAT 23:30 The Mary Whitehouse Experience (b047lyck)

Series 4

Episode 7

Cinderella is stuck watching Catchphrase. Stars Hugh Dennis,

Steve Punt, Robert Newman and David Baddiel. From

December 1990.

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SUN 00:00 JM Barrie - Dear Brutus (b0bn5b71)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Saturday]

SUN 01:00 Hercule Poirot (b007k1vw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 13:00 on Saturday]

SUN 01:30 Hercule Poirot (b007k1x7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 13:30 on Saturday]

SUN 02:00 Hercule Poirot (b007k1yj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Saturday]

SUN 02:30 Hercule Poirot (b007k1zt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Saturday]

SUN 03:00 Hercule Poirot (b007k213)

[Repeat of broadcast at 01:30 on Saturday]

SUN 03:30 A Good Read (b00vy0dw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 15:30 on Saturday]

SUN 04:00 HRF Keating - The Murder of the Maharajah

(b00vfhv3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Saturday]

SUN 05:30 Great Lives (b066w57n)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Saturday]

SUN 06:00 Hercule Poirot (b007k1vw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 13:00 on Saturday]

SUN 06:30 Hercule Poirot (b007k1x7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 13:30 on Saturday]

SUN 07:00 Hercule Poirot (b007k1yj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Saturday]

SUN 07:30 Hercule Poirot (b007k1zt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Saturday]

SUN 08:00 Hercule Poirot (b007k213)

[Repeat of broadcast at 01:30 on Saturday]

SUN 08:30 All Gas and Gaiters (m000ndqw)

Series 1

The Bishop Turns To Crime

The Bishop has to resort to illegality when he loses the Dean's key.

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.

CAST:

The Archdeacon Robertson Hare

The Bishop William Mervyn

The Bishop's Chaplain Derek Nimmo

The Dean John Barron

Mr Stickle Kenneth Connor

Samuel Tutt Sam Kydd

Jack Ronald Forfar

Producer: David Hatch.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1971.

SUN 09:00 Much Binding in the Marsh (b018s,jr1)

From 10/05/1950

Still looking for work, the ex-RAF gang turns its hand to

babysitting.

Starring Kenneth Horne and Richard 'Stinker' Murdoch.

With Sam Costa, Maurice Denham, Diana Morrison and

Barbara Leigh.

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 May 1950.

SUN 09:30 Millport (b0076bvf)

Series 3

Wild Rover

The Cumbrae Club is up and running and the islanders are

already arguing over how it should be run.

Meanwhile back at Bruce House, Moira is in hysterics over her

missing pet pooch. But will Irene risk missing the ferry and

Producer: Lucy Bacon

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2002.

SUN 10:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m000ncxn)

Small Screen Stars

David Suchet

From Mozart to Nat King Cole. Actor David Suchet shares his castaway choices.

Kirsty Young's castaway this week is the actor David Suchet. He has won armfuls of awards for his work - most recently an Emmy for his portrayal of Robert Maxwell - but he is best known for the character he has been associated with for 20 years, Hercule Poirot.

His approach to his work is meticulous and he says he has to inhabit each role he takes on. In this illuminating interview he recalls how, early in his career, a psychologist showed him how to shed his character at the end of each performance otherwise, he found, the edges between his own life and those of the person he was playing became blurred.

Favorite track: When I Fall In Love by Nat King Cole

Book: Magnum Magnum by Brigitte Lardinois

Luxury: His clarinet and an unlimited supply of reeds.

Produced by Leanne Buckle.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2009.

SUN 10:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b011ckxz)

Series 2

Quetzalcoatlus

As Sir David Attenborough explains:

"The biggest animal to fly was not a bird, but a reptile."

It was a Quetzalcoatlus, a pterosaur with at least a 44 foot wingspan. David, a huge fan of palaeontology, is skilled in bringing the past natural histories to life through stories about the discovery of key fossils.

What a creature this "terrible lizard" must have been - big enough to scavenge the bodies of dead Tyrannosaurus and yet able to fly, probably in large numbers. And with a twist so typical of Sir David's writing, he brings this pterosaur to life at the very end.

Written and presented by David Attenborough

Producer: Julian Hector

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2011.

SUN 11:00 The Moth Radio Hour (m00016b0)

Series 8

You Say Goodbye

True stories told live in the USA: Meg Bowles introduces stories on saying farewell to family, the past and places.

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 (b074zy99)

Lyndon and Martin - Breaking Point

Fi Glover introduces a conversation between a climber who fell and broke his back and the paramedic who rescued him.

Another 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

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2016.

SUN 12:00 Poetry Extra (b03z3lbr)

Ask Me: The Poetry of William Stafford

Poet Daljit Nagra revisits the BBC's radio poetry archive with 'Ask Me - the Poetry of William Stafford'.

William Stafford's achievement is extraordinary. He wrote over 20,000 poems, 4,000 of which have been published, in more than 80 books and 2,000 periodicals. But it's the quality of his work that distinguishes him. Stafford was the poetry consultant to the Library of Congress - the post that became the Poet Laureate of the United States, for years he was Oregon's Laureate and he won the National Book Award.

Stafford was born in Kansas in 1914, growing up during the

Depression. A conscientious objector, he spent the Second World War in camps, working in forestry. Too exhausted after work he took to rising early to write, and he continued this practice of daily writing until his death in 1993. For Stafford it was the act of writing that mattered most. Writers who got stuck he advised to, "Lower your standards - and carry on."

His poems are mostly short and accessible, but acquire great depth. They can be tough, too. He was sensitive to landscape, people, animals, nature and history. So it's not surprising that Ted Hughes and Sylvia Plath were both admirers.

Poet Katrina Porteous visits Lewis and Clark College in Portland, Oregon, where for decades Stafford taught, wrote and developed his ideas. His son Kim takes her to the huge William Stafford Archive, as Katrina hears recordings of his readings, meets people who knew him, and students and poets he continues to influence. And she goes out into the wilderness of Oregon to investigate and reflect on the life, outlook and work of this great American poet.

Producer: Julian May

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014.

SUN 12:30 Susan Calman Is Convicted (b0418p7r)

Series 2

What Makes Humans Human?

Susan Calman explores issues on which she has strong opinions. This week: What makes humans human?

In the 1990's Susan worked at the United Nations in Geneva on the Human Genome project. It was a project which looked at the increasing genetic databases that were being set up all over the world. It got her thinking - can you really encapsulate people in one scientific code?

Susan thinks that the answer is no. Science is making great advances in coding human beings, but that's not what we are. Siblings share a genetic code but can be incredibly different. Everyone is made up of people we meet, books we read and experiences we have. Science is wonderful but we should also consider the human soul.

Produced by Lindsay Fenner.

SUN 13:00 Celebrating Peter Tinniswood (m000ndqy)

A celebration of Peter Tinniswood's radio plays.

The playwright Peter Tinniswood [1936 - 2003] was one of radio's most popular writers and created a host of characters, often wickedly funny, always totally believable. In this three-hour showcase, radio critic Gillian Reynolds introduces four of her favourite Tinniswood plays: The Last Obit [28/04/1998]; Tales from the Backbench: Time To Confess [21/11/2001]; The House Swap [06/02/1999]; Dorothy, A Manager's Wife [17/10/2000].

First broadcast on BBC Radio 7 in June 2003.

SUN 16:00 Dick George - Private Investigator (m000ndr0)

The Case of the Cool Canary

Spoof of a Hollywood 1930s film.

Private investigator Dick George and his lovely ex-wife, Dora, are called upon by heiress Ruth-Ann Rogers for protection from gangsters intent upon wresting her fortune from her.

Dick George.....Francis

Mathews

Dora.....Margaret

Robertson

Louie.....Nigel Anthony

Mugsy.....Harry Towb

Blore.....Edward de Souza

Charlie.....Alan Tilvern

Ruth-Ann Rogers/Lucille Lamont.....Lisa Jacobs

Pasta, the dogRonald Herdman

Written by Sarah Maxwell

Directed by Glyn Dearman

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1986.

SUN 17:00 Poetry Extra (b03z3lbr)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 today]

SUN 17:30 Susan Calman Is Convicted (b0418p7r)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 today]

SUN 18:00 Cult Vampires (m0003sw6)

2. After the Stone Age by Brian Stableford

Desperate Mena discovers some unusual dieticians who really get their teeth into helping her shed weight.

Clare Corbett reads Brian Stableford's tale.

First published on the BBC Cult Vampire website.

Producer: Ann Kelly

First broadcast on BBC 7 in April 2004.

SUN 18:30 A Stone Woman (m000ndr3)

2. Iceland

Ines worries what will happen if her transformation turns volcanic.

Then she meets Thorsteinn, the mysterious stone-cutter who offers her help in the form of a visit to Iceland.

Penelope Wilton continues AS Byatt's sensuous and ultimately uplifting account of one woman's transformation into stone.

Producer: Claudine Toutoungi

Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in December 2004.

SUN 19:00 The Moth Radio Hour (m00016b0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

SUN 19:55 The Listening Project (b074zy99)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:55 today]

SUN 20:00 Dick George - Private Investigator (m000ndr0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 today]

SUN 21:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m000ncxn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

SUN 21:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b011ckxz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 today]

SUN 22:00 Susan Calman Is Convicted (b0418p7r)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 today]

SUN 22:30 Paperback Hell (m000ndr5)

Series 3

You Suck Bush

Six chapters, by six different authors. All of them imaginary. All of them straight out of the bestseller charts. None of them very good.

This week: Chapter 1 of "You Suck Bush": an autobiographical account of radical campaigning film maker Chuck Morris's trip to the Hay on Wye literary festival.

Starring Michael Brandon, Michael Fenton Stevens, Mel Hudson, Alex Lowe and Dan Tetsell.

Written by Danny Robins and Dan Tetsell.

Producer: Lucy Armitage

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2005.

SUN 22:45 Knocker (b00890pv)

Prinvasionacy

Armed with a broken clipboard, puny incentives, inappropriate footwear and an unflinching commitment to the Market Researcher's Code of Conduct, Ian Dunn seeks the precious opinions of a hostile public.

CAST:

Ian Dunn Neil Edmond

Mary/Mrs Rapidis Paula Wilcox

Mrs Worth Julia Deakin

Ms Shape Tina Gray

Mr Bluff Simone Treves

Written by Neil Edmond

Producer: Tilusha Ghelani

First broadcast on BBC Radio 7 in 2007.

SUN 23:00 Newsjack (m000n4jl)

Series 23

Episode 3

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

SUN 23:30 The Skivers (b00jhmllm)

Series 3

Phillip Schofield

Going Live! Phillip Schofield relives his days on children's television, with Nick Golsen and Tim de Jongh. From January 1997.

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MON 00:00 Cult Vampires (m0003sw6)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Sunday]

MON 00:30 A Stone Woman (m000ndr3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Sunday]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 13:00 on Sunday]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 on Sunday]

MON 06:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b007jv1j)

Charles Paris: Cast, in Order of Disappearance

6. King Rat

Charles has been shot - was it an accident or did someone try to murder him?

Francis Matthews stars as actor-cum-sleuth, Charles Paris.

Conclusion of Simon Brett's thriller adapted by the author.

Charles Paris Francis Matthews

Jacqui Mitchell Fiona Hendley

Gerald Venables Jeremy Child

Joanne Menzies Sandra Clark

Nigel Steen Richard Morant

Keith Nigel Graham

Eric Mark Jones

Doctor Marsh/ Taxi Driver Jon Strickland

Producer: Martin Fisher

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in June 1984.

MON 06:30 Trueman and Riley (b01djtjt)

Series 3

1. Every Dog Has His Day

Ignoring all evidence to the contrary, underachieving detectives Trueman and Riley still hope for a return to the front line of policing. But will the strange case of a murdered greyhound bring them to the notice of the top brass?

Brian B. Thompson's detective series about the ill-matched duo is set in Leeds.

CAST:

D.I. Trueman Robert Dawes

D.S. Riley Duncan Preston

Sally Katherine Dow Blyton

Brandon Harry Livingstone

Patrick Makin Gerard McDermott

Track Announcer James Lailey

Director: Toby Swift

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in 2012

MON 07:00 Rumbblings from the Rafter (b07h65c6)

Death Watch Beetle and Queen Wasp

Alison Steadman and Bill Paterson star as a bossy queen wasp and a death watch beetle as they reveal the truth about life in a draughty old attic in a house in Amersham.

The first of three tales, written and introduced by Lynne Truss, with additional sound recordings by Chris Watson.

The Death Watch Beetle is a wood-boring beetle. Having spent twelve years as a larva boring through a single rafter in the house with no one to talk to, our beetle is now an adult with about 5 weeks left to live. He has just three aims in life: Firstly, to find a mate, which he does by banging his head on the timber "Oh Come on girls, .. I know you're out there ... Don't tell me this attic has ever seen such a specimen before. This lovely compact dark brown capsule of hard cuticle covered with yellowish scale-like hair and just under a centimetre long - it could all be yours!

Secondly, to make as much noise as he can.

And finally, to live long enough to see the roof cave in.

The Queen Wasp is very, very bossy, and very, very stressed. She carries the entire responsibility for the wasp colony and its thousands of inhabitants, all of whom are her own progeny. There is an enormous amount of work to be done.

"They call themselves workers, these girls, but quite frankly, none of them knows what real work actually is." It is lonely at the top too." I did consider leaving all this, at one point. None of them knows this; they'd be heartbroken to think I might have left them" and she is just beginning to lose her grip. "Bring me my list" she constantly yells.

Life doesn't get much more stressful than this.

Death Watch Beetle: Bill Paterson

Queen Wasp: Alison Steadman

Written and introduced by Lynne Truss

Wildlife sound recordings Chris Watson

Producer Sarah Blunt.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2016.

MON 07:30 The Museum of Curiosity (m000n5g1)

Series 15

Episode 5

Professor of Ignorance John Lloyd and the Museum's latest curator Alice Levine are joined by comedian Ken Cheng, jewellery and silverware designer Theo Fennell and Supernanny Jo Frost.

This week, the Museum's Guest Committee donate the Starship Enterprise, a bottle of rum and the perfect after dinner singsong.

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 (b00cgl74)

Series 5

Episode 8

A travelogue of Wales, major surgery - and a trip to Venus. More quick-fire sketches, terrible puns, humorous songs and parodies.

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

Written by Eric Idle, Bill Oddie and Graeme Garden. With Ray Butler and Ian Fagelson.

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 June 1967.

MON 08:30 The Secret Life of Rosewood Avenue (b007jx6f)

Mrs Garland's Good Deeds

"The over 70's keep fit club has got completely out of hand, Mr Critchley. Can't you see how cruel it is expecting pensioners to vault over a horse?"

More crazy happenings for hapless vicar Timothy Carswell.

Stephen Sheridan's six-part series stars James Groux as the Reverend Timothy Carswell, Margaret Courtenay as Miss Tilling, Jean Heywood as Miss Tapp, Jacqueline Tong as Hilary and Patricia Hayes as Miss Willow.

Producer: Lissa Evans.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1991.

MON 09:00 Foul Play (b00zljzj)

Series 4

Death and Two Copies, Please

Crime writers Tim Heald and Margaret Yorke puzzle over a case of robbery gone wrong.

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 October 1998.

MON 09:30 Stockport, So Good They Named It Once (b01n2p30)

Series 2

Mint

Jason and Michael stake their claim in cyberspace. Meanwhile, the Conroys become the subject of an academic study.

The lives of the Stockport-based, Conroy family - in series 2 of Damian Lanigan and Jim Poyser's comedy drama.

Starring Andrew Knott as Jason, Beverley Callard as Maureen, John Henshaw as Eddie, Jason Done as Michael and Rolf Saxo as Larry.

Music: Big George

Producer: Neil Mossey

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2000.

MON 10:00 Drama (b06z1zf4)

Graham Greene: The Honorary Consul

Episode 1

The first of two episodes dramatised for radio by Nick Warburton.

In a conversation with Nicholas Shakespeare, Graham Greene once named 'The Honorary Consul' as his favourite among all his novels, "...because the characters change and that is very difficult to do."

In this superbly tense story of political kidnap and sexual betrayal set at the beginning of Argentina's Dirty War in early 1970s, Greene's characters find themselves on a switchback ride of love, sacrifice and violence.

Isolated Dr Eduardo Plarr, son of a missing political prisoner, is lured into collaborating with a defrocked priest in a kidnap plot, only to find the lives of two people he doesn't care for, suddenly in his hands.

Meanwhile Charles Fortnum, the elderly and drunken Honorary Consul in a one-horse town near the Paraguayan border, faces his own terrors, and the loss of the young prostitute he has fallen in love with.

Greene added: "For me the sinner and the saint can meet; there is no discontinuity, no rupture... The basic element I admire in Christianity is its sense of moral failure. That is its very foundation. For once you're conscious of personal failure, then perhaps in future you become a little less fallible. In 'The Honorary Consul' I did suggest this idea, through the guerrilla priest, that God and the devil were actually one and the same person - God had a day-time and a night-time face, but that He evolved, as Christ tended to prove, towards His day-time face - absolute goodness - thanks to each positive act of men."

Dr. Eduardo Plarr Geoffrey Streetfield

Charley Fortnum Matthew Marsh

León Rivas Stefano Braschi

Aquino Martín Marquez

Clara Beatriz Romilly

Dr Humphries Ewan Bailey

Colonel Perez Chris Pavlo

Gruber Sean Baker

Father Brian Protheroe

Teresa Rebecca Hamilton

Produced and directed by Jonquil Panting.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2016.

MON 11:00 TED Radio Hour (m000nc9h)

Series 7

Can We Trust The Numbers?

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

Guy Raz explores a world dominated by data, statistics and algorithms. What are the ups and downs of relying on numbers? First broadcast in the USA on National Public Radio in 2018.

MON 11:50 Inheritance Tracks (m000nc9k)

Zawe Ashton

Actor, writer and director Zawe Ashton chooses 'Crazy Love Vol II' by Paul Simon and 'Don't Touch My Hair' by Solange.

MON 12:00 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00cgl74)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

MON 12:30 The Secret Life of Rosewood Avenue (b007jx6f)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

MON 13:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b007jvj1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

MON 13:30 Trueman and Riley (b01dtjt1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

MON 14:00 Foul Play (b00zljzj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

MON 14:30 Stockport, So Good They Named It Once (b01n2p30)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

MON 15:00 Drama (b06z1zf4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

MON 16:00 TED Radio Hour (m000nc9h)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

MON 16:50 Inheritance Tracks (m000nc9k)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:50 today]

MON 17:00 Rumbblings from the Rafters (b07h65c6)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

MON 17:30 The Museum of Curiosity (m000n5g1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

MON 18:00 Peter Elliott Hayes - Orbit One Zero (b08gk51z)

6. The Unseen

Grave warnings emanate from deep space. Do the seemingly indestructible cylinders have a weakness?

Newspaper reporter, Tom Lambert has decided to reinvestigate the strange events of ten years before, concerning the "cosmic noise". Believing the inside story was never told, he's tracked down the only man who knows, Dr Hayward Petrie.

Told in flashbacks, the story unfolds from Dr Petrie's own recordings of the time when the detection of a strange pattern of signals sparks a mysterious discovery...

Dr Petrie Felix Felton

Tom Lambert David Spenser

Clifford Brown Graydon Gould

Elizabeth Ryder Elaine MacNamara

Professor Campbell McLaren Ian Sadler

Peter Garrick Harold Reese

Sir Edward Bancroft William Fox

Lord Hatherton Charles West

Police Superintendent Eric Lugg

Written by Peter Elliott Hayes

Producer: David Davis

First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in May 1961.

MON 18:30 A Good Read (b00w1zx7)

Baroness Mary Warnock and John Telfer

In a special edition of the programme recorded in front of an audience at the Bristol Old Vic, Sue MacGregor and guests Baroness Warnock and actor John Telfer talk about their favourite paperbacks. Baroness Mary Warnock is one of the country's leading philosophers and the author of more than 15 books, widely known for the work she has done on government committees. John Telfer plays the Reverend Alan Franks in *The Archers*. He studied at the Bristol Old Vic Theatre School and has appeared in more than 35 plays with the Bristol Old Vic Company.

The books they'll be discussing include Evelyn Waugh's *Brideshead Revisited* and Philip Pullman's recent re-telling of the gospels, *The Good Man Jesus* and the Scoundrel Christ. *The Good Man Jesus* and the Scoundrel Christ by Philip Pullman

Publisher: Canongate Books

If It Bleeds by Duncan Campbell

Publisher: Headline

Brideshead Revisited by Evelyn Waugh

Publisher: Penguin Modern Classics

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2010.

MON 19:00 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00cgl74)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

MON 19:30 The Secret Life of Rosewood Avenue (b007jx6f)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

MON 20:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b007jvj1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

MON 20:30 Trueman and Riley (b01dtjt1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

MON 21:00 TED Radio Hour (m000nc9h)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

MON 21:50 Inheritance Tracks (m000nc9k)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:50 today]

MON 22:00 The Museum of Curiosity (m000n5g1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

MON 22:30 The Nick Revell Show (b007k1n0)

Series 2

Homeless

Nick is a struggling writer in his mid-thirties who speaks to his geraniums. They, meanwhile, watch on and take stock of his mishaps.

CAST:

Nick Revell

Alistair McGowan

Doon MacKichan

Brian Bowles

Charles McKeown

Gabrielle Cowburn

Written by Nick Revell.

Producer: Ioan Magnusson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1993.

MON 23:00 The News Quiz (m000n6rh)

Series 103

Episode 6

A satirical review of the week's news with Andy Zaltzman and guests Mark Steel, Lloyd Langford, Helen Lewis and Felicity Ward.

This week the Government's battle with Microsoft Excel, Donald Trump's battle with Covid-19 and Arsenal FC's battle with a dinosaur.

Written by Andy Zaltzman with additional material from Max Davis, Charlie Dinkin, Alice Fraser, Robin Morgan and Mo Omar.

Producer: Richard Morris

A BBC Studios Production

MON 23:30 Hut 33 (b01k6hfc)

Series 3

Unlucky for Some

1942: It's unlucky for some of the code breakers at Bletchley when they're forced to move into spooky Hut 13.

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 November 2009.

TUESDAY 13 OCTOBER 2020

TUE 00:00 Peter Elliott Hayes - Orbit One Zero (b08gk51z)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Monday]

TUE 00:30 A Good Read (b00w1zx7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Monday]

TUE 01:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b007jvj1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Monday]

TUE 01:30 Trueman and Riley (b01dtjt1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Monday]

TUE 02:00 Foul Play (b00z1zj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Monday]

TUE 02:30 Stockport, So Good They Named It Once (b01n2p30)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Monday]

TUE 03:00 Drama (b06z1z4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Monday]

TUE 04:00 TED Radio Hour (m000nc9h)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 on Monday]

TUE 04:50 Inheritance Tracks (m000nc9k)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:50 on Monday]

TUE 05:00 Rumbblings from the Rafters (b07h65c6)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Monday]

TUE 05:30 The Museum of Curiosity (m000n5g1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Monday]

TUE 06:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b01p3lg0)

An Amateur Corpse

Episode 1

Actor-cum-sleuth Charles Paris is once again out of work - an event made worse by his maddening mother Joan's arrival to recuperate from an operation.

So when he bumps into old friend, Hugo, who offers him some voiceover work, Charles is doubly happy; some money and a chance to escape the house.

But a simple voice job leads Charles into Hugo's drink-fuelled depressing marriage. His young wife spends most of her time at an am-dram group with some very strange members and Hugo seems ready to crack....

By Jeremy Front - based on Simon Brett's novel.

Charles Bill Nighy

Frances Suzanne Burden

Joan Geraldine McEwan

Hugo Paul Ritter

Ellie Amaka Okafor

Saskia Christine Alsalom

Geoff Patrick Brennan

Clive Sam Alexander

Director Sally Avens

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2012.

TUE 06:30 Trueman and Riley (b01dtrfl)

Series 3

2. Angel Delight

Burlesque performer, Ophelia Nuts, reports a robbery at her club and our usually grumpy detectives enter a world where desserts - and in particular cherries - take on a whole new meaning.

Brian B. Thompson's detective series about the ill-matched duo is set in Leeds.

CAST:

D.I. Trueman Robert Daws

D.S. Riley Duncan Preston

Angel Tracy Wiles

David Farr Peter Hamilton Dyer

Martin Beer Don Gilet

Ophelia Nuts Susie Riddell

Cafe Owner Harry Livingstone

Director: Marion Nancarrow

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in 2012

TUE 07:00 Hazelbeach (b00lny4b)

Series 2

Film

Hazelbeach Series 2

Part 2 of 6

By Caroline and David Stafford

Another comedy adventure featuring the likeable conman

Ronnie Hazelbeach, in which an unsuitable film is made and

Nick has a whirlwind romance.

Ronnie Hazelbeach.... Jamie Foreman

Nick.....Paul Bazely

James.....Neil Stuke

Polly..... Lizzy Watts

Berlin Phil..... Stephen Hogan

By Caroline and David Stafford

Director Marc Beeby

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2009.

TUE 07:30 Rob Newman (m000n5yy)

Rob Newman's Half-Full Philosophy Hour

3000 Years Of Bad Ideas

One of Britain's finest comedians Rob Newman returns with a brand new series that plunges into the world of philosophy. In episode one, he reveals why James Bond is inspired by Nietzsche, and why horny wood wasps might take issue with Einstein.

Written and performed by Rob Newman

Produced by Jon Harvey

Executive Producer: Polly Thomas

A Naked production for BBC Radio 4

TUE 08:00 The Goon Show (b007jtj9)

Series 7

The Sleeping Prince

When Neddie Seagoon is made president of Yakabakoo, he tries to quell a revolution. Stars Spike Milligan. From February 1957.

TUE 08:30 Any Other Business (b013n7gx)

Episode 5

The argy bargy of Chesbury politics presents a brand new Chestnut and a spot of blackmail.

Lucy Flannery's local government sitcom stars Nelson David, John Dutine, 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 (m000n6rh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 23:00 on Monday]

TUE 09:30 Like They've Never Been Gone (b009y19f)

Series 2

Trouble With the Credit Card

It's duo Tommy and Sheila's second stab at fame - and she's been spending.

30 years after sweethearts Tommy Franklin and Sheila Parr won the 1962 Eurovision Song Contest, the musical double-act are back in the big time.

Series 2 of Mike Coleman's six-part sitcom stars June Whitfield and Roy Hudd.

With Pat Coombs, Julian Eardley and Edward Halstead.

Music by Frido Ruth.

Producer: Steve Doherty

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1999.

TUE 10:00 Drama (b06zqk2w)

Graham Greene: The Honorary Consul

Episode 2

In a conversation with Nicholas Shakespeare, Graham Greene once named "The Honorary Consul" as his favourite among all his novels, "...because the characters change and that is very difficult to do."

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Greene added: "For me the sinner and the saint can meet; there is no discontinuity, no rupture... The basic element I admire in Christianity is its sense of moral failure. That is its very foundation. For once you're conscious of personal failure, then perhaps in future you become a little less fallible. In "The Honorary Consul" I did suggest this idea, through the guerrilla priest, that God and the devil were actually one and the same person - God had a day-time and a night-time face, but that He evolved, as Christ tended to prove, towards His day-time face - absolute goodness - thanks to each positive act of men."

In this concluding episode, Plarr's attempts to help Charley get him death threats from the police. Not only is the state closing in on Plarr, but his own past too.

Dr. Eduardo Plarr Geoffrey Streatfeild

Charley Fortnum Matthew Marsh

León Rivas Stefano Braschi

Aquino Martín Marquez

Clara Beatriz Romilly

Dr Humphries Ewan Bailey

Colonel Perez Chris Pavlo

Marta Yolanda Vazquez

Crichton George Watkins

José Sean Baker

Father Brian Protheroe

Dramatised for radio by Nick Warburton

Produced and directed by Jonquil Panting

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2016.

TUE 11:00 Telling Tales (m0006fx7)

Katherine Jakeways

Katherine Jakeways is an actor and writer, whose brilliant character comedy in North By Northamptonshire led to a Radio Times declaration that she was "the new Victoria Wood."

Her popular Radio 4 series, which began life as an Edinburgh show with Katherine playing all the parts, was first heard in 2010. The all-star cast includes Penelope Wilton, Felicity Montagu, Mackenzie Crook, Kevin Eldon and Sheila Hancock as the narrator.

It is a masterclass in how to mine the rich comic scene of middle England, set in the fictional town of Waddenbrooke, where everybody knows each other's business and the supermarket manager uses the public address system to overshare.

Katherine's radio plays include a slow-burn romantic drama, which began with 2016's Where This Service Will Terminate and reached a fourth chapter in 2019, with Where This Service Will Separate.

This episode of Telling Tales features the first instalment and the couple's "meet-cute" is a disagreement over a train seat reservation, as Suzie and David get to know each other, on the journey from London to Penzance. The drama stars Justin Edwards and Rosie Cavaliero, with a cameo from Katherine Jakeways herself, and was produced by James Robinson.

Produced by Ali Gardiner for BBC Radio 4 Extra.

First broadcast in 2019.

TUE 12:00 The Goon Show (b007jtj9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

TUE 12:30 Any Other Business (b013n7gx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

TUE 13:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b01p3lg0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

TUE 13:30 Trueman and Riley (b01dtrfl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

TUE 14:00 All the Way from Memphis (b00jnslm)

Series 1

Episode 6

James Walton's pop music history quiz with Tracey Macleod, Andrew Collins, Anthony Wilson and Richard Curtis. From January 2005.

TUE 14:30 Like They've Never Been Gone (b009y19f)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

TUE 15:00 Drama (b06zqk2w)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

TUE 16:00 Telling Tales (m0006fx7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

TUE 17:00 Hazelbeach (b00lny4b)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

TUE 17:30 Rob Newman (m000n5yy)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

TUE 18:00 Weird Tales (b00x4gb2)

Series 1

Out of the Depths, by Melissa Murray

Series of four chilling and intimate plays.

By Melissa Murray. When Martha discovers her sister Grace has been trying past-life regression to break a cycle of abusive relationships, she decides it is time for them to return to a place from their past. Travelling to Cornwall, they are forced to confront demons. But which sister needs to be free and what will it cost?

Martha Elizabeth Berrington

Grace Naomi Frederick

Tom Ed Gaughan

Lovecraft Stephen Hogan

Therapist Caroline Guthrie.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2009.

TUE 18:30 Soul Music (b0076xfb)

Series 5

Ol' Man River

'Old Man River' flowed out of the 1927 musical "Show Boat" and remains with us today as both a political anthem of oppressed people and a song of deep comfort. Sung by a hospital porter it was the last song that market trader Dave Everett heard before he went into surgery and it calmed his fears. Tony Benn recalls hearing the great Paul Robeson singing it at the House of Lords Tea Room. Including interviews with Tony Benn, Paul Robeson Jr and Cleo Laine.

Contributors:

Hugh Fordin

Tony Benn

Dave Everett

Cleo Laine

Steve Abrams

Paul Robeson Jr

Ian Bradley

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2006.

TUE 19:00 The Goon Show (b007jtj9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

TUE 19:30 Any Other Business (b013n7gx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

TUE 20:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b01p3lg0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

TUE 20:30 Trueman and Riley (b01dtrfl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

TUE 21:00 Telling Tales (m0006fx7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

TUE 22:00 Rob Newman (m000n5yy)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

TUE 22:30 Everyone Quite Likes Justin (b01mc0mc)

Series 2

Episode 1

Justin's still living with his father-in-law, still working with his ex-wife and still calling on his Gran for her words of wisdom. This week he also has to cope with not having a plus one to bring to his school reunion.

Justin Justin Moorhouse

Gran Anne Reid

Lisa Christine Bottomley

Man Jim Poyser

Bryn Lloyd Langford

Ray Paul Copley

Miles Rob Rouse

Tanya Victoria Elliott

by Justin Moorhouse and Jim Poyser

Producer: Steven Canny

In one version of his life, Justin is a loveable celebrity who is successful, funny, and stopped in the street by adoring fans. He's the man who has everything.

In the more realistic version he's a DJ in a slightly shabby local radio station who gets hassled by the occasional oddball on the street. And he's the man who hopes for everything. And at home? Well, it's chaotic. His wife has left him, taking custody of his 8-year-old son Justin jr. So he's back on the market. So he's currently living in his father-in-law's spare room in Bury. The only person who understands him is his Gran, living in luxury in an old folk's home in Warrington. Oh, and his producer Bryn but this might not be such a good thing. Everyone Quite Likes Justin is written by Justin Moorhouse and Jim Poyser. Justin is a comedian who sells out gigs across the country. He has also written plays and a previous show for Radio 4. Jim Poyser is a writer and producer of enormous experience in both radio and television. Recorded in front of an audience in Manchester.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2012.

TUE 23:00 Woof (b0bgrtmh)

True Tales of Romance and Failure

A Foreign Tongue

Bittersweet comic real life stories written and performed by Chris Neill with Martin Hyder and Isy Suttie. This week - Chris Neill's amusing love life tales including his first love, Pierre-Claude from his school French book, an encounter with a violinist and, is France the answer?

Written by Chris Neill

Starring: Chris Neill, Isy Suttie and Martin Hyder

Producer: Steve Doherty

A Giddy Goat production for BBC Radio 4. First broadcast in September 2018.

TUE 23:15 The Pin (b06j5bj)

Series 1

Episode 1

Join Alex and Ben in their weird twist on the double-act sketch show. Strap in for a 15 minute delve in to a world of oddness performed in front of a live studio audience.

The Pin are an award-winning comedy duo, and legends of Edinburgh festival. They deconstruct the sketch form, in a show that exists somewhere between razor-sharp smartness and utterly joyous silliness.

After a sold-out run in Edinburgh, and a string of hilarious performances across BBC Radio 4 Extra, BBC 3, Channel 4, and Comedy Central, this is The Pin's debut solo show for Radio 4. Join them as they celebrate, make, collapse and rebuild their jokes, each other, and probably the radio too.

Produced by Sam Bryant.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.

TUE 23:30 Old Harry's Game (b007jm9l)

Series 3

This Thing Called Love

Satan worries about his image, and the Professor is concerned over his widow's remarriage.

Andy Hamilton's devilishly funny sit-com set in Hell.

CAST:

Satan Andy Hamilton

The Professor James Grout

Thomas Jimmy Mulville

Scumspawn Robert Duncan

with Philip Pope, Michael Fenton Stevens, Felicity Montagu and Nick Revell

Producer Paul Mayhew-Archer

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1999.

WEDNESDAY 14 OCTOBER 2020

WED 00:00 Weird Tales (b00x4gb2)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Tuesday]

WED 00:30 Soul Music (b0076xfb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Tuesday]

WED 01:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b01p3lg0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Tuesday]

WED 01:30 Trueman and Riley (b01dtrfl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Tuesday]

WED 02:00 All the Way from Memphis (b00jnslm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Tuesday]

WED 02:30 Like They've Never Been Gone (b009y19f)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Tuesday]

WED 03:00 Drama (b06zqk2w)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Tuesday]

WED 04:00 Telling Tales (m0006fx7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 on Tuesday]

WED 05:00 Hazelbeach (b00lly4b)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Tuesday]

WED 05:30 Rob Newman (m000n5yy)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Tuesday]

WED 06:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b01p71wn)

An Amateur Corpse

Episode 2

What starts as a simple voiceover job soon leads Charles to the discovery of a dead body.

By Jeremy Front - based on Simon Brett's novel.

Charles Bill Nighy

Frances Suzanne Burden

Joan Geraldine McEwan

Maurice Jon Glover

Hugo Paul Ritter

Ellie Amaka Okafor

Saskia Christine Absalom

Geoff Patrick Brennan

Clive Sam Alexander

Director Sally Avens

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2012.

WED 06:30 Trueman and Riley (b01dtrfj)

Series 3

3. Family Business

Yorkshire's grumpiest detectives are on the trail of a missing gambler with £98,000 in cash in his pocket. If only they knew who he was...or where he lived...or anything really. Time for some old fashioned sleuthing.

Brian B. Thompson's detective series about the ill-matched duo is set in Leeds.

CAST:

D.I. Trueman Robert Daws

D.S. Riley Duncan Preston

Bill Gerard McDermott

Charlie David Hargreaves

Dermot James Lailey

Sandra Christine Absalom

Waitress Tracy Wiles

Director: Toby Swift

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in 2012

WED 07:00 Barbara Nice (m000nd71)

Series 1

The Scare

Barbara is convinced that Ken needs a health check up and is horrified to discover she is the one the doctors are interested in. She suspects the worst and is determined to fulfill some lifetime ambitions recruiting Mary and Ken into her misguided plans.

Barbara Nice.....Janice Connolly

Ken Nice.....John Henshaw

Mary.....Angela Curran

Doctor.....Ameet Chana

Consultant.....Josephine Enright

Receptionist.....Toby Tilling

Producer: Rebecca Papworth

A BBC Studios Production

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in 2017.

WED 07:30 Ability (m0003r3w)

Series 2

Disability Exam

Matt is 25. He has cerebral palsy and can only speak via an app on his iPad. Everyone who cares about Matt knows that this isn't the defining thing about him. He is funny and clever and "up for stuff" - partly because he is keen to show that there's nothing he can't do, but also because, if he's honest, he's aware that he's less likely than other people to get the blame.

In this second series of the award nominated comedy, Matt is still sharing a flat with his best mate, Jess. He is still in love with her but, much as she likes him, she is still not in love with him. She does however, fancy Matt's rubbish carer, Bob (Allan Mustafa). Well just a tiny bit anyway. Not that she would ever admit it. After all, Bob is even more lazy and useless at most things than she is.

But Bob is willing. And although domestic duties are not really his forte, he likes Matt and treats him like a real person. And over the last year or so the three of them have been through a lot together - well a lot of drinking and hangovers anyway.

Ability is the semi-autobiographical co-creation of the 2018 Britain's Got Talent winner, Lee Ridley, otherwise known as Lost Voice Guy. Like his sitcom creation, Lee has cerebral palsy and can only speak via an app. He is - probably - the first stand up comedian to use a communication aid. Prior to BGT, Lee won the BBC New Comedy Award in 2014, has written and performed four full Edinburgh shows and has just completed a major sell out tour of the UK.

Katherine Jakeways, the co-creator and co-writer of Ability, is a multi-award nominated writer. She has written North by Northamptonshire, Guilt Trip and All Those Women for BBC Radio 4 as well as numerous radio plays. She has also written for Crackanory and The Tracey Ullman Show for TV. The series is set in Newcastle and many of the cast last played together as children in Biker's Grove.

Cast includes:

Matt.....Lee Ridley - aka Lost Voice Guy

Bob.....Allan Mustafa

Jess.....Sammy Dobson

Matt's Inner Voice.....Andrew Hayden-Smith

A Funny Bones production for BBC Radio 4

WED 08:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jp42)

Series 5

The Threatening Letters

The lad is full of the joys of Spring - until the postman arrives.

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 (b0084qnz)

Series 2

You Shall Go to the Ball

Izzy gets invited to a ball in Cambridge, but she could do with a fairy godmother...

Imelda Staunton stars as Izzy. With David Robb as Charles,

Mike Grady as Dick, Nicholas Le Provost as Michael, Marty

Cruikshank as Maria, Dafydd Hywel as Gwyn and Phyllida

Nash as Louise.

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 (b01r9rtd)

Series 2

Episode 5

Sue Perkins puts Jason Cook, Cerys Matthews, David

Aaronovitch and Sara Pascoe through the moral and ethical

wringer.

Amongst the dilemmas facing the panel, Sue asks singer and BBC 6 Music host Cerys Matthews whether she'd eat an alien as an act of survival?

Devised by Danielle Ward.

Producer: Ed Morrish.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2013.

WED 09:30 North East of Eden (b01fnjpj)

Cod Comfort

With submarine manoeuvres offshore and troubles with EEC fish quotas for the fishermen, Marcia tries to adjust to a quieter lifestyle.

And a man from the ministry man is snooping about...

Rebecca Front and Joan Sims stars in Peter Kerry's sitcom about a GP living on Paradise Island off the coast of Northumbria.

Doctor Marcia Hulme Rebecca Front

Auntie Annie Joan Sims

Hjorst Niall Ashdown

Joseph Gates James Garbutt

Mrs Peevis Jean Southern

William Sammy Johnson

Ralph Gates Stephen Thirkield

Other Roles Peter Kerry

Producer: Kathy Smith

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1997.

WED 10:00 Jonathan Swift - Gulliver's Travels (b01bklyl)

1 The Voyage to Lilliput

Gulliver is shipwrecked on the Island of Lilliput where the natives are tiny people living in a miniature society.

With his unique overview of this realm, Gulliver discovers a world of petty politics and small minds. Coerced into a war between two nations who disagree on the best way to eat boiled eggs, Gulliver finds himself betrayed by friends and battered by enemies - escape is his only option if he wants to survive!

Jonathan Swift's classic satire starring Arthur Darvill as Gulliver.

Mary Bethan Walker

Gulliver Arthur Darvill

Flimnap Richard Nichols

Bolgolam, Hurgo Sam Dale

Richard Sympton, Redresal Matthew Gravelle

King of Lilliput Chris Pavlo

and Judith Faulstich

Gulliver's adventures in Lilliput are hilarious, disturbing and

profound. This is a story of dishonest politicians, mindless ceremony and wars based on unconvincing arguments. A satire as potent now as it ever was!

Gulliver's Travels quickly became a classic. The book has become not only the defining work of its author but also of its genre - a landmark in English Literature to which all satirists today can trace a heritage.

Adapted for radio by Matthew Broughton.

A BBC Cymru/Wales production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in 2012.

WED 11:00 Hilarious Histories - What's So Funny About the Past? (m000nd74)

3. Eddie Izzard & Pauline Pepsy's Dowry

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.

To help Greg grapple with the big questions over accuracy and ethics, he's joined by Stephen Fry, comedian-turned-classicist Natalie Haynes, 'Horrible Histories' Head Writer Ben Ward and 'Austentatious' improvisers Cariad Lloyd and Andrew Hunter-Murray.

Featured programmes:

'Pauline Pepsy's Dowry' [R4 2010]

'That Mitchell and Webb Sound' [R4 2005]

'Eddie Izzard: Dressed to Kill'

Produced by Anne-Marie Luff.

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in February 2019.

WED 12:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jp42)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

WED 12:30 Up the Garden Path (b0084qnz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

WED 13:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b01p71wn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

WED 13:30 Trueman and Riley (b01dtrfj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

WED 14:00 Dilemma (b01r9rtd)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

WED 14:30 North East of Eden (b01fnjpj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

WED 15:00 Jonathan Swift - Gulliver's Travels (b01bklyl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

WED 16:00 Hilarious Histories - What's So Funny About the Past? (m000nd74)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

WED 17:00 Barbara Nice (m000nd71)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

WED 17:30 Ability (m0003r3w)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

WED 18:00 Weird Tales (b00vk756)

Series 1

The Loop, by Chris Harrald

Series of four chilling and intimate plays by Chris Harrald.

It is 1906 and workers on the new London underground network unearth some mysterious remains. A young archaeologist investigates and discovers that there are some

mysteries better left undisturbed.
 Lovecraft/Samuels Stephen Hogan
 Geoffrey Coombs Geoffrey Streatfeild
 Lucy Allen Sophie Roberts
 Mr Hodge Stephen Critchlow
 Billy Joe Prospero
 Feasy Paul Rider
 Workman Matt Addis
 Waitress Lizzy Watts
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2009.
WED 18:30 Short Cuts (b09fy5x6)
 Series 14
 Incantations
 Josie Long hears stories spell craft, poetry and art coming to life.
 What can a poet learn from a consultant sorcerer? Ross Sutherland explores the poetic possibilities of spell craft. A fragment of Sappho's poetic longing is unpicked alongside a reading by Anne Carson. And at night, in a gallery, art springs to life.
 Incantations
 Featuring Ross Sutherland and Dr Alexander Cummins
 After Fragment 31
 Featuring Anne Carson and Jennifer Metsker
 Produced by Stephanie Rowden and Jennifer Metsker
 Nocturne
 Produced by Neville Edwards and Cathy FitzGerald
 On behalf of Antenna International for The National Gallery, London
 Original poetry by Jacob Sam-La Rose and Aoife Mannix
 Series Producer: Eleanor McDowall
 A Falling Tree production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in November 2017.
WED 19:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jp42)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
WED 19:30 Up the Garden Path (b0084qnz)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
WED 20:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b01p71wn)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
WED 20:30 Trueman and Riley (b01dtvfj)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
WED 21:00 Hilarious Histories - What's So Funny About the Past? (m000nd74)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
WED 22:00 Ability (m0003r3w)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
WED 22:30 Late (b0076dgy)
 From Tangoing to Keeping Watch
 Tango dancers, DJs and a neighbourhood watch.
 Bleak, funny, sultry, bitter, poignant - the first of a four-part series of brief visits to a city, late at night.
 Stars Paul Merton, Richard Wilson, Liz Smith, Julian Clary, Meera Syal, Tilly Vosburgh and Holly Johnson.
 Scripted by Mandy Wheeler, Joss Bennathan, Tilly Vosburgh, Rob Colley and Paul Merton.
 Sound engineer Richard Brough provides a variety of tones and emissions reflecting late-night city life, from crying babies to midnight shoppers, cabbies to sex workers.
 Music by Robert Katz
 Producer: Sarah Parkinson
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2001.
WED 22:45 Jigsaw (b04fc70t)
 Series 2
 Episode 1
 Award-winning stand-up comedians Dan Antopolski, Tom Craine and Nat Luurtsema combine their talents to piece together a rapid-fire and surreal sketch show.
 Produced by Colin Anderson.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014.
WED 23:00 Rubbish (b0084j26)
 Series 2
 Insomnia
 Martin Christmas works in the council's recycling department - an apt job as it reflects the rubbish going on in his personal life. Martin has a new boss who delights in winding him up...
 Series two of Tony Bagley's sitcom.
 Stars Reece Dinsdale as Martin, Matthew Cottle as Barney, Neil Dudgeon as John, Emma Kennedy as Dawn and Nicole Shortland as the Little Girl.
 Producer: Claire Bartlett
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2007.
WED 23:30 28 Acts in 28 Minutes (b009ly1p)
 Series 2
 Episode 3
 John Humphrys gives 28 performers 60 seconds to entertain an audience:
 Phil Cornwell
 Francesca Beard
 The Bearded Ladies
 Matt Morisroe
 James Sherwood
 John Richardson
 Tom McRae
 Geoffrey McGivern
 Liam Mullone
 Danielle Ward
 John Finnemore
 Greedy
 Ian Stone

Gwyn Herbert
 Kerry Godliman and David Lane
 Lee Barnard
 Simon Jones
 Terry Saunders
 Ginger & Black
 Simon Evans
 Nathan Penlington
 Tim Fitzhigham
 Carol Smith
 Alex Lowe
 Producers: Rohan Acharya and Ed Morrish
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2008.

THURSDAY 15 OCTOBER 2020

THU 00:00 Weird Tales (b00vk756)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Wednesday]
THU 00:30 Short Cuts (b09fy5x6)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Wednesday]
THU 01:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b01p71wn)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Wednesday]
THU 01:30 Trueman and Riley (b01dtvfj)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Wednesday]
THU 02:00 Dilemma (b01r9rtd)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Wednesday]
THU 02:30 North East of Eden (b01flmpj)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Wednesday]
THU 03:00 Jonathan Swift - Gulliver's Travels (b01bkyly)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Wednesday]
THU 04:00 Hilarious Histories - What's So Funny About the Past? (m000nd74)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 on Wednesday]
THU 05:00 Barbara Nice (m000nd71)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Wednesday]
THU 05:30 Ability (m0003r3w)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Wednesday]
THU 06:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b01pc2kt)
 An Amateur Corpse
 Episode 3
 Charles wants to prove that his old friend Hugo didn't kill his wife, but all the signs are pointing to Hugo's guilt.
 By Jeremy Front - based on Simon Brett's novel.
 Charles Bill Nighy
 Frances Suzanne Burden
 Joan Geraldine McEwan
 Maurice Jon Glover
 Hugo Paul Ritter
 Holly Susie Riddell
 Detective Don Gilet
 Paramedic Joe Sims
 Director Sally Avens
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2012.
THU 06:30 Trueman and Riley (b01dvydy)
 Series 3
 4. Green Machine
 Trueman and Riley stumble onto the Crime Squad's patch when they investigate an environmental activist who's been run over. But they're all on the same side. Aren't they?
 Brian B. Thompson's detective series about the ill-matched duo is set in Leeds.
 CAST:
 D.I. Trueman Robert Davs
 D.S. Riley Duncan Preston
 Terry Don Gilet
 Jenny Susie Riddell
 Tyler Tom Meredith
 Mr Eagle James Lailey
 Woman Christine Absalom
 Director: Marion Nancarrow
 Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in 2012
THU 07:00 North by Northamptonshire (b03phd43)
 Series 3
 Episode 4
 by Katherine Jakeways
 Sheila Hancock narrates the bittersweet adventures of the residents of a small market town in Northamptonshire. This week, waiting in for a delivery tests the patience of even the most well meaning of daughters.
 Producer: Steven Canny
 As is well-known: Yorkshiremen 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 audience and critics.
 'The laughs are cruel, but the monsters of suburbia are curiously

sympathetic, and the characters so well drawn and well played that this could run and run.' Time Out.
THU 07:30 John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme (b06yfjdy)
 Series 5
 Episode 4
 John Finnemore's fifth series of his multi-award-winning sketch show, joined as ever by Margaret Cabourn-Smith, Simon Kane, Lawry Lewin and Carrie Quinlan.
 This week features a sketch that couldn't catch a cold in Coventry, if you know what we mean; a train passenger who really doesn't over think things; and, well, since you ask him for a tale of a haunted mansion...
 John is the writer and star of Cabin Pressure and John Finnemore's Double Acts, regular guest on The Now Show and The Unbelievable Truth.
 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
 A BBC Radio Comedy production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in January 2016.
THU 08:00 Beyond Our Ken (m000ncxl)
 Series 4
 Episode 7
 Kenneth Horne visits the Tower of London - and Hornerama looks at crime.
 With Kenneth Williams, Hugh Paddick, Betty Marsden, Bill Pertwee and Announcer, Douglas Smith.
 The precursor to 'Round The Horne', 'Beyond Our Ken' hit the airwaves in 1958 and ran to 1964 - featuring regulars like Cecil Snaith, Stanley Burkinshaw and Rodney and Charles.
 Music from Janet Waters, The Hornets and the BBC Variety Orchestra conducted by Paul Fenoulhet.
 Written by Eric Merriman
 Producer: Jacques Brown
 First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in December 1960.
THU 08:30 Yes Minister (b007k14t)
 Series 2
 The Whisky Priest
 Facing a moral dilemma over the sale of British-made weapons, Jim Hacker tries to shun Sir Humphrey's advice.
 CAST:
 Jim Hacker Paul Eddington
 Sir Humphrey Appleby Nigel Hawthorne
 Bernard Derek Fowldes
 Major Saunders Anton Rodgers
 Annie Diana Hoddinott
 The Chief Whip Edward Jewesbury
 Antony Jay and Jonathan Lynn's satirical sitcom ran on BBC TV between 1980 and 1984.
 Adapted for radio by producer Pete Atkin.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1984.
THU 09:00 Genius (b00b9nzd)
 Series 1
 John Fortune
 A fake brake pedal for nervous passengers to using laughing gas for riots? Dave Gorman asks John Fortune to select the public's 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 November 2005.
THU 09:30 Millport (b0076bk4)
 Series 3
 The Siege
 Millport's under siege by the neighbouring islands, furious that this little insignificant town has its own independent public house.
 Amidst the madness Irene and Moira find romance where they least expect it - and Alberto unveils an unusual secret defence system.
 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 / Doctor / Robert the dog / Mr Shetland / Mr Sky, Gabriel Quigley as Ena / Bunty, Robert Paterson as the Minister / Bob / Mr Dunoon / Mr Orkney and Kenneth Bryans as Dougie / Mr Arran.
 Producer: Lucy Bacon
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2002.
THU 10:00 Jonathan Swift - Gulliver's Travels (b01bwddl)
 2 The Voyage to Brobdingnag
 Gulliver's adventures continue when he finds himself in Brobdingnag - a land where the inhabitants are enormous! Here, as a miniature man, Gulliver must fight for survival against rats the size of dogs, a dwarf who is 40 foot high, and the ridicule and humiliation of a scornful court.
 Jonathan Swift's classic satire starring Arthur Darvill as Gulliver.

Gulliver Arthur Darvill
King Sam Dale
Richard Simpson Matthew Gravelle
Mary Bethan Walker
Dwarf Gareth Pierce
Farmer's Wife Claire Cage
The Queen Lynne Seymour
With his uniquely close-up view, Gulliver sees the people (even the great beauties) as if under a microscope - and they are dirty, stinking and disgusting. He becomes increasingly horrified by humankind, stranded in a frightening land where his only ally is an innocent child. Once again, escape is imperative - if he doesn't, he won't survive...

As an exploration of of man's vanity and complacency, Gulliver's second voyage is an acute satire - as relevant today as ever. Beyond that, it is also a rattling good adventure story - a man lost, swashbuckling his way through manifold giant-sized dangers, desperate to find a way back home.

Adapted for radio by Matthew Broughton.
A BBC Cymru/Wales production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in 2012.

THU 11:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m000ncxn)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Sunday]

THU 11:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b011ckxz)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 on Sunday]

THU 12:00 Beyond Our Ken (m000ncxl)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

THU 12:30 Yes Minister (b007k14t)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

THU 13:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b01pc2kt)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

THU 13:30 Trueman and Riley (b01dvydy)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

THU 14:00 Genius (b00b9nzd)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

THU 14:30 Millport (b0076bk4)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

THU 15:00 Jonathan Swift - Gulliver's Travels (b01bwdll)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

THU 16:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m000ncxn)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Sunday]

THU 16:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b011ckxz)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 on Sunday]

THU 17:00 North by Northamptonshire (b03phd43)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

THU 17:30 John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme (b06yfdjy)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

THU 18:00 Weird Tales (b00vknkm)
Series 1
Bleeder, by Ed Hime
Series of chilling and intimate plays.
By Ed Hime. Trainee surgeon Andy is left with a recurring nightmare after being involved in a car crash which killed his friend. The flashbacks give him problems in the operating theatre, and, when his dreams start changing, Andy can no longer be sure what is fantasy and what really happened.
Alice Lizzy Watts
Andy Joseph Kloska
Richard Benjamin Askew
Lovecraft Stephen Hogan
Inside Out Man Ewan Bailey
Dr Larson Jonathan Tafler
Directed by Jessica Dromgoole
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2009.

THU 18:30 Great Lives (b067x5hx)
Series 37
Monica Ali chooses Richard Francis Burton
Sir Richard Francis Burton was an explorer, adventurer, soldier, author, poet, sexologist and translator. He brought us the Kama Sutra and spoke 29 languages. The author Monica Ali champions this racy character and tells Matthew Parris why this 19th-century explorer is a Great Life. They are also joined by historian and broadcaster Matthew Ward.
Producer: Perminder Khatkar.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.

THU 19:00 Beyond Our Ken (m000ncxl)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

THU 19:30 Yes Minister (b007k14t)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

THU 20:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b01pc2kt)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

THU 20:30 Trueman and Riley (b01dvydy)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

THU 21:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m000ncxn)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Sunday]

THU 21:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b011ckxz)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 on Sunday]

THU 22:00 John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme (b06yfdjy)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

THU 22:30 Newsjack (m000ncxr)
Series 23
Episode 4
Newsjack is a scrapbook sketch show written entirely by the Great British public. Hosted by Kiri Pritchard-McLean.

THU 23:00 The Penny Dreadfuls (b00gpbl)
The Brothers Faversham
Theseus Faversham

The story of Victorian Britain's most respected detective. Swashbuckling family romp with the comedy trio. From January 2008.

THU 23:30 Concrete Cow (b04stfxx)
Series 2
Biodiversity
Aliens visit Earth to take its biodiversity- but it's too expensive; mums compete over exclusive holidays and a soup advert takes gritty realism too far.
Second series of the four-part sketch show in which anything is possible.
Starring Robert Webb, Beth Chalmers, Catherine Shepherd, Steven Kynman, Abigail Burdess and Chris Pavlo.
Written by James Cary.
Producer: Adam Bromley
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2003.

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FRI 00:00 Weird Tales (b00vknkm)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Thursday]

FRI 00:30 Great Lives (b067x5hx)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Thursday]

FRI 01:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b01pc2kt)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Thursday]

FRI 01:30 Trueman and Riley (b01dvydy)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Thursday]

FRI 02:00 Genius (b00b9nzd)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Thursday]

FRI 02:30 Millport (b0076bk4)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Thursday]

FRI 03:00 Jonathan Swift - Gulliver's Travels (b01bwdll)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Thursday]

FRI 04:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m000ncxn)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Sunday]

FRI 04:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b011ckxz)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 on Sunday]

FRI 05:00 North by Northamptonshire (b03phd43)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Thursday]

FRI 05:30 John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme (b06yfdjy)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Thursday]

FRI 06:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b01pg3qw)
An Amateur Corpse
Episode 4
Charles closes in on the murderer of his old friend Hugo's wife with help from both his wife and his mother.
By Jeremy Front - based on Simon Brett's novel.
Charles Bill Nighy
Frances Suzanne Burden
Joan Geraldine McEwan
Maurice Jon Glover
Geoff Patrick Brennan
Saskia Christine Absalom
Hugo Paul Ritter
Holly Susie Ridell
Director Sally Avens
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2012.

FRI 06:30 Trueman and Riley (b01dw1mx)
Series 3
5. Home Truths
Riley doesn't want a woman who keeps reporting the same crime every year to divert investigations from something closer to home - his own granddaughter. But he's asking for trouble when he impersonates a 14-year old girl himself.
Brian B. Thompson's detective series about the ill-matched duo is set in Leeds.

CAST:
D.I. Trueman Robert Daws
D.S. Riley Duncan Preston
Sue Stokes Lorraine Ashbourne
Becki Holly Matthews
Constable Harry Livingstone
Director: Toby Swift
Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in 2012

FRI 07:00 Jack & Millie (b08fh65p)
Pilot: Kafka Died at 39
A phone, a strudel and Franz Kafka combine to make Jack and Millie's day rather complicated, in this new comedy about an older couple getting to grips with a French daughter-in-law, gassy beer, Eye-Closing Leon and a married lifetime's-worth of verbal sparring.
So Millie's son Melvin has given her a new tablet with a voice recorder?
Suddenly Jack and Millie have decided to record everything that happens to them? And for this, we should be grateful?
Well yes! Because this is a new comedy show written by Jeremy Front (writer of the Charles Paris mysteries for Radio 4) and starring Jeremy Front and Rebecca Front as Jack and Millie Lemman - an older couple who are fully engaged with contemporary life while being at war with the absurdities of the modern world.
Written by Jeremy Front
Produced by David Tyler
A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2017.

FRI 07:30 Love in Recovery (m0001tzt)
Series 3

Les McKeown's Autograph
Third series of the award-nominated comedy drama set in Alcoholics Anonymous. Written by Pete Jackson and inspired by his own road to recovery. Stars Rebecca Front, John Hannah, Sue Johnston, Paul Kaye and Johnny Vegas.

Love in Recovery follows the lives of five very different recovering alcoholics. Johnny Vegas is Andy, the sweet but simple self-appointed group leader. Sue Johnston plays straight talking Julie, who's been known to have the odd relapse here and there - and everywhere. Rebecca Front is the snobby and spiky Fiona, an ex-banker who had it all and then lost the lot. John Hannah is Simon, a snide journalist who's not an alcoholic - he got caught drink driving, his boss made him attend the meeting, but he fell in love with Fiona and stayed. And, despite her best efforts, she fell in love with him too. Paul Kaye is Danno, a down and out two-bit chancer with a shady past but a lot of heart, who's desperate to turn his life around.

As we follow their weekly meetings, we hear them moan, argue, laugh, fall apart, fall in love and, most importantly, tell their stories.

This week, Fiona has been distant and her boyfriend Simon thinks he knows exactly what's on her mind. He decides to help her, and believes the best way to start is by casually bringing this private issue up in the weekly meeting. What could possibly go wrong?

Writer Pete Jackson is a recovering alcoholic and has spent time in Alcoholics Anonymous. It was there he found, as most people do, support from the unlikeliest group of disparate souls, all banded together due to one common bond. As well as offering the support he needed throughout a difficult time, AA also offered a weekly, sometimes daily, dose of hilarity, upset, heartbreak and friendship.

Love in Recovery doesn't seek to represent an AA meeting exactly as it might happen in real life, but to capture the funny stories, the sad stories, the stories of small victories and of huge milestones, stories of loss, stories of hope, and most importantly, the many highs and lows in the journey of recovery.

Cast:
Fiona Rebecca Front
Simon John Hannah
Julie Sue Johnston
Danno Paul Kaye
Andy Johnny Vegas

Written and created by Pete Jackson
Producer/Director: Ben Worsfield

A King Bert production for BBC Radio 4
FRI 08:00 Share and Share Alike (m000nf7x)
The Seance
Jack and Lesley feel the need to contact their dead mother to alter her will. With Michael Robbins and Hugh Paddick. From 1978.
Jack and Lesley Burrows' lifestyles are poles apart but find themselves working at the same factory and obliged to live under the same roof.

CAST:
Jack Burrows.... Michael Robbins
Lesley Burrows... Hugh Paddick
Janet Elizabeth Morgan
Ron Denis Bond
Mr Brown Deryck Guyler
Archie Cartwright Henry McGee
Written by Harold Snoad and Michael Knowles
Producer: John Dyas
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1978.

FRI 08:30 Patterson (m000nf7z)
Episode 7
An eight-part comedy serial about university life and the struggles of lecturer. Patterson is whisked away for a naughty weekend in Shakespeare country by his PhD student. Will it be Much Ado About Nothing?
Writer: Malcolm Bradbury
Writer: Christopher Bigsby
Patterson: Lewis Fiander
Professor Misty: Richard Vernon
Vice-Chancellor: John Barron
Mrs Vice-Chancellor: Irene Prador
Mrs Misty: Frances Jeater
Valerie Candle: Leueen Willoughby
Ancient boy: Patrick Barr
Victor: Hugh Thomas
Hotel manager: Rowland Davies
Bannerji: Tariq Yunus
Producer: Geoffrey Perkins
First broadcast on BBC Radio Three in April 1981.

FRI 09:00 The Personality Test (b00mvs9s)
Series 2
Antony Worrall-Thompson
Celebrity chef and writer Antony Worrall-Thompson quizzes a panel about himself.
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 Ballylenon (b007k4hw)

Series 1

Episode 2

A "gramophone record recital" is the Irish town's cultural highlight of 1953 - the start of something big?

Series set in the sleepy town of Ballylenon, Co Donegal, in

1953, before the days of mass tourism and proper plumbing in every home. Written by Christopher Fitz-Simon.

Starring TP McKenna as Phonsie Doherty, Margaret D'Arcy as Muriel McConkey, Stella McCusker as Vera McConkey, Aine McCartney as Vivienne Boal, John Hewitt as Guard Gallagher, Gerard McSorley as Stumpy Bonnar, Marcella Riordan as Eithne Ni Phartalain and Dominic Letts as Aubrey Frawley

Music arranged and performed by Stephanie Hughes

Director: Eoin O'Callaghan

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1994.

FRI 10:00 Jonathan Swift - Gulliver's Travels (b01c6trt)

3 The Voyage to Laputa

The last voyages of Jonathan Swift's story are the lesser told.

Gulliver finds himself on the floating Island of Laputa, where he encounters mad scientists and the terrifying ghosts of the great and the good. He flees from these intellectual and spiritual

horrors, only to finally find a kind of Eden with the Houyhnhnms, a race of intelligent and gentle horses.

However, in this land, humans - or as they are called, the 'Yahoos' - are considered vermin. The dark and traumatising experiences Gulliver has in this land change his life (and his wife and family's lives) forever.

With the satire here focused on crazy scientific experimentation, superstition, and finally spiritual desolation - Gulliver's Travels is as modern and potent now as it has ever been.

Jonathan Swift's classic satire starring Arthur Darvill as

Gulliver.

Gulliver Arthur Darvill

Richard Sympton Matthew Gravelle

Mary Bethan Walker

The Governor of Glubdrubdrub Ewan Bailey

The Master Horse Sam Dale

Lady Munodi Phoebe Waller-Bridge

Adapted for radio by Matthew Broughton.

A BBC Cymru/Wales production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in 2012.

FRI 11:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m000nf82)

Presenters recommend their favourite podcasts and speak to the people who make them.

FRI 12:00 Share and Share Alike (m000nf7x)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

FRI 12:30 Patterson (m000nf7z)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

FRI 13:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b01pg3qw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

FRI 13:30 Trueman and Riley (b01dw1mx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

FRI 14:00 The Personality Test (b00mvs9s)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

FRI 14:30 Ballylenon (b007k4hw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

FRI 15:00 Jonathan Swift - Gulliver's Travels (b01c6trt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

FRI 16:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m000nf82)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

FRI 17:00 Jack & Millie (b08th65p)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

FRI 17:30 Love in Recovery (m0001tzt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 18:00 Weird Tales (b00vknly)

Series 1

The Fly

Series of four chilling and intimate plays.

Lonely, middle-aged computer programmer Alan knows everything there is to know about flies. Then one day, online, he meets Amber, a Californian lady who knows everything there is to know about spiders.

Lovecraft/Colby Stephen Hogan

Mother Stella Gonet

Alan Alec Newman

Amber Rachel Ogilvy

Other parts played by Caroline Guthrie, Janice Acquah and Paul Rider.

Directed by Luke Fresle.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2009.

FRI 18:30 Off the Page (b007w0j1)

Act Your Age

Dominic Arkwright chairs the lively discussion series on the theme of growing up.

5/7. Act Your Age

With Katherine Whitehorn, Martin Newell and Lucy Mangan.

Produced by Miles Warde

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2007.

FRI 19:00 Share and Share Alike (m000nf7x)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

FRI 19:30 Patterson (m000nf7z)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

FRI 20:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b01pg3qw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

FRI 20:30 Trueman and Riley (b01dw1mx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

FRI 21:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m000nf82)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

FRI 22:00 Love in Recovery (m0001tzt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 22:30 Tom Parry's Fancy Dressed Life (b08n3wps)

Series 1

Texas

It's the final party of the year and Tom is off to a wedding. Can a sweepstake, some cowboy boots and a little bit of line dancing end Tom's fancy dressed year on a high?

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 (b097c1ym)

Series 1

The Star Turn

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.

With the split from her boyfriend seemingly final, Charlotte has moved back in with her parents. In a desperate attempt to revamp her life, she's decided she wants to become a journalist, and announces to Lillian that she wants to jump start her new career with a poignant profile of her that will warm the hearts of everyone who reads it. Lillian is initially flattered by Charlotte's interest in her previous career as an actress - until she realises footage of her greatest ever role can be found at the touch of a button on Charlotte's mobile.

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 October 2017.

FRI 23:00 The Flight of the Conchords (b00dn8cf)

Dan and the Panda

The Kiwi parody band aim for UK fame. Improvised comedy by Bret McKenzie and Jemaine Clement, with Rob Brydon.

From September 2005.

FRI 23:30 Simon Evans Goes to Market (b044j94d)

Series 1

Gold

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 episode, Simon looks at why we buy and sell gold all around the world. When did that begin? Why do we continue now we have paper money?

Performed by Simon Evans, with regular guests Tim

Harford and Merryn Somerset-Webb, and to talk about the

trade in gold, Dominic Frisby.

Written by Simon Evans with Benjamin Partridge, Guy

Venables and Andy Wolton

Producer Tilusha Ghelani.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014.