

SATURDAY 08 MAY 2021

SAT 00:00 The Man in Black (b018j7ww)

Series 4
 5. The New Boy by Matthew Wilkie
 Craig has a new job, but how far will he go to impress his boss?
 Mark Gatiss as the sinister raconteur, The Man in Black,
 introduces Matthew Wilkie's tale.
 Craig Simon Bubb
 Mr Rubenstein Stephen Greif
 Beth Victoria Inez Hardy
 Nelson Adam Billington
 William Christopher Webster
 More horrifying tales from The Man in Black. You might meet
 him at a luggage carousel in an airport, or behind the desk at an
 employment agency or he might approach you in the corridor of
 a care home. Wherever you encounter him, he's eager to pass on
 his stories. Stories to unsettle and horrify. Stories to haunt you.
 Director: Lucy Collingwood
 Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in December
 2011.

SAT 00:30 Off the Page (b00p3110)

Everyone's A Critic
 Are you worried about the future of criticism?
 You should be. When newspaper editors are forced to make
 cutbacks, it is critics who are the first in the firing line. But do
 we really need critics and criticism?
 Critic and journalist Toby Young is joined by blogger Lynne
 Hatwell and occupational psychologist Clive Fletcher to write
 about and discuss criticism and the critics.
 Presented by Dominic Arkwright.
 Producer: Beatrice Fenton.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2009.

SAT 01:00 Wimsey (b007jzr6)

The Nine Tailors
 8 Nine Tailors Make a Man
 Can upper class sleuth, Lord Peter Wimsey finally solve the
 baffling mystery of the murder of Geoffrey Deacon?
 Ian Carmichael stars as the aristocratic sleuth.
 The conclusion of Dorothy L Sayers' detective mystery.
 Lord Peter Wimsey Ian Carmichael
 Bunter Peter Jones
 Supt Blundell Timothy Bateson
 Rev Theodore Venables Phillip Latham
 Mrs Venables...Noel Dyson
 Will Thoday Keith Drinkell
 Harry Gotobed Alexander John
 First Sluice Keeper Michael Spice
 Second Sluice Keeper Peter Tudenham
 Narrator John Westbrook
 Dramatised by Alistair Beaton.
 Producer: Martin Fisher
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1980.

SAT 01:30 Paper Doll (b07vzzzb)

" I can see you. I'm watching. Here in the dark, in this corner. I
 can see you, going through everything, dirtying it all with your
 fingers. Think you're alone, eh? Think it's just rubbish? Just
 wait. Soon. You'll find out. Soon. "
 Two young men find more than they bargained for when they
 search for junk in a derelict house.
 Chilling drama written by David Calcutt.
 Matthews Richard Pasco
 Mick Michael Staniforth
 Ronnie Daniel Abineri
 Directed at BBC Birmingham by Vanessa Whitburn.
 First broadcast in 'Thirty Minute Theatre' on BBC Radio 4
 (Long Wave only) in March 1979.

SAT 02:00 No Room For Secrets by Joanna Lumley (b00gfsmh)

The Music Room and The Attic
 Married life with a conductor husband and contemplating future
 resolutions.
 Actress Joanna Lumley concludes her home-based
 autobiography
 Producer: Liz Webb.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2004.

SAT 02:15 Gudrun (m0001g8t)

Series 5
 Episode 5
 Gudrun goes on the run. She ends up in the mountains, at the
 hideaway of a powerful seeress and her followers.
 Gudrun, a young woman in 11th century Iceland, must forge her
 path through a world of unearthly beauty yet uncompromising
 harshness. Lucy Catherine's Viking epic of love, revenge and
 faith inspired by the Icelandic sagas.
 Gudrun Kate Phillips
 Freija Samantha Dakin
 Dag Cameron Percival
 Heidr Jeanette Percival
 Volva Carolyn Pickles
 Written by Lucy Catherine.
 Directed by Sasha Yevtushenko.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2018.

SAT 02:30 Woolf in the Jungle (b043xpqt)

Overshadowed for the greater part of his life by his brilliant
 wife Virginia, Leonard Woolf is largely remembered as a
 devoted husband and member of the Bloomsbury set.
 Yet he was a gifted writer in his own right.
 As a young man, Woolf worked as a colonial civil servant in

Ceylon, as Sri Lanka was then known. After his return to
 England in 1911 he wrote 'The Village in the Jungle', the first
 English novel to portray sympathetically the plight of the rural
 poor in a remote corner of Empire. Published a decade before
 Forster's A Passage to India and two decades before Orwell's
 Burmese Days, it is also seen by some as the first novel to
 criticise British imperialism. Whilst the book has always been
 highly regarded in Sri Lanka because it is written from the
 indigenous perspective, Woolf's novel remains virtually
 unknown in this country.
 Writer and broadcaster Nicholas Rankin explores why this is so
 and asks whether the book and its author deserve a more
 prominent place in literary history.
 Among the contributors are writer Romesh Gunsekera,
 Woolf's biographer Victoria Glendinning, and Woolf's nephew,
 publisher Cecil Woolf.
 Producer: Dan Shepherd
 A Far Shoreline production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in
 May 2014.

SAT 03:00 George Eliot - The Mill on the Floss (b00gszmm)

Loving and Losing
 Despite the continuing feud between their families Philip has a
 plan that he believes will restore happiness to Maggie Tulliver.
 Starring Michael Fitzgerald and Sylvestra Le Touzel.
 The conclusion of George Eliot's 19th century novel.
 Maggie Sylvestra Le Touzel
 Tom Richard Pearce
 Philip Michael Fitzgerald
 Stephen Nicholas Gilbrook
 Mrs Tulliver Tina Gray
 Dr Wakem Roger Hume
 Bob Paul Downing
 Lucy Dean Moir Leslie
 Dr Cairn Simon Carter
 Pianist: Harold Rich
 Dramatised by Micheline Wandor.
 Directed at BBC Pebble Mill by Philip Martin.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1991.

SAT 04:00 Counterpoint (b00s0b33)

Series 24
 2010 Hit 5
 Paul Gambaccini chairs the general knowledge music quiz from
 Manchester.
 The questions cover every aspect of music - from the classical
 repertoire to world music, show tunes, film scores, jazz, rock
 and pop.
 The three contestants from Teesside, London and Torquay are:
 David Harman
 Dan O'Hara
 Valerian Ryland
 Producer: Paul Bajoria
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2010.

SAT 04:30 Two Doors Down (b008h68b)

Series 2
 Druids and Draws
 Edith Black's lodger, Victor, the Ulster-Scots poet, has fallen in
 love with a Celtic druid, Anashuya - and brought her back to
 Belfast...
 Starring Stella McCusker.
 Annie McCartney's sitcom about the bohemian Belfast residents
 of Marlborough Road, saved from chaos by their cleaning lady,
 Sally.
 Sally Stella McCusker
 Clare Marcella Riordan
 Evie Katy Gleadhill
 Victor Alan McKee
 Anashuya Luma Hughes
 Miss Black Roma Tomelty
 Fintan Gerard Murphy
 Layla Emily Walmsley
 Rory Richard Clements
 Anna Hannah R Gordon
 With Gerry Anderson as Himself
 Director: Tanya Nash
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2002.

SAT 05:00 The Break (b07dkk0k)

Series 1
 Cold Mountain
 Andy is beginning to settle in to the unusual seaside town of
 Flamford. When he and his Uncle Jeff find an abandoned
 fridge in the street, Jeff seizes the opportunity to teach his
 nephew the value of entrepreneurship.
 Unfortunately, his plans are complicated by a particularly
 diligent and zealous Police Officer, a hard-nosed private
 landlord and Fish Shop Frank's refusal to see a business
 opportunity when it's sat on the pavement outside his chip shop.
 Along the way, they meet a pair of half-hearted pirates, an
 eccentric plutocrat, Jeff's on-off paramour, Corinne and the
 youngest-sounding pub landlord in Britain.
 Andy Tom Palmer
 Jeff Philip Jackson
 Frank Mark Benton
 PC Clark Mark Benton
 Corinne Alison Steadman
 Joyce Alison Steadman
 Morag Alison Steadman
 Max Rasmus Hardiker
 Julie Shobna Gulati
 Writers: Ian Brown and James Hendrie

Director: Gordon Kennedy

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

SAT 05:30 The Confessional (m000vp1b)

Series 1
 The Confession of Clarke Peters
 Actor, comedian and broadcaster Stephen Mangan presents a
 comedy chat show about shame and guilt.
 Each week, Stephen invites a different eminent guest into his
 virtual confessional box to make three 'confessions' to him. This
 is the cue for some remarkable storytelling, and surprising
 insights.
 This week, Clarke Peters, famous for his roles as Lester
 Freemantle in The Wire and Albert Lambreaux in Treme,
 surprises with his stories of youthful indiscretions, hidden loot
 and embarrassing his brother on the Borscht Belt.
 We're used to hearing celebrity interviews where stars are
 persuaded to show off about their achievements and talk about
 their proudest moments. Stephen is not interested in that. He
 doesn't want to know what his guests are proud of, he wants to
 know what they're ashamed of. That's surely the way to find out
 what really makes a person tick. Stephen and his guest reflect
 with empathy and humour on why we get embarrassed, where
 our shame thresholds should be, and the value of guilt.
 Other series guests include Marian Keyes, Ciarad Lloyd, Joan
 Bakewell, Suzi Ruffell and Phil Wang.
 Written and presented by Stephen Mangan
 With extra material by Nick Doody
 Produced by Dave Anderson and Frank Stirling
 A 7digital production for BBC Radio 4

SAT 06:00 Over the Rainbow by Bernard Kops (m000vxxk)

To escape from the cold realities of London life in Maida Vale,
 Sandra lives in the fantasy world of the Hollywood films of her
 childhood.
 It's an obsession shared by her close friend, Stanley. Then one
 day, she discovers her married lover, Malcolm, is unfaithful to
 her ...
 'What would Joan Crawford do? She would take a sharp, jagged
 bread-knife. Cut. With a look of grim determination on her
 face she drives along Finchley Road. Cut.'
 But what will Sandra do?
 Bernard Kops' comedy drama stars Maureen Lipman, Peter
 Woodthorpe and Derek Fowlds.
 Sandra Maureen Lipman
 Stanley Peter Woodthorpe
 Malcolm Derek Fowlds
 Sidney Neville Jason
 Henry Leonard Fenton
 Jeanette/Gloria Sonia Fraser
 Uncle Harold Brian Haines
 Derek William Eedle
 Marie Eva Stuart
 Joe Manning Wilson
 Director: Cherry Cookson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1980.

SAT 07:30 Great Lives (b07v0fv2)

Series 40
 Eliza Carthy on Caroline Norton
 Eliza Carthy chooses the life of 19th-century poet and
 campaigner Caroline Norton to discuss with Matthew Parris.
 Following separation from her controlling husband, Norton
 fought to gain access to her three children. She campaigned for
 30 years resulting in changes to English Law that gave women a
 separate legal identity for the first time.
 Eliza first discovered Caroline Norton when she was
 researching broadside ballads and came across Norton's verse '
 Love not! love not! ye hopeless sons of clay'. It stood out,
 becoming the inspiration for her track 'Fade and Fall' and
 sparking an interest in Norton and her extraordinary life.
 The expert is Dr Diane Atkinson, author of 'The Criminal
 Conversation of Mrs Norton'.
 Producer: Toby Field
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2016.

SAT 08:00 The Motion Show (b071k5vf)

Series 3
 Episode 5
 Debates galore over mature students and putting daughters on
 the stage.
 Graeme Garden chairs the quirky battle of words and wit.
 From the Pleasance Theatre during the Edinburgh Festival.
 With Hugh Dennis, Gyles Brandreth, Chris Neill and Stuart
 Maconie.
 Producer: Helen Williams
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2000
SAT 08:30 Smelling of Roses (b007jrh)
 Series 1
 Positive Thinking
 Rosie's company goes New Age, promoting the Brighton leg of
 a lecture tour by a Californian positive-thinking guru.
 Prunella Scales stars in the first of four series of Simon Brett's
 sitcom following the trials and tribulations of Rosie Burns and
 her event-management company based in Brighton.
 With Arabella Weir as Kate, Rebecca Callard as Jo, Duncan
 Preston as Bob, Annette Badland as Tess, Alison Skilbeck as
 Darcy Philpotts and Kerry Shale as Lyndon Merchant.
 Producer: Maria Esposito
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2000.
**SAT 09:00 Somebody Laughed: Eddie Braben Brings You
 Sunshine (b007lm74)**

Bolli Lewis Bray
 Aslak Tony Turner
 Sigrid Rosie Boore
 Leif Don Gilet
 Guard 1 Lewis Bray
 Frederick Simon Scaddfield
 Heidr Jeanette Percival
 Volva Carolyn Pickles
 Director: Sasha Yevtushenko
 First broadcast in five parts on BBC Radio 4 in December 2018.
SUN 08:30 We're in Business (b007jydp)
 Dudley's Granny
 Dudley and Harry end up at the mercy of a devious criminal. Stars Peter Jones as Dudley, Harry Worth as Harry and Irene Handl as Granny. With Paddy Edwards, Wallas Eaton and John Graham.
 Peter Jones is small-time businessman, Dudley Grosvenor who's always out to make a fast buck - usually at the expense of his side-kick, Harry Worth.
 Written by Peter Jones, George Wadmore and George Evans. A selection of surviving episodes from two series broadcast between 1959-1960.
 Producer: Charles Maxwell.
 First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in June 1959.
SUN 09:00 Drop Me Here, Darling (m000vy0m)
 A Winter Break
 Leslie is broke and turns to mini-cabbing, but pays the price. 'Drop Me Here, Darling' ran from December 1982 to February 1983. It starred Leslie Phillips and Jill Bennett as a recently divorced couple, Leslie and Caroline Duggan. He was a successful businessman but has fallen on hard times - following the '80s property crash - and now earns a living by chauffeuring his wealthy ex, who runs the successful Quantum mail order company. Despite being divorced, their lives are interleaved and they keep a close, envious eye on each other's love lives, divulging an enduring mutual fondness.
 CAST:
 Leslie Duggan Leslie Phillips
 Caroline Duggan Jill Bennett
 Mini Cab Controller Norma Ronald
 and featuring Kenneth Connor, John Kane, James Taylor, Jennifer Croxton, Sandra Clark
 Written by Andrew Palmer.
 Producer: Edward Taylor
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in February 1983.
SUN 09:30 Double Income, No Kids Yet (b007wzng)
 Series 2
 Episode 1
 After yet another late night on the tiles, Lucy decides it is time for them to shape up and get fit.
 But having managed to drag Daniel along with her to gym, how can she then persuade him to leave?
 Starring David Tennant and Elizabeth Carling.
 The return of David Spicer's comedy drama about modern life and parenthood, as seen through the eyes of two 30-something non-parents.
 Daniel David Tennant
 Lucy Elizabeth Carling
 Katie Samantha Spiro
 Andy Tony Gardner
 Producer: Liz Anstee
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2002.
SUN 10:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b05vjwvn)
 Eurovision
 Sir Terry Wogan
 After Roy Plomley and Sue Lawley, Sir Terry shares his third set of castaway choices with Kirsty Young. From January 2012.
SUN 10:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b00zf648)
 Series 2
 Cicada
 One of the great wild sounds of North America is the purring of insects in the evening, especially that of Cicadas, one of the great stridulating sounds in the wild.
 This is the tale of one Cicada; the 17-year periodic Cicada that stunned the community in New England thirteen years after the Pilgrim Fathers had landed. There was a plague of insects, all with red eyes on stalks - and all emerging continuously out of the soil. When the plague subsided a few weeks later the people of Plymouth Rock were braced for another onslaught, but nothing happened until 17 years later.
 Sir David Attenborough recalls a filming trip to New England to film this species of Cicada with both fascinating natural history and a hilarious twist.
 Written and presented by David Attenborough
 Producer: Julian Hector
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2011.
SUN 11:00 Radiolab (m000v29y)
 Series 7
 Slippery Mystery
 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 a question that's flummoxed minds from Aristotle to Sigmund Freud: where do eels come from? With Jad Abumrad.
 Jad Abumrad and the Radiolab team investigate a strange world.
 From WNYC. First broadcast on public radio in the USA in

2020.
SUN 11:55 Inheritance Tracks (b08d8cv4)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:10 today]
SUN 12:00 Poetry Extra (m000vy0p)
 The King's Muse
 Poet Daljit Nagra revisits the BBC's poetry archive and selects The King's Muse - featuring poetry written by a young Henry VIII.
 In The King's Muse, Peggy Reynolds explores the world of the Tudor court, through the poetry of Henry VIII. Held at the British Library is a songbook that includes poetry and compositions by this Tudor monarch. These were not written by an aged despot with a fondness for divorcing and executing his wives, but instead by a youth who came to the throne as a teenager. These poems were penned by an educated young King who enjoyed games, hunting, and performing his own works in front of his courtiers. Henry's early court was one of the most brilliant in Europe, and a centre for culture and pageantry. Historian David Starkey joins Peggy Reynolds to put these poems into context, lifting the lid on this cultured youthful King, long overshadowed by the machinations of the older tyrant he was to become. Peggy's journey begins at the British Library, where she is joined by musicologist Professor David Fallows as they leaf through this songbook compiled in the sixteenth century. Professor Raymond Siemens discusses the importance of this poetry in the development of Tudor literature, and delves into some of the reoccurring themes including love and politics, foreshadowing the more complicated monarch that would emerge.
 Produced by Luke Whitlock.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.
SUN 12:30 Natalie Haynes Stands Up for the Classics (b03yn6xr)
 Series 1
 Petronius
 A fresh look at the ancient world.
 Natalie Haynes, critic, writer and reformed stand-up comedian, brings the ancient world entertainingly up to date. In each of the four programmes she profiles a figure from ancient Greece or Rome and creates a stand-up routine around them. She then goes in search of the links which make the ancient world still very relevant in the 21st century.
 Episode 1: The worst dinner party in history. Natalie investigates the work of the writer Petronius, creator of the infamous Satyricon, later made into a film by Fellini. It's all about excess; as a vegetarian, Natalie's particularly revolted by the way in which the Romans insisted on making edible food look disgusting. With satirical cartoonist Martin Rowson, Fellini fan Richard Dyer and historian Victoria Rimell.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014.
SUN 13:00 The Wonder by Emma Donoghue (Omnibus) (b07xsf0g)
 Episode 1
 1859: English nurse Wright arrives in Athlone in Ireland to witness a 'miracle' called Anna O'Donnell. Read by Carey Mulligan.
SUN 14:10 Inheritance Tracks (b0721811)
 Jeff Lynne
 ELO's Jeff Lynne chooses 'If I Loved You' from Carousel by Rodgers and Hammerstein and 'Only the Lonely' by Roy Orbison.
SUN 14:20 Stories from Hay el Matar (Omnibus) (b08w92nd)
 Sumayya Hilmi must decide the future of the family-run hospital.
 Syrian writers and actors provide a rare glimpse of how life is lived in contemporary Damascus.
 Running a hospital in Damascus is hard enough for the Hilmi family but, when Louai expands the counterfeit pharmaceuticals business to raise extra cash, things start to go very wrong indeed.
 Stories from Hay el Matar is set in a suburb of Damascus where people of all backgrounds attempt to live their lives while the war is fought around them. It's made by a team of Syrian writers and actors who are themselves living through the kinds of events depicted in the drama.
 This is an adaptation from an Arabic language original, produced by BBC Media Action, also made on location in Beirut, Lebanon, by a Syrian and Lebanese team, many of whom commute from inside Syria.
 Written in Arabic by Syrian writer Hozan Akko and adapted into English by British dramatist Jonathan Myerson, and recorded on location in Beirut.
 The drama offers a rare glimpse of how normal life is lived inside Damascus during these extraordinary times.
 Sound: Moe Choicair, Sandra Tabet (DB Studios) and Alisdair McGregor
 Music: Ziad Ahmadiye
 Studio management: Karim Beidoun, Guerilla Studios
 Translation: Samira El Agha
 Director: Boz Temple-Morris
 A Holy Mountain production for BBC Radio 4, adapted from an original BBC Media Action Production.
 First broadcast in five-parts in 2017.
SUN 15:30 Rockets in the Desert (b03zbv0c)
 At a desolate airfield in the Mojave Desert, a group of entrepreneurs, engineers and rocket scientists is attempting to build a new industry of private spaceflight and exploration. Some are calling the small town of Mojave the Silicon Valley of

space. Others compare what is happening here with Kitty Hawk and the early days of the aviation industry.
 Space journalist Richard Hollingham goes inside the workshops and hangars at the Mojave Air and Space Port, where he discovers rockets, space planes and a culture where risk is encouraged.
 Richard talks to Virgin Galactic and tours the sixty-year old wooden hangar of lesser-known rivals, XCOR. Both companies are hoping to fly tourists into space. He sees the unremarkable shed where a new lunar lander is taking shape and meets the locals who are pinning their hopes on rocket scientists to revive the depressed local economy.
 If the projects being developed in this small desert town are successful, they could ultimately transform access to space and make a difference to all our lives.
 Producer: John Watkins
 A Boffin Media production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in April 2014.
SUN 16:00 Martyn Wade - Burn the Aeneid! (b04yf68n)
 What happens if an author gives instructions for his work to be destroyed when he dies?
 The likely answer is an unholy row involving literary executors, members of the family and other interested parties.
 It was even so in 19BC, in Brundisium, Southern Italy, at the deathbed of Publius Vergilius Maro, alias Vergil.
 Martyn Wade's drama stars Clive Merrison as Varius, David Horovitch as Probus, Linda Marlowe as Drusilla, Norman Rodway as Tucca, Jonathan Adams as Proculus, James Grout as Eros, John Webb as Mucius and Peter Gunn as Envoy.
 Producer: Cherry Cookson
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 3 in 1992.
SUN 17:00 Poetry Extra (m000vy0p)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 today]
SUN 17:30 Natalie Haynes Stands Up for the Classics (b03yn6xr)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 today]
SUN 18:00 Elizabeth Gaskell - Curious, If True (b00tvmjw)
 The Poor Clare
 1727: Investigating the heir to a substantial fortune, a young lawyer is drawn towards a young woman haunted by a mother's curse - and apparently possessed by a strange, dark force... Elizabeth Gaskell's collection of intriguing "true" tales dramatised by Sally Hedges.
 Stars Elizabeth Spriggs as Mrs Gaskell, Elizabeth Spriggs, Kim Wall as Philip, Janet Dale as Bridget, Kathryn Hunt as Lucy and William Simons as Bernard.
 With Mary Wimbush, Christopher Scott, Sandra Berkin, Martin Head and Nick Aikens.
 Producer: Nigel Bryant
 An Armada production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in 1998.
SUN 18:45 Murder & Mystery (m0003jms)
 Series 5
 The Cask of Amontillado by Edgar Allan Poe
 A Dish Served Cold. A dark tale of revenge by the incomparable Edgar Allan Poe.
 In a writing career that spanned barely two decades (he died in his 41st year) the American penned over 70 short stories. These he incessantly revised over the years and many became standards of the short form (like 'The Fall Of The House of Usher' or 'The Pit and the Pendulum').
 But for our five fictional tales, we burrow down amongst Poe's lesser-known, and often dark, gems.
 Reader: Owen Teale
 Abridger: Pete Nichols
 Producer: Karen Rose
 Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra by Sweet Talk Productions, first broadcast in March 2019.
SUN 19:00 Radiolab (m000v29y)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
SUN 20:00 Martyn Wade - Burn the Aeneid! (b04yf68n)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 today]
SUN 21:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b05vjwvn)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
SUN 21:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b00zf648)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 today]
SUN 22:00 Natalie Haynes Stands Up for the Classics (b03yn6xr)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 today]
SUN 22:30 The Iguanodon (b0075cpk)
 Two Sausage Rolls Between the Seven of Us
 A startling revelation for Sam after he survives a sinking and the pirates - again.
 The passengers and crew of 'The Iganodon' are still adrift in the Woe Betides. Will they ever get back to the mainland?
 Three-part comedy adventure by Paul Lucas.
 Sam Varley Paul Haigh
 Mr Brook Bernard Cribbins
 Don O'Reilly Dermot Crowley
 Isabel Rosemary Leach
 The Captain John Arthur
 Laura Sally Phillips
 Harriet Patsy Byrne
 Other parts played by Fred Harris and Kevin Eldon.
 Producer: Jo Clegg
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1997.
SUN 23:00 As Told To Craig Brown (b00b4j53)
 Episode 3
 Satirist Craig Brown presents a bundle of parody, satire, social

Director: Jessica Dromgoole
 Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in March 2009.
MON 18:30 A Good Read (b01d13sz)
 Chris Lintott and Neil McCormick
 Astronomer and Sky at Night presenter Chris Lintott and the Telegraph's Chief music critic Neil McCormick discuss their favourite books with Harriett Gilbert.
 Books chosen:
 A Patchwork Planet by Anne Tyler
 Publisher: Vintage
 White by Marie Darrieussecq
 Publisher: Faber
 First Men by Olaf Stapledon
 Publisher: Gollancz
 Producer: Toby Field
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2012.
MON 19:00 Steptoe and Son (b007jzsd)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
MON 19:30 Mr Finchley Goes to Paris (b007k0j8)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
MON 20:00 Julie Enfield Investigates (b007jsh0)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
MON 20:45 Murder & Mystery (b0b1sth7)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]
MON 21:00 TED Radio Hour (m000vxpm)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
MON 21:50 Inheritance Tracks (m000vxpp)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:50 today]
MON 22:00 Nature Table (m000vq81)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
MON 22:30 Chain Reaction (b03nt8bk)
 Series 9
 Frankie Boyle talks to Grant Morrison
 Comedian Frankie Boyle continues the chain talking to comic book legend Grant Morrison.
 They're talking Batman, where ideas come from and the future of humanity.
 Chain Reaction is the long-running host-less chat show where last week's interviewee becomes this week's interviewer.
 Producer: Carl Cooper
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2014.
MON 23:00 The News Quiz (m000vrk0)
 Series 105
 Episode 4
 Andy Zaltzman presents a look back at the week's headlines with Paul Sinha, Angela Barnes, Ayesha Hazarika and Ian Smith.
 This week, local elections, fishing quarrels and how snooker and raves made it into the same headline.
 Written by Andy Zaltzman with additional material from Alice Fraser, Mike Shephard, Tasha Dhanraj and Ray Badran.
 Producer: Gwyn Rhys Davies
 Production Coordinator: Cheryllyn Andrew-Wilfred
 Sound Editor: Marc Willcox
 A BBC Studios Production
MON 23:30 Sean Lock - 15 Storeys High (b09kct7r)
 Series 1
 Episode 5
 A romantic neighbour and a group of aggressive children try to disturb Sean's peace.
 However much Sean tries to avoid the rest of the world, occasionally it will try to engage with him.
 Starring Sean Lock, Tracy-Ann Oberman, Peter Serafinowicz, Martin Trenaman and Chris Pavlo.
 Written by Sean Lock and Martin Trenaman.
 Script Editor: Robert Fraser-Steele
 Producer: Chris Neill
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1999.

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TUE 00:30 A Good Read (b01d13sz)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Monday]
TUE 01:00 Julie Enfield Investigates (b007jsh0)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Monday]
TUE 01:45 Murder & Mystery (b0b1sth7)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 on Monday]
TUE 02:00 Someone Like Me by Miles Kington (b00dp3qs)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Monday]
TUE 02:15 Gudrun (m0001hjf)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Monday]
TUE 02:30 Open the Box (b0075rhq)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Monday]
TUE 03:00 Mrs Henry Wood - East Lynne (m0006fd)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Monday]
TUE 04:00 Act Your Age (b00qcj8m)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Monday]
TUE 04:30 The Six Mothers-in-Law of Henry VIII (b0076jd8)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Monday]
TUE 05:00 Psmith in the City by PG Wodehouse (b00d10jx)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Monday]
TUE 05:30 Nature Table (m000vq81)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Monday]
TUE 06:00 Julie Enfield Investigates (b007jshc)
 Murder West One

2. The Art of the Matter
 Detective Superintendent Julie Enfield faces a strange theft and cunning scam in one of central London's art galleries, which ultimately leads to murder...
 Nick Fisher's thriller stars Imelda Staunton as DSI Julie Enfield, Geoffrey Matthews as Dad, Ross Livingstone as DS Lawrence Evans, Elizabeth Conboy as Kath Dyer, Harry Myers as the Auctioneer, Sean Barrett as Jack "The Whistle" Stephens, Ben Crowe as Johnny "The Tongs" Brickman, Geoffrey Whitehead as Andrew Olson, Giles Fagan as Terry Richards and Frances Jeater as the Woman resident.
 Director: Richard Wortley
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1999.
TUE 06:45 Murder & Mystery (b0b1t0cr)
 Series 1
 Something Untoward by Sophie Hannah
 A woman's simple tube journey is thrown into confusion when her mother appears on the train. Read by Bryony Hannah.
 An occasional series of stories from life's murkier places.
 Taken from Sophie Hannah's 'Something Untoward: Six Tales Of Domestic Terror' (2012).
 Sophie Hannah is a best-selling writer of psychological crime fiction. In 2013, her novel 'The Carrier' won the Crime Thriller of the Year Award at the Specsavers National Book Awards.
 Produced by Jeremy Osborne.
 A Sweet Talk Production for BBC Radio 4 Extra.
TUE 07:00 Beauty of Britain (b010mryx)
 Series 2
 The Delegate
 No professional care-worker can afford to miss Beauty Olonga's survival guide to Britain - its overheated houses, its disappointing church services and its world-class charity shops.
 Series 2 of this Radio 4 comedy follows Beauty's continuing adventures as the Featherdown Agency sends her to provide care for the elderly.
 Beauty sees herself as an inspiration to other African girls hoping to live the dream in Britain. The series breaks the embarrassed silence about what happens to us when we get old and start to lose our faculties. It shows the process in all its chaotic, tragi-comedy but it does so from the point of view of Beauty, whose Zimbabwean Shona background has taught her to respect age. Beauty sees Britain at its best, its worst and also sometimes without its clothes on running the wrong way down the M6 with a toy dog shouting 'Come on!'
 Episode 4 'The Delegate'
 Karen of the featherdown agency sends Beauty to the 'End of Life' care conference on her behalf. Beauty struggles to understand the peculiar behaviour of the British at a conference and their obsessions with name tags and lanyards, as well as why she is the only carer in attendance. This must be why the keynote speaker, Professor Smythe takes a shine to her?
 Beauty Jocelyn Jee Esien
 Jenny Pippa Haywood
 Rob Tony Gardner
 Mrs Grace Phyllida Law
 Sally Felicity Montagu
 Karen/Keely Nicola Sanderson
 The music for the series was performed by The West End Gospel Choir.
 Written by Christopher Douglas and Nicola Sanderson
 The producer is Tilusha Ghelani.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2011.
TUE 07:30 Bridget Christie: Mortal (m000vp48)
 Afterlife
 Episode 4 - The Afterlife
 Following on from her hugely successful, award-winning previous series - 'Minds The Gap' and 'Utopia', Bridget now turns her attention to Mortality, covering 'Birth', 'Life', 'Death' and 'The Afterlife'.
 Like many of us forced to work from home during lockdown, Bridget has recorded this series herself in her house, and in her local park, on a pre-sanitised recording device sent to her in the post. Batteries weren't included. She had to buy them all herself.
 In a collection of informative, personal and absurd recordings, she confronts the difficult questions most of us spend our lives avoiding - all whilst being interrupted by cats, bad WiFi, life admin and her own dead self from beyond the grave.
 If you are mortal, then this is the show for you.
 Written and performed by Bridget Christie
 With guest appearances from her sister Eileen and her friend Ash.
 Producer... Carl Cooper
 Sound Mixer... Olga M. Reed
 Bridget Christie: Mortal is a BBC Studios Production
TUE 08:00 The Goon Show (b007jq5n)
 I Was Monty's Treble
 The British hatch a cunning plan to confuse the Germans. But who (or what) is Eccles? Stars Peter Sellers. From November 1958.
TUE 08:30 King Street Junior (b007jm65)
 Series 3
 The Facts of Life
 Sex education spells trouble for Mr Beeston - and Mrs Rudd's chickens come home to roost. Stars Karl Howman. From March 1988.
TUE 09:00 The News Quiz (m000vrk0)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 23:00 on Monday]
TUE 09:30 Four Joneses and a Jenkins (b007jqm4)

December - Sauce for the Goose
 Under the shadow of the Long Mynd, Megan is out to save Gudrun from a plucking. Stars Geoffrey Whitehead. From August 2000.
TUE 10:00 Mrs Henry Wood - East Lynne (m0006fwx)
 2. The Keepers of the Dead
 Lord Mount Severn has died suddenly, leaving his daughter, the Lady Isabel, destitute.
 Meanwhile young Richard Hare has risked his life, wanted as he is for the murder of Halli John, by returning secretly to West Lynne in a desperate attempt to clear his name.
 Novel by Mrs Henry Wood dramatised by Michael Bakewell.
 Mrs Henry Wood ... Rosemary Leach
 Lady Isabel ... Moir Leslie
 Mr Carlyle ... David Collings
 Francis Levison ... Anthony Edridge
 Miss Cornelia ... Maxine Audley
 Barbara Hare ... Julie Berry
 Lord Vane ... Stephen Thorne
 Vane's butler ... Michael Tudor Barnes
 Dill / 2nd Creditor ... Tim Reynolds
 Marvel / Servant ... Susie Brann
 Warburton / Lambert ... Paul Gregory
 Joyce ... Jo Kendall
 William Vane ... Alexander Goodman
 Director: David Johnston
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1987
TUE 11:00 Archive on 4 (b09tybw1)
 The Advance Guard of the Avant-garde
 In the 1960s a group of writers set about shaking up the polite conventions of the British realist tradition through a whole range of experimental approaches.
 Sound poets created some of the strangest programmes ever broadcast by the BBC, while the likes of BS Johnson cut holes in the pages of his novels - and in the case of his book 'The Unfortunates' published the unbound chapters in a box for the reader to mix up and read in whatever order they wished. Johnson and similarly minded writers like Ann Quin, Bob Cobbing, Alan Burns and Christine Brooke-Rose were prominent in their day, appearing regularly on TV and radio programmes, but by now they've largely been forgotten. Using some of the rich archive these writers left behind, D.J. Taylor sets out to tell their story, with the help of Johnson's biographer Jonathan Coe, editor of a new Ann Quin collection Jennifer Hodgson, novelist Eimear McBride and poetry critic Jeremy Noel Tod.
 In a programme that borrows some of their techniques Taylor argues that while we may no longer talk about this group of determinedly experimental figures, many of today's most prominent writers, from David Mitchell to Alice Oswald, owe them a debt of gratitude.
 Presenter: DJ Taylor
 Producer: Geoff Bird
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014.
TUE 12:00 The Goon Show (b007jq5n)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
TUE 12:30 King Street Junior (b007jm65)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
TUE 13:00 Julie Enfield Investigates (b007jshc)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
TUE 13:45 Murder & Mystery (b0b1t0cr)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]
TUE 14:00 Someone Like Me by Miles Kington (b00dp6f6)
 Episode 2
 Frog-like Aunt Flo and Uncle Walter's fascination with fig leaves. The much-missed writer recalls his eccentric childhood. From September 2005.
TUE 14:15 Gudrun (m0001hw1)
 Series 5
 Episode 7
 Living in exile among a cult of women in the mountains, Gudrun decides to kidnap her own daughter.
 Gudrun, a young woman in 11th century Iceland, must forge her path through a world of unearthly beauty yet uncompromising harshness. Lucy Catherine's Viking epic of love, revenge and faith inspired by the Icelandic sagas.
 Gudrun Kate Phillips
 Freija Samantha Dakin
 Dag Cameron Percival
 Bolli Lewis Bray
 Sigrid Rosie Boore
 Heidr Jeanette Percival
 Written by Lucy Catherine.
 Directed by Sasha Yevtushenko
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2018.
TUE 14:30 Getting the Picture (b03phd4f)
 The Camera Has Attitudes
 David Bailey's portrait photographs are world famous, instantly recognisable and have charted decades of fashion, celebrity and notoriety.
 "You can't be judgmental and be a photographer," Bailey says in the first of two programmes in which he tells presenter, Tim Marlow, how he has gone about producing the images which have defined our times.
 Bailey reveals in the first programme how he got started and how the portraiture that shot him to fame makes fashion photography more potent. "I thought the best way to sell the frock is through the girl. If the girl doesn't work, the picture doesn't work," he says.

As he lights Tim's own photographic portrait and selects the cameras for the shoot, Bailey discusses how he has gone about portraiture over the last fifty years or more.

In the central London studio which houses his archive of images, Bailey also reveals to Tim how he made his name with photographs of such stars as Marianne Faithfull, most notably for "Vogue".

And Tim talks to Marianne Faithfull herself about the two striking images of her which Bailey shot - in youth and in later years - and the sharply contrasting views she has of them now.

As this first programme draws to a close, the first shots of Tim's photographic session with Bailey are taken.

Producer Simon Coates

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014

TUE 15:00 Mrs Henry Wood - East Lynne (m0006fwx)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

TUE 16:00 The Rest is History (b04vd88y)

Series 1

Episode 2

Frank Skinner loves history, but just doesn't know much of it. This comedy discussion show with celebrity guests promises to help him find out more about it.

With Victoria Coren Mitchell, Andy Zaltzman and historian in residence Dr Kate Williams

Frank and company navigate their way through the annals of time, picking out and chewing over the funniest, oddest, and most interesting moments in history.

Producers: Dan Schreiber and Justin Pollard

An Avalon production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in December 2014.

TUE 16:30 Four Joneses and a Jenkins (b007jqm4)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

TUE 17:00 Beauty of Britain (b010mryx)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

TUE 17:30 Bridget Christie: Mortal (m000vp48)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

TUE 18:00 Planet B (b00hxxqk)

Series 1

2. New Boy

Convinced his girlfriend Lioba is alive in a virtual world, a nostalgic leap sends John to a brutal school.

Ten-part series about a mystery virtual world.

Written by Matthew Broughton.

John Gunnar Caution
Lioba Donna Hughes
Medley Lizzy Watts
Cerberus Chris Pavlo
Teacher Stephen Critchlow
Mark Swift Inam Mirza
Dean Sullivan Robert Lonsdale
Donna Sullivan Manjeet Mann
Pip Blanc Inam Mirza
Roger Farina Malcolm Tierney
Announcer Jonathan Tafler
Random boy Paul Rider

Director: Jessica Dromgoole

Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in March 2009.

TUE 18:30 Soul Music (b00zsdns)

Series 11

Mahler's Adagietto

Adagietto from Mahler's 5th Symphony

Mahler wrote his 5th Symphony during the summers of 1901 and 1902. The Adagietto is the 4th movement which is thought to have been inspired by falling in love with Alma who he married around this time. This single movement is Mahler's most well known piece of music. It was famously used in the 1971 Luchino Visconti film Death in Venice and it was also conducted by Leonard Bernstein at the mass at St Patrick's Cathedral, New York on the day of the burial of Robert Kennedy.

In this programme, composer David Matthews explains the significance of this piece in Mahler's output. Psychoanalyst Anthony Cattle describes listening to it with his mother during her last days of dementia. Malcolm Reid tells how this piece signified a change in himself as a young man in the British police force with narrow, racist views, to hearing it in Australia and shifting his to becoming a liberal. And Helen Epstein explains why it was played at her mother's funeral.

Producer: Rosie Boulton

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2011.

TUE 19:00 The Goon Show (b007jq5n)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

TUE 19:30 King Street Junior (b007jm65)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

TUE 20:00 Julie Enfield Investigates (b007jshe)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

TUE 20:45 Murder & Mystery (b0b1t0cr)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]

TUE 21:00 Archive on 4 (b09tybw1)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

TUE 22:00 Bridget Christie: Mortal (m000vp48)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

TUE 22:30 Revolted People (b00fj2br)

Series 2

Even More Trying Times

Samuel's emporium faces competition from a new super-emporium and Mary climbs into bed with Captain Brimshaw.

Comedy set just before the American Revolution.

Written by Andy Hamilton and Jay Tarses.

Stars Jay Tarses as Samuel Oliphant, Andy Hamilton as Sergeant McGurk, James Fleet as Captain Brimshaw, Jan Ravens as Mary, Hugh Dennis as Ezekiel Spriggs, Penelope Nice as Cora Oliphant, Tony Maudsley as Joshua Oliphant, Susie Blake as Elizabeth Oliphant, Selina Griffiths as Agnes and Michael Fenton-Stevens as Isaac.

Producer: Paul Mayhew-Archer

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2001.

TUE 23:00 Small Scenes (b03h3fxj)

Series 1

Episode 4

Meet the funniest (and unhappiest) man in the world and also listen in on a couple of lorry drivers as they discuss hopes, dreams and life on the road.

Symphonious sketch series with Daniel Rigby, Mike Wozniak, Sara Pascoe and Henry Paker.

Written by the cast and Benjamin Partridge with additional material from Madeleine Brettingham.

Producer: Simon Mayhew-Archer

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2013.

TUE 23:30 Mark Watson Makes the World Substantially Better (b00k3n96)

Series 1

Greed/Gluttony

Welsh comedian Mark Watson sets out on his quest to free us from the seven deadly sins via stand-up comedy.

The first subjects are greed and gluttony and Tim Key and Tim Minchin provide sketches, songs and distractions.

Producer: Katie Marsden

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2007.

WEDNESDAY 12 MAY 2021

WED 00:00 Planet B (b00hxxqk)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Tuesday]

WED 00:30 Soul Music (b00zsdns)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Tuesday]

WED 01:00 Julie Enfield Investigates (b007jshe)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Tuesday]

WED 01:45 Murder & Mystery (b0b1t0cr)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 on Tuesday]

WED 02:00 Someone Like Me by Miles Kingston (b00dp6f6)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Tuesday]

WED 02:15 Gudrun (m0001hw1)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Tuesday]

WED 02:30 Getting the Picture (b03phd4f)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Tuesday]

WED 03:00 Mrs Henry Wood - East Lynne (m0006fwx)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Tuesday]

WED 04:00 The Rest is History (b04vd88y)
[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Tuesday]

WED 04:30 Four Joneses and a Jenkins (b007jqm4)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Tuesday]

WED 05:00 Beauty of Britain (b010mryx)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Tuesday]

WED 05:30 Bridget Christie: Mortal (m000vp48)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Tuesday]

WED 06:00 Julie Enfield Investigates (b007zghc)

Murder West One

3. Five Star Killing

At a glitzy London hotel, the body of an unknown woman is discovered in the service area amongst the empty champagne bottles.

Detective Superintendent Julie Enfield must unravel a high class mystery...

Nick Fisher's thriller stars Imelda Staunton as DS Julie Enfield, Geoffrey Matthews as Dad, Alan Bourgoon as Jean-Pierre Renaud, Giles Fagan as Trevor Jones, Ben Crowe as Ken, Geoffrey Whitehead as John Manning, Robert Harper as Ralph Bingley and Tom Bevan as Stephen Willis.

Director: Richard Wortley

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1999.

WED 06:45 Murder & Mystery (b0b1txr5)

Series 1

The Safety Net by Sophie Hannah

A woman's attempt to frame her ex-boyfriend goes badly wrong. Read by Monica Dolan.

An occasional series of stories from life's murkier places.

Taken from Sophie Hannah's 'Something Untoward: Six Tales Of Domestic Terror' (2012).

Sophie Hannah is a best-selling writer of psychological crime fiction. In 2013, her novel 'The Carrier' won the Crime Thriller of the Year Award at the Specsavers National Book Awards.

Produced by Jeremy Osborne.

A Sweet Talk Production for BBC Radio 4 Extra.

WED 07:00 A Short Gentleman (b019qrh1)

Episode 4

QC Robert's nemesis approaches, along with Edward, bassest hound of doom.

Hugh Bonneville stars as Robert Purcell QC, a perfect specimen of the British Establishment, who applies faultless legal logic to his disastrous personal life.

Conclusion of Jon Canter's comic novel 'A Short Gentleman' adapted by Robin Brooks.

Geoffrey Paul Moriarty
Father James Hays
Elizabeth Lyndsey Marshal
Judy Tracy Wiles

Pilkington Ewan Bailey
Sergeant Carl Prekopp
Isabel Lauren Mote
Max Ted Allpress
Alan Gerard McDermott
Director: Jonquil Panting
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2012.

WED 07:30 Alone (m000vq62)

Series 3

One's Company

A sitcom about five single, middle aged neighbours living in flats in a converted house in North London - written by Moray Hunter and starring Angus Deayton, Abigail Cruttenden, Pearce Quigley, Kate Isitt and Bennett Arnon.

Mitch (Angus Deayton) is a widower and part-time therapist who is looking to put his life back together now that he is single and living with Will (Pearce Quigley), his younger, more volatile and unhappily divorced half-brother. Elsewhere in the building are schoolteacher Ellie (Abigail Cruttenden) who is shy, nervous and holds a secret candle for Mitch. Overly honest, frustrated actress Louisa (Kate Isitt), and socially inept IT nerd Morris (Bennett Arnon) complete the line-up of mis-matched neighbours.

In the fifth episode, One's Company..., it's a bank holiday and nobody knows what to do with themselves, or with anyone else for that matter, until Morris reveals his feelings for Nina, his secret roof terrace and plenty more besides.

Cast

Angus Deayton- Mitch
Abigail Cruttenden- Ellie
Pearce Quigley- Will
Kate Isitt- Louisa
Bennett Arnon- Morris

Created and Written by Moray Hunter

Script Edited by Ian Brown and James Hendrie

Directed by Moray Hunter and Gordon Kennedy

Recorded and Edited by Jerry Peal

Production Manager: Sarah Tombling

Based on an original idea developed in association with Dandy Productions

Recorded at The Soundhouse Studios

Produced by Gordon Kennedy

An Absolutely production for BBC Radio 4

WED 08:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jyyw)

Cinderella Hancock

Bill bans the Lad from the National Film Ball, but then there's a knock at the door.

Starring Tony Hancock.

With Moira Lister, Bill Kerr, Sidney James, Dora Bryan, Paul Carpenter and Kenneth Williams.

Written by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.

Theme and incidental music composed by Wally Stott.

Recorded by the BBC Revue Orchestra conducted by Harry Rabinowitz.

Producer: Dennis Main Wilson

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in January 1955.

WED 08:30 No Commitments (b007jmt9)

Series 2

Bright Lights

Much to Victoria's annoyance, Charlotte abducts her daughter for a frolic in Pimlico. Stars Rosemary Leach. From August 1993.

WED 09:00 The Motion Show (b0075dc8)

Series 3

Episode 6

Graeme Garden hosts the comic debating show with Hugh Dennis, Boothby Graffoe, Steve Punt and Stuart Maconie. From August 2000.

WED 09:30 Smelling of Roses (b007jr19)

Series 1

Sleeping Partners

Rosie is arranging the activities for partners of delegates to a major finance company's conference.

Kate meanwhile sees it as her ticket back into a high-flying job...

Prunella Scales stars in the first of four series of Simon Brett's sitcom following the trials and tribulations of Rosie Burns and her event-management company based in Brighton.

With Arabella Weir as Kate, Rebecca Callard as Jo, Duncan Preston as Bob, Annette Badland as Tess, Debbie Norman as Sheila Wilkinson and Alan Cowan as Philip Wilkinson.

Producer: Maria Esposito

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2000.

WED 10:00 Mrs Henry Wood - East Lynne (m0006mmm)

3. A Chance Encounter in Boulogne

Mr Carlyle has become the proud new owner of East Lynne and has married Lady Isabel, so rescuing her from a life of misery and humiliation

Feeling poorly, she's prescribed sea air, but Mr Carlyle is busy elsewhere.

Mrs Henry Wood's novel dramatised in seven-parts by Michael Bakewell.

Mrs Henry Wood ... Rosemary Leach
Lady Isabel ... Moir Leslie
Mr Carlyle ... David Collings
Francis Levinson ... Anthony Edridge
Miss Cornelia ... Maxine Audley
Barbara Hare ... Julie Berry
Joyce ... Jo Kendall

Wilson ... Betty Huntley Wright
Mrs Hare ... Joan Matheson
Peter ... Brian Hewlett
Wainwright ... Paul Gregory
The Rev Little ... David Garth
Little Isabel ... Bernadette Windsor
Little William ... Ben Robb
Director: David Johnston
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1987.
WED 11:00 The Inimitable PG Wodehouse (m000vx1t)
3. Much Obligated
"Everything in life that's any fun, as somebody wisely observed, is either immoral, illegal or fattening." PG Wodehouse, *Girl in Blue* [1970]
Alexander Armstrong attended the special dedication to PG Wodehouse [1881-1975] at Westminster Abbey in September 2019, where sections of this programme were recorded. Wodehouse was widely regarded as the greatest comic author of the 20th century, and during these three one-hour episodes, we'll hear a collection of some of his best loved work, including a celebration of his creations, such as the feckless Bertie Wooster and his phlegmatic manservant, Jeeves, and his many other characters. All brought to life on radio by stars including Simon Cadell, Michael Hordern and Richard Briers.
We'll also hear rare interviews and archive along with contributions from fans, friends and family.
Celebrating the comic brilliance of PG Wodehouse is a personal passion for presenter Alexander Armstrong [Armstrong and Miller, Pointless], especially as he's president of the PG Wodehouse Society – which attracts followers from all over the world.
Producer: Stephen Garner
Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in January 2020 as part of a three-hour showcase.
WED 12:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jyyw)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
WED 12:30 No Commitments (b007jmt9)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
WED 13:00 Julie Enfield Investigates (b007zghc)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
WED 13:45 Murder & Mystery (b0b1txr5)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]
WED 14:00 Someone Like Me by Miles Kington (b00dpgld)
Episode 3
Gossip, siestas and his brother's attempt to play a corpse. The much-missed broadcaster recalls his eccentric childhood. From September 2005.
WED 14:15 Gudrun (m0001jpd)
Series 5
Episode 8
Gudrun faces an impossible dilemma; forced to choose between living with her daughter, or the end of a bloody feud that threatens to engulf Iceland.
Gudrun, a young woman in 11th century Iceland, must forge her path through a world of unearthly beauty yet uncompromising harshness. Lucy Catherine's Viking epic of love, revenge and faith inspired by the Icelandic sagas.
Gudrun Kate Phillips
Freija Samantha Dakin
Dag Cameron Percival
Sylvia Carolyn Pickles
Sigrid Rosie Boore
Heidr Jeanette Percival
Volva Carolyn Pickles
Written by Lucy Catherine.
Directed by Sasha Yevtushenko.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2018.
WED 14:30 Getting the Picture (b03q6bj)
He Seduces Everybody!
In the second of two programmes about his work, David Bailey discusses with Tim Marlow the less well-known - but just as definitive - aspects of his portraiture. These include the documentary photographs he has taken on trips around the world which date back to his National Service in Singapore in the 1950s.
Bailey explains how the writer Rudyard Kipling and the explorer Sir Richard Burton fired his youthful imagination. He also talks about his reaction to the New York of the early 1960s and meeting Andy Warhol there. To a doubtful Tim, who wonders if there will be a change of heart, Bailey initially claims his recent punishing trip to India's Nagaland will also be his last foreign foray. This programme reveals if Bailey will in fact do more work abroad and, if so, where.
Bailey also discusses the joint ventures he has undertaken, including those with his wife Catherine, and with the artist Damien Hirst. Hirst, in turn, reveals how he and Bailey came to work together and what their collaborations have achieved.
As the opening of his show at London's National Portrait Gallery draws near, Bailey looks back on some of the shots that give him special pleasure.
And Catherine tells Tim that Bailey "seduces everyone from behind the camera". She adds, "He does it to me, he does it to everybody!"
Producer Simon Coates
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014.
WED 15:00 Mrs Henry Wood - East Lynne (m0006mmm)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
WED 16:00 The Motion Show (b0075dc8)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

WED 16:30 Smelling of Roses (b007jrl9)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
WED 17:00 A Short Gentleman (b019rqh1)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
WED 17:30 Alone (m000vq62)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
WED 18:00 Planet B (b00hxyy0)
Series 1
3. Freakshow
Searching for his girlfriend Lioba, John arrives at a bizarre music festival - but is this world a trap?
Ten-part series about a mystery virtual world.
Written by Dawn King.
John Gunnar Cauthery
Lioba Donnla Hughes
Medley Lizzy Watts
Cerberus Chris Pavlo
Ringmaster Paul Rider
Epiphany Janice Acquah
Reporter 2 Dan Starkey
Reporter 3 Inam Mirza
Karen Manjeet Mann
Autograph Hunters Audience/Cast
Other parts played by the cast.
Director: Jessica Dromgoole
Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in March 2009.
WED 18:30 Short Cuts (m00057n0)
What Lies Beneath
Josie Long presents short documentaries and adventures in sound about what lies beneath the surface of things - from a subterranean journey to a dive inside a painting.
Seams (Extract)
Originally made for the Timber Festival
Produced by Geoff Bird
The Neighbour
Produced by Sophie Townsend
The Box
Originally made for the HearSay International Audio Festival
Produced by Sofia Saldanha
A Deeper Dive
Featuring Richard Scott
Produced by Alia Cassam
Production Team: Andrea Rangecroft and Alia Cassam
Series Producer: Eleanor McDowall
A Falling Tree production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in May 2019.
WED 19:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jyyw)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
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[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
WED 22:00 Alone (m000vq62)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
WED 22:30 Bleak Expectations (b00nrrd5)
Series 3
A Sort of Fine Life De-Niced Completely
Pip wants to save the poor and Harry Biscuit wants swans. Mark Evans's Dickensian spoof starring Tom Allen. From November 2009.
WED 23:00 The Problem With Adam Bloom (b007p1nn)
Series 1
Street Crime
Is there an etiquette to being mugged?
Adam Bloom explores the social awkwardness of petty crime.
Rob Rouse helps Adam solve these criminal dilemmas.
Written by Adam Bloom.
Producer: Adam Bromley
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2003.
WED 23:15 Tina C (b01b1jwx)
Tina C's Global Depression Tour
Australia
Country legend Tina C challenges the Secretary for the US Treasury, the Chairman of the Federal Reserve and the former CEO of Goldman Sachs that where they have failed, she can come up with a solution to the Global Recession, and sets off on a six country tour to prove it.
This week she goes down under.
Tina C...Christopher Green
With Andrew Cornell, Victoria Inez Hardy and James Lailey
Musical arrangements by Duncan Walsh Atkins and Christopher Green
Director Jeremy Mortimer.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2012.
WED 23:30 Bunk Bed (b07j68qd)
Series 3
Episode 5
Everyone craves a place where their mind and body are not applied to a particular task. The nearest faraway place.
Somewhere for drifting and lighting upon strange thoughts which don't have to be shoed into context, but which can be followed like balloons escaping onto the air. Late at night, in the dark and in a bunk bed, your tired mind can wander.
This is the nearest faraway place for Patrick Marber and Peter Curran. Here they try to get the heart of things in an

entertainingly vague and indirect way. This is not the place for typical male banter. From under the bed clothes they play each other music, and archive of Angela Carter, ex-Prime Ministers, a Castrato singer, and an elephant playing the piano.
Work, family, literature, and their own badly-scuffed dreams are the funny, if warped conversational currency.
A Foghorn Company production for BBC Radio 4.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2018.
WED 23:45 Fabulous (b00j2516)
Series 1
Episode 5
Sitcom by Lucy Clarke about a woman who wants to be Fabulous but can't cope.
With Daisy Haggard, Adam Buxton, Joanna Scanlan, Joanna Neary, Matthew Holness, Eve Dallas, Katy Brand, Olivia Colman.
Music by Osymyso.

THURSDAY 13 MAY 2021

THU 00:00 Planet B (b00hxyy0)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Wednesday]
THU 00:30 Short Cuts (m00057n0)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Wednesday]
THU 01:00 Julie Enfield Investigates (b007zghc)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Wednesday]
THU 01:45 Murder & Mystery (b0b1txr5)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 on Wednesday]
THU 02:00 Someone Like Me by Miles Kington (b00dpgld)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Wednesday]
THU 02:15 Gudrun (m0001jpd)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Wednesday]
THU 02:30 Getting the Picture (b03q6bj)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Wednesday]
THU 03:00 Mrs Henry Wood - East Lynne (m0006mmm)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Wednesday]
THU 04:00 The Motion Show (b0075dc8)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Wednesday]
THU 04:30 Smelling of Roses (b007jrl9)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Wednesday]
THU 05:00 A Short Gentleman (b019rqh1)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Wednesday]
THU 05:30 Alone (m000vq62)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Wednesday]
THU 06:00 Julie Enfield Investigates (b007j5j1)
Murder West One
4. Soho Espresso
Detective Superintendent Julie Enfield's night out in London's Soho is rudely interrupted by a murder above a coffee bar.

The day's takings are left untouched, so robbery is clearly not the motive...

Nick Fisher's thriller stars Imelda Staunton as DSI Julie Enfield, Geoffrey Matthews as Dad, Frances Jeater as Mary Simons, Geoffrey Whitehead as Gerry Maddox, Priyanga Elan as Woman in Club, Elizabeth Conboy as Coffee Drinker, Jonathan Keeble as David Simons, Giles Fagan as Tourist, Ben Crowe as the Waiter and Tilly Gaunt as the Woman.

Director: Richard Wortley

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1999.
THU 06:45 Murder & Mystery (b0b1xqnv)
Series 1
The Birthday Treat by Sophie Hannah
Morag plans a 60th birthday present for her mother with a difference. Read by Bryony Hannah.
An occasional series of stories from life's murkier places. Taken from Sophie Hannah's 'Something Untoward: Six Tales Of Domestic Terror' (2012).
Sophie Hannah is a best-selling writer of psychological crime fiction. In 2013, her novel 'The Carrier' won the Crime Thriller of the Year Award at the Specsavers National Book Awards. Produced by Jeremy Osborne.
A Sweet Talk Production for BBC Radio 4 Extra.
THU 07:00 Mae Martin's Guide to 21st Century Addiction (b09byzdk)
What Makes a Habit an Addiction?
Mae Martin is kicking the habit.
Award-winning stand-up and Edinburgh comedy award nominee 2017 Mae Martin presents a brand new series for Radio 4.
Mae's exploring how we as a society think about addiction, and on a personal level, trying to understand who she is now she's no longer addicted to anything. Through the lens of her own experience, Mae Martin's Guide to 21st Century Addiction follows Mae chronologically through a lifetime of obsessive behaviour and addiction with all her characteristic wit and levity.
What makes a habit an addiction?
As a young child, Mae may not have been addicted yet, but she was certainly OBSESSED. She's never just "liked" things, she's always loved them. Mae is finally drawing connections between her obsessive, all-consuming patterns of behaviour, and examining why they might occur.
Written by and starring Mae Martin
With Dr Gabor Mate and Carolyn Taylor

Producer Alexandra Smith
Production Coordinator Beverley Tagg
A BBC Studios Production, first broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2017.
THU 07:30 John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme (m000vqr4)
Series 9
Episode 1
The ninth series of John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme is very different to the previous eight. It's still written by John Finnemore, "one of our best sketch writers", (The Observer), and performed by him with "a great supporting cast of Margaret Cabourn-Smith, Simon Kane, Lawry Lewin and Carrie Quinlan" (The Telegraph), and there are still sketches and songs. But, with no live studio audience this year, John has taken the opportunity to try something completely new. Every episode in this series of Souvenir Programme is made up of scenes from one person's life, played in reverse order. There's no narrative to the episode; it's still a sketch show, not a sitcom... but the sketches in each episode all happened to one person, played by one member of the cast, over the course of their lifetime.
Episode one is all about Russ, and takes place between a Christmas day Zoom in 2020, and a funeral he attended as a six-year-old in 1986.
John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme started in 2011 and quickly established itself as "One of the most consistently funny sketch shows for quite some time" (The Guardian), and "One of the funniest and most inventive new radio comedy shows of recent years" (The Daily Mail).
Written and performed by ... John Finnemore
Russ ... Lawry Lewin
Ensemble ... Margaret Cabourn-Smith
Ensemble ... Simon Kane
Ensemble ... Carrie Quinlan
Original music composed by ... Susannah Pearce
Original music arranged by ... Susannah Pearce and Tim Sutton
Recorded and edited by ... Rich Evans at Synbox Post
Production coordinator ... Beverley Tagg
Producer ... Ed Morrish
A BBC Studios Production
THU 08:00 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b010hcq2)
Series 7
Episode 3
New town education - and Professor Prune's time travel adventure continues in Elizabethan England...
Starring Tim Brooke-Taylor, John Cleese, Graeme Garden, David Hatch, Jo Kendall and Bill Oddie.
Sketches written by Graeme Garden and Bill Oddie.
Originating from the Cambridge University Footlights revue 'Cambridge Circus', ISIRTA ran for 8 years on BBC Radio and quickly developed a cult following.
Music and songs by Liam Cohen, Dave Lee, Graeme Garden and Bill Oddie.
Producer: David Hatch/Peter Titheradge
First broadcast on the BBC Radio 2 in January 1969.
THU 08:30 The House of the Spirit Levels (b007jv8g)
Mum, Will You Shut Up Please Now You're Dead?
Tony meets wandering corpses and visits a deranged teenage sweetheart. Nick Revell's epic saga with Peter Gunn. From May 1997.
THU 09:00 The Write Stuff (m000vyxk)
Series 7
Alexander Pope
James Walton's literary quiz.
Team captains Sebastian Faulks and John Walsh are joined by Harry Ritchie and Miles Kingdon.
Author of the week is Alexander Pope.
Reader: Beth Chalmers
Producer: Katie Marsden
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2004.
THU 09:30 Double Income, No Kids Yet (b007xrsn)
Series 2
Episode 2
When Lucy joins a school reunion website and is contacted by an old classmate, youthful indiscretions return to haunt Daniel's best friend Andy.
The second series of David Spicer's comedy drama about modern life and parenthood, as seen through the eyes of two 30-something non-parents.
Starring David Tennant as Daniel, Liz Carling as Lucy, Samantha Spiro as Katie, Tony Gardner as Andy and Nasreen Hussain as Amanda.
Producer: Liz Anstee.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2002.
THU 10:00 Mrs Henry Wood - East Lynne (m0006mqk)
4. Never to Be Redeemed
Try as she might to find happiness in her marriage with Mr Carlyle, Lady Isabel has to battle with two strong emotions - her jealousy of Barbara Hare and her attraction towards the handsome Captain Levison.
Mrs Henry Wood's novel dramatised by Michael Bakewell.
Mrs Henry Wood ... Rosemary Leach
Lady Isabel ... Moir Leslie
Mr Carlyle ... David Collings
Francis Levison ... Anthony Edridge
Miss Cornelia ... Maxine Audley
Barbara Hare ... Julie Berry
Emma Mount Severn ... Margaret Ward

Mrs Hare ... Joan Matheson
Justice Hare ... Brian Hewlett
Richard Hare ... Kim Wall
Lord Mount Severn ... Stephen Thorne
Joyce ... Jo Kendall
Dill ... Tim Reynolds
Wilson ... Betty Huntley Wright
Little Isabel ... Bernadette Windsor
Thorn ... Paul Gregory
Young Lord Vane/Pierre ... Sean Arnold
Director: David Johnston
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1987.
THU 11:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b05vjwwn)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Sunday]
THU 11:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b00zf648)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 on Sunday]
THU 12:00 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b010hcq2)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
THU 12:30 The House of the Spirit Levels (b007jv8g)
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THU 13:00 Julie Enfield Investigates (b007jsjl)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
THU 13:45 Murder & Mystery (b0b1xqnv)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]
THU 14:00 Someone Like Me by Miles Kington (b00dpnwr)
Episode 4
A Sherlock Holmes game unearths some awkward family evidence. The much-missed writer recalls his eccentric childhood. From September 2005.
THU 14:15 Gudrun (m001lkr)
Series 5
Episode 9
The women of the mountains are planning to ambush the church. Will Gudrun have to prove herself as the warrior queen?
Gudrun, a young woman in 11th century Iceland, must forge her path through a world of unearthly beauty yet uncompromising harshness. Lucy Catherine's Viking epic of love, revenge and faith inspired by the Icelandic sagas.
Gudrun Kate Phillips
Freija Samantha Dakin
Bolli Lewis Bray
Aslak Tony Turner
Frederick Simon Scardfield
Heidr Jeanette Percival
Volva Carolyn Pickles
Guard 2 Michael Bertenshaw
Kjartan Luke MacGregor
Warrior Don Gilet
Written by Lucy Catherine.
Directed by Sasha Yevtushenko.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2018.
THU 14:30 Tehrangeles (b01n0sc7)
Comedian Maz Jobrani takes a journey to Tehrangeles - home to the largest Iranian diaspora in the world, right in the heart of Los Angeles.
Recorded on location, Iranian stand-up comedian and actor Maz Jobrani begins his journey in a street lined with Iranian stores, restaurants, beauty salons, cafes and businesses, where everyone speaks Farsi and all the shop signs are in Persian. But this is not downtown Tehran - this is Westwood Boulevard in Los Angeles, a stone's throw from affluent Beverly Hills, where 22% of the population are Iranian, and whose former Iranian born mayor Jimmy Delshad epitomizes the extraordinary success of Iranians in LA.
When bookshop owner Bijan Khalili set up shop here over 30 years ago, there were only a few Persian stores. He and others along Westwood Boulevard tell the story of how and why the LA community steadily grew into a Mecca for hundreds of thousands of Iranians. And how, against the backdrop of 32 years of hostility between America and Iran since the 1979 US hostage crisis, they have succeeded in making their mark. Even Bravo TV (creators of The Kardashians) have recently aired a hit reality TV show about the lives of a group of affluent Beverly Hills Iranians.
LA based Iranian- American comedian and actor Maz Jobrani delves into the heart of this unique and diverse microcosm of Iran in the heart of LA, otherwise known as Tehrangeles, to reveal the surprising stories and insights into the lives of Iranians who have recreated Little Tehran in the City of Angels.
Producer: Shoku Amirani
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2012.
THU 15:00 Mrs Henry Wood - East Lynne (m0006mqk)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
THU 16:00 The Write Stuff (m000vyxk)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
THU 16:30 Double Income, No Kids Yet (b007xrsn)
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THU 17:00 Mae Martin's Guide to 21st Century Addiction (b09hyzdsk)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
THU 17:30 John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme (m000vqr4)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
THU 18:00 Planet B (b00hy943)
Series 1
4. New Rome
John and Medley are transported to a world of orgies and circuses, where the slaves seek a new leader.

Ten-part series about a mystery virtual world.
Written by Simon Bowen.
John Gunnar Cauthery
Lioba Donna Hughes
Medley Lizzy Watts
Cerberus Chris Pavlo
Odus Stephen Critchlow
Magnolia Janice Acquah
Bay Robert Lonsdale
Chi Josef Altin
Viscus Jill Cardo
Cassius Maximus Malcolm Tierney
Malicius Inam Mirza
Bloody Paul Rider
Red Dan Starkey
Other parts played by the cast.
Director: Pam Marshall
Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in March 2009.
THU 18:30 Great Lives (b07vs2hb)
Series 40
AA Gill on Arthur Neville Chamberlain
The writer and critic AA Gill nominates Neville Chamberlain as his great life. But, his choice is someone who is regarded as one of the worst Prime Ministers Britain has ever had. Chamberlain, is someone entrenched in popular legend, as the man who failed to stand up to Hitler.
So will AA Gill's choice stand up to the scrutiny and will he be able to convince presenter Matthew Parris that this was a great life.? To help tell the story of Arthur Neville Chamberlain they are joined by Stuart Ball, Professor of Modern British History at the University of Leicester.
The producer is Perminder Khatkar.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2016.
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[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
THU 22:30 John Kearns (b05xh3nh)
Day Off
John struggles to enjoy his fantasy day of doing nothing.
The last of four 14-minute vignettes in a series from John Kearns, the winner of the main prize at the 2014 Edinburgh Comedy Festival, as well as the Best Newcomer Award in 2013.
Producer: Arnab Chanda
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.
THU 22:45 Warhorses of Letters (b0174gm8)
Series 1
Episode 4
Deep in the British Library tucked into the slipcover of a book on the history of Blenheim Palace a packet of extraordinary letters has been discovered.
"Dear Marengo brackets Napoleon's horse close brackets, I've never written a letter like this before..."
Thus begins the first passionate letter from Copenhagen, the Duke of Wellington's horse, to his hero Marengo in this epistolary equine love story. A story of two horses united by an uncommon passion, cruelly divided by a brutal conflict.
Warhorses of Letters stars Stephen Fry as Marengo, the seasoned, famous and just-a-little-bit-short mount of Emperor Napoleon. Daniel Rigby stars alongside him as Copenhagen, the frisky young racehorse who as our story begins is about to be the new mount for the Duke of Wellington. This collection of their moving letters to each other is introduced by Tamsin Greig.
Episode 4 sees the wars rage on as Copenhagen lives it up in Paris and Marengo tries to enjoy a quiet retirement.
Written by novelists Robert Hudson (The Kilburn Social Club) and Marie Phillips (Gods Behaving Badly - soon to be a feature film starring Christopher Walken and Sharon Stone).
Directed by Steven Canny
Produced by Gareth Edwards.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2011.
THU 23:00 1966 and All That (b010hcwh)
The 1960s
Albert Einstein discovers the Beatles, while for the first time, the nation discovers sex.
Plus a look at the era of "Flour Power"; the World Cup is won by a team of men all called Bobby; and the with-it Royal try barbecuing.
Craig Brown's satirical history of Britain reaches the 1960s.
Stars Joss Ackland, Eleanor Bron, Rory Bremner, Ewan Bailey, Margaret Cabourn-Smith and John Humphrys.
Producer: Victoria Lloyd
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2006.
THU 23:30 Safety Catch (b00fc4vp)
Series 1
Show Me You Care
Guilt-ridden arms dealer Simon McGrath cares about the world

and his needy girlfriend. Stars Darren Boyd. From September 2007.

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FRI 06:00 RD Wingfield (b0089kpv)
Daylight Robbery
'Elderly lady living alone in remote house, willing to take in paying guests.'
When Miss Pickering puts this ad in the newspaper, she has an ulterior motive.
So have the four gentlemen who reply...
Monica Grey stars in RD Wingfield's crime drama.
Miss Pickering Monica Grey
Colonel Fryatt Norman Shelley
Dr Brown Jonathan Scott
Harris Peter Woodthorpe
Wakeson Howard Goorney
Bank Manager Lewis Stringer
Woman in Telephone Kiosk Daisy Bell
Jones Brian Gear
Woman in Crowd / Hospital Sister Elizabeth Havelock
Constable Douglas Leach
Car Driver / Cashier David Ponting
Directed at BBC Bristol by John Cardy.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1977.
FRI 06:45 Murder & Mystery (b0b2n44h)
Series 1
Nobody Move by Sophie Hannah
A woman asks her family not to make mess before a house-viewing. Read by Monica Dolan.
An occasional series of stories from life's murkier places.
Taken from Sophie Hannah's 'Something Untoward: Six Tales Of Domestic Terror' (2012)
Sophie Hannah is a best-selling writer of psychological crime fiction. In 2013, her novel 'The Carrier' won the Crime Thriller of the Year Award at the Specsavers National Book Awards.
Produced by Jeremy Osborne
A Sweet Talk Production for BBC Radio 4 Extra.
FRI 07:00 The Break (b07ffb29)
Series 1
Dead Man's Dinner
Jeff and his nephew Andy are contacted by the editor of The Flamford Bugle. They have won a slap-up dinner for two at Flamford's poshest eatery, The Royal Albion Hotel.
Eagerly anticipating the night out of a lifetime, Andy and Jeff's dreams of gourmet heaven quickly deteriorate into the nightmare of a lifetime. The prize had been promised to local citizen Wally Metcalfe, but he died just after the draw. Now his widow is on the warpath with her two burly sons.
Social media doesn't help either, and in no time there is a mob baying for Jeff and Andy's blood.
Andy Tom Palmer
Jeff Philip Jackson
Frank Mark Benton
PC Clark Mark Benton
Corinne Alison Steadman
Joyce Alison Steadman
Morag Alison Steadman
Kevin Rasmus Hardiker
Mira Shobna Gulati
Chris Gordon Kennedy
Writers: Ian Brown and James Hendrie
Director: Gordon Kennedy
An Absolutely production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in June 2016.
FRI 07:30 The Confessional (m000vy28)
Series 1
The Confession of Suzi Ruffell
Actor, comedian and broadcaster Stephen Mangan presents a comedy chat show about shame and guilt.
Each week Stephen invites a different eminent guest into his

virtual confessional box to make three 'confessions' are made to him. This is a cue for some remarkable storytelling, and surprising insights.
We're used to hearing celebrity interviews where stars are persuaded to show off about their achievements and talk about their proudest moments. Stephen isn't interested in that. He doesn't want to know what his guests are proud of, he wants to know what makes them ashamed. That's surely the way to find out what really makes a person tick. Stephen and his guest reflect with empathy and humour on things like why we get embarrassed, where our shame thresholds should be, and the value of guilt.
This week, writer, podcaster and 'confessional' comedian, Suzi Ruffell recalls disruptive behaviour in class, a disastrous romantic break-up and the most embarrassing cab ride of her life.
Other guests *in this series include Marian Keyes, Ciarad Lloyd, Joan Bakewell, Phil Hammond and Phil Wang.
Written and presented by Stephen Mangan
With extra material by Nick Doody
Devised with Dave Anderson and produced by Frank Stirling
A digital production for BBC Radio 4
FRI 08:00 Dad's Army (b007jsg2)
Series 1
Battle School
The Walmington-on-Sea platoon is off to a weekend training camp - subject to Captain Mainwaring and his map...
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, Arnold Ridley as Private Godfrey, Ian Lavender as Private Pike, John Laurie as Private Frazer, Jack Watson as Major Smith and Alan Tilvern as Captain Rodrigues. With 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 the BBC Radio 4 in April 1974.
FRI 08:30 Semi Circles (b091w10y)
Series 1
A Desirable Residence
Helen and Ben disagree over restoring their home to its original character.
The improving story of life and improving times in an improving neighbourhood.
Starring Paula Wilcox as Helen and David Wood as Ben
Written by Simon Brett
Helen Paula Wilcox
Ben David Wood
Mrs Kelly Pat Heywood
Alastair Bruce Alexander
Mr Juke Arthur English
Producer: Pete Atkin
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1982
FRI 09:00 Counterpoint (b00s2w22)
Series 24
2010 Heat 6
(6/13) Paul Gambaccini's in the chair for the sixth heat of the wide-ranging music quiz, with contestants from Glasgow, Cheadle and Blackpool. As always they'll face questions and musical extracts covering the musical spectrum, from the classics to show tunes, film music, jazz, rock and pop.
FRI 09:30 Two Doors Down (b008j0lm)
Series 2
Out of Tune
Miss Black throws a dinner party in honour of Sean Rafferty who's in Belfast to interview her lodger Fintan for BBC Radio 3.
Musical prodigy Simon's asked to play for the guests, but he has other ideas...
Series two of Annie McCartney's four-part sitcom about the bohemian residents of Marlborough Road in Belfast saved from chaos by their cleaning lady, Sally.
Starring Stella McCusker as Sally, Marcella Riordan as Clare, Katy Gleadhill as Evie, Alan McKee as Victor, Roma Tomelty as Miss Black, Gerard Murphy as Fintan, Emily Walmsley as Layla, Patrick Gleadhill as Simon, Robert Patterson as Tony, Des McAleer as Trevor, Aine McCartney as Fidelma, Hannah R Gordon as Anna and Sean Rafferty as Himself.
Director: Tanya Nash
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2002.
FRI 10:00 Mrs Henry Wood - East Lynne (m0006ljw)
5. The Yearning of a Broken Heart
No sooner has Lady Isabel been betrayed by the wicked Francis Levison than she is left unrecognisably disfigured by a terrible train crash. What is to become of her?
Mrs Henry Wood's novel dramatised by Michael Bakewell.
Mrs Henry Wood ... Rosemary Leach
Lady Isabel ... Moir Leslie
Mr Carlyle ... David Collings
Miss Cornelia ... Maxine Audley
Barbara Hare ... Julie Berry
Richard Hare ... Kim Wall
Justice Hare ... Brian Hewlett
Joyce ... Jo Kendall
Afy.... Angela Crow
Little Isabel ... Bernadette Windsor

Little William ... Ben Robb
Baby Archibald ... Alexander Goodman
Wilson ... Betty Huntley Wright
The Rev Little ... David Garth
Mrs Latimer ... Pauline Letts
Director: David Johnston
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1987.
FRI 11:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m000vz3n)
Mental Health Podcasts
For Mental Health Awareness Week, Laura Grimshaw and Chris Pearson take a look at podcasts focussed on Mental Health
FRI 12:00 Dad's Army (b007jsg2)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
FRI 12:30 Semi Circles (b091w10y)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
FRI 13:00 RD Wingfield (b0089kpv)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
FRI 13:45 Murder & Mystery (b0b2n44h)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]
FRI 14:00 Someone Like Me by Miles Kington (b00dpspz)
Episode 5
A shock at the age of 18 from his sausage-loving father. The much-missed broadcaster recalls his eccentric childhood. From September 2005.
FRI 14:15 Gudrun (m0001kb9)
Series 5
Episode 10
Gudrun has been captured and faces execution at dawn. Have all her allies deserted her?
Gudrun, a young woman in 11th century Iceland, must forge her path through a world of unearthly beauty yet uncompromising harshness. Lucy Catherine's Viking epic of love, revenge and faith inspired by the Icelandic sagas.
Gudrun Kate Phillips
Freija Samantha Dakin
Dag Cameron Percival
Bolli Lewis Bray
Sigrid Rosie Boore
Guard 2 Michael Bertenshaw
Heidr Jeanette Percival
Written by Lucy Catherine.
Directed by Sasha Yevtushenko.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2018.
FRI 14:30 The Surgeon Of Crowthorne (b00758bl)
True story about Dr William Chester Minor, a mentally ill American surgeon, who posted scholarly contributions illustrating the way words were used - to the New English Dictionary (later Oxford English Dictionary) by his rooms in Broadmoor.
FRI 15:00 Mrs Henry Wood - East Lynne (m0006ljw)
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FRI 17:30 The Confessional (m000vy28)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
FRI 18:00 Planet B (b00j0hqr)
Series 1
5. The Smart Money
John and Medley are transported to a world of orgies and circuses, where the slaves seek a new leader.
Ten-part series about a mystery virtual world.
Written by Paul May.
John Gunnar Cauthery
Lioba Donlla Hughes
Medley Lizzy Watts
Cerberus Chris Pavlo
Trader 1 Janice Acquah
Trader 2 Robert Lonsdale
Wheeler Paul Rider
Regulator Stephen Critchlow
Lyll Inam Mirza
Fracta Jill Cardo
Other parts played by the cast.
Director: Jessica Dromgoole
Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in March 2009.
FRI 18:30 Off the Page (b00p6rr2)
Me Time
Having it all is no longer enough - if you haven't factored some 'me time' into your diary you're missing out. Dominic Arkwright asks journalist Anna Raeburn, clinical psychologist Oliver James and writer Phoebe Gibson to explain how it works.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2009.
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[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
FRI 22:00 The Confessional (m000vy28)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 22:30 The Consultants (b060002m)

Series 4

Episode 2

Award-winning comedy from Justin 'Lofty' Edwards, Neil 'Professor' Edmond and James 'Shortstop' Rawling. From October 2005.

FRI 23:00 The Remains of Foley and McColl (b007m4dx)

Subtle

Sean Foley and Hamish McColl investigate the art of subtlety by visiting a Jane Austen novel.

Surreal comedy starring award-winning double act Sean Foley and Hamish McColl, the Right Size.

With Rose English, Count Arthur Strong and Chris Lerner.

Producer: Lissa Evans

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2000.

FRI 23:30 Chris Addison's Civilization (b00dy51z)

Cities and Laws

What are the flaws in the urban democratic system?

Continuing his journey through the vast and rich subject of civilisation, Chris Addison explains exactly what we need to create a new one.

With Professor Austin Herring (Geoffrey McGovern), Jo

Enright and Dan Tetsell.

Producer: Simon Nicholls

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2006.