

SATURDAY 29 MAY 2021

SAT 00:00 Paradise Lost in Space (b007jp0g)

5. Things Hot Up
When Norman introduces the Oblivions to the pleasures of the flesh, one thing leads to another...

Colin Swash's sci-fi comedy about two space-age humans stranded on a friendly alien planet.
Norman Tony Robinson
Max David Haig
Stella Louise Lombard
Macari Michael Troughton
Terazay Carla Mendonca
Clive Guy Witcher
Buzz Peter Serafinowicz
Producer: Richard Wilson
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1995.

SAT 00:30 Off the Page (b00sjt9x)

Shoulda Put A Ring On It
Dominic Arkwright introduces more new writing and provocative debate.
Bidisha, Stella Duffy and Harry Benson have their 400 word essays at the ready - entitled "Shoulda Put A Ring On It." The title comes from a Beyonce single, and provokes each guest in a different way.

"Marriage? I am not tempted, writes novelist Bidisha, "it is like all other things I am not tempted by, such as golf, crochet and pole jumping."

Harry Benson runs marriage courses for the Bristol Community Family Trust, and is author of Let's Stick Together. Stella Duffy is a playwright and novelist.

Producer: Sarah Langan
First broadcast on BBC Radio Four in June 2010

SAT 01:00 Wimsey (b007jvmz)

The Unpleasantness at the Bellona Club
4. Exhumation
Lord Peter Wimsey awaits Doctor Horner's verdict.
At a party thrown by pal Margery, the upper class sleuth does a little more digging.

Ian Carmichael stars as the aristocratic sleuth.
Dorothy L Sayers' detective mystery dramatised by Chris Miller.

Lord Peter Wimsey Ian Carmichael

Robert Fentiman Allan Cuthbertson

Inspector Parker Gabriel Woolf

Mr Murbles John Gabriel

Dr Horner Blain Fairman

Dr Penberthy Christopher Emmett

Marjorie Phelps Rosalind Adams

Mrs Rushworth Olwen Griffiths

Producer: Simon Brett
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1975.

SAT 01:30 Edward Boyd - The Candle of Darkness (b0b51vyy)

5. The Angry Mob
After Delia Dewar implicates him, an angry mob turns on Jimmy Morton.
Meanwhile Steve Gardiner discovers his friend's war actions. Teddy Johnson stars in Edward Boyd's serial thriller.

Steve Gardiner Teddy Johnson
PC McKenzie John Young
PC Robertson Kalman Glass
Lindy Marshall Hannah Gordon
Jimmy Morton Jimmy Logan
Wilfred Morton - Leonard Maguire

Detective Inspector Gordon Moultrie R. Kelsall

Louisa Matthews Nancy Mitchell

Romily Foster Douglas Murchie

Bill Williams Glenn Michael

Produced in Glasgow by Eddie Fraser.
First broadcast in April 1954 on the BBC Regional Home Service - Scotland

SAT 02:00 The Transition by Luke Kennard (b08drky3)

Episode 10
Although he's been banished to the basement and relegated to The Transition's 'B stream' programme, Karl's only concern is for Genevieve: her increasingly erratic behaviour, which he knows from long experience, is a precursor to a serious breakdown.

Janna and Stu refuse to listen to his concerns, however, and soon his fears are proved correct.

Bryan Dick reads the moving conclusion of Luke Kennard's novel
Abridged by Robin Brooks.

Producer: Kirsteen Cameron.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2017.

SAT 02:15 Gudrun (m0005f8t)

Series 6
Episode 10: Gudrun
Gudrun's love of Jesus, and her desire to return to the Sacred Land, inform the greatest decision she will make.
Stars Kate Phillips.

Conclusion of series 6 of Lucy Catherine's Viking epic of love, revenge and faith

Gudrun Kate Phillips

Leif Chris Pavlo

Heidr Helen Clapp

Panuk Kenny Blyth

Jesus Paul Hilton

Sigrid Hollie Burgess
Freija Samantha Dakin
Producer: Sasha Yevtushenko.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2019.

SAT 02:30 Malmesbury: the Philosophy Town (b017551k)

Britain's most famous political philosopher Thomas Hobbes was born there, and Malmesbury in Wiltshire wants to become for philosophy what Hay-on-Wye is for books, St. Ives for painting, or Aldeburgh for music.
It is setting out to become the country's special 'Philosophy Town'. The scheme is the brainchild of philosophy and small-town enthusiast Michael Cutburt, and he has got the backing of Wiltshire Council and the involvement of the local and long-established Thomas Hobbes Society. He has also enthused the head teacher of Malmesbury School, whose students are being encouraged to take philosophy seriously.

Recently Malmesbury has hosted an annual philosophy festival. Initially this focused on Hobbes - and the country's leading experts came to speak - but now its scope is wider.
Mark Whitaker (who has himself published work on Hobbes) reports from the Malmesbury Festival. He interviews leading philosophers who are speaking. These include John Cottingham, Simon Glendinning and Angie Hobbs. Professor Hobbs has been designated a 'Town Philosopher', and she also holds an academic title in the Public Understanding of Philosophy. The Festival raises questions as to what philosophy is once it escapes from the academy. Whitaker interviews members of the audience and local residents about how they see the link between their town and philosophy. He also explores plans to give philosophy a permanent place in Malmesbury. There is talk of a 'Philosopher's Footpath' from Oxford, of inscriptions of great philosophical sayings on the town's buildings, and of a philosophical bookshop-cum-cafe.

Producer: Mark Whitaker
A Square Dog Radio production
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2011.

SAT 03:00 David Wade - Alexander (b00cfr8)

The Hunt of the God King
Alexander pursues Darius, conquers Egypt and falls in love with Barsine.
Michael Maloney and Alex Jennings star in David Wade's serial on the life of Alexander the Great.

Alexander Michael Maloney
Hephaestion Alex Jennings
Achilles Barry Foster
Patroclus Simon Ward
Ptolemy Julian Rhind-Tutt
Philotas Michael Onslow
Perdikkas Mark Straker
Simmius John Evitts
Philip Sean Barrett

Lysimachos Keith Drinkel
Eumenes James Telfer
Artzbasuz Philip Anthony
Barsine Teresa Gallagher
Sisygambis Diana Payan
Thais Rachel Atkins

The Eunuch Richard Pearce
Music: Wilfredo Acosta
Director: Glyn Dearman
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1993.

SAT 04:00 Counterpoint (b00s97hj)

Series 24
2010 Heat 8
Paul Gambaccini chairs the penultimate heat of the 2010 general knowledge music quiz.
Three amateur music enthusiasts face Paul's questions on a wide variety of musical topics, from the baroque to rock.
The three contestants are from London, Worthing and Hale:
Sue Barnard
E Goh
Martin Hoskins
Producer Paul Bajoria
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2010.

SAT 04:30 Bristow (b007v1dg)

Series 3
The Good, the Bad and the Temporary
There's a new girl in town, and Bristow knows his office isn't big enough for the two of them.
Michael Williams stars as Bristow.
Frank Dickens' sitcom is based on his famous long-running newspaper cartoon strip about the Chester-Perry buying clerk.

Bristow Michael Williams
Jones Rodney Bewes
Mrs Purdy Dora Bryan
Perkins Leslie Phillips
Hewitt Owen Brennan
Miss Sunman Katy Odey
Fudge Jon Glover
Postboy Simon Schatzberger
Stokes David Battley
Sylvana Jackie Neglia
Music: John Whitehall
Producer: Neil Cargill
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2000.

SAT 05:00 The Break (b07h6fmm)

Series 1
Occupied
Andy has found a level of contentment with the world - reading

books, watching films, and generally repairing his wounded psyche. Uncle Jeff is having none of this and reveals a hitherto unknown secret to Andy, that the dusty shop downstairs from his seaside flat belongs to Jeff. When necessary, it seems, he offers the community of Flamford a valuable service as an electrical repair person.

Jeff lures Andy into the shop and shows him how to use the till. Andy realises it's another of his uncle's ploys, and refuses this oblique yet unusable job offer. But Jeff, never the one to say "die", takes his nephew on a job search in which Andy is an unwilling participant.
Visits follow to Fish Shop Frank, the Tourist Information Office run by the uniformed and uninformed Steph and Pippa, and Flamford's as-yet-unlicensed zoo.
Jeff Philip Jackson
Andy Tom Palmer
Frank Mark Benton
Corinne Alison Steadman
Joyce Alison Steadman
Mr Truempenny Rasmus Hardiker
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 (m000wc13)

Series 1
The Confession of Phil Wang
Actor, comedian and broadcaster Stephen Mangan presents a comedy chat show about shame and guilt.
Each week Stephen Mangan invites a different eminent guest into his virtual confessional box to make three 'confessions' to him. This is a cue for some remarkable storytelling, and surprising insights as their confessions are put under the microscope.
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 things like: why we get embarrassed, where our shame thresholds should be, and the value of guilt.
Series guests include Marian Keyes, Ciarad Lloyd, Joan Bakewell, Suzi Russell, Phil Hammond, Alastair Campbell and many more.
This week, award-winning stand-up and sketch comedian, Phil Wang confesses about potty training, supermarket gossip and getting the wrong end of the stick.
Written and presented by Stephen Mangan
With extra material by Nick Doody
Devised with Dave Anderson and produced by Frank Stirling
A 7digital production for BBC Radio 4

SAT 06:00 Kind Hearts and Coronets (b007jnpv)

Louis Mazzini should be heir to a dukedom but his family, the snobbish D'Ascoynes have cut Louis off because his mother married badly.
Vengeful and hate-filled, he sets out to regain his rightful place by wreaking revenge on the D'Ascoyne family, but is then arrested for a killing he didn't commit.
Ealing film comedy adaptation starring Harry Enfield as the D'Ascoyne family. With Michael Kitchen, Haydn Gwynne, Timothy Bateson and David Lodge.
Adapted by Gilbert Travers Thomas from Robert Hamer and John Dighton's screenplay.
Louis Mazzini Michael Kitchen
The D'Ascoyne Family Harry Enfield
Edith D'Ascoyne Haydn Gwynne
Sibella Lynsey Baxter
Elliott Timothy Alcock
Crown Counsel Michael Denison
Inspector Burgoyne David Lodge
Governor Geoffrey Whitehead
Mrs Mazzini Zulema Dene
Lionel David Timpon
Warder Smith John Hartley
Perkins Jonathan Keeble
Priscilla Tracy Wiles
Duchess Jane Whittenshaw
Young Louis Roger May
Boatman Ross Livingstone
Defence Counsel David Collings
Warder Stephen Critchlow
Other parts played by the cast.
Original music composed by Barrington Pheloung.
Music from the film composed by Ernest Irving and Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart.
Producer: Andy Jordan.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1996.

SAT 07:30 Great Lives (b084bmf7)

Series 41
Lucy Porter on Cary Grant
Comedian and writer Lucy Porter champions Cary Grant as her Great Life finding that, despite his troubled relationships with women off screen, his on screen charm and generosity towards his female co stars redeems him.
Lucy joins Matthew Parris along with Grant's biographer, Geoffrey Wansell, to discuss the troubled screen icon's humble beginnings in Bristol and following him to the glamour and

wealth of Los Angeles.
 Producer: Maggie Ayre
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2016.
SAT 08:00 Whispers (b00b0hml)
 Series 1
 Episode 2
 Discover the truth about how Bram Stoker broke Oscar Wilde's heart.
 Gyles Brandreth hosts the scandals quiz show that puts naughty before nice, dishing the dirt on the bad boys and girls in history.
 The regular team captains are writer and critic, Anthony Holden and actor and writer, Stella Duffy.
 Joining them to test their wits are writer and broadcaster, Lynne Truss and former Erotic Review editor, Rowan Pelling.
 Producer: Elizabeth Freestone
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2003.
SAT 08:30 Smelling of Roses (b007jrrq)
 Series 1
 A Good Cause
 Rosie's company is tasked to put together a charity gala concert in aid of the Afghans.
 But there's confusion over whether it's for the people or the dogs?
 Prunella Scales in Simon Brett's sitcom.
 The trials and tribulations of Rosie Burns and her event management company, based in Brighton.
 Rosie Prunella Scales
 Kate Arabella Weir
 Jo Rebecca Callard
 Bob Duncan Preston
 Tess Annette Badland
 Ginnie Joanna Munro
 Lady Helen Celia Imrie
 Producer: Maria Esposito
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2000.
SAT 09:00 Soul Music Mixtapes (b09m5mfr)
 Cerys Matthews delves into the archives to present a specially curated mixtape of her favourite stories from across 25 series of the BBC Radio 4's Soul Music.
 Each episode of Soul Music takes a different piece of music – it might be a pop song, or a hymn, or a piece of classical music or world music – and looks at why it moves us and what it means to different people.
 Cerys's choices include:
 * Leonard Cohen's Hallelujah, Mozart's Requiem in D Minor
 * Bob Marley's Redemption Song, Puccini's La Bohème
 * Sam Cooke's A Change is Gonna Come.
 Producer: Mair Bosworth
 Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in January 2018.
 * Listen out for archive series of Soul Music regularly broadcast on BBC Radio 4 Extra
SAT 12:00 Steptoe and Son (b007k094)
 Series 4
 Full House
 Card sharks fleece Harold Steptoe, so his father Albert steps in. 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
 With Martin Friend, Douglas Blackwell and Michael Kilgariff.
 Adapted for radio from their TV scripts by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.
 Producer: Bobby Jaye
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in January 1972.
SAT 12:30 Cleaning Up (b052m59s)
 1. New Recruit
 Every night, as time is called and people are spat out onto the streets and squeezed into rides home to dream-tossed beds - others are hard at work. Teams of cleaners are in office spaces scrubbing, vacuuming and cleaning up.
 And right at the bottom of the food chain we find our gang - Spit n' Polish tackling the floors of a plush tower block in Manchester city centre.
 In the first of four episodes, a new cleaner reports for duty.
 Turns out he and his boss have met before.
 Written by Ian Kershaw and with a top hole Northern cast, this is a funny, sometimes dark comedy about people who always get the fuzzy end of the lollipop.
 Julie Julie Hesmondhalgh
 Nobby Paul Barber
 Dave John Thompson
 Shiv Lauren Socha
 Nita Bhavna Limbachiya
 Our Bri Jack Deam
 Produced at BBC Salford by Alison Vernon-Smith
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2015.
SAT 13:00 Archive on 4 (b09tbl2s)
 Don't Panic! It's The Douglas Adams Papers
 John Lloyd unearths the private papers of his friend and colleague Douglas Adams, and discovers more about the agonies he went through to write The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy.

The papers, donated to St John's College, Cambridge University, include note books, rambblings, rants about how hard it is to write, unfinished scenes and passages never included in Douglas Adams' books.
 John Lloyd co-wrote the first series of Hitchhiker's Guide To The Galaxy, which started on BBC Radio 4 in 1978. He reveals that he and Douglas Adams had been commissioned to write the first novel together, following the success of the radio series, but Douglas decided to "give me the boot" and went on to write the books on his own. The novels have sold something in the region of 14 million copies.
 Other contributors include the original producer and now novelist Simon Brett; original cast members Simon Jones, Geoffrey McGovern and Mark Wing-Davey; and Paddy Kingsland of the BBC Radiophonic Workshop.
 John also discusses how unpublished writings by Douglas Adams were used in a further series of The Hitchhiker's Guide To The Galaxy.
 A Bite Media production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in March 2018.
SAT 14:00 The In Crowd (b007jpp5)
 Series 4
 Episode 1
 Compulsive Liars Anonymous and a birthday shock.
 Comedy sketch show from Manchester.
 Starring Robin Ince, Helen Moon, Smug Roberts and Kate Ward.
 Producer: Graham Frost
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2004.
SAT 14:30 I've Never Seen Star Wars (b05108h0)
 Series 6
 Dame Kelly Holmes
 Dame Kelly Holmes, a self-confessed chocoholic, tries her first deep fried Mars bar, but will she try the chocolate covered scorpion?
 And to conquer her fear of drowning, she tries hypnotherapy.
 Marcus Brigstocke persuades his guests to try new experiences: things they really ought to have done by now.
 Some experiences are loved, some are loathed, in this show all about embracing the new.
 Producer: Bill Dare
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2015.
SAT 15:00 Josie Long: Romance and Adventure (b076p08g)
 Series 1
 Episode 3
 Josie's 32nd birthday has her questioning whether her dream of one day having a family is now unrealistic.
 Comedy drama about a young woman trying to build a more fulfilling life for herself in Glasgow.
 Based on characters from the short films "Romance and Adventure" and "Let's Go Swimming" by Josie Long and Douglas King.
 Josie Josie Long
 Darren Darren Osborne
 Roddy Sanjeev Kohli
 Kerry Hatty Ashdown
 Eleanor Clare Grogan
 Chris Michael Bertenshaw
 Mona Rebecca Hamilton
 Fraser Chris Pavlo
 Genevieve Puja Panchkoly
 Written by Josie Long.
 Producer: Colin Anderson
 A BBC Radio Comedy production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in April 2016.
SAT 15:30 The Jason Byrne Show (b01p2s1y)
 Series 3
 I Looked Like Gollum at School
 Award-winning comedian Jason Byrne lists the liabilities of looking good.
 Stand up and sketches with Laurence Howarth and Daisy Haggard.
 Producer: Julia McKenzie
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in November 2010.
SAT 16:00 Kind Hearts and Coronets (b007jnpv)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
SAT 17:30 Great Lives (b084bmf7)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
SAT 18:00 Dan Dare (b0bgpgk3)
 Series 1
 4. The Red Moon Mystery 2/2
 Dare and the crew of the Anastasia skip dimensions - and uncover a peril that could wipe out all life on Earth.
 Adventures based on the Eagle comic strip 'Dan Dare' created in 1950 by the Reverend Marcus Morris and Frank Hampson. Conclusion of a two-part adventure starring Ed Stoppard.
 Dramatised by James Swallow.
 Dan Dare Ed Stoppard
 Digby Geoff McGovern
 Professor Peabody Heida Reed
 Sir Hubert Michael Cochrane
 The Creator Marcus Morris
 On-board Computer Dianne Weller
 Ivor Dare Hugh Fraser
 Sgt Scott Jake Maskall
 Corp Dajani Jalleh Alizadehi
 Dr Harlan Stoll Greg Keith
 The Teacher Diane Spencer
 Flamer Spry Ryan Sewell

Director: Andrew Mark Sewell.
 Made by B7 Media
SAT 18:30 The Mortal Immortal by Mary Shelley (b007jw60)
 A young man works for a powerful alchemist. Feeling jilted in love and consumed with jealousy towards a rival, he secretly drinks one of his Master's potions hoping to cure himself of these emotions.
 Instead, he's soon facing a living hell...
 Frankenstein author, Mary Shelley's fantastical tale explores man's fascination with eternal life and elixirs.
 Read by Shaun Dooley.
 Producer: Gemma Jenkins
 Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in December 2005.
SAT 19:00 Soul Music Mixtapes (b09m5mfr)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
SAT 22:00 Welcome to Wherever You Are (b07gh57z)
 Pilot
 Andrew Maxwell hosts a truly global stand-up show, in which comedians perform from wherever on the planet they happen to be, via high quality phone lines and internet video, to a live audience in the BBC Radio Theatre, London.
 This pilot features award-winning comedians in Jakarta, St Petersburg, and Los Angeles, giving the range of observations a little wider than in a typical stand-up show. Subjects covered include being the freedoms afforded to women; how powerful Vladimir Putin really is; and why Canada probably doesn't exist.
 With:
 Sakdiah Ma'ruf
 Igor Meerson
 Guy Branum
 Andrew Maxwell is a multiple Edinburgh Comedy Award nominee and a regular on BBC Radio 4.
 Producer: Ed Morrish
 A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in June 2016.
SAT 22:30 Josie Long: Romance and Adventure (b077jp15)
 Series 1
 Episode 4
 Josie and Darren go camping but find themselves disastrously ill equipped for the great outdoors.
 Comedy drama about a young woman trying to build a more fulfilling life for herself in Glasgow.
 Based on characters from the short films "Romance and Adventure" and "Let's Go Swimming" by Josie Long and Douglas King.
 Josie Josie Long
 Darren Darren Osborne
 Margaret Clare Grogan
 PCSO Officer Chris Pavlo
 The Podcaster Jesse Thorn
 Shondra Claudia O'Doherty
 Unfeasably Handsome Man John Early
 Written by Josie Long.
 Producer: Colin Anderson
 A BBC Radio Comedy production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in April 2016.
SAT 23:00 Jason Cook's School of Hard Knocks (b03xgl4g)
 Job Interviews and Office Politics
 Jason Cook uses the lessons learnt from his bitter experiences to help sweeten the lives of listeners.
 This time, he holds forth on the best ways to pass a job interview and how to wend one's way through the perilous pastures of office politics.
 Zoe Harrison and Neil Grainger, help to police the prairie of the public's problems.
 Producer: Sam Michell
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2014.
SAT 23:30 Two Episodes of Mash (b01mdI9r)
 Series 2
 Episode 1
 Diane Morgan and Joe Wilkinson discover they don't actually have a radio series at all.
 A mix of silly, surreal sketches and banter.
 The series features an absurd narrative, making fun of its new home at BBC Radio 4, after starting life on BBC Radio 2.
 With:
 David O'Doherty
 Paul Harry Allen
 Peter Donaldson
 Ken Bruce
 Bobbie Pryor
 Gary Newman
 You can also see an animation of one sketch via the BBC Radio 4 Extra website - it's a fishy tale.
 Animation: Tom Rourke.
 Producer: Clair Wordsworth
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2012.
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 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Saturday]
SUN 01:00 Archive on 4 (b09tbl2s)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 13:00 on Saturday]

SUN 02:00 The In Crowd (b007jp55)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Saturday]

SUN 02:30 I've Never Seen Star Wars (b05108h0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Saturday]

SUN 03:00 Josie Long: Romance and Adventure (b076p08g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 15:00 on Saturday]

SUN 03:30 The Jason Byrne Show (b01p2s1y)

[Repeat of broadcast at 15:30 on Saturday]

SUN 04:00 Kind Hearts and Coronets (b007jnpv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Saturday]

SUN 05:30 Great Lives (b084bmf7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Saturday]

SUN 06:00 The Transition by Luke Kennard (Omnibus) (b08fs6r1)

Episode 2

Karl and his wife have signed up to a rehabilitation programme run by THE TRANSITION to avoid a jail sentence for his part in a credit card skimming scam.

As the weeks pass, he is increasingly suspicious about the secretive organisation's true motives...

Luke Kennard's novel is set a few years from now and is inspired by the housing crisis and a generation in serious debt. Omnibus of the last five of ten parts abridged by Robin Brooks.

Read by Bryan Dick

Producer: Kirsteen Cameron.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2017.

SUN 07:10 Inheritance Tracks (b06vc384)

Ian Hart

Influenced by music from his home town, actor Ian Hart selects The Beatles' 'In My Life' and passes on 'The Message' by Dr Dre.

SUN 07:20 Lucy Catherine - Gudrun (m0005yny)

Series 6 (Omnibus)

Episode 2

Gudrun's quest takes her on a whaling ship, where the crew loathe her doubly for being a woman and a heathen.

Set in the 11th century, the series follows Gudrun in the New World, and her estranged daughter Sigrid in England. Both mother and daughter have reasons to seek forgiveness as they forge a path through lands of unearthly beauty and uncompromising harshness.

Starring Kate Philips and Hollie Burgess.

Omnibus of the last five of ten episodes written by Lucy Catherine.

Gudrun Kate Philips

Sigrid Hollie Burgess

Dag Joseph Ayres

Panuk Kenny Blyth

Vali Chris Harper

Freija Samantha Dakin

The Virgin Marilyn Nnadebe

Tofa Debbie Korley

Saxon Joseph Ayres

Gorm David Hounslow

Canute Aaron Gelkoff

Director: Jessica Dromgoole.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2019.

SUN 08:30 We're in Business (b007jydz)

The Gorilla

When Dudley breaks the Major's stuffed gorilla, he, Harry and Miss Boot seek a replacement.

Stars Peter Jones and Harry Worth.

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 Marty Feldman, Barry Took and Peter Jones.

Dudley Peter Jones

Harry Harry Worth

Miss Boot Irene Handl

With Dick Emery, Hugh Paddick and Paddy Edwards.

A selection of surviving episodes from two series broadcast between 1959-1960.

Producer: Charles Maxwell.

First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in March 1960.

SUN 09:00 The Arthur Haynes Show (b00zdbmj)

From 26/11/1962

A visit from the School Inspector, crazy capers at the Post Office - and a man gets his head stuck in some railings.

Arthur Haynes stars in the sketch show series written by Johnny Speight.

With

Nicholas Parsons

Patricia Hayes

Lesley Noyes

Music by the Temperance Seven.

Part of a selection of surviving episodes.

After working with Charlie Chester on a number of series for BBC Radio, Arthur Haynes (1914-1966) became a big star on ITV from the late 1950s.

Producer: Richard Dingley

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in November 1962.

SUN 09:30 Double Income, No Kids Yet (b007zkzz)

Series 2

Episode 4

When their new and 'ever so slightly unbearable' friends invite them to dinner, Lucy wants to return the offer. But Daniel, who's expected to cook, is less than convinced...

Starring David Tennant and Elizabeth Carling.

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

Alison Joanna Brooks

Steve Jonathan Aris

Linda Carla Mendonca

Producer: Liz Antsee

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2002.

SUN 10:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b05sy1yw)

Eurovision

Sandie Shaw

From Guy Mitchell to the Beatles.

Singer and psychotherapist, Sandie Shaw MBE shares her castaway choices with Kirsty Young.

With her melodic, velvety voice, bare feet and Sassoon bob, Sandie was the epitome of everything that was swinging about the 1960s.

She was just 17 when she first topped the charts with 'Always Something There to Remind Me' and went on to become Britain's first Eurovision winner with Puppet on a String. Sandie loathed the song at the time, but more recently came to terms with it after recording a new version which is, she says, rather forlorn.

Along with the highs have been terrible lows - years that she calls her dark ages, when, without money or creative freedom, she felt hopeless. It was Buddhism that turned her fortunes around and became central to her life.

Now, Sandie says, she can't believe the journey life has taken her on and she is preparing for a final flourish as a performer. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2010.

SUN 10:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b0100j9q)

Series 2

Hummers

Hummingbirds are given spectacular names motivated by their striking colours, patterns and shimmering metallic iridescence; their names are beautiful as are the birds.

David Attenborough has filmed them on several occasions and is fascinated by their agility and flying skills to drink nectar from flowers inaccessible to any other animal. And propelled by this rocket fuel of nature they are capable of flying great distances and living life in the fast lane.

Enchanting in this story is how moved David Attenborough is when recalling a story of their conservation; a rare piece of good news he comments.

Written and presented by Sir David Attenborough

Producer: Julian Hector

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2011.

SUN 11:00 Sneakernomics (p091y247)

3. The Committee of Sleep

How an Oregon track coach ignited the running boom in America.

Sneakernomics is a close encounter with the visionaries, artisans and journeymen who've made, and been made, by trainers. We'll follow in the footsteps of mavericks, hustlers and dreamers, and hear their tales of boom and bust, fame and infamy, hope and heartbreak.

Across nine episodes, Sneakernomics tells the extraordinary origin stories of some of the world's biggest brands, and how sponsorship deals and celebrity culture redefined our relationship with products. It's also a business story - how leisure has evolved into a multi-billion dollar industry; a sports story - how games became organised and grew into a global spectacle; and it's a story of invention - how enthusiastic hobbyist-pioneers often took extraordinary risks that changed the course of sport and fashion.

The sneaker story is characterised by fierce competition and rivalry. We explore how the quest to be number one tore families and friendships apart and divided towns. Above all, this is the story of the people behind the shoes. What you'll hear is a mix of interviews with many of the key individuals who've played their part in that extraordinary story, interlaced with moments of fiction inspired by their testimonies and our research.

Written and presented by Nicholas Smith, with 1Xtra presenter Ace. The drama is written by Al Smith.

Episode 3 Cast:

Bill Nathan Osgood

Phil Trevor White

Jeff Ian Dunnett Jr

Shoji Daniel York Loh

Dale Wilf Scolding

Carolyn Cecilia Appiah

Bob Mark Edel-Hunt

Truck Driver Joseph Balderrama

Production Trainer: Marithe Van Der Aa

Assistant Producer: Ben Hollands

Sound: Peter Ringrose

Producer: Sasha Yevtushenko

Special thanks: Jeff Johnson, Bob Woodell, Angel Martinez, Julie Dixon, Nelson Farris, Peter Moore, Jamie Larsen, Clare Ewing and Jeffrey Johnson.

SUN 12:00 Poetry Extra (m000wkc1)

Africa's Digital Poets - Breaking the Window with a Poem 2/2
Poet Daljit Nagra revisits the BBC's poetry archive and selects Africa's Digital Poets - Breaking the Window with a poem part 2/2.

Johannesburg-based performance poet Thabiso Mohare talks to poets in South Africa, Nigeria and Kenya who have embraced the digital space to disseminate their work, and looks at how it has served them in continuing a tradition of the poet expressing resistance and representing the conscience of a people. The role of the court poet or griot was to point out to the powers-that-be that they were messing up. Some of the most vital work being produced and performed now still reflects that role, as poets carve their own path, tackling issues as they see fit, or as part of protest movements such as Fees Must Fall in South Africa.

Thabiso talks to poets who write to agitate, and assesses how much the digital age is influencing the way emerging poets write and perform their work. The phenomenon of certain poems going viral (by Warsan Shire and Suli Breaks for example), and the Def Poetry Jam shows drew several of South Africa's most prominent young performance poets to their chosen craft.

But with the development of digital across Africa, their focus is shifting: they're not just looking to the West any more.

Although US influence is strong in spoken word poetry, digital is allowing emerging poets to look instead to their home-grown talent for inspiration, and to foster Pan-African approaches. As well as enabling African narratives, some digital platforms are also affording more chances for people to use their mother tongue to speak to their own communities, which mainstream print publishers have rarely been interested in, or able to support.

Thabiso Mohare ('Afurakan'), a spoken word poet based in Johannesburg, is one of the poets and entrepreneurs spearheading developments in spoken word poetry in South Africa, and exploring the possibilities of what the digital space can offer poets in countries where publishers are pulling back from poetry. Thabiso talks to the digital pioneers who, as part of the broader tech revolution in a mobile-first continent, are offering poets across Africa a new outlet for presenting their work in a digital age.

Produced by Megan Jones.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2016.

SUN 12:30 To Hull and Back (b09rx3vt)

Series 3

Last Chance Salon

On her way back from Hull station following a failed attempt to get onto the Vidal Sassoon hairdressing course in London, Sophie is knocked over by a car.

By way of compensation the driver, Alison, a frequent church-goer, offers Sophie a disused hair salon that she has access to thanks to her church's outreach work. Sophie accepts Alison's offer.

But with only a week to make the salon a going concern, will Sophie manage to make a success of it?

Starring Lucy Beaumont and Maureen Lipman.

Lucy Beaumont's warm-hearted sitcom set in Hull where a daughter tries to escape her overbearing mother.

Sophie Lucy Beaumont

Sheila Maureen Lipman

Jean Kerrie Marsh

Ernie Norman Lovett

Alison Annie Sawle

Trish Debra Baker

Producer: Sam Michell

A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in February 2018.

SUN 13:00 The Invention of Angela Carter by Edmund Gordon (Omnibus) (b07zf850)

Angela Carter was one of English literature's most inventive writers.

Edmund Gordon's illuminating biography was the first to be authorised 25 years after her death in 1992.

It features interviews with close friends, collaborators, lovers and family members.

Edmund was granted access to Angela's journals, letters and manuscripts and so created a vivid portrait of her unconventional and extraordinary life.

Read by Emma Fielding

Omnibus of five parts abridged by Sara Davies.

Producer: Elizabeth Allard

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2016.

SUN 14:10 Inheritance Tracks (b077s3qj)

Phil Tufnell

Cricketer Phil Tufnell chooses 'Soul Limbo' by Booker T and the MGs and 'Can't Take My Eyes Off You' performed by Gloria Gaynor.

SUN 14:20 How Does That Make You Feel? (b08pmsmp)

Series 8 (Omnibus)

As psychotherapist Martha continues her dealings with clients - some of them have made a few changes to their circumstances. On a trip to Newcastle, which to his surprise is even further north than Leeds, MP Richard Fallon finds that his newly acquired Twitter account has been hacked.

Omnibus of five episodes written by Shelagh Stephenson.

Richard Fallon Roger Allam
 Martha Frances Tomelty
 Director: Eoin O'Callaghan
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2017.
SUN 15:30 What's So Great About ...? (b00c7fbx)
 Series 1
 Bob Dylan
 Comedian and actor Lenny Henry asks "What's So Great About...?" people, things, institutions and aspects of contemporary life that frequently go unexplored, unchallenged and widely accepted but which he, personally doesn't really buy. In this episode, he questions the greatness of Bob Dylan. Lenny - a great fan of Soul music and Rhythm & Blues - gets to grips one recording artist he never really "got". From the time he was a teenager in Dudley in the early 70s he had to listen to his schoolmate Greg Stokes tell him what a "classic" the Dylan album 'Blonde On Blonde' was; and ever since friends have been trying to convince him that "His Bobness", as Lenny describes him, is the one recording artist to whom he should really devote his energies.
 It's now make or break time and Lenny assembles a band of musicians and fans to see if they can, once and for all, change his mind.
 "Dear oh dear", says Lenny. "That whine! That grating music!"
 Poet Laureate Andrew Motion, Kris Kristofferson, Bryan Ferry, Jools Holland and Al Kooper, who played with Dylan on some of his most famous albums in the 1960s, are among the defence team.
 It seems they have their work cut out.
 Producer: Patrick Gregory
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2008.
SUN 16:00 Stephen Wakelam - Death at the Bed End (m0005tlg)
 Publication of a biography of Charlotte Bronte sparks the threat of libel suit. So a detective heads to Yorkshire to discover more. Steve Wakelam's drama is based on true events.
 Sergeant Jack Down Kenneth Cranham
 Patrick Bronte James Greene
 Mr Nicholls Stephen Hogan
 Harry Declan Wilson
 Betty Shirley Dixon
 Dr Crosby Geoffrey Whitehead
 Martha Helen Longworth
 Sugden Steve Hodson
 Grundy Philip Fox
 Director: Janet Whitaker
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2004.
SUN 17:00 Poetry Extra (m000wk1)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 today]
SUN 17:30 To Hull and Back (b09rx3vt)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 today]
SUN 18:00 Thomas Hardy - The Withered Arm (b0076wvt)
 Dangerous dreams and consequential curses.
 Victoria Hamilton and Susan Jameson star in a highly charged tale of two women in the grip of passions beyond their control. Set in Wessex, Thomas Hardy's classic short story is a masterful drama of psychological suspense.
 Dramatised by Louise Doughty.
 Gertrude Lodge Victoria Hamilton
 Rhoda Brook Susan Jameson
 James Lodge Ewan Bailey
 Edward Nick Sayce
 Mr Mason Nick Brimble
 Ida Ella Smith
 Dairy Man John Cummins
 Hangman Gerard McDermott
 Landlord Wayne Foskett
 Serving Girl Ayesha Antoine
 Director: Claudine Toutoungi.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2006.
SUN 18:45 Murder & Mystery (m0003tdx)
 Series 5
 MS. Found in a Bottle by Edgar Allan Poe
 A storm sweeps the east coast of Java.
 In a writing career that spanned barely two decades (he died in his 41st year) the American penned over seventy 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.
 Read by Owen Teale.
 Abridger: Pete Nichols
 Producer: Karen Rose
 Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra by Sweet Talk Productions, first broadcast in April 2019.
SUN 19:00 Sneakernomics (p09fy247)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
SUN 20:00 Stephen Wakelam - Death at the Bed End (m0005tlg)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 today]
SUN 21:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b05sy1yw)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
SUN 21:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b0100j9q)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 today]
SUN 22:00 To Hull and Back (b09rx3vt)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 today]
SUN 22:30 There Is No Escape (b06kcbw8)
 Episode 3

Andrew attempts to beat his workmate, Lennie, to a promotion. But when all inevitably goes wrong, he then has to find a home for the dishwasher and tumble-dryer his girlfriend has already bought.
 Sitcom about a man dissatisfied with his life, whose feeble attempts to run away invariably end with him traipsing home defeated.
 Starring:
 Andrew Lawrence
 Diane Morgan
 With Marek Larwood, Lizzie Roper and David Hounslow.
 Producer: Jane Berthoud
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2015.
SUN 23:00 Henry Normal: A Normal... (b07m4wyh)
 Family
 Henry Normal presents a comic and poetic look at his family life – centred around his son, Johnny, who was diagnosed with "mildly severe" autism.
 Through stand-up and poetry, Henry explores what this means for Johnny, for himself, and his wife, Angela.
 Recorded with an audience in Henry's hometown of Brighton, the show paints just one portrait of life with autism; there are many versions of it, and this is Johnny's.
 Henry Normal is a multi-award winning writer, producer and poet. He starred in Channel 4's Packet of Three, co-wrote The Royle Family and The Mrs Merton Show, and founded Baby Cow productions with Steve Coogan, which produced Gavin & Stacy, The Trip and Camping.
 Written and performed by Henry Normal
 Producer: Ed Morrish
 A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in July 2016.
SUN 23:30 Alice's Wunderland (b01kk59)
 Series 1
 Episode 1
 A trip round Wunderland, the Poundland of magical realms. It's a kingdom much like our own, and also nothing like it in the slightest.
 Stay a while and meet waifs and strays, wigshops and witches, murderous pensioners and squirrels of this delightful land as they go about their bizarre business.
 A sketch show written and performed by Alice Lowe.
 Also starring:
 Richard Glover
 Simon Greenall
 Rachel Stubbings
 Clare Thompson
 Marcia Warren
 Producer: Sam Bryant
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2012.

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MON 05:00 Poetry Extra (m000wk1)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 on Sunday]
MON 05:30 To Hull and Back (b09rx3vt)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 on Sunday]
MON 06:00 Wimsey (b007jvn1)
 The Unpleasantness at the Bellona Club
 5. At Lady Dormer's
 Discovering General Fentiman was poisoned, Lord Peter Wimsey decides to probe Miss Dorland's hobby.
 Ian Carmichael stars as the aristocratic sleuth.
 Dorothy L. Sayers' detective mystery dramatised by Chris Miller.
 Lord Peter Wimsey Ian Carmichael
 Robert Fentiman Allan Cuthbertson
 Inspector Parker Gabriel Woolf
 Sheila Fentiman Frances Jeater
 Ann Dorland Amanda Reiss
 Mrs Munns Ysanne Churchman
 Nellie Judy Bridgland
 Mr Munns Clifford Norgate.
 Producer: Simon Brett
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1975.
MON 06:30 Edward Boyd - The Candle of Darkness (b0b5t0pp)
 6. Who Is 'The Kind Man'?
 With locals terrorised by a homicidal maniac in the small Scottish town - can Steve Gardiner finally unravel the identity of 'The Kind Man'?
 Meanwhile Steve Gardiner discovers his friend's war actions.

Teddy Johnson stars in the conclusion of Edward Boyd's six-part serial thriller.
 Steve Gardiner Teddy Johnson
 Wilfred Morton Leonard Maguire
 Romily Foster Douglas Murchie
 Lindy Marshall Hannah Gordon
 Detective Inspector Gordon Moultrie R. Kelsall
 Jimmy Morton Jimmy Logan
 The Porter Eric Wightman
 Produced in Glasgow by Eddie Fraser.
 First broadcast in May 1954 on the BBC Regional Home Service - Scotland
MON 07:00 Tim FitzHigham: The Gambler (b01qldm8)
 Pilot episode
 Award winning comedian-author-adventurer, Tim FitzHigham and his nemesis Alex Horne recreate a bizarre bet which was originally wagered by the 4th Duke of Queensbury in 1753.
 The bet: that Tim can pass a missive over a distance of fifty miles in one hour, using only the means that would have been available to a gentleman in 1753.
 Written by Tim FitzHigham and Jon Hunter, with additional material from Paul Byrne.
 Produced by Colin Anderson.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2013.
MON 07:30 Nature Table (m000wcd)
 Series 2
 Episode 4
 Nature Table is comedian, broadcaster and writer Sue Perkins' new comedy 'Show & Tell' series celebrating the natural world and all its funny eccentricities.
 Taking the simple format of a 'Show & Tell', each episode Sue is joined by celebrity guests from the worlds of comedy and natural history. Each of the natural history guests brings an item linked to the wild world to share with the audience, be it an amazing fact or funny personal anecdote. Each item is a springboard for an enlightening and funny discussion, alongside fun games and challenges revealing more astonishing facts. We also hear from some of the London Zoo, as they bring us their own natural history 'show and tells' for Sue and the guests to discuss.
 Nature Table has a simple clear brief: to positively celebrate and promote the importance of all our planet's wonderfully wild flora and fauna in an fun and easily grasped way... whilst at the same time having a giggle.
 Note: Series 2 was recorded in November 2020, during lockdown conditions, so this time round there is no studio audience this time round. The host, panel and guest zookeepers recorded the series at ZSL London Zoo, socially distanced.
 Episode 4
 Recorded at London Zoo, this week Sue Perkins is joined by special guests:
 Billy Heaney (Zoologist & wildlife presenter), Dr. Claire Asher (Science writer) and comedian and writer Josie Long.
 Written by: Catherine Brinkworth, Kat Sadler & Jon Hunter
 Researcher: Catherine Beazley
 Music by Ben Mirin. Additional sounds were provided by The Macaulay Library at the Cornell Lab of Ornithology.
 Produced by: Simon Nicholls
 A BBC Studios Production
MON 08:00 Steptoe and Son (b007k0k6)
 Series 4
 Is That Your Horse Outside?
 Albert Steptoe advises son Harold on the art of seduction.
 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 man Albert Steptoe and son Harold - and was the spark for a run of eight series on TV.
 Albert Wilfrid Brambell
 Harold Harry H Corbett
 With Jo Manning Wilson and John Samson.
 Adapted for radio from their TV scripts by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.
 Producer: Bobby Jaye
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in February 1972.
MON 08:30 Life, Death and Sex with Mike and Sue (b00756v1)
 Series 4
 Episode 3
 Sofa-bound TV presenters Mike and Sue turn their attention to 'ageing' and 'alcohol'.
 Starring Robert Duncan and Jan Ravens.
 With Roger Blake, Alistair McGowan and Ronnie Ancona.
 Written by George Jeffrie and Bert Tyler-Moore from a format by Bill Dare.
 Music by Mark Burton.
 Producer: Aled Evans
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1999.
MON 09:00 Act Your Age (b00qym9f)
 Series 2
 Episode 6
 Simon Mayo hosts the comedy show that pits the comic generations against each other to find out which is the funniest.
 Team captains Jon Richardson, Lucy Porter and Roy Walker are joined by Hills Barker and Cannon and Ball.
 Producers: Ashley Blaker and Bill Matthews.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2010.

MON 09:30 The Elephant Man (b007k2c7)
Keeper vs Keeper
There's a new arrival at the zoo and Terry must mark his territory.
Debbie Barham's 8-part sitcom about the life of an elephant zoo keeper.
Starring Peter Serafinowicz as Terry Lyon, Chris Emmet as Leonard, Geoff McGovern as George, Geraldine Fitzgerald as Maureen, Richard Pearce as Adam, Joanna Monro as Stephanie and Wayne Forester as Morse.
Producer: Richard Wilson.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in September 1996.

MON 10:00 David Wade - Alexander (b007q9by)
Great Son of Ammon
The King confronts and conquers, as he faces the end of the span of years allotted by The Fates.
Conclusion of David Wade's serial on the life of Alexander the Great
Alexander Michael Maloney
Hephaestion Alex Jennings
Achilles Barry Foster
Patroclus Simon Ward
Ptolemy Julian Rhind-Tutt
Philotas Michael Onslow
Perdikkas Mark Straker
Bagoas Matthew Sim
Artzbazus Philip Anthony
Krateros David Thorpe
Simmias John Eivitts
Kalas Malcolm Sinclair
Oxyartes John Hollis
Kalanos Renu Setna
Kallisthenes Jonathan Adams
Page James Telfer
The Fates Rachel Atkins
The Fates Jill Graham
The Fates Dana Payan
Music: Wilfredo Acosta
Director: Glyn Dearman
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1993.

MON 11:00 TED Radio Hour (m000wkvb)
Series 8
IRL - online
A journey through fascinating ideas based on talks by riveting speakers on the TED (Technology, Entertainment, Design) stage.
Manoush Zomorodi explores where IRL – in real life – and the online world meet. Can we develop rules to navigate the virtual safely?
First broadcast in the USA on National Public Radio in 2020.

MON 11:50 Inheritance Tracks (m000wkvd)
Mica Paris
Singer Mica Paris chooses Come Live with Me Angel by Marvin Gaye and Tom Browne - Funkin' for Jamaica.
MON 12:00 Steptoe and Son (b007k0k6)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

MON 12:30 Life, Death and Sex with Mike and Sue (b00756vl)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

MON 13:00 Wimsey (b007jvn1)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

MON 13:30 Edward Boyd - The Candle of Darkness (b0b5t0pp)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

MON 14:00 Flâneuse: Women Who Walk the Cities by Lauren Elkin (b07mwqf9)
Episode 1
In her book, abridged for radio by Penny Leicester, the author Lauren Elkin strolls great cities, thinking about distinguished women who did the same.
She loves the word FLÂNEUR and then the female version - FLÂNEUSE. But historically who were these types, and is there a flâneuse today? She also recalls her youthful struggles to walk the New York suburbs.
Read by Julianna Jennings.
Produced by Duncan Minshull.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2016.

MON 14:15 Gudrun (m000sqrb)
Series 7
Episode 1
The final series in Lucy Catherine's Viking epic of love, revenge and faith inspired by the Icelandic sagas
Gudrun, a young woman from 11th century Iceland, forges her path through a world of unearthly beauty yet uncompromising harshness. Having given birth at sea and survived the treacherous voyage home from the Vinland, Gudrun believes her young son, Jesson, is destined for great things. Together, they embark on a pilgrimage to Rome.
Gudrun Kate Phillips
Freija Samantha Dakin
Truda Charlotte East
Monk Ian Dunnett Jr
Kjartan Luke MacGregor
Directed by Gemma Jenkins
Despite the warmongering and bloodshed Gudrun is a story of family and a mother's love. An avenging angel forged from violence, she continues to try and lead a good life in a man's world. She longs for the freedom to live her life according to her own rules.

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

MON 14:30 Paint It Black (b007jxq4)
"Henry Moore would have given his hind teeth to have created something like this."
Felicity Finch Accompanies a group of cave artists as they brave the dark and claustrophobic atmosphere of tunnels and the magnificence of gigantic chambers deep beneath the earth's surface in their quest to paint the underground world.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2002.

MON 15:00 David Wade - Alexander (b007q9by)
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MON 16:00 Act Your Age (b00qvm9f)
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MON 17:00 Tim FitzHigham: The Gambler (b01qldm8)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

MON 17:30 Nature Table (m000wcd0)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

MON 18:00 Paradise Lost in Space (b007jp39)
6. Sacrifice
Oblivio is in the grip of an Ice Age.
When the UME spaceship lands on the surface, Norman and Max make a sacrifice...
Conclusion of Colin Swash's sci-fi comedy about two space-age humans stranded on a friendly alien planet.
Norman Tony Robinson
Max David Haig
Stella Louise Lombard
Macari Michael Troughton
Suzy Carla Mendonca
Louise Ronni Ancona
Ume Lorelei King
Vince Daniel Main
Producer: Richard Wilson
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1995.

MON 18:30 A Good Read (b01j5my9)
Steve Backshall and Geraldine Bedell
Deadly 60 presenter Steve Backshall and Editor of Gransnet Geraldine Bedell discuss their favourite books with Harriett Gilbert.
Geraldine picks 'The Idea of Perfection' by Kate Grenville, a touching romance between two people in the eccentric little backwater of Karakarook, Australia.
Steve opts for a chilling ghost-story set around a scientific expedition to the Arctic Circle in 1937 - 'Dark Matter' by Michelle Paver.
Harriett's choice is 'In the Country of Men' by Hisham Matar, a tender coming-of-age story about nine-year-old Suleiman who becomes the man of the house when his father goes away on business.
Producer: Toby Field
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2012.

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MON 21:50 Inheritance Tracks (m000wkvd)
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MON 22:00 Nature Table (m000wcd0)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

MON 22:30 Chain Reaction (b03s71cz)
Series 9
Graham Linehan talks to Adam Buxton
The final episode in this series sees Father Ted and IT crowd writer Graham Linehan talking to comedian, actor and one half of Adam and Joe, Adam Buxton.
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 December 2013.

MON 23:00 The News Quiz (m000wdhh)
Series 105
Episode 7
Andy Zaltzman presents a look back at the week's headlines with guests Lucy Porter, Alice Fraser, Hugo Rifkind and Daliso Chaponda.
This week a certain select committee hearing and the inaugural FALSE or VERY FALSE round.
Written by Andy Zaltzman with additional material from Eleanor Morton, Rajiv Karia and Simon Alcock.
Producer: Richard Morris
Production Coordinator: Cheryl Lynn Andrew-Wilfred
Sound Editor: Marc Willcox
A BBC Studios Production
MON 23:30 The Jason Byrne Show (b01p6pxc)
Series 3

I Won't Eat Bread From a Puddle
Jason Byrne looks at the subject of fears with members of the audience revealing an eccentric range of phobias include feet; boats in dry docks and being forced to eat white bread out of puddles.
Themed audience comedy show with high-energy stand-up and sketches with Laurence Howarth and Daisy Haggard.
Producer: Julia McKenzie
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2010.

TUESDAY 01 JUNE 2021

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TUE 06:00 Wimsey (b007jvn1)
The Unpleasantness at the Bellona Club
6. Ann Dorland
With two suspects missing, Lord Peter Wimsey battles to pinpoint the poisoner.
Ian Carmichael stars as the aristocratic sleuth.
Conclusion of Dorothy L Sayers' detective mystery.
Lord Peter Wimsey Ian Carmichael
Robert Fentiman Allan Cuthbertson
George Fentiman Martin Jarvis
Inspector Parker Gabriel Woolf
Ann Dorland Amanda Reiss
Sheila Fentiman Frances Jeater
Dr Penberthy Christopher Emmett
Colonel Marchbanks Wilfrid Carter
Dramatised by Chris Miller.
Producer: Simon Brett
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1975.

TUE 06:30 Barbara Vine - King Solomon's Carpet (m000wjkj)
1. You Left Your Baby, But Took The Violin
For Jarvis and Busker Tom, the attraction of the old school house is that it's near the underground.
For Alice, it's an escape from a painful past.
Crime mystery written by Ruth Rendell under the pen name of Barbara Vine.
Dramatised in four parts by Nick Fisher.
Tom Jonathan Cullen
Alice Kate Fenwick
Axel Mark Strong
Jarvis Kim Wall
Cecilia Ann Beach
Jasper Stuart Morris
Bienvida Verity Watte
Tina Alice Arnold
Peter Christopher Scott
Woman on Tube Colleen Prendergast
Alice's Mother Shirley Dixon
Ivan Chris Pavlo
Woman with Baby Elaine Pyke
Tannoy Alex Lowe
Musicians: Polly Hewett, Roland Robert and Christine Messiter.
Director: Marion Nancarrow
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1996.

TUE 07:00 Ayres on the Air (b03pmk77)
Series 5
Home
Pam Ayres regales her Radio 4 audience with poems, stories and sketches, this week on the subject of Home.
She is joined on stage by Felicity Montagu and Geoffrey Whitehead, with Geoffrey playing her long-suffering husband 'Gordon'.
This week Pam talks about her first home, about the impact of her grown up sons leaving home and about the unwelcome prospect of downsizing. There are also looks at how making your home more 'vintage' can go too far, some handy hints on how to make your child feel more at home if they have to return to the nest post-university, and how your homelife changes when both partners have retired. We are also treated to some wry observations on how our homes have now become so hi-

us from the seven deadly sins via stand-up comedy. Tim Key and Tim Minchin provide sketches, songs and jealous glances.
Producer: Katie Marsden
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2007.

WEDNESDAY 02 JUNE 2021

WED 00:00 Terry Pratchett (b007j80)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Tuesday]
WED 00:30 Soul Music (b013P96w)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Tuesday]
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WED 02:15 Gudrun (m000sqkh)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Tuesday]
WED 02:30 Inside the Brain of Gerald Scarfe (b08wp16h)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Tuesday]
WED 03:00 Hugh Walpole - Rogue Herries (b007k1mf)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Tuesday]
WED 04:00 The Rest is History (b04wrycv)
[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Tuesday]
WED 04:30 Four Joneses and a Jenkins (b007jqnd)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Tuesday]
WED 05:00 Ayres on the Air (b03pmk77)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Tuesday]
WED 05:30 Alex Edelman's Peer Group (m000w9vg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Tuesday]
WED 06:00 Detective (b01s2kd7)
Series 3
1. The Trap
A suspect in an armed London hold-up asks to see Detective Sergeant Brook - whose new assistant, Jack Tully, arrives and is plunged straight into the sharp end of police work.
CAST:
Detective Sergeant Brook Ray Brooks
Detective Constable Tully Stephen Garlick
Thomas Brady Stephen Grief
Detective Sergeant Harrison Peter Cleall
Chief Inspector Roach Stephen Yardley
Tommy Michael Ripper
Chris Thompson Peter Acree
Bill Michael Jenner
DC Tim O'Brien/Prison Warden Anthony Jackson
Kathy/Hotel Receptionist Eileen Tully
More tough stories of crime and detection in London written by Robert Barr.
Robert Barr also wrote TV scripts for the BBC's Z Cars and Softly Softly. He was also a prize-winning TV producer.
Producer: Martin Fisher
First broadcast weekly on BBC Radio 2 in June 1984.
WED 06:30 Barbara Vine - King Solomon's Carpet (m000w19g)
2. Sledging The District
The London Underground looms large in the life of Jarvis, Tom and Alice and poses dangers to Jasper.
2: Sledging the District.
"Yeah, sledging. Riding on the train roofs, Jas." But there are even greater dangers in store for Jasper.
By Barbara Vine, adapted in four parts by Nick Fisher.
With Martin Keily, Alice Arnold, Christopher Scon, Chris Pavlo and Alex Lowe.
Musicians Polly Hewett, Roland Robert and Christine Messiter
Director Marion Nancarrow
Cast
Alice Kate Fenwick
Axel Mark Strong
Tom Jonathan Cullen
Jarvis Kim Wall
Cecilia Ann Beach
Daphne Linda Polan
Jasper Stuart Morris
Bienvida Verity Waite
Damon James Bell
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1996.
WED 07:00 A Trespasser's Guide to the Classics (b08jdz0k)
Series 2
The Prophecy
By Richard Katz and John Nicholson
In medieval Scotland, a pair of soldiers, fleeing their own regiment, come face-to-face with a trio of witches on a desolate moor. One of them receives a prophecy that he will become King of Scotland. It's a classic case of mistaken identity. In this second series, the comedy troupe Peepolykus assume the roles of minor characters in great works of fiction and derail the plot through their hapless buffoonery.
Director, Sasha Yevtushenko.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2017.
WED 07:30 Shush! (b08pfnqg)
Series 2
Ticks & Foibles
When Snoo makes an unexpected purchase, Alice has to face an

old rival, some electrical cables and a very dusty dictionary.
Meet Alice (Rebecca Front) - a former child prodigy who won a place at Oxford aged 9 but, because Daddy went too, she never needed to have any friends. She's scared of everything.
Everything that is except libraries and Snoo (Morwenna Banks) - a slightly confused individual with a have-a-go attitude to life, marriage, haircuts and reality. Snoo loves books, and fully intends to read one one day.
And forever popping into the library is Dr Cadogan (Michael Fenton-Stevens) - celebrity doctor to the stars and a man with his finger in every pie. Charming, indiscreet and quite possibly wanted by Interpol, if you want a discrete nip and tuck and then photos of it accidentally left on the photocopier, Dr Cadogan is your man.
Their happy life is interrupted by the arrival of Simon Nielson (Ben Willbond), a man with a mission - a mission to close down inefficient libraries. Fortunately, he hates his mission. What he really wants to do is once - just once - get even with his inexhaustible supply of high-achieving brothers.
Written by Morwenna Banks and Rebecca Front
Based on an idea developed with Armando Iannucci
Produced by David Tyler
A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4.
WED 08:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jzps)
Series 1
A House on the Cliff
The lad's after a new home, but is it really the best idea to get Sid to build it?
Starring Tony Hancock.
With Moira Lister, Bill Kerr and Sidney James.
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 (b007jmwg)
Series 2
Affair Exchange
Victoria is offered the chance of an affair, but will she succumb to Tim's charms? Stars Nicola Pagett. From August 1993.
WED 09:00 Whispers (b007k2zg)
Series 1
Episode 3
"There never was an individual less regretted by his fellow creatures than this deceased King."
Gyles Brandreth reveals who in the panel show that celebrates gossip rather than discretion, believing valour to be a redundant concept in the face of a good story.
Regular team captains, biographer Anthony Holden, and writer Stella Duffy are joined by the BBC's former royal correspondent Jennie Bond and entertainer Geoffrey Durham.
Producer: Elizabeth Freestone
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2003.
WED 09:30 Snap (b00tmntj)
Series 2
Episode 1
Separated for over a year, Doug and Molly are still finding it hard to keep out of each other's lives.
When the decree absolute arrives and Doug hears that Molly is having a drinks party he's furious. But is all as it seems?
Paul Mendelson's sitcom stars Rebecca Lacey as Molly, Paul Venables as Doug, Soumaya Keynes as Kaz, Jessie Sullivan as Ryan, Marlene Sidaway as Annie, Jonathan Taffler as Raymond and Samantha Spiro as Dawn.
Producer: David Ian Neville
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2004.
WED 10:00 Hugh Walpole - Rogue Herries (b007k1nq)
2. Forty-Five
Francis encounters Mirabell again and his fate is sealed. Meanwhile, the rebels are at the gates of Carlisle.
Hugh Walpole's historical novel dramatised by Eric Pringle.
Francis ... Gavin Muir
David ... Mark Bonnar
Deborah ... Jane Whittenshaw
Margaret ... Janet Maw
Mirabell ... Deborah Berlin
Roche ... Hugh Dickson
Cumberlege ... Gordon Reid
Hetty ... Alison Pettitt
Other parts played by Shirley Dixon, Robert Harper, Carolyn Jones, Alex Lowe, Gerard McDermott, Ioan Meredith, Chris Pavlo and Stephen Thorne
Director David Blount
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1997.
WED 11:00 Lauren Laverne: Acting the Rock Star (m000w19j)
3. The Beatles & Elvis Presley
From The Beatles and David Bowie to Spinal Tap and beyond, across three programmes Lauren Laverne showcases how rock stars lives have been portrayed on radio and screen. In the third part of this lovingly compiled long-playing retrospective we'll hear... "When Elvis Met The Beatles" - An imagining of the occasion when the King of Rock 'N' Roll and The Fab Four came face to face in 1965.
The series was produced by Stuart Ross.
Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra.
WED 12:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jzps)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

WED 12:30 No Commitments (b007jmwg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
WED 13:00 Detective (b01s2kd7)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
WED 13:30 Barbara Vine - King Solomon's Carpet (m000w19g)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
WED 14:00 Flâneuse: Women Who Walk the Cities by Lauren Elkin (b07mxt96)
Episode 3
In her book, Lauren Elkin strolls great cities, thinking about distinguished women who did the same.
She describes Paris, the great walking city. Beneath today's concrete lies cobblestones, which gets her thinking about an earlier age and the remarkable George Sand, who in the 1800's promenaded around in gentleman's clothes.
Read by Julianna Jennings.
Produced by Duncan Minshull.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2016.
WED 14:15 Gudrun (m000sr3y)
Series 7
Episode 3
The final series in Lucy Catherine's Viking epic of love, revenge and faith inspired by the Icelandic sagas.
Gudrun and Truda embark on a quest to find a renowned Hory relic.
Gudrun Kate Phillips
Freija Samantha Dakin
Truda Charlotte East
Nun Emma Handy
Woman Jane Whittenshaw
Directed by Gemma Jenkins.
WED 14:30 When Wesley Went to Winchester (b011zm1g)
In 1970, broadcaster Wesley Kerr was awarded a County Bursary to study at the prestigious public school Winchester College. Over forty years later, he opens the gates of memory and attends a special reunion to find out what happened to the other bursary boys and explores the scheme's attempts at 'social engineering.'
From a working class background, Wesley was a black foster child growing up in Hampshire. With the odds against him, he passed the exam and interview and took the opportunity that was presented to him, later becoming BBC's television news' first black reporter and later Royal correspondent. His early success even made the national press - one newspaper headlined 'Coloured Boy Wins place at Public School'. For Wesley and many of these boys, they were parachuted into a new life at one of Britain's top public schools.
The national bursary scheme, initiated by Winston Churchill, MP Rab Butler and Lord Fleming, ran from 1947 to 1974, after a request by Churchill that a quarter of public schools places were to be taken by state school boys and were funded by the local education authority. A number of other schools such as Eton and Rugby also gave bursaries.
At the unique springtime reunion, Wesley meets over thirty former pupils, who include a former judge, the man who's designing the new Routemaster bus and the Bishop of Gibraltar. With stories of strange accents, public school pranks and those who struggled to fit into an alien environment, Wesley hears how the experience gave them new opportunities and shaped their lives.
Producer: Tamsin Barber
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2011.
WED 15:00 Hugh Walpole - Rogue Herries (b007k1nq)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
WED 16:00 Whispers (b007k2zg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
WED 16:30 Snap (b00tmntj)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
WED 17:00 A Trespasser's Guide to the Classics (b08jdz0k)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
WED 17:30 Shush! (b08pfnqg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
WED 18:00 Terry Pratchett (b007lzwz)
Wyrd Sisters
2. Three Wishes
The new monarch has a troubled conscience and a wife like Lucrezia Borgia. The three witches have decisions to make... Terry Pratchett's popular tale dramatised in four parts by Vince Foxall.
CAST:
Granny Weatherwax Sheila Hancock
Nanny Ogg Lynda Baron
Magrat Garlick Deborah Berlin
Duke Felmet Ian Masters
Lady Felmet Kristin Milward
King Verence John Hartley
Mrs Vitoller Natasha Pyne
Vitoller Gavin Muir
The Fool Andrew Branch
Hwel Brian Hibbard
Director: Claire Grove
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1995.
WED 18:30 Short Cuts (m0005t94)
Series 19
Nocturne
Josie Long presents short documentaries and adventures in sound about what happens after darkness falls. From Mark Thomas's childhood nocturnal journeys to a late-night story told

in the glow of a turf fire.
The Little Nuneen
Featuring Gerald O'Brien
Produced by Regan Hutchins
Escape
Featuring Mark Thomas
Produced by Sarah Cuddon
The Poem Explains Nothing
Featuring Peter Beverley
Produced by Peilin Li
Production team: Andrea Rangecroft and Alia Cassam
Series Producer: Eleanor McDowall
A Falling Tree production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in June 2019.
WED 19:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jzps)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
WED 19:30 No Commitments (b007jmwg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
WED 20:00 Detective (b01s2kd7)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
WED 20:30 Barbara Vine - King Solomon's Carpet (m000w19g)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
WED 21:00 Lauren Laverne: Acting the Rock Star (m000w19j)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
WED 22:00 Shush! (b08pfnqg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
WED 22:30 Bleak Expectations (b00p3380)
Series 3
Lives Lost, Ruined, Wrecked and Redeemed
Pip and Ripely find themselves facing a vast and evil undead army. England has only one hope - that Miss Sweetly Delightful can melt Mr Benevolent's cruel, undead heart.
Comedy Victorian adventure by Mark Evans
Sir Philip Richard Johnson
Young Pip Bin Tom Allen
Gently Benevolent Anthony Head
Harry Biscuit James Bachman
Bishop Wackwallop Geoffrey Whitehead
Ripely Bin Sarah Hadland
Miss Sweetly Delightful Raquel Cassidy
The Duke of Chelsea Mark Evans
Producer: Gareth Edwards
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2009
WED 23:00 The Problem With Adam Bloom (b007rgld)
Series 1
Cutting Corners
The Frugal comedian features an excerpt from his stand-up show at the Edinburgh Festival. With Rob Rouse. From September 2003.
WED 23:15 Tina C (b01by7d5)
Tina C's Global Depression Tour
United Kingdom
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 is camping outside St Pauls.
Tina C...Christopher Green
With Paul Mason, Victoria Inez Hardy and James Lailay
Musical arrangements by Duncan Walsh Atkins and Christopher Green
Director Jeremy Mortimer.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2012.
WED 23:30 Vent (b01dw7cx)
Series 3
Loneliness Is a Crowded Head
Ben's life is full of well-meaning people trying to do everything for him. Everything, that is, except leave him alone.
He begins to wonder if Robinson Crusoe might have been on to a good thing.
Dark sitcom about a man in a coma, travelling through the distinctly odd landscape of his own unconscious mind.
Written by Nigel Smith.
Ben Neil Pearson
Mary Fiona Allen
Mum Josie Lawrence
Blitz Leslie Ash
Nurse Jo Martin
Derek Stephen Frost
Marley Spencer Brown
Bea Scarlett Milburn-Smith
Castaway John Kay-Steel
Waiter Bruce Alexander
Director: Nigel Smith.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2009.

THURSDAY 03 JUNE 2021

THU 00:00 Terry Pratchett (b007lwzx)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Wednesday]
THU 00:30 Short Cuts (m0005f94)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Wednesday]
THU 01:00 Detective (b01s2kd7)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Wednesday]
THU 01:30 Barbara Vine - King Solomon's Carpet

(m000w19g)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Wednesday]
THU 02:00 Flâneuse: Women Who Walk the Cities by Lauren Elkin (b07mxt96)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Wednesday]
THU 02:15 Gudrun (m000sr3y)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Wednesday]
THU 02:30 When Wesley Went to Winchester (b011zmlg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Wednesday]
THU 03:00 Hugh Walpole - Rogue Herries (b007k1nq)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Wednesday]
THU 04:00 Whispers (b007k2zg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Wednesday]
THU 04:30 Snap (b00tmtjt)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Wednesday]
THU 05:00 A Trespasser's Guide to the Classics (b08jdz0k)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Wednesday]
THU 05:30 Shush! (b08pfnqg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Wednesday]
THU 06:00 Detective (b01s316s)
Series 3
2. A Bit of a Grudge
A suspect in an armed London hold-up asks to see Detective Sergeant Brook - whose new assistant, Jack Tully, arrives and is plunged straight into the sharp end of police work.
CAST:
Detective Sergeant Brook Ray Brooks
Detective Constable Tully Stephen Garlick
Detective Sergeant Harrison Peter Cleall
Tommy Michael Ripper
Paul Caville Douglas Blackwell
Billy Dale David Milner
Inspector Arnold Diamond
Detective Constable Mathieson Peter Acre
More tough stories of crime and detection in London written by Robert Barr.
Robert Barr also wrote TV scripts for the BBC's Z Cars and Softly Softly. He was also a prize-winning TV producer.
Producer: Martin Fisher
First broadcast weekly on BBC Radio 2 in June 1984.
THU 06:30 Barbara Vine - King Solomon's Carpet (m000wlkp)
3. Revengful Love
The London Underground continues to exert its pull, but Cecilia faces challenges from an unexpected quarter. Stars Ann Beach.
3: Revengful Love
Cecilia is in for another shock -this time from an unexpected quarter.
By Barbara Vine (a pen name for Ruth Rendell), adapted in four parts by Nick Fisher.
Musicians Polly Hewett , Roland Robert and Christine Messiter
Director Marion Nancarrow
Cast
Alice Kate Fenwick
Axel Mark Strong
Tom Jonathan Cullen
Jarvis Kim Wall
Cecilia Ann Beach
Daphne Linda Polan
Tina Alice Arnold
Jasper Stuart Morris
Bienvida Verity Waite
Dean Martin Kelly
Damon James Bell
Peter / Man Christopher Scott
Daniel / Pilot Alex Lowe
Alice's Mother Shirley Dixon
Journalist Elaine Pyke
Waitress Janet Maw
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1996.
THU 07:00 Cleaning Up (b053c3p4)
2. True Love?
They say there's someone for everyone, has Shiv found true love?
Every night, as time is called and people are spat out onto the streets and squeezed into rides home to dream -tossed beds - others are hard at work. Teams of cleaners are in office spaces scrubbing, vacuuming and cleaning up. And right at the bottom of the food chain we find our gang - Spit n' Polish tackling the floors of a plush tower block in Manchester city centre.
Written by Ian Kershaw and with a top hole Northern cast, this is a funny, sometimes dark comedy about people who always get the fuzzy end of the lollipop. A group of people thrown together by their work, take as much solace as they can from this.
Julie Julie Hesmondhalgh
Nobby Paul Barber
Dave John Thompson
Shiv Lauren Socha
Nita Bhavna Limbachia
Our Bri Jack Deam
Produced at BBC Salford by Alison Vernon-Smith
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.
THU 07:30 John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme (m000wcyr)
Series 9
Episode 4
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 four is about Vanessa, and starts with a television quiz show in 1990, and ends with a fairytale walk in 1921.
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
Vanessa ... Carrie Quinlan
Ensemble ... Lawry Lewin
Ensemble ... Margaret Cabourn-Smith
Ensemble ... Simon Kane
Original music composed by ... Susannah Pearse
Original music arranged by ... Susannah Pearse and Tim Sutton
Recorded and edited by ... Rich Evans at Syncbox Post
Production coordinator ... Beverly Tagg
Producer ... Ed Morrish
A BBC Studios Production
THU 08:00 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b010y71x)
Series 7
Episode 6
Solutions for unemployment - and Professor Prune hears a strange echo.
Starring Tim Brooke-Taylor, John Cleese, Graeme Garden, David Hatch, Jo Kendall and Bill Oddie.
Sketches written by Graeme Garden, Bill Oddie and Andrew Fisher.
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 Bill Oddie, Liam Cohen and Dave Lee.
Producer: David Hatch/Peter Titheradge
First broadcast on the BBC Radio 2 in February 1969.
THU 08:30 The House of the Spirit Levels (b007rhx1)
The End - At Last
Tony ends up in South America and Joanna plans an attack on Yorkshire. Nick Revell's epic comedy saga. From June 1997.
THU 09:00 Who Goes There? (b00766w1)
Series 6
Episode 1
Martin Young's famous people quiz. With Francis Wheen, Fred Housego, Lynne Truss and Anthony Holden. From October 2002.
THU 09:30 Double Income, No Kids Yet (b08043w)
Series 2
Episode 5
The news that their best friends are expecting a second baby sparks an unexpected reaction in Lucy. In desperation, Daniel turns to his mother-in-law for help...
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.
CAST:
Daniel David Tennant
Lucy Liz Carling
Katie Samantha Spiro
Andy Tony Gardner
Mary Sally Grace
Frank Bill Fellows
Producer: Liz Anstee
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2002.
THU 10:00 Hugh Walpole - Rogue Herries (b007k1pw)
3. The Wild Marriage
It is now 1756 and David is prospering. But Francis roams the fells searching for something he can never find.
Hugh Walpole's historical novel dramatised in four parts by Eric Pringle.
Francis ... Gavin Muir
David ... Mark Bonnar
Deborah ... Jane Whittenshaw
Mirabell ... Deborah Berlin
Pomfret ... Stephen Thorne
Sunwood/Bann ... Christopher Scott
Denburn ... Keith Drinkel
Sarah Becky Hindley
Other parts played by Hugh Dickson, Carolyn Jones, Ioan Meredith, Chris Pavlo and Alison Pettitt
Director: David Blount
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1997.
THU 11:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b05sy1yw)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Sunday]
THU 11:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b0100j9q)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 on Sunday]
THU 12:00 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b010y71x)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
THU 12:30 The House of the Spirit Levels (b007rhx1)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

FRI 08:30 Semi Circles (b0949hw9)

Series 1
The Quality of Life
What has Alastair's being in love got to do with Ben's bad luck, and is there still a place for Tammy Wynette in all their lives? 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 Pay Heywood
Alastair Bruce Alexander
Perpetua Patience Tomlinson
Producer: Pete Atkin
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1982
FRI 09:00 Counterpoint (b00scgy)
Series 24
2010 Heat 9
(9/13) The ninth and last heat of the 2010 contest comes from Manchester. Paul Gambaccini welcomes three contestants from Scotland and the North of England to the general knowledge music quiz. One of them will win the last remaining place in the semi-finals, which begin next week. The musical extracts in the programme encompass classical composers old and modern, jazz, rock and pop, and musical theatre.
Producer Paul Bajoria
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2010.
FRI 09:30 Bristow (b007vgy7)
Series 3
Chapter and Verse
As the Chester-Perry clerk writes for the house journal, he learns the meaning of poetic justice.
Michael Williams stars as Bristow, the buying clerk from Frank Dickens' famous newspaper cartoon strip. Syndicated internationally, it ran for 41 years in London's Evening Standard.
Bristow Michael Williams
Jones Rodney Bewes
Mrs Purdy Dora Bryan
Hewitt Owen Brennan
Miss Sunman Katy Odey
Fudge Jon Glover
Postboy Simon Schatzberger
Hickford Roger Lloyd Pack
Liftboy Ian Kelland
Music: John Whitehall
Producer: Neil Gargill
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2000.
FRI 10:00 Hugh Walpole - Rogue Herries (b007k1r3)
4. A Great Age to Be Beginning
Trapped at Herries with a man she cannot love, Mirabell yearns to be free...
Conclusion of Hugh Walpole's historical novel dramatised by Eric Pringle.
Francis Gavin Muir
David ... Mark Bonnar
Mirabell ... Deborah Berlin
Deborah ... Jane Whittenshaw
Sarah ... Becky Hindley
Benjamin ... Chris Pavlo
Reverend ... Christopher Scott
Harness ... Gerard McDermott
Other parts played by Stephen Thorne, Linda Polan, Katie Clarke, Joseph Head, Carolyn Jones and George Maguire
Director David Blount
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1997.
FRI 11:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m000wlyk)
Detective Stories
Chris Pearson and Caroline Crampton go on the hunt for detective listening.
Award winning investigative reporter Madeleine Baran talks to us about her show In The Dark, and tell us how to her, the least interesting part of reporting on criminal activity is the crime itself.
Plus, we'll hear how the Victoriocity writers Jen and Chris Sugden were influenced by early detectives when creating their story set in 1887.
We'll also hear about:
The Tuesday Night Mystery Club
Meddling Adults
Up The Creek
Murder, We Spoke
Veronica Mars Investigations
Detective Trapp
Chicano Squad
The Casebook of Max & Ivan
Dead Drunk Detective
The Amelia Project
The Great Detectives of Old Time Radio
FRI 12:00 Dad's Army (b007jm2h)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
FRI 12:30 Semi Circles (b0949hw9)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
FRI 13:00 Detective (b01s2xl6)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
FRI 13:30 Barbara Vine - King Solomon's Carpet (m000wlyg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

FRI 14:00 Flâneuse: Women Who Walk the Cities by Lauren Elkin (b07myyqx)

Episode 5
Author Lauren Elkin strolls great cities, thinking about distinguished women who did the same.
There's an intriguing photograph of 'Jinx Allen', taken in Florence by Ruth Orkin, and it's mysteries are now revealed. Then some reveries after wandering the sidewalks of New York..
Read by Julianna Jennings.
Produced by Duncan Minshull.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2016.
FRI 14:15 Gudrun (m000ss39)
Series 7
Episode 5
The final series in Lucy Catherine's Viking epic of love, revenge and faith inspired by the Icelandic sagas.
Gudrun is reunited with a figure from her past when she is taken to meet the leader of a religious cult.
Gudrun Kate Phillips
Freija Samantha Dakin
Garvinicus Jane Whittenshaw
Sigrid Hollie Burgess
Leif Chris Pavlo
Directed by Gemma Jenkins.
FRI 14:30 D-Day Dames (b0457rms)
In spring 1944 American women war correspondents gathered in London in anticipation of the D-Day invasion. Women were not allowed to report from the front line, although that did not stop Martha Gellhorn. She returned to London as her marriage to Ernest Hemingway was ending - he had met his next wife, also a war correspondent, in the Dorchester hotel in London as he waited for the invasion to take place. But it was Gellhorn, who hid on a hospital ship across the channel, who went ashore and wrote a dramatic account of it - she was subsequently disciplined by the authorities as she had no accreditation. Others women, such as Helen Kirkpatrick witnessed Eisenhower's return from the front as she reported from D-Day headquarters. After D-Day itself, women reporters gradually started going to Normandy, such as Lee Miller, who filed dramatic photo-journalism accounts for British Vogue from a field hospital and then found herself on the frontlines of the siege of St Malo. The women followed the troops across Europe, arriving in Paris for its liberation in August.
It was a key moment in the history of women war correspondents.
Lyse Doucet recounts their stories with archive audio, readings from their articles and letters, interviews with relatives and their biographers. She explains how the work of women war correspondents has changed since then.
Producer: Philip Reeve
City Broadcasting production
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014.
FRI 15:00 Hugh Walpole - Rogue Herries (b007k1r3)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
FRI 16:00 Counterpoint (b00scgy)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
FRI 16:30 Bristow (b007vgy7)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
FRI 17:00 The Break (b07j40ww)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
FRI 17:30 The Confessional (m000wjr)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
FRI 18:00 Terry Pratchett (b007jmq9)
Wyrd Sisters
4. Degrees of Royalty
Lancre's new ruler teeters on the edge of madness. The old King will be revenged. The three witches set to work!
The final part of Terry Pratchett's popular tale dramatised by Vince Foxall.
CAST:
Granny Weatherwax Sheila Hancock
Nanny Ogg Lynda Baron
Magrat Garlick Deborah Berlin
Duke Felmet ... Ian Masters
Lady Felmet Kristin Milward
King Verence John Hartley
The Fool Andrew Branch
Vitoller Gavin Muir
Hwel Brian Hibbard
Tomjon Roger May
Director: Claire Grove
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1995.
FRI 18:30 Off the Page (b00smq83)
Entitlement
When did what we desire become what we feel we deserve ? In an age when foreign holidays have become routine and over 25,000 public sector workers earn £100,000 a year and more, we tackle this mood of relentless entitlement with Heather Brooke, whose tireless use of the Freedom of Information act helped to break the MPs expenses scandal; stand up Simon Evans, whose routine includes a description of his accent as exotic 'and that's because it is educated'; and Naomi Alderman whose first novel Disobedience won the Orange Award for Young Writers and who feels our sense of entitlement should be replaced by a purer feeling of gratitude. The presenter is Dominic Arkwright and the producer is Miles Warde.
FRI 19:00 Dad's Army (b007jm2h)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

FRI 19:30 Semi Circles (b0949hw9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
FRI 20:00 Detective (b01s2xl6)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
FRI 20:30 Barbara Vine - King Solomon's Carpet (m000wlyg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
FRI 21:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m000wlyk)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
FRI 22:00 The Confessional (m000wjr)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
FRI 22:30 The Consultants (b0628g9r)
Series 4
Episode 5
Two travellers stumble upon a very unusual pub quiz. Neil Edmond and James Rawlings' cerebral sketches. From November 2005.
FRI 23:00 Lucy Montgomery's Variety Pack (b01322dm)
Series 2
Episode 3
The human chameleon's host of comic characters from a chicken shop worker to a honeymooner.
Starring; Lucy Montgomery,
With Philip Pope, Sally Grace, Natalie Walter, Iris Walker and Waen Shepherd
Written by Lucy Montgomery with additional material by Steve Burge, Jon Hunter, Barunka O'Shaughnessy and Fay Rusling.
Script Editor: Dan Teisell
Producer: Katie Tyrrell.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2011.
FRI 23:30 Party (b011jrmq)
Series 2
All Publicity Is Good Publicity
The young aspiring politicians of the new political Party attempt to step up a gear and get the recognition and publicity they deserve.
All they need to do is sort out the diversity of their group first.
Second series of Tom Basden's satirical comedy.
Simon Tom Basden
Duncan Tim Key
Jared Jonny Sweet
Mel Ann Crilly
Phoebe Katy Wix
Photographer Jane Wittenshaw
Producer - Julia McKenzie
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2011.