

SATURDAY 27 MARCH 2021

SAT 00:00 Dream Story by Arthur Schnitzler (m000tg86)

Episode 5

Having infiltrated a secret masked ball where the female revellers are naked, Fridolin is discovered and must face his hosts.

Read by Paul Rhys.

Published in 1926, Arthur Schnitzler's 'Dream Story' was alternately titled 'Rhapsody' and, in the original German, 'Traumnovelle'.

Credited as the novella that inspired Stanley Kubrick's last film.

Translated by JMQ Davies.

Producer: Eugene Murphy

Made for BBC7 and first broadcast in September 2003.

SAT 00:30 Off the Page (b00lbt3r)

Falling on Your Sword

Has something happened to the ideas of honour, dignity, duty and virtue? Are people less willing to fall on their swords than they used to do? Is it admirable, anyway, to admit defeat?

Political journalist Anthony Howard, author and broadcaster Anne Atkins and journalist Toby Young join Dominic Arkwright to explore the subject through their writing.

Producer: Beatrice Fenton.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2009.

SAT 01:00 Raffles (m0001p3l)

Series 2

5. A Trap To Catch A Cracksmen

When an American pugilist boasts of inventing a trap to catch the cleverest cracksmen alive, it's a challenge Raffles is quite unable to resist - with disastrous consequences...

EW Hornung's Raffles stories about the 'gentleman thief' starring Jeremy Clyde

Dramatised by David Buck.

AJ Raffles Jeremy Clyde

Bunny Manders Michael Cochrane

Inspector Mackenzie Henry Stamper

Maguire Alan Tilvern

Hambone Peter Banks

Cruncher Michael Deacon

Ruby Frances Jeater

Cabbie Alan Dudley.

Signature tune composed by Jim Parker.

Director: Gordon House

A BBC Radio 4/ BBC World Service production first broadcast in June 1988.

SAT 01:30 Rogue Male by Geoffrey Household (b007jr9c)

Episode 15

The anonymous would-be assassin is on his way out of the country - but what does his future hold?

Geoffrey Household's classic British thriller was first published shortly before the outbreak of war in 1939.

Concluded by Michael Jayston.

Producer: David Jackson Young.

Made for BBC 7 by BBC Scotland and first broadcast in 2004.

SAT 02:00 Not Working by Lisa Owens (b0790qlv)

Episode 5

No closer to finding her true vocation, Claire spends a weekend with Luke and his parents. What could go wrong?

Lisa Owens' comic debut, depicting thirtysomething Claire Flannery's life as it unravels in minute and spectacular ways.

Read by Emily Bruni.

Abridged by Robin Brooks.

Producer: Kirsteen Cameron.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2016

SAT 02:15 Gudrun (b0844vfx)

Series 1

Episode 5

Gudrun's blissful life is interrupted when her childhood sweetheart returns from abroad, bringing with him a new wife. Gudrun, a young woman in 11th century Iceland, must forge her path through a world of unearthly beauty yet uncompromising harshness.

Starring Kate Phillips.

Lucy Catherine's re-telling of the Icelandic classic, The Laxdoela Saga.

Gudrun Kate Phillips

Freija Samantha Dakin

Bolli Gavi Singh Chera

Kjartan Luke MacGregor

Olaf John Bowler

Vigdís Finlay Robertson

Hrefna Natasha Cowley

Sigrid Rosa Yevtushenko

Director: Sasha Yevtushenko

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2016.

SAT 02:30 Hemingway Days (b013f96m)

Wayne and Geradine Hemingway, who together launched the Red or Dead label, have long been admirers of Robin and Lucienne Day, a husband and wife design team from another era.

Wayne looks back at their impact on post-war Britain and how they emerged from the FOB to spearhead our understanding of modern design.

He talks to colleagues, friends and family about their vision and their drive and explores some of the less well known areas of their personal lives and their creative partnership.

Lucienne was a textile designer. Inspired by abstract art, she pioneered the use of bright, optimistic, abstract patterns.

Robin was a furniture designer best known for his injection moulded polypropylene stacking chair, of which over 20 million have been manufactured.

The Days shared a vision of good, affordable design for all.

Together they established themselves as Britain's most celebrated post-war designer couple, often been compared to US contemporaries, Charles Eames and Ray Eames.

But despite their growing fame in the 1950s and 60s they remained uncomfortable with the public attention they received. They shared a passion for nature and spent more and more time outdoors.

Lucienne drew much of her inspiration from plants and flowers and Robin was a talented and obsessive mountain climber.

Wayne reflects on the many layers to Robin and Lucienne and, with his wife Geradine, he draws on their own experiences of working as a husband and wife creative team.

Producer: Sarah Cuddon

A Whistledown Production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in August 2011.

SAT 03:00 Dostoyevsky - The Brothers Karamazov (b00yc3jw)

Episode 5

Following Ivan's dramatic appearance at his brother's trial,

Katerina prepares to deal Dmitry a fatal blow.

Starring Roy Marsden.

Conclusion of Russian author Fyodor Dostoyevsky's final novel published in 1880.

Dramatised by Melissa Murray.

Dmitry Paul Hilton

Ivan Nicholas Boulton

Alyosha Carl Prekopp

Katerina Juliet Aubrey

Grushenka Katy Cavanagh

Lise Emma Noakes

Mrs Khoklakova Rachel Atkins

Grigory Desmond McNamara

Devil Sam Dale

Judge Ian Masters

Prosecutor Philip Fox

Fetyukovich Mark Straker

Bystanders Paul Richard Biggin/ Saikat Ahamed

Original music by David Pickvance.

Directors: Marc Beeby and Colin Guthrie

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2006.

SAT 04:00 It's Not What You Know (b01cwbvf)

Series 1

Episode 3

Miles Jupp hosts the show in which it's not what you know that matters, but who. And more importantly, how well you know them.

Roisin Conaty, Ed Byrne and Richard Madeley nominate one of their intimate circle to answer a series of questions and they then have to second-guess how their nominees responded.

Roisin picks her best friend, Caroline, Ed chooses his mum, Jill, and Richard Madeley opts for his daughter, Chloe - all with varying degrees of success.

The panel also have to try and predict the responses of legendary football commentator, John Motson, as he is asked "what's your favourite film?", "what would you have been if you weren't a football commentator?" and "which other famous TV coat-wearer would you be? The Fonz, Columbo, or Paddington Bear?"

Producer: Sam Michell.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2012.

SAT 04:30 Fat Chance (b019m4rs)

Celebrity Square

Graham becomes Tina Tattersall's escort for the night in a bid to make her errant husband jealous - and the rest of the slimming club have some surprising news.

Jenny McDade's high-fat bittersweet comedy for those believing there's a thin person inside them begging to get out.

Graham Pitscottie Gareth Corke

Wendy Bottomley Janine Duvitski

Clive Bottomley Michael Troughton

Soo Pitscottie Anne Reid

Tina Tattersall Julia Deakin

Kelly Chambers Tilly Gaunt

Lee Dubs Harry Myers

Mrs Enright Frances Jeater

Producer: Sally Avens

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1999.

SAT 05:00 Clare in the Community (b0832fz)

Series 11

Hell on Wheels

It's 'Disability Awareness Day' so Clare has taken it upon herself to raise awareness. Back at home, Nali has plans to become an internet sensation.

Sally Phillips is Clare Barker the social worker who has all the right jargon but never a practical solution.

A control freak, Clare likes nothing better than interfering in other people's lives on both a professional and personal basis. Clare is in her thirties, white, middle class and heterosexual, all of which are occasional causes of discomfort to her.

Clare continues her struggle to control both her professional and private life. In today's Big Society there are plenty of challenges out there for an involved, caring social worker. Or even Clare.

Written by Harry Venning and David Ramsden.

Clare Sally Phillips

Brian Alex Lowe

Nali Nina Conti

Libby Sarah Kendall

Joan Sarah Thom

Mrs Singh Nina Wadia

Cilla Gbemisola Ikumelo

Zoanna Gbemisola Ikumelo

Roland Colin Hoult

Producer: Alexandra Smith

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

SAT 05:30 Stand-Up Specials (m000tcl3)

Jacob Hawley: Class Act

Stevenage soft lad Jacob Hawley left his hometown behind a decade ago and has ascended Britain's social class system, moving to London and forging a career in comedy - just in time for commissioners to decide they want more working class voices. He has now quit the oat milk lattes, drawn a nuke tick on to his chinos and re-adopted the glottle stop.

In this stand-up comedy performance, Jacob dissects his journey from working class banter boy to Inner-London feminist. This is politics for idiots, feminism for lads, love stories for louts and self-care for those who don't bother.

Are blokes dismissed as bad-feminists purely because they lack the correct language? Are working class people's mental health problems dismissed because our society values tortured artists over tortured cleaners? And most importantly, is it even worth going to a protest if you don't tell everyone about it?

Written and performed by Jacob Hawley

Produced by Daisy Knight

An Avalon production for BBC Radio 4

SAT 06:00 Elsie, Doris, Gert and Daisy by Annie Caulfield (b01kq0wh)

Celia Imrie and Susie Blake star in Annie Caulfield's imaginative celebration of the classic music hall duo, Elsie and Doris Waters, and their immortal gossipy characters Gert and Daisy.

Larking about in a recording studio, Elsie and Doris created the ebullient Cockneys, who were to take them away from the East End and into a world they'd only ever dreamed about.

Doris Walters Celia Imrie

Elsie Walters Susie Blake

Gert Tilly Vosburgh

Daisy Tessa Peake-Jones

Older Elsie Ann Beach

Older Doris Barbara Atkinson

Sam David Bradley

Young Sam Chris Wright

Mother Patience Tomlinson

Father Geoffrey Whitehead

Jack Warner Stephen Critchlow

Young Jack Guy Edwards

Lord Woolton David Timson

Mary Jill Graham

Kenneth Roger May

Kenneth's Mother Zulema Dene

Pianist: Colin Guthrie

Director: Marion Nancarrow

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1996

SAT 07:30 Great Lives (b07m5my0)

Hilary Devey on Gracie Fields

A singer, comedian, music hall and film star from Rochdale, Gracie Fields was the nation's darling. But in the midst of World War II, and at the phenomenal peak of her career, our great life fell in love and married an Italian and had to flee to America. She was disowned by the British public who called her a deserter and she was slated in every newspaper.

Championing this week's Great Life is businesswoman and TV personality Hilary Devey known to viewers of BBC 2's Dragons' Den and Channel 4's The Intern. Helping her to unravel the life of Gracie Fields is Sebastian Lassandro, President of the Dame Gracie Fields Appreciation Society.

Presenter Matthew Parris

Producer Periminder Khatkar

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2016.

SAT 08:00 Heresy (b07dm2pn)

Series 10

Episode 4

Victoria Coren Mitchell presents the show which dares to commit heresy.

With newspaper columnist Julia Hartley-Brewer, TV presenter Richard Osman and food critic, TV presenter and novelist Giles Coren.

They discuss David Bowie, iceberg houses and The Great British Bake Off.

An Avalon production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in June 2016.

SAT 08:30 Snap (b00td5sb)

Series 1

Episode 1

When a couple have history, how can they ever be history?

Molly and Doug are separating but as he's only moving a few streets away, can they make a clean break?

Paul Mendelson's sitcom stars Rebecca Lacey and Paul Venables.

Molly Rebecca Lacey

Doug Paul Venables

Kaz Soumaya Keynes

Ryan Jessie Sullivan

Scarlet Rebecca Front

Mrs Lonsdale Marlene Sidaway

Ansel Richard Firth

Producer: David Ian Neville

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2003.

SAT 09:00 Edgar Wallace: The Man Who Wrote Too Much? (b055fy0h)

How can a writer, whose publisher declared him the 'King of Thrillers', and was thought to be responsible for a quarter of all new books read in Britain by the late 1920s, be largely forgotten today?

In this 3 hour archive special, crime writer Mark Billingham investigates the life of the man called the 'fiction factory', the best-selling author, journalist, playwright, film director and creator of King Kong – Edgar Wallace.

Wallace's life seems the stuff of fantasy. An illegitimate child in London, largely self-educated, he was the newspaper boy who became one of the most famous writers in the world. He sold millions of books, but he was plagued by debts. He died in Hollywood in 1932, aged 56, after writing the original story for King Kong. His body was returned by ocean liner in honour to Britain, only to be reunited with an ocean of outstanding bills. Mark presents some of the best adaptations and documentaries about Edgar Wallace from the BBC Radio archive:

* A 1951 version of one of Wallace's biggest successes, *The Ringer*

* One of Wallace's best crime creations, *The Mind of Mr JG Reeder*

* Loveable racing 'turf tipster' Educated Evans, starring Roy Hudd and Andrew Sachs.

And though he died in 1932, Mark has a hunch that he may be able to hear from Edgar Wallace himself.

His work was the source of countless 50s and 60s TV and film adaptations. His books have sold in their multi-millions. But from the 'Golden Age' of crime fiction it is Dorothy L Sayers and Agatha Christie who are really remembered today. Was Edgar Wallace just a man who wrote, and did, too much?

Producer: Peter McHugh

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in March 2015.

SAT 12:00 Alison and Maud (b007k1w7)

Series 1

Fishing for Compliments

Is there something fishy about Bernard, apart from his VAT returns?

Bed and Breakfast for Beginners. First of two series of Sue Limb's sitcom about events at the Abbeyfield Guest House in Norwich.

Starring Denise Coffey and Miriam Margolyes as sisters Alison and Maud.

Alison Denise Coffey

Maud Miriam Margolyes

Father Joss Ackland

Mr Mullett Chris Emmett

Bernard Geoffrey Whitehead

Marina Phyllida Nash

Producer: Jonathan James-Moore

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2002.

SAT 12:30 Tickets Please (b00n6nh)

Episode 1

Why does an intercity train journey turn into an emotional roller-coaster?

Because the train staff have to battle with their thwarted infatuations - for each other! And those toughies in the wedding carriage aren't helping matters...

Sitcom on rails by Mark Maier.

Robin Jeremy Swift

Nadine Alex Kelly

Peter Malcom Tierney

Diana Melissa Advani

Linda/Lady Kate Layden

Keith Stephen Hogan

Carol Tessa Nicholson

Man One Philip Fox

Man Two/William Joseph Cohen-Cole

Producer: Peter Kavanagh

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2009.

SAT 13:00 Archive on 4 (b0930m3j)

Uses of Literacy Now

Writer and critic DJ Taylor assesses Richard Hoggart's masterpiece *The Uses of Literacy*.

This colossal book inspired a slew of post-war histories, as well as Coronation Street and the poet Tony Harrison's *'Them and Uz'*. It was the book that inspired Alan Bennett to write.

Hoggart was born into great poverty in Leeds and wrote movingly about this early life and the people - mainly women - who inspired him.

A scholarship boy, he revealed the emotional consequences of moving from one class to another. He also offered a searing critique of the burgeoning mass media, expressing his concerns that the new literacy was in danger of being swamped by a popular press that carefully suppressed anything liable to encourage readers to think about the environment they inhabit, rather than simply wallow in its material comforts.

Contributors include: author of *Estates and Respectable*, Lynsey Hanley, historian David Kynaston, novelist David Lodge and playwright Alan Bennett.

Producer: Nicola Swords.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2017.

SAT 14:00 The Masterson Inheritance (b007jr62)

Series 3

The St Valentine's Day Mastersons

Budding starlet Genevieve hits seedy 1920s Hollywood.

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

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

Producer: Phil Clarke

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1995.

SAT 14:30 The World of Simon Rich (b07cyngg)

Series 1

Episode 1

Simon Rich has been Saturday Night Live's youngest writer, a staff writer for Pixar and a regular contributor to *The New Yorker* - as well as one of the funniest short story writers of his generation.

Now the American brings his enchanting, absurd world to radio with his first British comedy show.

The series takes us across time and space, from the design of the universe and prehistoric love triangles to the terrors of life as an unused condom inside a teenager's wallet.

Performing the stories alongside Simon is a cast of UK comic talent.

Peter Serafinowicz

Tim Key,

Cariad Lloyd

Jamie Demetriou

Joseph Morpurgo

Claire Price.

Producer: Jon Harvey

Executive Producer: Richard Wilson

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

SAT 15:00 Radio Active (b007jy95)

Series 3

Euroshow

Britain's first national local radio station goes continental with reporters in Berlin, Paris and Madrid.

Let's go Eurowide with a great big Eurowelcome in Germany, France and Italy for the first ever Euroshow. Broadcasting to over 12,000,000 Eurohomes in unforgettable Eurosound.

Starring :

Helen Atkinson-Wood

Angus Deayton

Geoffrey Perkins

Philip Pope

Michael Fenton-Stevens

Written by Angus Deayton and Geoffrey Perkins. With Jon

Canter, Moray Hunter and John Docherty.

Producer: Jamie Rix

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1983.

SAT 15:30 Old Harry's Game (b00c6jfr)

Series 5

Moral Leadership

Mankind is now so sinful that they're all coming to Hell and the place is full to bursting.

The only way to stop the flow is to persuade humanity to be good - but that's quite a tall order for the Prince of Darkness.

Andy Hamilton's devilishly funny sitcom set in Hell.

Satan Andy Hamilton

Scumspawn Robert Duncan

Thomas Jimmy Mulville

God David Swift

The Professor James Grout

Other characters played by Philip Pope, Nick Revell and

Michael Fenton Stevens

Producer: Paul Mayhew-Archer

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2005.

SAT 16:00 Elsie, Doris, Gert and Daisy by Annie Caulfield (b01kq0wh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SAT 17:30 Great Lives (b07m5ny0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

SAT 18:00 Nightfall (m000tn1b)

Series 4

The Repossession

Robert, a surviving conjoined twin, begins having nightmares about the death of his brother Douglas 30 years ago.

He begins to feel that his twin brother is somehow responsible for oddities that are beginning to disturb him...

Nightfall is a series of supernatural and horror dramas made by Canada's CBC Radio that ran from 1980-83. It went on to become one of the most popular shows in the network's history.

During 100 episodes over three seasons, Nightfall featured a mix of original stories and adaptations of classic tales.

Robert/Douglas Stroud John Stocker

Beth Mary Pirie

Dr Brenner Chris Wiggins

Tip Neil Dainard

Hospital Surgeon Jon Granik

The Nurse Maggie Morris

Medical Student Amanda O'Leary

Medical Student David Stein

Writer: Arthur Samuels

Script Editors: Earl Toppings and John Douglas

Producer: Bill Howell

First broadcast on CBC in April 1981.

SAT 18:30 Robert Holmes - Aliens in the Mind (b007jltj)

2. Hurried Exodus

On the Isle of Lüg, Lark and Cornelius are certain the death of Dr Hugh Dexter was no accident. From his research notes, they diagnose a mysterious island sickness.

The key to the mystery seems to be an apparently simple-minded 18-year-old, Flora Kiery...

Starring Peter Cushing and Vincent Price.

Written by Rene Basilio from an idea by Robert Holmes.

John Cornelius Peter Cushing

Curtis Lark Vincent Price

Minister Donald Schooler Henry Stamper

Shirley Kyle Shirley Dixon

Flora Kiery Sandra Clarke

Mary Irene Sutcliffe

Police Sergeant Frazer Carr

Purser Andrew Sear

Producer: John Dyas

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1977.

SAT 19:00 Edgar Wallace: The Man Who Wrote Too Much? (b055fy0h)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SAT 22:00 Bridget Christie Minds the Gap (b01r9swd)

Series 1

Episode 3

Bridget considers women and their relationship with their bodies via a lap dance, TOWIE and a fish called Michael.

Fred MacAulay helps her remember some of the key incidents which brought her to an epiphany and a call to arms.

Four-part stand-up comedy series on the state of British feminism today.

Producer: Alison Vernon-Smith

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2013.

SAT 22:30 Barry's Lunch Club (b07889gb)

Travel

Alex Lowe is 82 year old Barry, who invites an audience to his weekly lunch club where he scrutinises themes close to his heart.

With club secretary Hilary to rein him in, and club treasurer Peter providing support on the civic hall piano, this is the ultimate life-style guide for an ageing nation.

In this opening session, Barry responds to a question about travel for the over 60s and relates his disastrous holiday experiences on a cruise ship and at an activity holiday.

Barry is a cockney moved to the suburbs during the war. He is not given to looking at the old days through rose coloured spectacles, and is well up to speed with current trends. A seemingly harmless old boy, he lures people into a false sense of security, delivering hilariously stinging rebukes or erudite assessments of how the world is treating the over 60s.

Stand-up comedy crossed with sitcom, the show plays out in real time as if we are eavesdropping on a civic hall meeting group. Written by Alex Lowe and Alex Walsh-Taylor

Barry Alex Lowe

Hilary Stephanie Cole

Peter Philip Pope

Producer: Alex Walsh-Taylor

Executive Producer: Kevin Dawson

A Whistledown production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in April 2016.

SAT 23:00 It's Jocelyn (b06vkjco)

Series 1

Episode 3

Sketch comedy from Jocelyn Jee Esien. Includes Dionne Button MP, a power hungry traffic warden and a grumpy couple.

Jocelyn vents her frustration at the world around her through sketches and stand-up.

Jocelyn Jee Esien is delighted to be joined in the cast by Curtis Walker, Ninia Benjamin and Kevin J.

Producer: John Pocock

A BBC Radio Comedy production first broadcast on BBC

Radio 4 in January 2016.

SAT 23:30 World of Pub (b007sygy)

Series 2

Episode 2

The Red Lion's almost bankrupt - can Doggy Phil get the punters back?

Tony Roche's comedy about the world's worst pub in London's East End.

Dodgy Phil John Thomson

Barry Phil Cornwell

Garry Alistair McGowan

With Debra Stephenson and Simon Greenall.

Special effects: Carl Phillips and Nick Romero.

Music: Bill Bailey

Producer: Jane Berthoud

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1999.

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SUN 06:00 Lisa Owen - Not Working (Omnibus) (b079ywgpp)

Episode 1

Thirtysomething Claire Flannery has quit her job to discover her true vocation, only to realise she has no idea how to go about finding it.

In her muddled but somehow impeccable logic she discovers that, 'the more time you have, the less time you have'. As the weeks stretch into months with nothing to show but an overflowing internet search history and an unintended feud with her mother, Claire finds herself sinking under pressure and wondering where her life fell apart.

Lisa Owens's comic debut novel tells the story of a life unravelling in minute and spectacular ways, voicing the questions we've all asked ourselves but never dared to say out loud.

Read by Emily Bruni

Omnibus of the first five of ten episodes abridged by Robin Brooks.

Producer: Kirsteen Cameron.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2016.

SUN 07:10 Inheritance Tracks (b0br5b64)

Ken Bruce

Radio 2's Ken Bruce chooses I've Got You Under My Skin by Frank Sinatra and a very special live performance from Joe Brown.

Ken inherited his love of Sinatra from his three older siblings and that, in turn, led to a love of big band and orchestral music generally.

The Joe Brown track is I'll See You In My Dreams, which memorably closed the memorial concert for George Harrison.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2018

SUN 07:20 Lucy Catherine - Gudrun (b084n0jr)

Series 1 (Omnibus)

Gudrun, a young woman in 11th century Iceland, must forge her path through a world of unearthly beauty yet uncompromising harshness.

Starring Kate Phillips.

Lucy Catherine's re-telling of the Icelandic classic, The Laxdoela Saga.

Omnibus of the five episodes of Series 1.

Written in the 13th century, it tells of people in the Breiðafjörður area of Iceland from the late 9th to the early 11th century. It particularly focuses on a love triangle between Gudrun, Kjartan and Bolli.

The Laxdela saga remains popular and appreciated for its poetic beauty and pathetic sentiment. Since the saga has often been regarded as an unusually feminine saga, it has been speculated that it was composed by a woman.

Gudrun Kate Phillips

Freija Samantha Dakin

Bolli Gavi Singh Chera

Kjartan Luke MacGregor

Thordis Alison Belbin

Osvif John Dougall

Thorvald Nicholas Murchie

Hallbjorn Finlay Robertson

Director: Sasha Yevtushenko

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2016.

SUN 08:30 Meet the Huggetts (b04mc868)

All at Sea

With the factory outing looming, Joe and Ethel Huggett find themselves in a mess over money.

Stars Jack Warner and Kathleen Harrison.

Popular working-class family, the Huggetts first hit the cinema screen with a series of Gainsborough films between 1947 and 1949. Their subsequent BBC radio series ran from 1953 to 1962.

Joe Jack Warner

Ethel Kathleen Harrison

Jane Vera Day

Bobby Anthony Green

Fred Stebbings Charles Leno

Mrs Stebbings Beatrice Varley

Mr Campbell Kenneth Connor

Written by Eddie Maguire.

Producer: Peter Eton

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in August 1954.

SUN 09:00 Drop Me Here, Darling (m000tnd1)

Indefinite Articles

Leslie is offered a job writing a weekly food column. But is it too good to be true?

Starring Leslie Phillips.

Andrew Palmer's comedy about a former property tycoon who's fallen on hard times and is now chauffeur to his wealthy ex-wife.

Leslie Duggan Leslie Phillips

Caroline Duggan Jill Bennett

Claire Norma Ronald

with John Graham, Garad Green and Gordon Clyde

Producer: Edward Taylor

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in December 1982.

SUN 09:30 Ed Reardon's Week (b00k89mr)

Series 3

Murder Most Rewritten

After sending abusive emails, the hack vents his spleen corporate script writing.

The comical world of Ed Reardon, author, pipe smoker, consummate fare-dodger and master of the abusive e-mail.

Christopher Douglas stars as Ed Reardon.

Written by Christopher Douglas and Andrew Nickolds.

Featuring:

John Fortune

Stephanie Cole

Geoffrey Whitehead

Rita May

Simon Greenall

Sally Hawkins

Laura Solon

Philip Jackson

David Cann

Morwenna Banks

Matthew Holness

Adam Shipway

Sally Grace

Producer: Simon Nicholls

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2007.

SUN 10:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b010gjm)

Children's Writers

Anthony Horowitz

From Benjamin Britten to Billy Joel.

Author and screenwriter, Anthony Horowitz OBE shares his castaway choices with Kirsty Young.

The creator of the popular teenage spy, Alex Rider, Anthony's first novel was published when he was 23. He's also penned a slew of TV crime shows including Murder Most Horrid, Midsomer Murders and Foyle's Law.

The writer doesn't consider his work great, or even important - but he does like to think it agreeable and surprising.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2006.

SUN 10:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b00kr7bp)

Series 1

Sloths

Sir David muses on the natural history of the sloth - perhaps the most lethargic beast in the animal world, and one that he has admitted to wanting to be.

Series of talks by Sir David Attenborough on the natural histories of creatures and plants from around the world.

Producer: Julian Hector

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2009.

SUN 11:00 Radiolab (m000tvdr)

Series 7

Damn Bugs

Radiolab is a Peabody-award winning show about curiosity.

Where sound illuminates ideas, and the boundaries blur between science, philosophy, and the human experience.

Radiolab explores what would be the cost of wiping out mosquitoes and other pesky insects from the world? With Jad Abumrad.

If you could wipe mosquitoes, ticks, and other pesky insects from the face of the Earth...would you? On this hour of Radiolab, we speak with the difficulties of sharing a planet with these pests and what they might actually be doing to help our world.

From WNYC. First broadcast on public radio in the USA in 2018.

SUN 11:55 Inheritance Tracks (b0br5b64)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:10 today]

SUN 12:00 Poetry Extra (m000tnd3)

A Few Don'ts

Daljit Nagra visits the BBC's poetry archives and selects A Few Don'ts featuring the poetry of Ezra Pound.

The poet Lavinia Greenlaw reappraises Ezra Pound's manifesto, A Few Don'ts by an Imagiste.

A century on, what can his lively don'ts do for today's poets?

His passion to make poetry as modern as, say, Stravinsky's The Rite of Spring (first performed in the same year, 1913) drives him to pronounce on adjectives, ornament, metronomes and abstraction and in praise of the Image.

With fellow poets Frances Leviston, Andrea Brady and Richard Price, and with the visual artist Cornelia Parker, psychologist Sophie Scott and composer John Woolrich, Lavinia explores the dos and don'ts of good poetry and the ins and outs of writing manifestos about it.

Producer: Frances Byrnes

A Somethin' Else production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in 2012.

SUN 12:30 Polyoaks (b079r537)

Series 4

Hello, Goodbye

Annette Crosbie guest stars in this episode on end of life care. Polyoaks is to become a 'vanguard' site as part of the NHS 'Five Year Forward View'. Best intentions are subverted by one older service user's views on so-called elderly care.

The Polyoaks surgery is plagued by strikes, endless new management initiatives, staff shortages, militant patients, eight day weeks, privatisation - and all these things are entirely their fault, apparently.

The dysfunctional Bristol surgery run by warring doctors, brothers Roy and Hugh Thornton alternates between embracing and collapsing under reforms. They're a nurse down, they've got

to slash their budget and there's a new Head of the local Clinical Commissioning Group who eats GPs for breakfast.

The practice's calamitous 'celebrity' Dr Jeremy who doesn't know what a Clinical Commissioning Group is, continues to dodge alimony payments, malpractice suits and the new scary practice Nurse Monica.

Jeremy.....David Westhead

Hugh.....Simon Greenall

Monica.....Polly Frame

Roy.....Nigel Planer

Veronica.....Annette Crosbie

Stephanie/Mrs O'Neil.....Margaret Cabourn-Smith

Ali Evans.....Caroline Rodgers

Written by Dr Phil Hammond and Mr David Spicer

Director: Frank Stirling

A Unique production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in May 2016.

SUN 13:00 Love From Boy: Roald Dahl's Letters to His Mother (Omnibus) (b07djlzm)

"Dear Mama" he always began...

Spanning decades, a collection of author Roald Dahl's letters to his mother, Sofie Magdalene.

At Repton School in the 1930's he reported back on jolly japes, and asked 'Mama' to ask his sister to feed his mouse.

Omnibus of five parts.

Collected by Donald Sturrock and abridged by Katrin Williams.

Read by: Rory Kinnear and Donald Sturrock

Producer: Duncan Minshall.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2016.

SUN 14:10 Inheritance Tracks (b07zcx0d)

Ade Edmondson

The actor picks Flanders & Swann's 'A Song of the Weather' and Bonzo Dog Doo-Dah Band's 'Jazz Delicious Hot Disgusting Cold'.

SUN 14:20 Isaac Asimov - I, Robot (Omnibus) (b08dwwrv)

The rise of robotics in the 21st century, told through the poignant and mysterious story of enigmatic lawyer, Stevie Byerley.

As a child, Stevie is raised by Robbie, a robotic childminder, because her parents are too busy working. The powerful bond she forms with the robot is unbreakable.

Their relationship will change the course of Stevie's life.

First published in 1950, Asimov's stories are becoming truer with every day that passes. The world that he imagined is now upon us.

Omnibus of five parts.

Stevie Byerley Hermione Norris

George Byerley / Doctor Derek Riddell

Grace Byerley / SZ-34 (SUZI) Dianne Weller

ROBBIE Kelly Burke

Tour Guide Rob Blackwood

Young Stevie Mia Burgess

Quinn Brendan Coyle

Powell Doug Devaney

Cutie / Nestor Robots Nicholas Briggs

Major Kallner Kelly Burke

Doctor Black Gary Turner

Psychiatrist Diane Spencer

Andrea Ashe Corrinne Wicks

Doctor Lanning Michael Cochrane

Original Music: Imran Ahmad

Dramatised by Richard Kurti.

Director: Andrew Mark Sewell

A B7 production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in February 2017.

SUN 15:30 Motown - Speaking In The Streets (b03nt8wt)

In 1970, Berry Gordy, the founder of Motown, set up a Motown spoken word record label.

It was called Black Forum and recorded poetry, civil rights speeches, African-American soldiers in Vietnam and more. It closed in 1973 after eight releases. Those releases have started to attract interest with some reissued. They stand as a powerful testament to the African-American experience at a turbulent time in America.

The financial educator and spoken word record collector Alvin Hall listens to the recordings and talks to those involved in their creation.

Featuring: :

* Theatre director and producer Woodie King Jr., Producer of "Black Spirits: Festival of New Poets in America", and "It's Nation Time: African Visionary Music"

* Professor Suzanne E Smith, author of "Dancing in the Street: Motown and the Cultural Politics of Detroit"

* Pat Thomas, author of "Listen Whitey: The Sights and Sounds of Black Power 1965 - 1975"

* Elaine Brown, singer/songwriter of the album "Elaine Brown" and former leader of the Black Panthers

* Suzanne de Passe, former Creative Director and President of Motown

* Amiri Baraka, star of "Black Spirits: Festival of New Poets in America", "It's Nation Time: African Visionary Music" and civil rights activist, poet, and writer

Black Forum releases:

* Dr Martin Luther King Jr. - Why I Oppose The War In Vietnam

* Stokely Carmichael - Free Huey

* Langston Hughes and Margaret Danner - Writers Of The Revolution

* Guess Who's Coming Home - Black Fighting Men Recorded

Live In Vietnam

* Ossie Davis and Bill Cosby – Address The Congressional Black Caucus

* Black Spirits - Festival of New Black Poets in America

* Imamu Amiri Baraka – It's Nation Time

* Elaine Brown – Elaine Brown

Producer: Ekene Akalawu

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2014.

SUN 16:00 Mary Baker - The American Dentist (b0blvnxg)

"I'm part of the great fabric of European history. When books are written about 19th century France, my name will live on in them".

Loosely based on Thomas W Evans' Recollections of The Second French Empire, the unlikely tale begins with our tooth-obsessed hero arriving in Paris in 1848.

Here he quickly becomes indispensable to Napoleon III and destined to change the course of history...

Colin Stinton stars in Mary Baker's comedy drama about democracy, diplomacy and dentistry.

Dr Thomas W Evans ... Colin Stinton

Eugenie ... Barbara Durkin

Mrs Evans ... Buffy Davis

Dr Edward Crane ... Paul Dubois

Napoleon III ... Jonathan Coy

Mme Lebreton ... Jennie Stoller

Mr Branwell ... Sean Baker

Servant ... Roger May

Innkeeper ... Jonathan Keeble

Sir John Burgoyne ... Philip Joseph

Director: Sally Avenus.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2000.

SUN 17:00 Poetry Extra (m000tnd3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 today]

SUN 17:30 Polyoaks (b079r537)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 today]

SUN 18:00 Matt Bloom - Find Me (b0076h5d)

Recorded in 2003 and set in 2020. Mary has to travel to Sydney for her son's wedding and reluctantly decides to use the new Matter Transportation machines that have overtaken aeroplanes as the main form of global transport.

But an error occurs during the process - with terrifying consequences...

Matt Bloom's sci-fi thriller stars Julia Watson.

Mary ... Julia Watson

Andrew ... James Nickerson

Beatrice ... Ann Rye

Helen ... Emma Clarke

The Mystery Man ... Stuart Richman

The Duty Officer ... Neil Bell

The Vicar ... Mark Chatterton

Directed at BBC Manchester by Jim Poyser

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2003.

SUN 18:45 Black and White by Jan Mark (b087ldt7)

1. In Black and White

Marjorie has premonitions, but no-one could have guessed how true they would be on the day of the school photo.

Read by Anne Rye.

Written by Jan Mark and abridged by Peter Kerry.

Producer: Martin Jameson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 5 in September 1993.

SUN 19:00 Radiolab (m000tvr)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

SUN 19:55 Inheritance Tracks (b0br5b64)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:10 today]

SUN 20:00 Mary Baker - The American Dentist (b0blvnxg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 today]

SUN 21:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b010gjm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

SUN 21:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b00kr7bp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 today]

SUN 22:00 Polyoaks (b079r537)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 today]

SUN 22:30 I, Regress (b01rlnj4)

Series 2

Rubber

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

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

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

With:

Bob Mortimer

Tracy-Ann Oberman

Sally Okafor

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

Producer: Sam Bryant

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2013.

SUN 22:45 Bird Island (b042l2xt)

Series 2

Episode 1

Ben, a young scientist working in Antarctica, tries to adapt to the loneliness by keeping a cheery audio diary on his Dictaphone.

In this episode, Ben is all consumed by a new cereal bar while Jane and Graham are completing the Penguin Census.

Ben Reece Shearsmith

Graham Julian Rhind-Tutt

Jane Katy Wix

Beverley Alison Steadman

Atmospheric comedy about a cheery scientist based in Sub-Antarctica by Katy Wix.

It's Ben's trip of a lifetime, but in a vast icy landscape with dodgy internet. Feeling lonely, he shares his thoughts via an audio 'log' on his dictaphone.

Graham is a fellow nerdy scientist so their exchanges are mumbled. Ben's even more awkward around new arrival Jane, though he's not entirely sure why.

Producer: Tilusha Ghelan

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2014.

SUN 23:00 Son of Cliche (b00p4mcr)

Freddie Fortune

From a spoof Melvyn Bragg to a signing chimp.

Featuring 'The Further Reasonably Exciting Adventures of Captain Invisible and the See-Thru Kid'.

Sketch comedy with Chris Barrie, Nick Maloney and Nick Wilton.

Written by Rob Grant and Doug Naylor.

Producer: Alan Nixon

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1984.

SUN 23:30 Radio 9 (b0421tp)

Series 1

Episode 2

Welcome to Radio 9 – the notional and irrational home of the terminally strange.

More from the Gay Board Game Olympics, plus Radiohead's happy single.

Written and performed by Johnny Daukes and Hils Barker.

With Sarah Walton, John Stevenson, Stefan Frank, Janice Vee, Matt Wilkinson and Michelle Gomez.

Producers: Johnny Daukes and Katie Marsden

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2003.

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MON 00:00 Matt Bloom - Find Me (b0076h5d)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Sunday]

MON 00:45 Black and White by Jan Mark (b087ldt7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:45 on Sunday]

MON 01:00 Love From Boy: Roald Dahl's Letters to His Mother (Omnibus) (b07djzlm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 13:00 on Sunday]

MON 02:10 Inheritance Tracks (b07zcx0d)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:10 on Sunday]

MON 02:20 Isaac Asimov - I, Robot (Omnibus) (b08dwwrv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:20 on Sunday]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 15:30 on Sunday]

MON 04:00 Mary Baker - The American Dentist (b0blvnxg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Sunday]

MON 05:00 Poetry Extra (m000tnd3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 on Sunday]

MON 05:30 Polyoaks (b079r537)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 on Sunday]

MON 06:00 Raffles (m0001qm0)

Series 2

6. The Gift of the Emperor

Raffles plans the most daring enterprise of his career - the theft of a jewel worth £100,000.

But Inspector Mackenzie is hot on his trail. Could the intrepid cracksmen's luck finally run out?

EW Hornung's Raffles stories about the 'gentleman thief'

starring Jeremy Clyde

Dramatised by David Buck.

AJ Raffles Jeremy Clyde

Bunny Manders Michael Cochrane

Inspector Mackenzie Henry Stamper

Von Heumann Frederick Jaeger

Miss Werner Zelah Clarke

Captain Alan Dudley

Steward Stephen Rashbrook

Signature tune composed by Jim Parker.

Director: Gordon House

A BBC Radio 4/ BBC World Service production first broadcast in July 1988.

MON 06:30 Sherlock Holmes (b09bpb0c)

Sherlock Holmes with Carleton Hobbs - Series 1

The Man With the Twisted Lip

Dr Watson goes gallantly in search of a missing husband at the 'Bar of Gold' opium den in Upper Swandam Lane.

He has a curious encounter with a tall, old man whose eyes are dull, whose skin is wrinkled-and yet whose voice is at once familiar...

Starring Carleton Hobbs as Sherlock Holmes. The actor played the Baker Street sleuth in 80 radio dramas between 1952 and 1969.

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's tale originally appeared in 'The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes' published in the Strand Magazine in 1891. Adapted by Michael Hardwick.

Sherlock Holmes Carleton Hobbs

Doctor Watson Norman Shelley

Inspector Bradstreet Ronald Baddiley

Mrs St Clair Hilda Schroder

Mrs Whitney Eva Stuart

Boone Frederick Trevel

Mrs Watson Sylvia Coleridge

Isa Whitney Robert Sansom

The Coachman Garard Green

The Constable Joe Sterne

Producer: Frederick Bradnum

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in May 1959.

MON 07:00 Cooking in a Bedsitter (b09jrkr2)

Series 2

Bolognese Cutlets

Trisha is definitely over Deepak. She really, truly is.

Extracts from Cooking in a Bedsitter are read by Eleanor Bron.

Beattie Edmondson and Nikesh Patel star in Sue Teddern's romantic comedy, inspired by Katharine Whitehorn's cookery classic.

Katharine Whitehorn Eleanor Bron

Trisha Beattie Edmondson

Deepak Nikesh Patel

Moira Isabella Inchbald

June Ellie Darvill

Len Rupert Holliday Evans

Malcolm Gary Duncan

Errol Tayla Kovacevic-Ebong

Director: Emma Harding.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2017.

MON 07:30 Just a Minute (m000tcgq)

Series 86

Episode 5

Gyles Brandreth hosts a special episode of Just a Minute where he challenges guests Paul Merton, Sheila Hancock, Tony Hawks and Pippa Evans to talk on the subjects of his choice for 60 seconds. Hesitation, deviation, and repetition are strictly forbidden. This episode was recorded in the Radio Theatre in December 2020, with a remote audience listening in from their homes all over the world. Caroline Barlow blows the whistle.

Devised by Ian Messiter

Produced by Victoria Lloyd

A BBC Studios Production

MON 08:00 Steptoe and Son (b007jlg5)

Series 2

Crossed Swords

After a major find out on his rag and bone round, excited

Harold lets greed get the better of him.

Starring Wilfrid Brambell and Harry H Corbett.

Following the conclusion of their hugely successful association with Tony Hancock, writers Ray Galton and Alan Simpson wrote 10 pilots for the BBC TV's Comedy Playhouse in 1962.

The Offer featured the lives of rag and bone men Albert Steptoe and son Harold - and was the spark for a run of eight series on TV.

Albert Wilfrid Brambell

Harold Harry H Corbett

Shop Assistant Derek Nimmo

Auctioneer Michael MacLean

Adapted for radio from Galton and Simpson's TV script by

Gale Pedrick.

Producer: Bobby Jaye

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in July 1967.

MON 08:30 Life, Death and Sex with Mike and Sue (b0075pbn)

Series 3

Episode 6

Sofa-bound TV presenters Mike and Sue tackle matrimony.

What makes it work? Where do couples go wrong?

Starring Robert Duncan and Jan Ravens.

With Ronnie Ancona, Alistair McGowan, Roger Blake and

Christopher Douglas.

Written by Christopher Douglas from a format by Bill Dare.

Music by Mark Burton.

Producer: Aled Evans

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1998.

MON 09:00 The Unbelievable Truth (b08m9kvp)

Series 18

Episode 3

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

From bicycles and wine to trees and chocolate.

David O'Doherty, Richard Osman, Zoe Lyons and Marcus Brigstocke are the panellists obliged to talk with deliberate

inaccuracy.

Producer: Jon Naismith

A Random Entertainment production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in April 2017.

MON 09:30 Married (b00dvdff)

Series 3

Episode 6

Cantankerous bachelor Robin Lightfoot makes a vital discovery about his parallel universes.

Hugh Bonneville stars in Tony Bagley's comedy about a

confirmed bachelor dealing with life in a parallel universe.

Robin Hugh Bonneville

Lesley Josie Lawrence

Dirk Stephen Frost

Maxine Ann Gosling

Ned Sam Bradley
Muriel Janet Ellis
Arthur Smith Himes
Producer: Claire Jones
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2001.
MON 10:00 Arnold Bennett - Anna of the Five Towns (b01nvg46)
Episode 1
Arnold Bennett's powerful story of love, tyranny and rebellion set against the vitality and harshness of life in the Staffordshire Potteries in the late 19th century.
Brought up in the repressive tradition of Methodism by her miserly father, Anna Tellwright dreams of independence and freedom. On coming of age she learns that she is to inherit a fortune and realises that she is loved by the charismatic Henry Mynors.
But with the money comes responsibility and a growing bond with one of her tenants William Price.
Stars Charlotte Riley.
Dramatised in two parts by Helen Edmundson.
Anna.....Charlotte Riley
Tellwright.....David Schofield
Young Agnes.....Emilia Harker
William Price.....Michael Socha
Titus Price.....James Masters
Henry Mynors.....Lee Williams
Beatrice/Older Agnes.....Rosina Carbone
Mrs Sutton.....Olwen May
Revivalist.....Andrew Westfield
Sarah Vodrey.....Jacqueline Redgewell
Director: Nadia Molinari

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2011.

MON 11:00 Here's the Thing (b0b2jd1n)

Julie Andrews
Alec Baldwin delves into the life of Oscar-winning actress Julie Andrews, from theatre days to the legacy of "the nannies".
Mary Poppins and Maria.
Award-winning actor Alec Baldwin gives the listener a unique entrée into the lives of artists, policy makers and performers.
Alec sidesteps the predictable by taking listeners inside the dressing rooms, apartments and offices.
Here's the Thing has its roots in National Public Radio. In 2009, Alec joined with producers Lu Olkowski, Trey Kay, Kathie Russo and Emily Botein to find fresh ways to engage in conversation on the radio. The group developed the idea of a new show that at its heart would look at what makes interesting people tick and create a platform for new and emerging ideas to be presented.

From WNYC Studios, New York. First heard in the USA in 2015.

MON 11:50 Inheritance Tracks (m000tvd1)

Priyanka Chopra Jonas
Actress Priyanka Chopra Jonas picks 'Desi Girl' by Shankar Mahadevan and 'The First Time Ever I Saw Your Face' by Roberta Flack.

MON 12:00 Steptoe and Son (b007jlg5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

MON 12:30 Life, Death and Sex with Mike and Sue (b0075pbn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

MON 13:00 Raffles (m0001qm0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

MON 13:30 Sherlock Holmes (b09bbp0c)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

MON 14:00 Not Working by Lisa Owens (b079njxp)

Episode 6

Lisa Owens' witty and poignant debut novel, read by Emily Bruni.

Claire Flannery has quit her marketing job in order to search for her true vocation. But months have passed and she's no closer to understanding what she wants to do with her life. It doesn't help that Luke, her long-term partner, is passionate about his job, which also happens to be one of the worst in the world... he's training to be a brain surgeon.
In addition, she's fallen out badly with her mother – who refuses to accept Claire's revelation that her grandfather exposed himself to her with she was little. It hadn't seemed like a big deal to Claire at the time, but her mother's reaction has left her hurt and reeling.

Read by Emily Bruni.

Abridged by Robin Brooks.

Produced by Kirsteen Cameron.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2016.

MON 14:15 Gudrun (b096h4d0)

Series 2

Episode 1

Lucy Catherine's Viking epic of love, revenge and leadership inspired by the Icelandic sagas
Gudrun, a young woman in 11th century Iceland, forges her path through a world of unearthly beauty yet uncompromising harshness. Left reeling from the part she played in her lover's death she's determined to rebuild her family and win back the trust of her husband.

Gudrun Kate Phillips

Freija Samantha Dakin

Bolli Gavi Singh Chera

Sigrid Rosie Boore

Olaf Philip Fox

Hrefna/Gaddja Kerry Gooderson

Produced and directed by Gemma Jenkins

The first series ended with the death of Gudrun's lover, Kjartan, killed by his best friend and brother, Bolli. Bolli is married to Gudrun. He suspects his wife was behind the blood feud that led to Kjartan's death. Kjartan married into Norwegian royalty and when his wife returns to Iceland with plans to convert the country to Christianity it becomes clear her motives are far from pious.

Gudrun is under the protection of Freija, the Norse Goddess of love and war. She can sometimes be as slippery a customer as her protégée. Freija's voice cries out for a new kind of leadership. Is she really on Gudrun's side or does she have an agenda of her own?

Suspicious of how power and ambition are wielded by men Gudrun's left feeling increasingly isolated. She longs for the freedom to live her life according to her own rules, beholden to no-one.

The show is inspired by the famous Laxdaela Saga featuring the original Nordic Noir heroine, Guðrún Ósvífursdóttir. There is speculation that the saga was written by a woman. Gudrun has the same steely determination and in some cases the almost psychopathic single-mindedness of her successors, Lisbeth Salander and Saga Noren, not to mention the ability to scheme, manipulate and bend others to her will.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2017.

MON 14:30 Arnold of the Five Towns (b0477m6z)

Writer Arnold Bennett was a man of many worlds. Born in 1867 amidst the roar and industry of The Potteries, he became a giant of the London literati, renowned far beyond the capital for works such as The Old Wives' Tale, The Card and Anna of the Five Towns.

But Bennett was not just a novelist. From screenplays to 'how to' books, Evening Standard articles to Woman magazine, he was wildly prolific, unashamed of earning a living from his art, and as capable of describing the minutiae of grand hotels as he was the life of the charwoman.

Mourning the likes of Lord Beaverbrook and Somerset Maugham when he died in 1931, Arnold Bennett earned a level of wealth and celebrity in his lifetime of which many writers might now only dream.

So why does this man - who once wrote in his journal that he "would not care a bilberry for posterity" - seem to have somewhat fallen from fame? What's his legacy in his hometown? And what could his life and work say to 21st century Britain?

In this programme, Bennett fan Samira Ahmed reappraises the reputation of this self-made man from the Potteries, visiting places as diverse as The Savoy Hotel and Stoke City FC. She tours Burslem's Bennett landmarks, delves into the archive at the Potteries Museum & Art Gallery and walks the floorboards of the Middleport Pottery as she hears how it inspired one of Bennett's best-loved works.

Interviewees include Dame Margaret Drabble, historian and MP Tristram Hunt, writer Sathnam Sanghera and many others.

Producer: Alice Bloch

A Whistledown production for BBC Radio 4

MON 15:00 Arnold Bennett - Anna of the Five Towns (b01nvg46)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

MON 16:00 The Unbelievable Truth (b08m9kvp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

MON 16:30 Married (b00dvlf)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

MON 17:00 Cooking in a Bedsitter (b09jrkr2)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

MON 17:30 Just a Minute (m000tcqg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

MON 18:00 Dream Story by Arthur Schnitzler (m000tnkj)

Episode 6

The revelation of Albertine's dream sends Fridolin deeper into chaos as he tries to unravel the mystery of the previous evening. An eight-part of Arthur Schnitzler's 'Dream Story', credited as the novella that inspired Stanley Kubrick's last film.

Published in 1925/26, the work was alternately titled 'Rhapsody' and, in the original German, 'Traumnovelle'.

It tells the tale of a young doctor who finds that he must come to terms with his wife's erotic dreams by embarking on a few escapades of his own – a tale of sexual fantasy, jealousy, obsession and death...

Read by Paul Rhys.

Translated by J.M.Q. Davies.

Made for BBC7 and first broadcast in September 2003.

MON 18:30 A Good Read (b017cfks)

Rachel Johnson and Martin Kelner

Former editor of The Lady, Rachel Johnson, and journalist and broadcaster Martin Kelner pick their favourite books to discuss with Harriett Gilbert.

Rachel's choice is about every parent's worst nightmare - the disappearance of a child: Still Missing by Beth Gutcheon. Martin opts for a weighty story of the capital city and its characters during World War Two: London Belongs to Me by Norman Collins.

Harriett's choice is the witty and poignant tale of two women, desperately seeking love, lust and wine: The Bottle Factory Outing by Beryl Bainbridge.

Producer: Toby Field

First broadcast on Radio 4 in 2011.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

MON 22:30 Tom Wrigglesworth's Hang-Ups (b04ps720)

Series 2

Running on Empty

Tom Wrigglesworth is worried for his health with his invite to an adventure-packed stag weekend of "coasteering" – where you hurl yourself off tall rocks into the sea!

But that's nothing compared with what his dad's preparing himself for: the Sheffield marathon. An event he's decided to enter to get one over on the next door neighbour...

With Kate Anthony, Paul Copley and Judy Parfitt.

Written by Tom Wrigglesworth and James Kettle. With Miles Jupp.

Producer: Katie Tyrrell

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2014.

MON 23:00 The Now Show (m000tg6k)

Series 58

Episode 5

Steve Punt and Hugh Dennis present the week via topical stand-up and sketches in front of a remote audience - and all from their own home!

Joining them from a safe distance is Dane Baptiste and Janine Harouni with music supplied by Rachel Parris.

Voice Actors: Chiara Goldsmith and Luke Kempner

Producer: Pete Strauss

Production Co-Ordinator: Sarah Sharpe

Editor/Engineer: David Thomas

BBC Studios Production

MON 23:30 Mitch Benn's Crimes Against Music (m000tx6r)

Series 3

Episode 3

Mitch Benn's world tour takes him to exotic places, glamorous locations - and Stansted. This week, he's stranded in the departure lounge after a budget airline goes bust. Trapped in duty-free hell with Robin Ince and his band, Mitch is driven crazy by a certain song, played over and over again. Finally, he has to make a musical appeal to Watchdog to free himself from legal limbo, stuck between passport control and the boarding gate.

Also featuring Alfie Joey, Taha Baylis, Kirsty Newton and Steven Kynman.

Producer: Adam Bromley

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2006.

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TUE 04:30 Married (b00dvlf)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Monday]

TUE 05:00 Cooking in a Bedsitter (b09jrkr2)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Monday]

TUE 05:30 Just a Minute (m000tcqg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Monday]

TUE 06:00 Stand By For West (m000tn3g)

Inspector West at Bay

1. Flashpoint

From the novel Inspector West at Bay by John Creasey

Dramatised as a serial for radio in eight parts by MAURICE TRAVERS

Chief Inspector Roger West and his wife, Janet, are involved in a sinister incident.

This is the third of John Creasey's novels about the detective's adventures to be dramatised for radio.

Patrick Allen and Sarah Lawson, who play the main parts, are also husband and wife in real life - but happily their private life is not as hectic, hair-raising and danger-filled as the one they

portray in Stand By For West.
Maurice Hedley, who plays the Assistant Commissioner at Scotland Yard, finds he is a charming old gentleman, but a trifle slow in the uptake.
West's right-hand man on the other hand, the burly Detective Inspector Bill Sloan (Derek Newark), is a solid, dependable type.
West's friend Mark Lessing (James Kerry), is directly involved in the action, and also has a romantic interest in a mysterious young widow called Eve Wedlake (Anna Gilchrist).

1: Flashpoint in Fleet Street
Produced by JOHN BROWELL
Chief Inspector Roger West Patrick Allen
Janet: Sarah Lawson
Sir Guy Chatworth Maurice Hedley
Det -Insp Bill Sloan Derek Newark
Mark Lessing James Kerry
Marino Leonard Fenton
Bertie Downs John Baddeley
First broadcast on Radio 2 in 1969.
TUE 06:30 Sherlock Holmes (b09bd5bp)
Sherlock Holmes with Carleton Hobbs - Series 1
The Beryl Coronet
'I could, of course, borrow so trifling a sum ten times over from my friends' said His Grace, asking the banker for the loan of £50,000 - and he handed over the Beryl Coronet as security.
What happened then sent the distressed banker hurrying to 221b Baker Street to seek the aid of Sherlock Holmes...
Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's tale originally appeared in 'The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes' published in the Strand Magazine in 1891.
CAST:
Sherlock Holmes Carleton Hobbs
Doctor Watson Norman Shelley
Miss Parker/Lucy Parr Hilda Schroder
Arthur Holder Frederick Treves
Alexander Holder Robert Sansom
Roberts Ronald Baddley
His Grace Godfrey Kenton
Mary Holder Eva Huszar
Carleton Hobbs played the Baker Street sleuth in eighty radio dramas between 1952 and 1969.
Adapted by Michael Hardwick.
Producer: Frederick Bradnum
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in June 1959.
TUE 07:00 Quanderhorn (b0b9wbf0)
The Quanderhorn Xperimentations
The Splattered Remains of Undentifiable Organs Incident All Over Again
It's still 1952. It's always 1952.
The Quanderhorn crew find themselves on Advanced Lunar Station Q, with no means of returning to Earth and limited oxygen supplies.
Splitting into two teams after a game of Martian Closey-Eyesie, Guuurk (Kevin Eldon) and Troy (Freddie Fox) fall prey to a ravenous Lunar Man Trap, while Brian (Ryan Sampson) and Gemma (Cassie Layton) stumble upon an intact space craft. But there are two problems. Gemma's ear is unwinding, rendering her emotionally unstable, and there's no apparent entrance to the craft.
Having rather astonishingly escaped their various dilemmas, the crew encounter yet another conundrum - how exactly is the ship powered?
Jenkins (John Sessions), the professor's factotum, detects a spacecraft approaching Earth which Quanderhorn (James Fleet) orders him to blast out of the sky, apparently unaware his own crew is aboard.
The Quanderhorn Xperimentations - an adventure beyond human understanding.
Cast:
Professor Quanderhorn- James Fleet
Brian Nylon- Ryan Sampson
Dr Gemini Janussen- Cassie Layton
Guuurk- Kevin Eldon
Troy Quanderhorn- Freddie Fox
Winston Churchill/Jenkins- John Sessions
Synthetic Voice Rachel Atkins
Created and written by Rob Grant and Andrew Marshall
Directed by Andrew Marshall
Music by Peter Brewis
Engineered, Edited and Sound designed by Alistair McGregor
Production Manager: Sarah Tombling
Produced by Rob Grant and Gordon Kennedy
Recorded at The Soundhouse Studios
An Absolutely production for BBC Radio 4
TUE 07:30 Reluctant Persuaders (m000td1s)
Series 4
Episode 4: Ask The Man Who Owns One
Hardacre's advertising agency is shaken when one of their latest ads is ridiculed by industry bible Campaign. Copywriter Joe Starling (Mathew Baynton) takes the news especially hard, spiralling into depression.
Amanda (Josie Lawrence) and Hardacre (Nigel Havers) compete to pull Joe out of his funk, and prove to the other that they are the more gifted mentor. Meanwhile Teddy (Rasmus Hardiker) has worries of his own, as he attempts to care for a new pet.
Cast:
Nigel Havers – Hardacre

Mathew Baynton – Joe
Josie Lawrence – Amanda
Rasmus Hardiker – Teddy
Written by Edward Rowett
Directed by Alan Nixon
Script edited by Mark Evans
Edited and Engineered by Jerry Peal
Production Manager: Sarah Tombling
Based on an original idea by Edward Rowett and Robert Frimstone
Recorded at The Soundhouse Studios, London
Produced by Gordon Kennedy
An Absolutely production for BBC Radio 4
TUE 08:00 The Goon Show (b00dyb10)
Ten Snowballs That Shook the World
Neddie Seagoon attempts to auction the equator - from a raft.
Stars Spike Milligan and Peter Sellers. From February 1958.
TUE 08:30 Rent (b066fy4b)
Series 4
Episode 5
Paul and Ruby are delighted to see the back of Dave.
Maria and Richard are finding Eva rather harder to get rid of.
Lucy Flannery's award-winning sitcom about Maria and Richard Reynolds and their lodgers.
CAST:
Maria Barbara Flynn
Richard Patrick Barlow
Ruby Vivienne Rochester
Paul Dave Lamb
with Sarah Parkinson and Toby Longworth.
Producer: Liz Anstee
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1998.
TUE 09:00 The Now Show (m000tg6k)
[Repeat of broadcast at 23:00 on Monday]
TUE 09:30 Like They've Never Been Gone (b00cz8np)
Series 4
Episode 6
It's Tommy and Sheila's anniversary – 40 years in showbiz!
Lewis is hoping it'll pass quietly and cheaply. But will a short hospital say force Tommy to start taking life easier?
Ageing showbiz couple Tommy Franklin and Sheila Parr battle on with their second stab at fame.
CAST:
Tommy Franklin Roy Hudd
Sheila Parr June Whitfield
Hetty Stark Pat Coombes
Murray Julian Eardley
Louis Elstein Edward Halsted
Vicky Blunt/Nurse Emma Kennedy
Music by Frido Ruth.
Producer: Steve Doherty
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2002.
TUE 10:00 Arnold Bennett - Anna of the Five Towns (b01nvmwm)
Episode 2
Arnold Bennett's powerful story of love, tyranny and rebellion set against the vitality and harshness of life in the Staffordshire Potteries in the late nineteenth, dramatised by Helen Edmundson.
Having inherited a fortune on her twenty first birthday Anna Tellwright begins to gain independence and freedom. But on her return from an eventual holiday with the Suttons and Henry Mynors her joy is marred by some shocking news about one of her tenant's Titus Price. Anna's growing concern for his son William leads her to a defiant act that threatens everything.
Anna.....Charlotte Riley
Tellwright.....David Schofield
Young Agnes.....Emilia Harker
William Price.....Michael Socha
Henry Mynors.....Lee Williams
Beatrice/Older Agnes.....Rosina Carbone
Mrs Sutton.....Olwen May
Mr Sutton/Coroner.....Jonathan Keeble
Sarah Vodrey.....Jacqueline Redgwell
Directed by Nadia Molinari.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2011.
TUE 11:00 Archive on 4 (b09h2kkm)
The Bald Truth
For thousands of years, bald men have been the subject of ridicule. As a result they've felt ashamed and have resorted to desperate measures to hide their condition. During the decades when hair style was a cultural battleground between youth and the establishment, the balding man was at the bottom of the heap. No prime minister since Clement Attlee has been bald. But increasingly, bald men are coming out of the closet and shaving their heads - and some women too. Research shows that bald men are perceived as less attractive but more dominant. Now that we are more relaxed about hair style, and more willing to tolerate tonsorial diversity, are bald men finally able to shed the stigma? And could the comb-over finally make a come back? Ian Marchant, who has shaved his head since the early 1980s, investigates.
Producer: Jolyon Jenkins.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2018.
TUE 12:00 The Goon Show (b00dyb10)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
TUE 12:30 Rent (b066fy4b)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
TUE 13:00 Stand By For West (m000tn3g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
TUE 13:30 Sherlock Holmes (b09bd5bp)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
TUE 14:00 Not Working by Lisa Owens (b079prly)
Episode 7
Lisa Owens' "generation-defining" comic debut novel, read by Emily Bruni.
Claire Flannery is searching for her true vocation. But, months after she quit her marketing job, she's no closer to understanding what it is she wants to do with her life. It doesn't help that Luke, her long-term partner, is passionate about his job, which also happens to be one of the worthiest in the world... he's training to be a brain surgeon. He's been supportive up until now, but is starting to lose patience.
In addition, she's fallen out badly with her mother – who refuses to accept Claire's revelation that her grandfather exposed himself to her with she was little. It hadn't seemed like a big deal to Claire at the time, but her mother's reaction has left her hurt and reeling.
Read by Emily Bruni.
Abridged by Robin Brooks.
Produced by Kirsteen Cameron.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2016.
TUE 14:15 Gudrun (b096hcls)
Series 2
Episode 2
Lucy Catherine's Viking epic of love, revenge and leadership inspired by the Icelandic sagas.
Gudrun's rival in love, Hrefna, returns to Iceland with a band of missionaries and a plan to convert the country to Christianity. Her motives for returning to the land where her husband was murdered are far less clear cut.
Produced and directed by Gemma Jenkins.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2017.
TUE 14:30 Spellbound: Siouxsie and the Banshees (b01n9z0v)
As the bright white heat of punk faded few bands survived and emerged from the aftermath, stronger and more unique than Siouxsie and the Banshees. Led by the unmistakable force of Siouxsie Sioux and bassist Steven Severin, the Banshees carved a musical legacy that is without parallel.
Originally meeting as part of the 'Bromley Contingent' that gravitated around punk pioneers The Sex Pistols, Susan Janet Ballion met Steven Bailey at a Roxy Music concert at Wembley in 1975, bonding over suburban boredom, a love of Bowie, Hitchcock and 'Cabaret' style nocturnal fun. Armed with a handful of ideas, suburban isolation, borrowed equipment, the duo entered the furnace of punk intent on smashing down the established musical order and sculpting a dark and alluring legacy.
Miranda Sawyer talks to Siouxsie about the legendary gig at the infamous 100 Club as well as her and Steven Severin's part in TV folklore by appearing on the Today show where the Sex Pistol's Steve Jones and John 'Rotten' Lydon 'sore at presenter Bill Grundy revealing to the nation the filth and the fury of punk rock.
Through Banshee's biographer and fan Mark Paytress, journalist Alexis Petridis and acclaimed producer Nigel Gray, Sawyer unearths how the band quickly bolted from the fading spark of punk and carved out an unparalleled legacy of five albums in five years. From 1978's stark, Velvet Underground inspired 'The Scream' through band fall-outs, commercial and critical success, to the neo-psychedelic, post punk of 'Kaleidoscope', the hugely influential dark wave 'JuJu' and the quixotic, exotic and erotic and 'A Kiss in the Dreamhouse' this a unique insight into a genre and era defying band.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2012.
TUE 15:00 Arnold Bennett - Anna of the Five Towns (b01nvmwm)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
TUE 16:00 The 3rd Degree (b07bbbjp)
Series 6
The University of Gloucestershire
A funny and dynamic quiz show hosted by Steve Punt - this week from the University of Gloucestershire with specialist subjects including Biosciences, Media and Religious Studies and questions ranging from Betjeman to BB King via Botham and brass instruments.
The programme is recorded on location at a different University each week, and it pits three Undergraduates against three of their Professors in an original and fresh take on an academic quiz.
The rounds vary between Specialist Subjects and General Knowledge, quickfire bell-and-buzzer rounds and the Highbrow and Lowbrow round cunningly devised to test not only the students' knowledge of current affairs, history, languages and science, but also their Professors' awareness of television, sport, and quite possibly Justin Bieber. In addition, the Head-to-Head rounds see students take on their Professors in their own subjects, offering plenty of scope for mild embarrassment on both sides.
Other Universities featured in this series include Chester, York, Birmingham City, Bath and Glasgow.
Produced by David Tyler
A Pozzitive production
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 2016.
TUE 16:30 Like They've Never Been Gone (b00cz8np)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
TUE 17:00 Quanderhorn (b0b9wbf0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

TUE 17:30 Reluctant Persuaders (m000td1s)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

TUE 18:00 Dream Story by Arthur Schnitzler (m000tn3l)

Episode 7

Fridolin returns to the house of the masked ball to find the mysterious woman who saved his life and has an unpleasant surprise.

An eight-part of Arthur Schnitzler's 'Dream Story', credited as the novella that inspired Stanley Kubrick's last film.

Published in 1925/26, the work was alternately titled 'Rhapsody' and, in the original German, 'Traumnovelle'.

It tells the tale of a young doctor who finds that he must come to terms with his wife's erotic dreams by embarking on a few escapades of his own – a tale of sexual fantasy, jealousy, obsession and death...

Read by Paul Rhys.

Translated by J.M.Q. Davies.

Made for BBC7 and first broadcast in September 2003.

TUE 18:30 Soul Music (b00txhfk)

Series 10

How Great Thou Art

The enduring popularity of the hymn, How Great Thou Art is explored in this series that examines those pieces of music that never fail to move us. Based on a Swedish poem by Carl Gustav Boberg, the hymn was written by the British missionary Stuart Hine in 1949.

It subsequently become an Elvis Presley classic and as the country and western star, Connie Smith explains, it's the piece she always sings to close her show, the stirring lyrics and soaring melody having the ability to move and inspire audiences of all ages and backgrounds.

We also hear from George Beverly Shea, now a hundred and one but with clear memories of singing it at hundreds of Billy Graham crusades.

Contributors:

Bud Boberg

Ray Bodkin

Bev Shea

Jerry Schilling

Malcolm Imhoff

David Darg

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2010.

TUE 19:00 The Goon Show (b00dyb10)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

TUE 19:30 Rent (b066fy4h)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

TUE 20:00 Stand By For West (m000tn3g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

TUE 20:30 Sherlock Holmes (b09bd5bp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

TUE 21:00 Archive on 4 (b09th2km)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

TUE 22:00 Reluctant Persuaders (m000td1s)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

TUE 22:30 Revolting People (b00f80zs)

Series 1

An Incredible Amount of Storm Clouds

Feared Briton General Venables demands executions by sunset. 1770 America sitcom stars Andy Hamilton. From February 2000.

TUE 23:00 Bussmann and Quantick Kingsize (b044w4v4)

Episode 4

Buy a compendium of fairy tales from Boney M.

A decadent ounce of sketches, monologues and evil chat.

Originally broadcast live from London's exclusive Imperial Rooms, Mayfair.

Written and performed by Jane Bussmann and David Quantick.

Also featuring Peter Serafinowicz, Emma Clarke and Steve Brody.

Producer: Phil Bowker.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1998.

TUE 23:30 The (Almost) Accidental Adventures of Bell and Todd (m00046g0)

Stowaways

Fed up narrating the lives of two men bickering on an allotment, mischievous Diana decides to shake their lives up...

June Whitfield stars as Diana in John Eggleston's six-part comedy adventure series.

With Matthew Bell as Bell and Toby Longworth as Todd

Producer: Liz Anstee

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1997.

TUE 23:45 Hearing With Hegley (b009y1s3)

Series 1

Episode 1

The poet laureate of alternative comedy, John Hegley, presents a selection of his work.

With contributions from Keith Moore, Susan Norton, Andrew Bailey and Nigel Piper.

Producer: Phil Clarke

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1996.

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WED 00:00 Dream Story by Arthur Schnitzler (m000tn3l)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Tuesday]

WED 00:30 Soul Music (b00txhfk)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Tuesday]

WED 01:00 Stand By For West (m000tn3g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Tuesday]

WED 01:30 Sherlock Holmes (b09bd5bp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Tuesday]

WED 02:00 Not Working by Lisa Owens (b079prly)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Tuesday]

WED 02:15 Gudrun (b096hcls)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Tuesday]

WED 02:30 Spellbound: Siouxsie and the Banshees (b01n9z0v)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Tuesday]

WED 03:00 Arnold Bennett - Anna of the Five Towns (b01nmwmm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Tuesday]

WED 04:00 The 3rd Degree (b07bbbjp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Tuesday]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Tuesday]

WED 05:00 Quanderhorn (b0b9wbf0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Tuesday]

WED 05:30 Reluctant Persuaders (m000td1s)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Tuesday]

WED 06:00 Stand By For West (m000tnp4)

Inspector West at Bay

2. Bombshell in Bournemouth

Following the acid attack, Inspector West and his family travel to Bournemouth for a few days holiday - but there is no respite from ongoing case at Scotland Yard and Roger remains under threat.

From the novel

Inspector West at Bay by John Creasey

Dramatised as a serial for radio in eight parts by MAURICE TRAVERS with

Chief Inspector Roger West Patrick Allen

Janet Sarah Lawson

Sir Guy Chatworth Maurice Hedley

Det -Insp Bill Sloan Derek Newark

Mark Lessing James Kerry

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in 1969.

WED 06:30 Sherlock Holmes (b09bhp40)

Sherlock Holmes with Carleton Hobbs - Series 1

The Blanched Soldier

Godfrey Emsworth comes back from the Boer War and hasn't been since.

At the request of Godfrey's friend and fellow-soldier, James Dodd, can Holmes solve this unusual mystery?

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's tale originally appeared in 'The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes' published in the Strand Magazine in 1927.

CAST:

Sherlock Holmes Carleton Hobbs

Doctor Watson Norman Shelley

James M. Dodd Frederick Treves

Colonel Emsworth Robert Sansom

The Butler Frank Atkinson

Mr Kent William Eedle

Godfrey Emsworth Denis Coacher

Sir James Saunders Norman Claridge

Carleton Hobbs played the Baker Street sleuth in eighty radio dramas between 1952 and 1969.

Adapted by Michael Hardwick.

Producer: Frederick Bradnum

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in August 1959.

WED 07:00 Tickets Please (b00ny7k4)

Episode 2

By Mark Maier

The 9.27 London to Exeter emotional rollercoaster continues as the train staff's personal embroilments deepen. Now one of the wedding party is joining in the melee. And why are there fingerholes in the muffins?

Robin.....Jeremy Swift

Nadine.....Alex Kelly

Peter.....Malcolm Tierney

Carol.....Tessa Nicholson

Carl.....Nicholas Boulton

Diana.....Melissa Advani

Linda.....Kate Layden

Keith.....Stephen Hogan

other parts played by Piers Wehner, Philip Fox and Joseph Cohen-Cole

Directed by Peter Kavanagh.

WED 07:30 Future Empire-fect (m000tccs)

Episode 1

In their previous BBC Radio 4 series, Empire-ical Evidence, comedians Andy Zaltzman and Anuvab Pal travelled to each other's home cities and walked around, taking in the sights and sounds and taste and feel of the bustling metropolises of London and Kolkata, before performing stand-up in crowded rooms full of people laughing loudly and maybe even sharing snacks.

In Future Empire-fect, their new series recorded in March 2021, they won't be doing that.

What they will be doing is looking at the future of the relationship between Britain and India in fields such as politics, medicine, cricket, culture, cricket, trade, hospitality and cricket.

In this first episode, they take in the pharmaceutical industry, business, trade and politics, and how the two nations plan to work together - or not.

Praise for Empire-ical Evidence:

"Surprisingly successful as both entertainment and education."

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The Telegraph

"I was intrigued by Andy Zaltzman and Anuvab Pal's ambition and then surprised to find myself chucking at their chutzpah."

The Spectator

Writer/Performer: Andy Zaltzman

Writer/Performer: Anuvab Pal

Producer: Ed Morrish

A Somethin' Else production for BBC Radio 4

WED 08:00 Life With The Lyons (m00022s5)

The Barbecue

How will the All-American family's new barbecue fare with the neighbours and British weather? Stars Ben Lyon. From January 1953.

WED 08:30 Alison and Maud (b007k244)

Series 1

Lame Ducks

How can Alison avoid a courtship display without hastily inventing a husband?

First of two series of Sue Limb's Bed and Breakfast sitcom about sisters Alison and Maud and their guests at the Abbeyfield Guest House in Norwich.

Starring Denise Coffey as Alison, Miriam Margolyes as Maud, Joss Ackland as Father, Chris Emmett as Mr Mullett and Nickolas Grace as Leslie.

Producer: Jonathan James-Moore.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2002.

WED 09:00 Heresy (b07fg6tt)

Series 10

Episode 5

Victoria Coren Mitchell presents another edition of the show which dares to commit heresy.

Her guests this week are comedians Lee Mack and David Baddiel and performer and QI elf Andrew Hunter Murray.

Together they discuss Netflix, father figures and Katie Hopkins. An Avalon production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in June 2016.

WED 09:30 Snap (b00tf82j)

Series 1

Episode 2

After their split, Molly and Doug are determined to prove they can have a life without each other.

And maybe they would, if it wasn't for Doug's elderly mum misbehaving...

Paul Mendelson's sitcom stars Rebecca Lacey as Molly, Paul Venables as Doug, Soumaya Keynes as Kaz, Jessie Sullivan as Ryan, Rebecca Front as Scarlet, Marlene Sidaway as Annie and Jonathan Tafler as Raymond.

Producer: David Ian Neville

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2003.

WED 10:00 Drama (b09hp7cv)

Baroness Orczy - The Scarlet Pimpernel

Episode 1

James Purefoy stars as Sir Percy Blakeney in Jonathan Holloway's new adaptation of Baroness Orczy's classic tale, set in the French Revolution.

Holloway's political interpretation is brought to life by an ensemble cast including Sienna Guillory as Marguerite Blakeney and Enzo Cilenti as the spine-chilling revolutionary soldier, Henri Chauvelin.

Muscular acting, pungent words, threat and jeopardy replace the whimsy of other adaptations and are floated on a contemporary, filmic score written by Sarah Llewellyn, with sound design by Wilfredo Acosta.

Episode One:

It is the year 1792. We witness a revolutionary France in the grip of a violent proletarian uprising and a British ruling class striving to prevent the same happening here.

Percy Blakeney.....James Purefoy

Marguerite Blakeney.....Sienna Guillory

Andrew Ffoulkes.....Eric MacLennan

Henri Chauvelin.....Enzo Cilenti

Suzanne De Tournay.....Abby Wain

Captain Duroc.....Graeme Rose

Citizen Brogard.....Mike Rogers

Barsad & Wilmot.....James Camp

Music composed by Sarah Llewellyn

Adapted and directed by Jonathan Holloway

Produced by Sally Harrison

A Darling Woollyback Co-Production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in December 2017.

WED 11:00 Stage and Screen: Legends - Liza Minnelli (m000tnp6)

Broadway and Hollywood star Liza Minnelli talks to Edward Seckerson about her career. We hear plenty of songs in full in this special recording when Liza talks in detail about her parts in Flora the Red Menace, The Act and The Rink. She also pays tribute to the lyricist Fred Ebb who was the author of virtually all her greatest roles.

Interviewer Edward Seckerson

Producer Bill Lloyd

Director Lindsay Pell

First broadcast on BBC Radio 3 on December 25 2006.

WED 12:00 Life With The Lyons (m00022s5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

WED 14:00 Not Working by Lisa Owens (b079r5lz)

Episode 8

Lisa Owens' "generation-defining" comic debut novel, read by Emily Bruni.

Claire Flannery is still searching for her true vocation. Months after she quit her marketing job, she's no closer to understanding what it is she wants to do with her life. It doesn't help that Luke, her long-term partner, is passionate about his job, which also happens to be one of the worthiest in the world (he's training to be a brain surgeon).

In addition, she's badly fallen out with her mother – who refuses to accept Claire's revelation that her grandfather exposed himself to her with she was little. It hadn't seemed like a big deal to Claire at the time, but her mother's reaction has left her hurt and reeling.

Read by Emily Bruni.

Abridged by Robin Brooks.

Produced by Kirsteen Cameron.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2016.

WED 14:15 Gudrun (b096j14s)

Series 2

Episode 3

Lucy Catherine's Viking epic of love, revenge and leadership inspired by the Icelandic sagas.

The Norwegian priest Refkel has spent the winter working alongside Gudrun on her farm. As spring returns he redoubles his efforts to save her soul.

Produced and directed by Gemma Jenkins.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2017.

WED 14:30 The Curse of Pendle (b01nxczj)

Novelist Jeanette Winterson is fascinated by the Pendle witch trials of 1612. 400 years on, in this programme recorded in and around the area, she contemplates their history - a tale of ambition, warring families and the superstitions of James I. The Pendle witch trials of 1612 involved 12 accused, who were charged with the murder of 10 people by witchcraft. They are the best documented of all the witchcraft trials in English history. This is a fascinating story which moves beyond the localised accusation and hysteria of the well-worn Salem trials in the US and draws in the superstitions of James I, the desires of titled families to attract his good favour, and the local disputes and battles of two 'common' families.

Using the publication of the proceedings by the clerk of the court, Thomas Potts 'The Wonderfull Discoverie of Witches in the Countie of Lancaster', Jeanette Winterson weaves her own telling of the trial through the programme, while unearthing the back story and historic context.

Jeanette explores the local area, visiting key locations as she contemplates the "countie" of the time. Even today this area of Lancashire has an above average proportion of Catholic families and, during the reigns of Elizabeth I and James I, Catholic priests were regularly holding secret mass in the remote area of Pendle Hill. At the same time, James I was obsessed with witchcraft - he even wrote a book about it, Daemonologie.

Finally, Jeanette reflects personally on the trials and what they have meant to the development of the area.

Music composed by David Lloyd-Mostyn and performed by Aquilon

Produced by Kevin Dawson

A Whistledown production

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2012.

WED 15:00 Drama (b09hp7cv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

WED 16:00 Heresy (b07fg6tt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

WED 16:30 Snap (b00tf82j)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

WED 17:00 Tickets Please (b00ny7k4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

WED 17:30 Future Empire-fect (m000tccs)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

WED 18:00 Dream Story by Arthur Schnitzler (m000tpp8)

Episode 8

Arthur Schnitzler's exploration of jealousy and desire reaches its disturbing conclusion.

An eight-part of Arthur Schnitzler's 'Dream Story', credited as the novella that inspired Stanley Kubrick's last film.

Published in 1925/26, the work was alternately titled 'Rhapsody' and, in the original German, 'Traumnovelle'.

It tells the tale of a young doctor who finds that he must come to terms with his wife's erotic dreams by embarking on a few escapades of his own – a tale of sexual fantasy, jealousy, obsession and death...

Read by Paul Rhys.

Translated by J.M.Q. Davies.

Made for BBC7 and first broadcast in September 2003.

WED 18:30 Short Cuts (m0002m3h)

Series 18

Known For...

Josie Long presents short documentaries about people or places who become known for a single thing. From the contested title of Britain's most haunted village to a tender reflection on an actor defined by their most famous role.

Most Haunted

Produced by Ross Sutherland

Babi

Featuring Rosalind Jana

The Bystander

Featuring William Genovese

Produced by Andrea Rangecroft

Series Producer: Eleanor McDowall

A Falling Tree production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in February 2019.

WED 19:00 Life With The Lyons (m00022s5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

WED 19:30 Alison and Maud (b007k244)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

WED 20:00 Stand By For West (m000tnp4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

WED 20:30 Sherlock Holmes (b09bhp40)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

WED 21:00 Stage and Screen: Legends - Liza Minnelli (m000tnp6)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

WED 22:00 Future Empire-fect (m000tccs)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

WED 22:30 Elvenquest (b00w7f23)

Series 2

Episode 3

The Quest for the Sword of Asnagar continues and this week finds Vidar and his team outside the Citadel of Gondola which is being laid siege to by the amassed hordes of the evil Lord Darkness. But when they get searched on their way into the Citadel - there's been a lot of trouble with 'suicide fairies' - Sam comes across a love potion in Vidar's belongings and his mind unsurprisingly turns from defending the citadel to making his move on Penthiselea.

But the path of true love is never a steady one and Sam's plans for marital bliss soon fall apart when he discovers time with an amorous Penthiselea isn't all it's cracked up to be, and Vidar drinks the love potion by mistake.

An all-star cast, featuring:

Stephen Mangan as 'Sam',

Alistair McGowan as 'Lord Darkness',

Christine Kavanagh as 'The High Priestess of Gondola'

Kevin Eldon as 'Dean/Kreech',

Darren Boyd as 'Vidar',

Dave Lamb as 'Amis - The Chosen One'

Sophie Winkleman as 'Penthiselea'

The writers are Anil Gupta and Richard Pinto (Goodness

Gracious Me, The Kumars At No. 42)

The producer is Sam Michell.

WED 23:00 Radio Active (b008gdb7)

Series 3

Probe Round the Back

Radio Active's regular analysis programme, Probe, takes a look behind-the-scenes at Britain's first national radio station starring Helen Atkinson-Wood, Angus Deayton, Geoffrey Perkins, Philip Pope and Michael Fenton-Stevens.

Written by Angus Deayton and Geoffrey Perkins. With Jon Canter, Moray Hunter and John Docherty.

Producer: Jamie Rix

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1983.

WED 23:30 Weak at the Top (b00tjnmj)

Series 2

Values

Marketing maestro John Weak tries to solve the meeting room crisis with some challenging seduction...

Randy, devious, sexist and workshy, John Weak puts the man into management – in Guy Browning's sitcom.

Starring Alexander Armstrong as marketing maestro and "totty" magnet John Weak.

Hayley Clare Perkins

Sir Marcus Geoffrey Whitehead

Bill Peters Ron Cook

Tim Ewan Bailey

Giles Stephen Critchlow

Sam Adjoa Andoh

Music: David Pickvance

Producer: Jonquil Panting

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2006.

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THU 00:00 Dream Story by Arthur Schnitzler (m000tpp8)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Wednesday]

THU 00:30 Short Cuts (m0002m3h)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Wednesday]

THU 01:00 Stand By For West (m000tnp4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Wednesday]

THU 01:30 Sherlock Holmes (b09bhp40)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Wednesday]

THU 02:00 Not Working by Lisa Owens (b079r5lz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Wednesday]

THU 02:15 Gudrun (b096j14s)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Wednesday]

THU 02:30 The Curse of Pendle (b01nxczj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Wednesday]

THU 03:00 Drama (b09hp7cv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Wednesday]

THU 04:00 Heresy (b07fg6tt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Wednesday]

THU 04:30 Snap (b00tf82j)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Wednesday]

THU 05:00 Tickets Please (b00ny7k4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Wednesday]

THU 05:30 Future Empire-fect (m000tccs)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Wednesday]

THU 06:00 Stand By For West (m000tnmy)

Inspector West at Bay

3. Encounter with an Eve

From the novel Inspector West at Bay by John Creasey

Dramatised as a serial for radio in eight parts by Maurice Travers.

Chief Inspector Roger West and his wife, Janet, are involved in a sinister incident.

This is the third of John Creasey's novels about the detective's adventures to be dramatised for radio.

Patrick Allen and Sarah Lawson, who play the main parts, are also husband and wife in real life - but happily their private life is not as hectic, hair-raising and danger-filled as the one they portray in Stand By For West.

Maurice Hedley, who plays the Assistant Commissioner at Scotland Yard, finds he is a charming old gentleman, but a trifle slow in the uptake.

West's right-hand man on the other hand, the burly Detective Inspector Bill Sloan (Derek Newark), is a solid, dependable type.

West's friend Mark Lessing (James Kerry), is directly involved in the action, and also has a romantic interest in a mysterious young widow called Eve Wedlake (Anna Gilchrist).

Chief Inspector Roger West: Patrick Allen

Janet: Sarah Lawson

Det - Insp Bill Sloan: Derek Newark

Mark Lessing: James Kerry

Eve Wedlake: Anna Gilchrist

Produced by JOHN BROWELL

First broadcast on Radio 2 in 1969.

THU 06:30 Sherlock Holmes (b09bj8wq)

Sherlock Holmes with Carleton Hobbs - Series 1

The Copper Beeches

When a young governess feels threatened by unknown dangers in a remote country house, Holmes and Watson are quick to fly to her aid...

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's tale originally appeared in 'The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes' published in the Strand Magazine in 1891.

CAST:

Sherlock Holmes Carleton Hobbs

Doctor Watson Norman Shelley

Violet Hunter Hilda Schroder

Miss Stoper/Mrs Rucastle Eva Stuart

Mr Rucastle Frederick Treves

Mrs Toller Fanny Carby

Carleton Hobbs played the Baker Street sleuth in eighty radio dramas between 1952 and 1969.

Adapted by Michael Hardwick.

Producer: Frederick Bradnum

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in August 1959.

THU 07:00 Rob Newman (b0bkhltg)

Rob Newman's Total Eclipse of Descartes

The Music of the Chromosomes

One of Britain's finest comedians Rob Newman sets his sights on the world of philosophy, unpicking 3000 years of good and bad ideas to discover how we got into this mess. In a world gone mad can philosophy provide the answer?

In episode three, Rob navigates the wonders and pitfalls of genetics and internationalism.

Written and performed by Rob Newman

Edited by John Whitehall

Produced by Jon Harvey

Executive Producer: Richard Wilson

A Hat Trick production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in September 2018.

THU 07:30 Meet David Sedaris (m000fkv)

Series 8

Instalment 2

What with the whole world grinding to a viral halt and everything, this special series of essays and diary entries is recorded at the Sussex home of the world-renowned storyteller.

In 2021, it's 25 years since David Sedaris first shared his very particular world view with the listeners to BBC Radio 4, having brought us The SantaLand Diaries back in 1996. In this eighth series of Meet David Sedaris, he continues to entertain with sardonic wit and incisive social critiques.

David Sedaris has become one of America's pre-eminent humour writers and, in 2019, was elected to the American Academy of Arts and Letters. The great skill with which he slices through cultural euphemisms and political correctness proves that he's a master of satire and one of the most observant writers addressing the human condition today.

Sedaris's first book, Barrel Fever (1994), which included The SantaLand Diaries, was a critical and commercial success, as were his follow-up efforts, Naked (1997), Holidays on Ice (1997) and Me Talk Pretty One Day (2000). He became known for his bitingly funny recollections of his youth, family life and travels, making semi-celebrities out of his parents and siblings. David Sedaris has been nominated for three Grammy Awards for Best Spoken Word and Best Comedy Album. His latest international best-selling book is a collection of stories entitled Calypso. A feature film adaptation of his story C.O.G. was released after a premier at the Sundance Film Festival in 2013. Producer: Steve Doherty

A Giddy Goat production for BBC Radio 4
THU 08:00 Round the Horne (b00j05x7)
 Series 1
 Episode 13
 Kenneth Horne Master Spy gets an Eiffel while Julian and Sandy offer some animal advice at their new shop in Chelsea. Bona Pets. Rambling Sid Rumpo sings a special song of Cornwall.
 With Kenneth Williams, Hugh Paddick, Betty Marsden and Bill Pertwee.
 Recorded at the BBC's Paris Studio in Lower Regent Street, London. Announcer: Douglas Smith
 Round The Horne was born out of the demise of BBC radio comedy Beyond Our Ken, after the end of writer Eric Merriman's involvement. Using the same cast and producer, Barry Took and Marty Feldman were persuaded to write the scripts - which led to four series that ran between 1965 and 1968 - packed full of parodies, recurring characters, catchphrases and double-entendres.
 Music by Edwin Braden and the Hornblowers and The Fraser Hayes Four.
 Producer: John Simmonds
 First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in May 1965.
THU 08:30 Nineteen Ninety-Four (b0141xfj)
 Choice Is Progress
 Edward Wilson finds his job title changing with alarming alacrity. Orwellian sitcom starring Robert Lindsay. From April 1985.
THU 09:00 Genius (b0084ffq)
 Series 3
 Matthew Wright
 A coat for showering and anthems of shame?
 Dave Gorman asks broadcaster Matthew Wright to select the public's best loopy idea.
 Award-winning comedian Dave Gorman and a celebrity guest chew over the ridiculous, unworkable but sometimes genius inventions, schemes and policies of the public.
 Producer: Simon Nicholls
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2007.
THU 09:30 Ed Reardon's Week (b00kfdtp)
 Series 3
 The Libel Action
 As the writer updates obituaries, he produces a savage profile of an old friend. Stars Christopher Douglas. From January 2007.
THU 10:00 Drama (b09jby2w)
 Baroness Orczy - The Scarlet Pimpernel
 Episode 2
 James Purefoy stars as Sir Percy Blakeney in Jonathan Holloway's new adaptation of Baroness Orczy's classic tale, set in the French Revolution.
 Holloway's political interpretation is brought to life by an ensemble cast including Sienna Guillory as Marguerite Blakeney and Enzo Cilenti as the spine-chilling revolutionary soldier, Henri Chauvelin.
 Muscular acting, pungent words, threat and jeopardy replace the whimsy of other adaptations and are floated on a contemporary, filmic score written by Sarah Llewellyn, with sound design by Wilfredo Acosta.
 Episode Two:
 At Lord Grenville's ball, Chauvelin's plot is in play. Has Marguerite's honey-trap worked? Can she save her brother? And will the true identity of the Scarlet Pimpernel be revealed?
 Cast:
 Percy Blakeney.....James Purefoy
 Marguerite Blakeney.....Sienna Guillory
 Andrew Ffoulkes.....Eric MacLennan
 Henri Chauvelin.....Enzo Cilenti
 Suzanne De Tournay.....Abby Wain
 Captain Duroc.....Graeme Rose
 Citizen Brogard.....Mike Rogers
 Barsad & Wilmot.....James Camp
 Music composed by Sarah Llewellyn
 Adapted and directed by Jonathan Holloway
 Produced by Sally Harrison
 Sound design by Wilfredo Acosta
 A Darling Woolyback Co-Production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in December 2017.
THU 11:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b010gjmf)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Sunday]
THU 11:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b00kr7bp)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 on Sunday]
THU 12:00 Round the Horne (b00j05x7)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
THU 12:30 Nineteen Ninety-Four (b0141xfj)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
THU 13:00 Stand By For West (m000tmny)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
THU 13:30 Sherlock Holmes (b09bj8wq)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
THU 14:00 Not Working by Lisa Owens (b079rbdc)
 Episode 9
 Lisa Owens' "generation-defining" comic debut novel, read by Emily Bruni.
 Claire Flannery is searching for her true vocation. Months after she quit her marketing job, she's no closer to understanding what she wants to do with her life. It doesn't help that Luke, her long-term partner, is passionate about his job, which also happens to be one of the worst in the world (he's training to be a brain surgeon).

In addition, she's fallen out badly with her mother - who refuses to accept Claire's revelation that her grandfather exposed himself to her with she was little. It hadn't seemed like a big deal to Claire at the time, but her mother's reaction has left her hurt and reeling.
 Read by Emily Bruni.
 Abridged by Robin Brooks.
 Produced by Kirsteen Cameron.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2016.
THU 14:15 Gudrun (b096j5df)
 Series 2
 Episode 4
 Lucy Catherine's Viking epic of love, revenge and leadership inspired by the Icelandic sagas.
 All that Gudrun holds dear is under threat and a betrayal closer to home forces her to act.
 Produced and directed by Gemma Jenkins.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2017.
THU 14:30 Inside Intuition (b007w2w3)
 "The only real, valuable, thing is intuition" was not the advice of an agony aunt or New Age guru, but Albert Einstein. But what is intuition and when should we use it? Neuroscientist and intuition sceptic Dr Mark Lythgoe, tries to find out where these 'gut feeling' come from. Mark's journey takes him to Bingham Farmer's market, near Nottingham, for a jam tasting experiment and into a London wine bar, for an evening of speed dating.
 Presenter Dr Mark Lythgoe
 Contributors
 David Myers
 Tony O'Hagan
 Eugene Sadler-Smith
 Jeremy Lewis
 Sarah McCarthy
 Professor Richard Wiseman
 Tammy Van Der Merwe
 Jon Smith
 Producer Michelle Martin
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2007.
THU 15:00 Drama (b09jby2w)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
THU 16:00 Genius (b0084ffq)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
THU 16:30 Ed Reardon's Week (b00kfdtp)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
THU 17:00 Rob Newman (b0bktltg)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
THU 17:30 Meet David Sedaris (m000tfkv)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
THU 18:00 I Am Legend by Richard Matheson (b007k0s3)
 Episode 1
 Immune to a plague which has decimated the population, Earth's last living man, Robert Neville, takes on hordes of survivors turned into monstrous vampires.
 1954 cult classic set in the United States of America in 1976.
 Read by Angus McInnes.
 One of the 20th century's most significant vampire novels, Richard Matheson's 'I Am Legend' combines the worlds of sci-fi and horror.
 Abridged by Scott Stainton Miller.
 Producer: Eilidh McCreadie
 Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra by BBC Scotland and first broadcast in 2006.
THU 18:30 Great Lives (b07npxx3)
 Series 40
 Sara Pascoe on Virginia Woolf
 Sara Pascoe champions the life of Virginia Woolf, author of 'Mrs Dalloway' and 'A Room of One's Own', describing her as a sensible feminist.
 Sara explains why she thinks if she were alive today, Woolf would be a comedian, and how through her diaries and letters she's discovered the witty, manic and egotistical Virginia.
 Presenter Matthew Parris confesses to struggling with her work.
 Alexandra Harris is the expert.
 Producer: Toby Field
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2016.
THU 19:00 Round the Horne (b00j05x7)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
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 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 on Sunday]
THU 22:00 Meet David Sedaris (m000tfkv)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
THU 22:30 The World of Simon Rich (b07dnvdm)
 Series 1
 Episode 2
 Simon Rich has been Saturday Night Live's youngest writer, a staff writer for Pixar and a regular contributor to The New Yorker - as well as one of the funniest short story writers of his generation. Now he brings his enchanting, absurd world to radio with his first British comedy show.
 The series takes us across time and space, from the design of

the universe and prehistoric love triangles to the terrors of life as an unused condom inside a teenager's wallet.
 Performing the stories alongside Simon is a cast of UK comic talent, starring Peter Serafinowicz and Tim Key, with Cariad Lloyd, Jamie Demetriou, Joseph Morpurgo and Claire Price.
 Producer: Jon Harvey
 Executive Producer: Richard Wilson
 A Hat Trick production
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2016.
THU 23:00 Lucy Montgomery's Variety Pack (b00w20zg)
 Series 1
 Episode 1
 Meet a masseuse who likes to ensure her clients are relaxed, a cleaning lady who knows her place, Tim Vincent's Mum checks into an hotel and all the way from Las Vegas; Candi Karmel the 80-year-old diva who can't stop performing.
 Characters galore courtesy of Lucy Montgomery.
 With Philip Pope, Sally Grace, Waen Shepherd and Natalie Walter
 Written by Lucy Montgomery, Barunka O'Shaughnessy, Steven Burge, Jon Hunter and Holly Walsh
 Script Editor: Dan Tetsell
 Music by Philip Pope
 Producer: Katie Tyrrell
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2010.
THU 23:30 Lee and Herring's Fist of Fun (b007k272)
 London
 Bring back Geoffrey to 'Rainbow' and some cutting remarks about Lorena Bobbit.
 From the BBC Paris Studio, London.
 Stewart Lee and Richard Herring's mix of sharp sketches and situations, stand up topical gags and banter.
 With Peter Baynham, Rebecca Front and John Thomson.
 Special guest Geoffrey Hayes from ITV kids show Rainbow.
 Lee and Herring went to write and star in their successful TV transfer to BBC Two in 1995.
 Cult BBC Radio 1 series first broadcast in November 1993.

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FR/ 00:00 I Am Legend by Richard Matheson (b007k0s3)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Thursday]
FR/ 00:30 Great Lives (b07npxx3)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Thursday]
FR/ 01:00 Stand By For West (m000tmny)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Thursday]
FR/ 01:30 Sherlock Holmes (b09bj8wq)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Thursday]
FR/ 02:00 Not Working by Lisa Owens (b079rbdc)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Thursday]
FR/ 02:15 Gudrun (b096j5df)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Thursday]
FR/ 02:30 Inside Intuition (b007w2w3)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Thursday]
FR/ 03:00 Drama (b09jby2w)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Thursday]
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 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Thursday]
FR/ 05:00 Rob Newman (b0bktltg)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Thursday]
FR/ 05:30 Meet David Sedaris (m000tfkv)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Thursday]
FR/ 06:00 Stand By For West (m000tp74)
 Inspector West at Bay
 4: Conflict in Kensington
 STAND BY FOR WEST
 from the novel
 Inspector West At Bay by John Creasey
 Dramatised as a serial for radio in eight parts by MAURICE TRAVERS
 4: Conflict in Kensington
 Other parts: Margaret Wolfitt Peter Williams, John Pullen
 Produced by JOHN BROWELL
 Chief Inspector Roger West Patrick Allen
 Janet Sarah Lawson
 Det -Insp Bill Sloan Derek Newark
 Mark Lessing James Kerry
 Eve Wedlake Anna Gilchrist
 Jacob Kennedy Peter Williams
 Clara Kennedy Margaret Woolfit
 Peter Kennedy John Pullen
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in 1969.
FR/ 06:30 Sherlock Holmes (b09bk193)
 Sherlock Holmes with Carleton Hobbs - Series 1
 The Noble Bachelor
 The great detective is hired to find why a bride mysteriously disappeared just hours after getting married.
 Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's tale originally appeared in 'The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes' published in the Strand Magazine in 1891.
 CAST:
 Sherlock Holmes Carleton Hobbs
 Doctor Watson Norman Shelley
 Lestrade Frederick Treves
 Lord Saint Simon William Eedle
 Mrs Moulton Jane Jordan Rogers

Francis May Moulton Jerold Wells
 Carleton Hobbs played the Baker Street sleuth in eighty radio dramas between 1952 and 1969.
 Adapted by Michael Hardwick.
 Producer: Frederick Bradnum
 First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in August 1959.
FRI 07:00 Clare in the Community (b083p889)
 Series 11
 Unfaithful
 Episode 3 - Unfaithful
 Brian's been going through Clare's emails and made an upsetting discovery. He's insisted on a couple's therapy session although Clare isn't taking proceedings entirely seriously.
 Sally Phillips is Clare Barker the social worker who has all the right jargon but never a practical solution.
 A control freak, Clare likes nothing better than interfering in other people's lives on both a professional and personal basis. Clare is in her thirties, white, middle class and heterosexual, all of which are occasional causes of discomfort to her.
 Each week we join Clare in her continued struggle to control both her professional and private life In today's Big Society there are plenty of challenges out there for an involved, caring social worker. Or even Clare.
 Written by Harry Venning and David Ramsden
 Producer Alexandra Smith
 A BBC Studios production.
FRI 07:30 Mark Steel's in Town (b07tbfmw)
 Series 7
 Stockport
 "Welcome to Stockport - Home of Stockport College"
 Mark Steel returns for a seventh series of the award winning show that travels around the country, researching the history, heritage and culture of six towns that have nothing in common but their uniqueness, and performs a bespoke evening of comedy for the local residents.
 In the first programme, Mark visits the Greater Manchester town of Stockport, once the centre of the hatting industry. He takes a trip on the infamous 192 bus, visits the world famous hat museum and tries to get to the bottom of how one of its suburbs ended up with an infestation of marauding peacocks. In this series Mark visits Stockport in Greater Manchester, Colchester in Essex, Hebden Bridge in Yorkshire, The Royal Borough of Kingston Upon Thames, Lynton in North Devon and the British overseas territory of Gibraltar.
 Written and performed by ... Mark Steel
 Additional material by ... Pete Sinclair
 Production co-ordinator ... Hayley Sterling
 Producer ... Carl Cooper
 A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in 2016.
FRI 08:00 Dad's Army (b007jles)
 Series 1
 The Enemy Within the Gates
 As their new uniforms arrive, Captain Mainwaring's platoon try to capture Germans - for a cash reward.
 Six years after legendary sitcom Dad's Army started on BBC TV, these specially adapted radio versions began recording with the original cast.
 Starring Arthur Lowe as Captain Mainwaring, John Le Mesurier as Sergeant Wilson, Clive Dunn as Corporal Jones, James Beck as Private Walker, Arnold Ridley as Private Godfrey, Ian Lavender as Private Pike, Carl Jaffe as Captain Winogrodzki, David Sinclair - all other parts and John Snagge as the announcer.
 Adapted from Jimmy Perry and David Croft's original BBC TV scripts by Michael Knowles and Harold Snoad.
 Producer: John Dyas
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1974.
FRI 08:30 The Alan Davies Show (m000tp76)
 Episode 5
 Topless pics inspire the struggling actor to join an environmental protest. With Ronnie Ancona and Alan Francis.
 From June 1998.
FRI 09:00 It's Not What You Know (b01d2rz3)
 Series 1
 Episode 4
 Miles Jupp presides over more relation revelations in the show where it's not what you know that matters, but who. And more importantly, how well you know them.
 Writer and broadcaster, Emma Freud, stand-up Tom Wigglesworth and breakfast show host on BBC 6Music, Shaun Keaveny, each nominate one of their intimate circle to answer a series of questions and they then have to second-guess how their nominees responded. Emma picks her son, Jake, Tom his dad, Richard, and Shaun plumps for younger brother, Paul.
 Producer: Sam Michell.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2012.
FRI 09:30 Fat Chance (b01b3fp9)
 Weighty Matters
 A TV star turns up at Wendy Bottomley's slimming club and Graham unwisely divulges his secret to Lee...
 Jenny McDade's high-fat bittersweet comedy for those believing there's a thin person inside them begging to get out.
 Graham Pitscottie Gareth Corke
 Wendy Bottomley Janine Duvitski
 Clive Bottomley Michael Troughton
 Soo Pitscottie Anne Reid
 Tina Tattersall Julia Deakin
 Kelly Chambers Tilly Gaunt

Lee Dubs Harry Myers
 Mrs Enright Frances Jeater
 Producer: Sally Avens
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1999.
FRI 10:00 Laurie Graham - Perfect Meringues (b0075m9z)
 Being a cook on TV was meant to lead to fame, fortune and a rich social life. But for miserable Lizzie Partridge, it means dinners-for-one and a stropky adolescent daughter, Eleanor.
 CAST:
 Lizzie Partridge Imelda Staunton
 Louie Christopher Biggins
 Kim Lesley Joseph
 with Stephen Moore, Nina Wadia, Patricia Brake, Angela Moran, June Barrie, Christopher Grimes, Sarah Pearman and Michael Wilson.
 Written by Laurie Graham.
 Producer: Viv Beeby.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1999.
FRI 11:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m000tzq3)
 Presenters recommend their favourite podcasts and speak to the people who make them.
FRI 12:00 Dad's Army (b007jles)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
FRI 12:30 The Alan Davies Show (m000tp76)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
FRI 13:00 Stand By For West (m000tp74)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
FRI 13:30 Sherlock Holmes (b09bk193)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
FRI 14:00 Not Working by Lisa Owens (b079rgy5)
 Episode 10
 Lisa Owens' "generation-defining" comic debut novel, read by Emily Bruni.
 Claire Flannery is searching for her true vocation. Months after she quit her marketing job, she's no closer to understanding what she wants to do with her life. It doesn't help that Luke, her long-term partner, is passionate about his job, which also happens to be one of the worthiest in the world (he's training to be a brain surgeon).
 In addition, she's fallen out badly with her mother – who refuses to accept Claire's revelation that her grandfather exposed himself to her with she was little. It hadn't seemed like a big deal to Claire at the time, but her mother's reaction has left her hurt and reeling. Her father, thankfully, is completely behind her and helps her understand that her mother just needs time to come to terms with what happened.
 Read by Emily Bruni.
 Abridged by Robin Brooks.
 Produced by Kirsteen Cameron.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2016.
FRI 14:15 Gudrun (b096jf3p)
 Series 2
 Episode 5
 Lucy Catherine's Viking epic of love, revenge and leadership inspired by the Icelandic sagas.
 With her way of life threatened, Gudrun risks everything when she engages in a war of words with ruthless convert the Norwegian King, Olaf Tryggvason
 Produced and directed by Gemma Jenkins.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2017.
FRI 14:30 Cold Water California (b048jfly)
 With freezing waters and long dark winters, Ireland may seem an unlikely place to surf, but the surfing industry is growing fast and may even aid recovery of recession hit coastal communities north and south of the border.
 Broadcaster Mark Patterson has surfed for nearly 30 years, and is fascinated by the role the ocean is playing in replenishing small coastal towns like Portrush in Northern Ireland, and Bundoran in the Republic of Ireland. Once bustling seaside resorts, both have endured a long decline, taking a hard hit during the recession.
 Now they are drawing a new crowd - surfers. Many come to learn the basics and taste their first salt-water experience, while others travel from far overseas to sample Ireland's waves, considered by many to be world-class, on a par with anything found in Hawaii, Australia or California.
 Mark learns that a few intrepid souls began to explore remote waves along Ireland's coastline in the early 60's, sometimes dressed only in jeans and t-shirt as they braved the freezing waters. Now with modern wetsuits and affordable boards, everyone wants to learn; from 58 year old Elaine in Portrush, to a group of teenage girls who feel empowered by surfing.
 In Bundoran Mark meets the surfer instructor who feels the ocean saved his life. After losing his job at the height of the boom and turning to drink, a radio advert for lifeguard training set him on a new journey, and a new future by the coast. In Portrush Mark meets a 6 time Irish champion who toured the world chasing his surfing 'drug', until the lifestyle nearly destroyed him. And then there are the surfers who risk their lives for the ultimate thrill - surfing monstrous waves up to 60 ft high.
 It's not The Beach Boys, bronzed bodies or bikinis - this is Coldwater California.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014.
FRI 15:00 Laurie Graham - Perfect Meringues (b0075m9z)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
FRI 16:00 It's Not What You Know (b01d2rz3)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

FRI 16:30 Fat Chance (b01b3fp9)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
FRI 17:00 Clare in the Community (b083p889)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
FRI 17:30 Mark Steel's in Town (b07tbfmw)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
FRI 18:00 I Am Legend by Richard Matheson (b007k0tb)
 Episode 2
 Earth's last living man, Robert Neville, discovers that his wife's tomb is a lair for vampires.
 1954 cult classic set in the United States of America in 1976. One of the 20th century's most significant vampire novels, Richard Matheson's 'I Am Legend' combines the worlds of sci-fi and horror.
 Read by Angus McInnes.
 Abridged by Scott Stainton Miller.
 Producer: Eilidh McCreddie
 Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra by BBC Scotland and first broadcast in 2006.
FRI 18:30 Off the Page (b00lh453)
 You're Fired!
 Whether it is dressed up as 'downsizing', 'delayering', 'realigning the business' or simply having to 'let people go', firing or being fired is still a painful process.
 Broadcaster Anna Raeburn, writer Jeremy Clarke and psychologist Linda Blair join Dominic Arkwright to discuss the consequences of being sacked.
FRI 19:00 Dad's Army (b007jles)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
FRI 19:30 The Alan Davies Show (m000tp76)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
FRI 20:00 Stand By For West (m000tp74)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
FRI 20:30 Sherlock Holmes (b09bk193)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
FRI 21:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m000tzq3)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
FRI 22:00 Mark Steel's in Town (b07tbfmw)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
FRI 22:30 Goodness Gracious Me (b01p1plb)
 Series 3
 Episode 2
 The embarrassing auntie gets hip, and some curious memories of the British Raj.
 Stars Sanjeev Bhaskar, Kulvinder Ghir, Meera Syal and Nina Wadia.
 Gold Winner of the Sony Radio Academy Awards. The sketch comedy show originally ran on BBC Radio 4 from 1996 to 1998, later transferring to TV on BBC TWO from 1998 to 2001.
 Scripted by Richard Pinto, Sharat Sardana, Meera Syal, Sanjeev Bhaskar and Sanjeev Kohli.
 Script Editor: Sharat Sardana
 Producer: Anil Gupta.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1998.
FRI 23:00 Old Harry's Game (b00cbpy7)
 Series 5
 The Crusade
 Satan starts a quest to improve mankind by infiltrating the world's great religions. Devilish comedy stars Andy Hamilton.
 From September 2005.
FRI 23:30 The In Crowd (b00sbrl6)
 Series 3
 Episode 1
 Robin Ince, Helen Moon, Smug Roberts and Kate Ward are the strange personalities who make up the In Crowd.
 Meet the travel agent who won't let anyone go further than Lowestoft, the army officer who can't wait to offer himself up as the first to be eaten in a crisis, the cultural hooligans who smash beautiful things, and Wendy Clapper who thinks a trip to see the Northern Lights means a weekend in Blackpool.
 Sketch show from Manchester's Comedy Store.
 Producer: Graham Frost
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2002.