

SATURDAY 11 DECEMBER 2021

SAT 00:00 The First Church of the New Millennium by Bryan Appleyard (b007jqnc)

Episode 5

As architect Stephen Rix plans his cathedral he makes a dramatic decision about his life.

Read by David Horovitch.

Set in 1999, Brian Appleyard's novel was first published in 1994.

Abridged by Ed Thomason.

Producer Duncan Minshull

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1996.

SAT 00:15 The Testament of Jessie Lamb (b02x9f4n)

5. Action

Society is splintering, apocalyptic sects with fundamentalist, ecological or anti-scientific beliefs are springing up.

Panic, chaos and fear reign.

When Jessie's own world begins to fall apart and her best friend Sal experiences a shocking act of violence, Jessie realises it is time to take action.

Starring Holliday Grainger.

The conclusion of Jane Rogers' dramatisation of her award-winning novel.

Jessie Holliday Grainger

Joe Mark Jordan

Cath Joanne Mitchell

Sal Rebecca Ryan

Baz Oliver Lee

Lisa Nisa Cole

Director: Nadia Molinari

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2013.

SAT 00:30 Off the Page (b01jhb3j)

The Garden of Eden

The story of the Garden of Eden in Genesis is perhaps the most influential tale ever told.

Its chief components of God, Adam, Eve, the serpent, temptation and a paradise lost still exert a hold on western thinking. But this ancient story has not always been benign in its effects.

Presenter Dominic Arkwright is joined by three experts:

* Novelist Zina Rohan talks about her own investigations about what this story has meant, particularly to women in the west;

* Sean Thomas talks about his search for where the real garden might have been.

* Brook Wilensky-Lanford's book 'Paradise Lust' described the events of the Scopes Trial of 1925 - the famous clash in Dayton, Ohio between Darwinists and creationists that featured an American presidential candidate who declared his belief that Eve was literally made from one of Adam's ribs.

Producer: Miles Warde

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2012.

SAT 01:00 Agatha Christie (b03z91x2)

Ordeal by Innocence

3. On Guard

Now Philip's been found dead, most of the family members believe Dr Calgary was right in believing their late mother's killer is still amongst them.

Everyone is on their guard...

Conclusion of Agatha Christie's murder mystery.

Dramatised by Joy Wilkinson.

Calgary Mark Umbers

Gwenda Jacqueline Defferary

Kirsten Wanda Opalinska

Hester Phoebe Waller-Bridge

Leo Sean Murray

Mickey Joel MacCormack

Tina Carys Eleri

Mary Priyanga Burford

Huish Michael Bertenshaw

Constable Arthur Hughes

Director: Mary Peate

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2014.

SAT 01:30 Deep Six (m000fxz4)

4. Framed

Wrongfully framed for a murder, Terry Prince is trying to find out who really did it?

His suspicions fall equally on the government's Internal Security Department and on gangsters from London's underworld....

Starring Freddie Lees.

John Fletcher's thriller serial about an ex-SAS agent still hired for special 'jobs'.

Terry Freddie Lees

Thompson John Abineri

Sir James Simpson Conrad Phillips

Hobson David Sinclair

Chris Elwyn Johnson

Fortescue Hubert Rees

Linda Taylor Madeleine Cemm

Directed at BBC Bristol by Brian Miller.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1984.

SAT 02:00 A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man by James Joyce (b09rzxhc)

Episode 5

Stephen attends the spiritual retreat, where Father Arnall describes the details of damnation for sinners.

He feels that every word is meant for him.

James Joyce's autobiographical masterpiece.

Read by Andrew Scott.

Abridged by Sara Davies.

Producer: Mary Ward-Lowery

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2018.

SAT 02:15 D for Dexter (b04nvqg5)

Series 1

Episode 5

Skye has run away after she discovered her Mum had stolen Dexter's cough medicine.

But now she's worried about her baby brother and is coming back for him.

Amanda Whittington's heart-breakingly brave, funny and beautiful story.

Skye...Sydney Wade

Dexter...Elsa Rodgers

Jak...Una McNulty

Evan...Samuel Holland

Alice...Jane Thornton

Mags...Sarah Parks

Lin...Martha Godber

Guitarist: Pip Moore

Director: Mary Ward-Lowery

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2014.

SAT 02:30 Songlines (b04d4pt1)

Somewhere Over the Rainbow

In 2002, The Wizard of Oz turned 75. John Cavanagh tells the story behind Judy Garland's legendary theme tune.

Features:

Ernie Harburg

Will Friedwald

Deana Rosenberg

Alastair Savage

Martin Taylor

Producer: Caroline Barbour

First broadcast on BBC Radio Scotland in November 2002.

SAT 03:00 Ben Hur (b007jr6d)

4. The King Comes into His Kingdom

After the prince's victory in the chariot race, news arrives of his mother and sister.

Starring Jamie Glover.

Conclusion of Lew Wallace's epic tale.

Dramatised by Catherine Czerkawska.

Ben Hur Jamie Glover

Simonides Bernard Hepton

Balthasar Michael Hordern

Amrah Phyllis Calvert

Mother Margaret John

Esther Deborah Berlin

Tirzah Natasha Pyne

Malluch Gavin Muir

Iras Becky Hindley

Guide Neville Jason

Man at Inn Joshua Towb

Man 1 Don McCorkindale

Man 2 Derek Waring

Man 3 Peter Yapp

Man 4 Peter Whitman

Michael Gambon reads from the Bible.

Music by Wilfredo Acosta.

Director: Glyn Dearman

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1995.

SAT 04:00 Funny You Should Ask (b0b4fbgc)

From 13/08/1979

Peter Jones hosts the entertainment quiz about comedy as he tests a panel of experts:

Roy Hudd, Doris Hare and Dick Vosburgh recall memories of careers and comic colleagues.

Funny You Should Ask ran for 8 series from 1976 to 1982.

Questions compiled by Michael Pointon.

Producer: Bob Oliver Rogers

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in August 1979.

SAT 04:30 In the Red (b007k003)

Episode 3

Anarchic BBC reporter George Cragge probes the murder of another London bank manager.

Meanwhile in Broadcasting House, BBC Controllers are counting on divine intervention to topple the Director General.

London is plagued by a series of bizarre murders of bank managers. Hot on the trail of the killer are old-style Chief Police Inspector Frank Jefferson and BBC Radio's anarchic crime correspondent, George Cragge.

Starring Michael Williams and Barry Foster.

Mark Tavener's blackly humorous murder mystery set in the world of City finance, the BBC and political parties.

Dramatised by his novel by Mark Tavener and Peter Baynham.

George Cragge Michael Williams

Frank Jefferson Barry Foster

Geoffrey Crichton-Potter Stephen Moore

Henry Julian Rhind-Tutt

Max Peter Woodthorpe

Controller Radio 2 Stephen Fry

Controller Radio 4 John Bird

Dominic De'ath Benjamin Whitrow

Hercules Fortescue Nicholas Le Prevost

Andrew James Peter Serafinowicz

Agony Aunt Eva Stuart

Oswald Simon Greenall

Chairman Peter Yapp

Other parts by Oliver Sentona and Alice Arnold.

Music by Paul Mottram

Producer: Paul Schlesinger

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1995.

SAT 05:00 Welcome to Our Village, Please Invade Carefully (b01r4yvc)

Series 1

Minimum Volume

Katrina Lyons was only visiting Cresdon Green, the village where she grew up, to borrow some money from her parents.

But when she tried to head back to London, it turned out alien beings known as the Geomin had lowered a force field around the village and were refusing to let anyone in or out.

Unfortunately almost everyone in the village is too cowardly, apathetic, polite or stupid to stand up to this alien menace, so Katrina has no choice but to start the resistance movement herself. In the cricket pavilion.

Hattie Morahan and Julian Rhind-Tutt star in Eddie Robson's sitcom about an alien invasion of a small English village.

Uljabaan is working on an education programme for after the invasion, creating a list of books suitable for children to read.

His chosen advisor is Mrs Leeson from the charity shop.

Katrina is confident she could do a better job, and hopes she could use it for subversive purposes - so she volunteers. But can she sneak anything past Uljabaan? And can she convince Lucy she's not really being a traitor?

Katrina Lyons Hattie Morahan

Field Commander Uljabaan Julian Rhind-Tutt

Margaret Lyons Jan Francis

Richard Lyons Peter Davison

Lucy Alexander Hannah Murray

Computer John-Luke Roberts

Producer: Ed Morrish

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in March 2013.

SAT 05:30 It's Not What You Know (b09w10bc)

Series 5

Episode 3

Joe Lycett tests Melanie Chisholm, Kerry Godliman and Jack Carroll on how well they know their nearest and dearest.

What's Mel C's favourite Spice Girls song, where is Kerry's dream holiday destination and who would play Jack in the film of his life?

All these questions, and more, will be answered in the show hosted by Joe Lycett where panellists' relationships are put to the test...

Produced by Adnan Ahmed.

It was a BBC Studios Production.

SAT 06:00 Al Hunter - However (m0012gdm)

Al Hunter's comedy of love and war set in the Russo-Japanese war.

Starring John Gordon-Sinclair and Willie Rushton.

Andrei's job is to write reports about fictional successes from the front.

When these are believed at home, he accidentally becomes a hero overnight.

Andrei John Gordon Sinclair

Czar Willie Rushton

Princess Elisaveta Alison Dowling

Piotr Graham Seed

Trigorin David Richard-Fox

Yeltsin Timothy Carlton

Lady Karenina Avril Clark

Brezhnev Timothy Bateson

Kosygin/Gorbachev Shaun Prendergast

Andropov Norman Jones

Director: Adrian Bean

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1991.

SAT 07:30 Great Lives (b0952qq7)

Series 43

Andrea Catherwood on Constance Markievicz

Constance Markievicz led an amazing life - a leading figure during the Easter Rising of 1916, she was the first woman elected to Parliament though she never took her seat.

Markievicz was born into a wealthy Anglo-Irish family and gained her exotic surname from marriage to a Polish count. She was adventurous, flamboyant, committed to woman's rights, court-martialled and nearly shot.

Nominating her is Andrea Catherwood, ex-ITN correspondent who made her first documentary for BBC Radio 4.

Presented by Matthew Parris.

With Lindie Naughton, author of Markievicz - A Most Outrageous Rebel.

Producer: Miles Warde

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2017.

SAT 08:00 Listomania (b055jttt)

Series 1

Episode 5

From the magnificent to the mundane.

From the humble 'to do' list to the bucket list and many more... Susan Calman hosts the series exploring the world of the lists.

With:

Sarah Millican

Andrew O'Neill

Ricky Wilson

Roisin Conaty

Written by James Kettle and Juliet Meyers with Max Davis and Gabby Hutchinson Crouch.

Producer: Sam Bryant

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in 2015.

SAT 08:30 All the Young Dudes (b007r4md)

Series 1

Girls Talk

Patrick and Helen get dragged along to a stag and hen night - for a couple neither of them know.

The lives of Patrick and wife Helen as they settle back into the town where he was born.

Comedy drama written by and starring Jim Sweeney.

Patrick Jim Sweeney

Helen Cathryn Harrison

Billy Steve Steen

Moira Sadie Shimmin

Joe Stephen Frost

Maria Flaminia Cinque

Charlie Lizzy de Rosario

Siobhan Josie Lawrence

Valerie Yuri Klimov

Fake Russian Waiter Chris Pavlo

Announcer: Whispering Bob Harris

Producer: Steve Doherty

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2001.

SAT 09:00 The Lives of Harry Towers (m0001kwk)

Best remembered today as the notorious producer of over 100 cheaply made exploitation movies, Harry Alan Towers began his long career in radio.

Using this medium, he created dozens of high quality classic shows including, most famously, The Lives of Harry Lime, starring Orson Welles.

Adam Roche tells the story of Towers' pioneering and globe-trotting radio career.

From his first successful attempts to get his programmes on air in the late 1930s, via some unwanted attention from American law-enforcement authorities, through to his star-studded productions of the '50s.

SAT 12:00 Clare in the Community (b00fslwd)

Series 2

Past Caring

Clare encounters an old friend (but can't remember who she is) and tries to match-make.

It's Brian's birthday and Clare has bought him a pair of tracksuit bottoms and is organising a dinner...

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

A control freak, Clare likes nothing better than interfering in other people's lives on both a professional and personal basis.

Clare is in her 30s, white, middle class and heterosexual, all of which are occasional causes of discomfort to her. Clare continually struggles to control both her professional and private life

In today's Big Society there are plenty of challenges out there for an involved, caring social worker. Or even Clare.

Written by Harry Venning and David Ramsden.

Starring Sally Phillips and Alex Lowe.

Clare Sally Phillips

Brian Alex Lowe

With:

Richard Lumsden

Gemma Craven

Ellen Thomas

Nina Conti

Andrew Wincott

Vicki Pepperdine

Delroy Brown

Producer: Katie Tyrrell

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2005.

SAT 12:30 Dad's Army (b007jppq)

Series 2

The Day the Balloon Went Up

Captain Mainwaring gets carried away with the platoon's war effort.

The comic exploits of a Second World War Home Guard platoon in Walmington-on-Sea.

Adapted for radio from Jimmy Perry and David Croft's BBC TV scripts by Harold Snoad and Michael Knowles.

Captain Mainwaring Arthur Lowe

Sergeant Wilson John Le Mesurier

Corporal Jones Clive Dunn

Private Fraser John Laurie

Private Godfrey Arnold Ridley

Private Pike Ian Lavender

Warden Hodges Bill Pertwee

Vicar Frank Williams

The Verger Edward Sinclair

Squadron Leader Michael Knowles

Announcer John Snagge

Producer: John Dyas

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1975.

SAT 13:00 Archive on 4 (b00sf0tg)

Priestley's Postscripts

Martin Wainwright marks the life of a broadcasting phenomenon - the story of how Yorkshire man JB Priestley became the voice of the nation during the darkest days of the Second World War.

Using original broadcasts, information stored in BBC files and interviews with his son Tom Priestley and step son Nicolas Hawkes, Martin revisits these extraordinary broadcasts and asks why, in spite of their astonishing popularity, Priestley was taken off air?

Producers: Catherine Plane and Phil Pegum.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2010.

SAT 14:00 The Penny Dreadfuls (b07m43rg)

The Curse of the Beagle

In 1831 a 22 year old Charles Darwin set sail on the HMS Beagle for a 5 year voyage that he said changed the course of his life.

He later published his stories of the trip, but in this reimagining comedy trio The Penny Dreadfuls reveal the untold story that Darwin was to keep to himself.

Starring Humphrey Ker, David Reed and Thom Tuck

Charles Darwin Thom Tuck

McCormick Humphrey Ker

Professor Henslow David Reed

Old Mother Trousers Margaret Cabourn-Smith

Written by David Reed with additional material by Humphrey Ker

Producer: Julia McKenzie

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

SAT 15:00 Susan Calman - Keep Calman Carry On (b09h6k15)

Series 2

Gardening

Susan Calman is the least relaxed person she knows.

She has no down time, no hobbies (unless you count dressing up your cats in silly outfits) and her idea of relaxation is to sit on her sofa playing Assassin's Creed, an hour into which she is in a murderous rage with sky high blood pressure. Her wife had to threaten to divorce her to make her go on holiday, and she's been told by the same long-suffering wife that unless she finds a way to switch off, and soon, she's going to be unbearable.

Susan decided her best bet was to try to immerse herself in the pursuits that her friends find relaxing, to find her inner zen and outer tranquillity.

In her first series, she attempted to find the new Susan Calm, by watching Cricket; going Hillwalking; visiting an Art Gallery and being spontaneous. She enjoyed these pursuits, but all too soon found herself slipping back into her old ways. So she's trying again.

For starters, she's taking a trip to the Royal Botanic Gardens Edinburgh to learn about Gardening with Val McDermid, in the hope of one day being able to tell her Euphorbia from Euphoria.

In this audience stand up show, Susan reveals how successful she's been - both at relaxing and at the pursuit itself - as well as playing in and discussing a handful of illustrative clips from her efforts.

Written by Susan Calman and Jon Hunter.

Producer: Lyndsay Fenner

A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in December 2017.

SAT 15:30 Old Harry's Game (b00j16ky)

Series 7

Episode 4

Why is a baby in Hell?

Only God can bring people back to life, but can God be persuaded?

Andy Hamilton's devilishly funny sitcom set in Hell.

Satan.... Andy Hamilton

God Timothy West

Edith Annette Crosbie

Scumspawn Robert Duncan

Thomas Jimmy Mulville

With Felicity Montagu.

Producer: Paul Mayhew-Archer

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2009.

SAT 16:00 Al Hunter - However (m0012gdm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SAT 17:30 Great Lives (b0952qq7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

SAT 18:00 Algernon Blackwood - The Empty Sleeve (m0012gdp)

"All forms of creative energy are one. And any desire that has grown too strong is dangerous. For the mind - failing to grasp the beloved object by normal means - may break free and attempt... something else!"

A virtuoso violinist's desire for a rare instrument is irresistible, but there are dire consequences...

Starring Malcolm Hayes.

Algernon Blackwood's tale of the supernatural and the uncanny.

Dramatised by Sheila Hodgson.

Dr. John Silence Malcolm Hayes

Stephen Hubbard Fraser Kerr

Isadore Hyman Peter Woodthorpe

Cabby/Theatre Manager Hector Ross

Porter Garard Green

Arthur Gilmer Haydn Jones

William Gilmer Alan Dudley

Producer: Harry Catlin

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1975.

SAT 18:45 Playing With Fire by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle (b0701mhb)

Regularly every Sunday, Markham and his friends hold a seance in Badderly Gardens.

But one Sunday a Frenchman joins them - and conducts a dangerous experiment.

First published in 1900, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's tale -

abridged by Doreen Estall

Read by Edward De Souza

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle (1859 – 1930) is best known for his

many detective stories about Sherlock Holmes.

Producer: Pat McLoughlin

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1989

SAT 19:00 The Lives of Harry Towers (m0001kwk)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SAT 22:00 The Lee Mack Show (b00bwzv3)

Sophie Ellis-Bextor

Sophie Ellis-Bextor joins the quick-fire comic for stand-up, sketches and music. With Angela McHale. From March 2005.

SAT 22:30 Women Talking About Cars (m0001l8h)

Series 3

4. Una Stubbs

Actress, dancer and national treasure Una Stubbs talks to Victoria Coren Mitchell about her remarkable career from Summer Holiday to Sherlock.

With memories of childhood and motherhood, movies and needlework, Una discusses the vehicles she's driven along the way and why these days she has chosen to live car-free.

Readings by Sarah Hadland.

Sadly Una passed away in August 2021.

Producer: Gareth Edwards

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

SAT 23:00 The Skivers (b0080rd1)

Series 2

Spike Milligan

Nick and Tim de Jongh welcome Spike Milligan to the last ever BBC Radio 4 show to be recorded at the famous BBC Paris Studios.

Located in Lower Regent Street, London, this was home to countless BBC shows from Round The Horne to Just A Minute - from 1946 to 1995.

Skilful sketch show written and performed by Nick Golson and Tim de Jongh.

With:

Peter Bradshaw

Mel Giedroyc

Producer: Jon Naismith

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1995.

SAT 23:30 Hut 33 (b00lqfm2)

Series 1

Careless Talk

A security breach at Bletchley Park puts the wartime code-breakers under suspicion.

James Cary's sitcom set in Bletchley Park in 1941.

Three code-breakers are forced to share a draughty wooden hut, as they try to break German ciphers. Unfortunately, they hate each other.

Charles Robert Bathurst

Archie Tom Goodman-Hill

Minka Olivia Colman

Gordon Fergus Craig

Joshua Alex MacQueen

With Miranda Raison.

Producer: Adam Bromley.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2007.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Saturday]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Saturday]

SUN 05:30 Great Lives (b0952qq7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Saturday]

SUN 06:00 A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man by James Joyce (Omnibus) (b09sncnr)

Episode 1

Stephen Dedalus is growing up and absorbing the culture and religion of his native Ireland.

As he matures, he begins to question the values and ideas on which his life is built.

Stephen goes away to school for the first time. Wells pushes him into a ditch and during the fever that ensues, he has a vision of his own death. But it is the nationalist politician Parnell who has died.

James Joyce's autobiographical masterpiece.

Read by Andrew Scott

Omnibus of the first five of ten parts abridged by Sara Davies.

Music is 'Oft in the Stilly Night' by Sir John Stevenson - performed by Robin Harris.

Producer: Mary Ward-Lowery

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2018.

SUN 07:10 Inheritance Tracks (b07jmf6c)

Natascha McElhone

Actress Natascha McElhone chooses 'Jamming' by Bob Marley & the Wailers and 'Lean on Me' by Bill Withers.
SUN 07:20 D for Dexter (Omnibus) (b04p522x)

Series 1

Skye is 11 years old and she lives with her brother Dexter, who's two and a half. And Spider the cat, and their Mum. But they're both usually out.

Skye looks after Dexter and plays with him. He likes it best when she plays her guitar, an electric guitar she found under a heap of clothes in her mum's bedroom. The bailiffs didn't take it even when they came back for the telly.

Skye's never had any lessons: she doesn't need them. But the new neighbours don't agree.

A heart-breakingly brave, funny and beautiful story by Amanda Whittington.

The serial was inspired by collaboration with Home-Start UK, a national charity offering support to families struggling to cope, who receive funding for specific projects from BBC Children in Need.

Omnibus of five parts.

Skye...Sydney Wade

Dexter...Elsa Rodgers

Jak...Una McNulty

Evan...Samuel Holland

Alice...Jane Thornton

Mags...Sarah Parks

Lin...Martha Godber

Guitarist: Pip Moore

The first of 7 series by Amanda Whittington.

Director: Mary Ward-Lowery

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2014.

SUN 08:30 A Life of Bliss (m0008pqq)

Mixed Feelings

David has been dating Zoe for over a year. Is it time to make a commitment? Tony thinks so.

George Cole stars in Godfrey Harrison's sitcom about bashful, bumbling bachelor David Alexander Bliss.

David Bliss George Cole

Anne Fellows Diana Churchill

Tony Fellows Colin Gordon

Zoe Hunter Sheila Sweet

'Psyche' the Dog Percy Edwards

Six series of 118 episodes of A Life of Bliss ran on the BBC Home Service from 1953. It moved to BBC TV for a run of six episodes in 1969.

Sadly very few episodes survive in the BBC archive.

The BBC Variety Orchestra conducted by Paul Fenhoulet.

Producer: Leslie Bridgmont

First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in March 1959.

SUN 09:00 The Clitheroe Kid (m0012gnw)

Series 5

After The Film Was Over

Jimmy is desperate to see a violent violent mobster movie at the pictures.

Who can he con into taking him?

Legendary sitcom about Lancashire's eternal cheeky schoolboy who lives with his Mother, sister and Grandad.

Starring the diminutive Jimmy Clitheroe.

At its peak, ten million fans tuned in each week to hear Jimmy's latest scheme sparking havoc.

Written by James Casey and Frank Roscoe.

The Kid Himself Jimmy Clitheroe

Grandad Peter Sinclair

Mother Patricia Burke

Harry Whittle/Theodore Craythorpe Leonard Williams

Alfie Hall Danny Ross

Susan Diana Day

Vicar Brian Trueman

The Clitheroe Kid clocked up 16 series between 1956 and

1972.

Theme music by Alan Roper and played by the BBC Northern Dance Orchestra directed by Alan Ainsworth.

Producer: James Casey

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in December 1961.

SUN 09:30 In and Out of the Kitchen (b017551m)

Series 1

July 15th to 19th

Damien and his partner, Anthony, set off for the warm embrace of the Italian countryside.

Damien can do some writing for a new book - allowing their builder Mr Mullaney to properly fit the granite worktops that

he's been dreaming of "from what seems like the beginning of the Jurassic era".

But there's trouble in paradise when Damien receives a call to tell him their Umbrian villa has collapsed and they will have to go somewhere else. Luckily, his agent Ian is quick to the rescue...

More entries from the kitchen diary of cookery writer, Damien Trench - "no matter how grizzly" as he puts it "or, indeed, how gristly".

Written by and starring Miles Jupp.

Also featuring Damien's easy-to-follow recipes for:

* A perfect pasta puttanesca

* Comforting Cornish Pasties

* Something for the more experimental, "plichards al limone".

Damien Trench Miles Jupp

Anthony Justin Edwards

Mr Mullaney Brendan Dempsey

Ian Frobisher Philip Fox

BA Lady/Helpful Student Alex Tregear

Producer: Sam Michell

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2011.

SUN 10:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m0012gnz)

Absent Friends 2021

Jackie Mason

From Patsy Cline to Dinah Washington.

Comedian Jackie Mason shares his castaway choices with

Kirsty Young.

Jackie's one-man shows pulled in audiences for over 50 years.

Like his father, grandfather and great-grandfather before him,

he trained initially as a rabbi - and quickly acquired a reputation

for being very funny.

"The people who heard my sermons kept saying to me; 'Rabbi,

why aren't you a comedian?' I said to myself, maybe I should

take the hint."

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2012.

SUN 10:45 The Curious Cases of Rutherford & Fry (m0001jp6)

Series 12

Two Infinities and Beyond - part 2

In the second part of our eternal quest to investigate infinity,

inspired by this question from father and son duo Sorley and

Tom Watson from Edinburgh: "Is anything in the Universe truly

infinite, or is infinity something that only exists in

mathematics?"

Hannah and Adam try and find something that is truly infinite,

from the infinitely small particles that live in the subatomic

world to the infinitely dense heart of a black hole. But how

about the Universe itself? We find out how physicists go about

measuring the shape of the Universe, with the help of an orange

and a game of Asteroids. Plus, we consider the possibility that

the Universe might be finite and have an edge. If so, what's on

the other side?

Theoretical physicist Sean Carroll from Caltech and

cosmologist Andrew Pontzen from University College London

help us navigate our biggest question yet.

Presenters: Hannah Fry, Adam Rutherford

Producer: Michelle Martin

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2018.

SUN 11:00 The Moth Radio Hour (m000kp2f)

Series 10

A Divorcee, A Freedom Rider, and New Mother

True stories told live in the USA: Sarah Austin Jenness

introduces stories of marriages, divorce and bravely taking a

stand.

The Moth is an acclaimed not-for-profit organisation dedicated

to the art and craft of storytelling based in the USA. Since

1997, it has celebrated both the raconteur and the storytelling

novice, who has lived through something extraordinary and

yearns to share it.

Originally formed by the writer George Dawes Green as an

intimate gathering of friends on a porch in Georgia (where

moths would flutter in through a hole in the screen), and then

recreated in a New York City living room, The Moth quickly

grew to produce immensely popular events at theatres and clubs

around New York City and later around the USA, the UK and

other parts of the world.

The Moth has presented more than 15,000 stories, told live and

without notes, to standing-room-only crowds worldwide. The

Moth podcast is downloaded over 27 million times a year.

Featuring true stories told live on stage without scripts, from the

humorous to the heart-breaking.

The Moth Radio Hour is produced by Jay Allison and Atlantic

Public Media in Woods Hole, Massachusetts and is distributed

by the Public Radio Exchange.

First broadcast in the USA in 2019.

SUN 11:55 Inheritance Tracks (b07jm6cz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:10 today]

SUN 12:00 Poetry Extra (m0012gp1)

Adventures in Poetry - Journey of the Magi

Daljit Nagra selects 'Adventures in Poetry - Journey of the

Magi' featuring the work by TS Eliot.

"A cold coming we had of it, / Just the worst time of the year /

For a journey, and such a long journey ..."

TS Eliot's poem for Epiphany, "Journey of the Magi", is one of

his most popular poems.

Yet it is deceptively complex and, as Peggy Reynolds discovers,

takes us on our own journey to somewhere very far removed

from the simple certainties of the Three Wise Men at the

manger.

Readings by Alec Guinness and TS Eliot.

Producer Christine Hall

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2011.

SUN 12:30 Natalie Haynes Stands Up for the Classics (b078xpfb)

Series 2

Agrippina

Join Natalie Haynes and guests for half an hour of comedy and

the Classics from the BBC Radio Theatre in London.

Natalie is a reformed comedian who is a little bit obsessive

about Ancient Greece and Rome.

Today she stands up in the name of one of the most powerful

women of Ancient Rome and Caligula's big sister, Agrippina

the Younger.

Julia Agrippina was pretty well-connected all round given that

her granddad was the Emperor Augustus, her husband (also her

uncle: don't ask) was Emperor Claudius and her son was

Emperor Nero.

And she was no slouch. Turns out it was her handiness with the

purse strings that kept the Empire going. Also, who else has

survived an assassination attempt by a specially built collapsible

boat?

Producer: Mary Ward-Lowery

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2016.

SUN 13:00 The Book of Dust by Philip Pullman (Omnibus) (b09dblms)

La Belle Sauvage

Twenty-two years after the publication of Philip Pullman's

NORTHERN LIGHTS, the author Philip Pullman returned to the

world of HIS DARK MATERIALS with a brand new

trilogy.

La Belle Sauvage, read by Simon Russell Beale, is the first

volume of The Book of Dust.

Set ten years before the events of His Dark Materials, this novel

explores the origins of that story.

Malcolm returns to see Alice at the Priory to try and discover

who has been helping Bonneville.

Omnibus of the last five of ten episodes.

Producer: Allegra McLroy

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2017.

SUN 14:10 Inheritance Tracks (b073c1bc)

Ralph McTell

Singer-songwriter Ralph McTell chooses 'I Wonder Who's

Kissing Her Now' by the Dinning Sisters and 'Crossroads Blues'

by Robert Johnson.

SUN 14:20 The Latvian Locum (Omnibus) (b09h3ry9)

Series 1

Offbeat comic drama following the experiences of Latvian

locum Dr Dace Zake - mistakenly hired in the belief she speaks

Polish - in a beleaguered medical centre in the deprived South

Shore area of Blackpool.

She's late on her first day, incurring the wrath of Jan the

receptionist - and she encounters a man throwing up into a

carrier bag outside the surgery.

Not a good start to the day.

Starring Dolya Gavanski.

Omnibus of five parts written by Ben Cottam.

Dr Dace Zake Dolya Gavanski

Jan Michelle Holmes

Chris Ben Cottam

Candis Talisa Garcia

Jack Jack Loxton

Francis Sean Barrett

George Ian Puleston-Davies

Eileen Pippa Haywood

Lauren Ciara Baxendale

Director: Alison Crawford

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2018.

SUN 15:30 August Shines (b04k8gq1)

Lenny Henry travels to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, to tell the

story of August Wilson, contemporary America's greatest black

playwright.

When Lenny won the London Critics' Circle award for best-

actor in August Wilson's 'Fences', many admitted they knew

little about this great black playwright, whose work brought the

lives of working-class Pittsburgh African Americans to

Broadway and across the USA.

Although at his untimely death in 2005, Wilson had been living

for many years on the west coast in Seattle, his plays and his

soul had long remained in the east, in the venerable old steel

town of Pittsburgh where he was born and grew up.

Lenny travels to the city of three rivers and many bridges, now

slowly recovering from post-industrial gloom, to visit the old,

multiracial Hill District, where August lived as a child, and

whose geography and characters run through his plays like the

Allegheny River through the city.

In a sequence of ten plays, known as the 'Pittsburgh Cycle',

Wilson charts the stories of black Americans across ten decades

of the 20th century. Vibrant, real, yet filled with the original

African rhythms and spirit that the playwright believed should

underpin and shape his works, these plays are a magisterial

account.

At the now semi-derelict childhood home, Lenny meets

surviving members of Wilson's family, and encounters those

who knew and loved him, like Sala Udin, who helped Wilson in

the 1970s set up a powerful black theatre group to tell the

stories of the Hill's residents.

Producer Simon Elmes

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2014.

SUN 16:00 Peter Tinniswood (b0075667)

Next Time We Might Play Better

The fervent aim of an excruciatingly inept quartet of musicians

is to play better.

Staring Graham Crowden and Hugh Dickson.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1997.

SUN 17:00 Poetry Extra (m0012gp1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 today]

SUN 17:30 Natalie Haynes Stands Up for the Classics (b078xpfb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 today]

SUN 18:00 A Short History of Gothic (b00pkvkc)

4. Those Who Seek Forgiveness by Laurell K Hamilton
 Legendary vampire hunter Anita Blake helps a woman revive her recently deceased husband.

But why?

Laurell K Hamilton's dark tale set in an urban gothic world where vampires, werewolves and zombies live alongside human beings as part of everyday society.

In a cemetery, late at night, a grieving widow searches for absolution at the hands of her dead husband. Discover what happens when you get on the wrong side of a zombie...

Read by Melanie Bond.

Originally published in 2006 in the short-story collection, 'Strange Candy'.

Producer: Gemma Jenkins

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in January 2010.

SUN 18:30 Terry Pratchett (b00bdjq2)

Small Gods

Episode 4

Deacon Vorbis has returned triumphantly to Omnia. He

proclaims himself the One True Prophet.

But Brutha knows what really happened in the desert and the

Great God Om is still out there, stuck in the body of a tortoise.

Conclusion of Terry Pratchett's comic Discworld fantasy.

Starring Carl Prekopp, Patrick Barlow, Alex Jennings and

Anton Lesser.

Dramatised by Robin Brooks.

Narrator Anton Lesser

Om Patrick Barlow

Brutha Carl Prekopp

Vorbis Alex Jennings

Fergman Gerard McDermott

Urn John Cummins

Nhumrod Geoffrey Beevers

Sergeant Simony Nick Sayce

Death Michael Kilgarriff

Other parts played by the cast.

Producer: Claire Grove

Director: Gordon House

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2006.

SUN 19:00 The Moth Radio Hour (m000kp2f)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

SUN 19:55 Inheritance Tracks (b07jm6cz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:10 today]

SUN 20:00 Peter Tinniswood (b0075667)

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 today]

SUN 21:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m0012gnz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

SUN 21:45 The Curious Cases of Rutherford & Fry (m0001jpb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 today]

SUN 22:00 Natalie Haynes Stands Up for the Classics (b078xpfb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 today]

SUN 22:30 Paul Sinha's Citizenship Test (b038zfl3)

4. British Greatness

Paul Sinha is proudly British. He also loves a quiz. So you would have thought that the UK Citizenship Test, which newcomers to this country must pass to become citizens, would have been right up his street.

But the questions in the 2012 and 2013 Home Office guides seem either bizarrely easy - "Where is Welsh most widely spoken?" - or infuriatingly vague - "What happened in the First World War?".

So Paul has created his own test, to better reflect the things that aspiring migrants should understand before they can call themselves British.

In this episode, he looks who and what Britons consider to be "great", and social cohesion - from what you need to know about weddings and marriage to the 2011 summer riots.

Written and performed by Paul Sinha.

Producer: Ed Morrish

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2013.

SUN 23:00 Colin Houl's Carnival of Monsters (b050bjhl)

Series 2

Episode 4

Enter the Carnival of Monsters, a bizarre and hilarious world of sketches, stories and characters, presented by the sinister Ringmaster.

A host of characters are the exhibits at the Carnival - all played by Colin himself.

Meet such monstrous yet strangely familiar oddities as: Wannabe Hollywood screenwriter Andy Parker - and Anna Mann - outrageous star of such forgotten silver screen hits such as 'Rogue Baker', 'Who's For Turkish Delight' and 'A Bowl For My Bottom'.

Plus a host of other characters from acid jazz obsessives, to mask workshop coordinators.

Producer: Sam Bryant

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2015.

SUN 23:30 Life: An Idiot's Guide (b045xxst)

Series 3

Mortality

Stephen K Amos sets out to compile an idiot's guide to mortality.

With:

Jason Cook

Brendon Burns

Robin Ince

Additional material by Stephen Grant and Hugh Sington.

Produced by Colin Anderson.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2014.

MONDAY 13 DECEMBER 2021

MON 00:00 A Short History of Gothic (b00pkvkc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Sunday]

MON 00:30 Terry Pratchett (b00bdjq2)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Sunday]

MON 01:00 The Book of Dust by Philip Pullman (Omnibus) (b09dbfms)

[Repeat of broadcast at 13:00 on Sunday]

MON 02:10 Inheritance Tracks (b073c1bc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:10 on Sunday]

MON 02:20 The Latvian Locum (Omnibus) (b09h3ry9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:20 on Sunday]

MON 03:30 August Shines (b04kf8q1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 15:30 on Sunday]

MON 04:00 Peter Tinniswood (b0075667)

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Sunday]

MON 05:00 Poetry Extra (m0012gp1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 on Sunday]

MON 05:30 Natalie Haynes Stands Up for the Classics (b078xpfb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 on Sunday]

MON 06:00 Dick Francis (b011pp7t)

Whip Hand

1. Swindler

Disabled ex-champion jumping jockey turned investigator Sid

Halley faces a daunting treble:

* Guard the Guineas favourite

* Investigate a dubious racing syndicate

* Find the man who's swindled his ex-wife.

Dick Francis's thriller set in the world of horse-racing.

Starring Mick Ford.

Dramatised in five parts by Alan England.

Sid Halley Mick Ford

George Caspar Alan Devereux

Unwin David Vann

Chico Barnes Kim Durham

Rosemary Caspar Patricia Gallimore

Jenny Petra Markha

Charles Simon Carter

Trevor Deansgate Terry Molloy

Other parts played by Susan Sheridan and David Neal.

Producer: Philip Martin

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1991.

MON 06:30 Deep Six (m000fwy9)

5. Blackmail

An extensive nationwide search is underway for ex-SAS agent

Terry Prince, which so far he's evaded.

Now he's making his way out to a mansion in Oxfordshire, the

setting for a deed he's been blackmailed into carrying out...

Starring Freddie Lees.

John Fletcher's thriller serial about an ex-SAS agent still hired

for special 'jobs'.

Terry Freddie Lees

Sir James Simpson Conrad Phillips

Chris Elwyn Johnson

Fortescue Hubert Rees

Thompson John Abineri

Linda Taylor Madeleine Cemm

Radio voice Roger Leach

Directed at BBC Bristol by Brian Miller.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1984.

MON 07:00 In and Out of the Kitchen (b017ckf5)

Series 1

September 18th to 24th

Damien's routine is thrown into disarray when Anthony's

goddaughter, Libby, is sent to stay with them for "respite".

Meanwhile, Anthony finally has his long-awaited job interview

and Damien is offered the chance to front his own TV cookery

show.

More entries from the kitchen diary of cookery writer, Damien

Trench - "no matter how grizzly" as he puts it "or, indeed, how

gristly".

Written by and starring Miles Jupp.

The programme also features Damien's easy-to-follow recipes

for:

* Cracking crepes Suzette

* Spanish-as-sangria, "chorizo und patatas"

* A tastebud tantalising, Beef Oxford.

Damien Trench Miles Jupp

Anthony Justin Edwards

Damien's Mother Selina Cadell

Mr Mullaney Brendan Dempsey

Ian Frobisher Philip Fox

Libby/Angie Maggie Service

Producer: Sam Michell

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2011.

MON 07:30 I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue (m00127g7)

Series 76

Episode 2

The 76th series of Radio 4's multi award-winning 'antidote to panel games' promises more homespun wireless entertainment for the young at heart. This week the programme pays a return visit to the Hexagon Theatre in Reading where Jan Ravens and Omid Djalili are pitched against Tony Hawks and Barry Cryer, with Jack Dee in the chair. At the piano - Colin Sell. Producer - Jon Naismith. It is a BBC Studios production.

MON 08:00 Marriage Lines (b060fyth)

Series 2

Episode 3

The new baby arrives, but George manages to mess up big time.

Starring Richard Briers and Prunella Scales.

Richard Waring's sitcom based on the mutual love and mistrust of two newlyweds.

Originating on BBC TV, it ran between 1963-65 and was

adapted in two series for BBC radio due to its popularity.

George Starling Richard Briers

Kate Starling Prunella Scales

Miles Colvey Edward de Souza

Sister Charlotte Mitchell

Flower Seller David Graham

Recorded at the BBC Paris Studio in London.

Producer: Charles Maxwell

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in April 1967.

MON 08:30 Old Dog and Partridge (b007jvg6)

Episode 5

When Jack's old chum Ralph comes to visit with his trophy

wife Kirstie, Jack feels the need to invent a fiancée.

Starring Michael Williams.

Joe Turner's sitcom about a landlord who runs a pub with his,

until recently, estranged daughter

Jack Michael Williams

Nicola Lisa Coleman

Mrs Drummond Cherry Morris

Andy Simon Greenall

Ralph John Duttine

Kirstie Debra Stephenson

Producer: Liz Anstee

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1999.

MON 09:00 It's Your Round (b019rgtc)

Series 2

Episode 5

Angus Deayton hosts the show which is totally different every

time, as it's the panellists themselves that devise the format.

Each of the contestants has brought their own round for the

other panellists to play. But will they be beaten at their own

games?

Featured rounds:

Lucy Porter's "Who's the Daddy?" in which the other three,

childless, male panellists must complete the quote from a 70's

parenting bible.

Tom Wigglesworth's "Dodo's Den" in which each contestant

must pitch an idea for a new invention to make them millions.

Examples include the "Herring Aid" and the intriguingly titled

"Bam".

Robert Popper's brilliant parlour game, "ORAG" aka "The

Opposite Rhyming Animal Game", which is pretty much, er,

self-explanatory...

And Lloyd Langford devises a quiz based on Welsh talisman

and eccentric, Dr William Price, in his round "The Price Is

Right".

Producer: Sam Michell.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2012.

MON 09:30 Getting Nowhere Fast (b007k1f1)

Series 2

Episode 1

Chantal's biological clock is ticking. She knows she must have a

baby and she desperately needs to find a mate.

Pamela remembers that feeling only too well. So does Merv and

wishes he didn't.

But for Chantal the hunt for a suitable piece of trouser is on!

Return of the sitcom written by and starring Mervyn Stutter.

Merv Mervyn Stutter

Pam Lill Roughley

Dibden John Challis

PC Dilkes Michael Mears

Chantal Tracy-Ann Oberman

Producer: Mario Stylianides

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2003.

MON 10:00 George Eliot - Daniel Deronda (b007k05d)

1. Attraction

From the moment their eyes meet across a packed gaming

room, Daniel Deronda is as drawn to Gwendolen Harleth as she

is to him.

George Eliot's 1876 classic novel of love and idealism.

Starring Anna Chancellor and Michael Perceval-Maxwell.

Dramatised in three parts by Robert Forrest.

Gwendolen Harleth Anna Chancellor

Deronda Michael Perceval-Maxwell

Grandcourt James Bryce

Mrs Davilow Joanna Toppe

Klesmer Finlay Welsh

Mirah Lucy Patterson

Baroness Langen Sarah Collier

Sir Hugo Sandy Neilson

Lydia Noreen Leighton
Lush Simon Tait
Rex Gregor Powrie
Director: Patrick Rayner
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1999.
MON 11:00 TED Radio Hour (m0012g96)
Series 8
Life Cycle of Cities
A journey through fascinating ideas based on talks by riveting speakers on the TED (Technology, Entertainment, Design) stage.
Manoush Zomorodi explores how cities are informed by the past, and how they need to evolve to meet the challenges of the future.
First broadcast in the USA on National Public Radio in 2020.
MON 11:50 Inheritance Tracks (m0012g98)
John Barnes
Football pundit John Barnes chooses 'You'll Never Walk Alone' sung by Shirley Jones and 'Optimistic' by Sounds of Blackness.
MON 12:00 Marriage Lines (b060fyhy)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
MON 12:30 Old Dog and Partridge (b007jvg6)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
MON 13:00 Dick Francis (b011pp7t)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
MON 13:30 Deep Six (m000fwy9)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
MON 14:00 A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man by James Joyce (b09sn5fb)
Episode 6
16-year old Stephen has confessed his terrible sins and been forgiven.
Relieved and restored to faith, he is determined to adhere strictly to the most pious Catholic practice.
James Joyce's autobiographical masterpiece.
Read by Andrew Scott.
Abridged by Sara Davies.
Producer: Mary Ward-Lowery
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2018.
MON 14:15 D for Dexter (b06nn7d0)
Series 2
Episode 1
Skye hates to leave her baby brother Dexter with the foster-whatevers, but she knows that come Thursday, they'll all be back together.
With Mum.
And if that visit goes well, maybe they can both stay for more than a night.
Skye is 12. Dexter is three. They live in Gainsborough, Lincolnshire, but they were taken away from their Mum last year after things got bad.
There's nothing Skye wants more than to have the family back together. Her Mum has stopped drinking and Skye has had supervised visits. Now she's here for the whole of half-term and Dexter is coming too for the first time. Not the last time.
A heart-breakingly brave, funny and beautiful story, exploring the issue of neglect.
Skye and Dexter's story was developed with the help of Hull Children's University and Voice of Young People in Care, both organisations that receive funding for specific projects from BBC Children in Need.

The second of 7 series by Amanda Whittington.

Skye...Sydney Wade
Dexter...Alfie Johnson
Joe...Bill Rodgers
Jak...Una McNulty
Dean...Peter Caulfield
Amber...Liz Godber
Ant...John Elkington
Director: Mary Ward-Lowery

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2015.

MON 14:30 Robert Peston's Family Business Therapy (b03y13zl)

Why do family businesses succeed, and fail?

Robert Peston explores the pains and pleasures of working alongside family members.

From the East End Funeral Directors who have built a four generation empire to the hardware store locked in intergenerational conflict, Peston explores the flashpoints and finest hours caused by working in the family way.

Producer: David Stenhouse

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2014.

MON 15:00 George Eliot - Daniel Deronda (b007k05d)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

MON 16:00 It's Your Round (b019rgtc)

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MON 16:30 Getting Nowhere Fast (b007k1fl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

MON 17:00 In and Out of the Kitchen (b017ckf5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

MON 17:30 I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue (m00127g7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

MON 18:00 The First Church of the New Millennium by Bryan Appleyard (b007jqp7)

Episode 6

Architect Stephen Rix brings back evidence that his cathedral vision really does exist.

Read by David Horovitch.

Set in 1999, Brian Appleyard's novel was first published in 1994.

Abridged by Ed Thomason.

Producer Duncan Minshull

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1996.

MON 18:15 The Second Pan Book of Horror Stories (m0000xwy)

The Vertical Ladder by William Sanson

A dare turns into an exercise in fear limitation as Cleggy finds himself high up and hanging on. But he is not alone.

Written by William Sanson.

The Pan Book of Horror Stories was a paperback series of short story anthologies first published in 1959.

Early editions were known for their lurid cover art and editor Herbert Van Thal's selection of stories by new authors alongside classics of the genre. It was credited with introducing a new generation to the horror tradition in the 1960s.

The Second Pan Book Of Horror Stories, published in 1962, was considered to be one of the best. Anita Sullivan has selected five from this edition for her own fresh interpretation.

Gasometer Pippa Haywood

Cleggy Daniel Anthony

Leah Kathryn Drysdale

Tyler Toeheb Jimoh

Riz Luke Thompson

Alice Samantha Dakin

Producer/Director: Karen Rose

A Sweet Talk production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in September 2018.

MON 18:30 A Good Read (b02my4j7)

Vanessa Feltz and Elvis McGonagall

Harriett Gilbert and her guests – BBC Radio 2's Vanessa Feltz and performance poet, Elvis McGonagall - discuss books by Javier Marias. AA Milne and Jeff Torrington.

A Heart So white by Javier Marias, translated by Margaret Jull Costa

Publisher: Vintage

Two People by AA Milne

Publisher: Capuchin Classics

Swing Hammer Swing! by Jeff Torrington

Publisher: Vintage

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2013.

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MON 22:00 I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue (m00127g7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

MON 22:30 Life With Lederer (m0012g9b)

2. The New Home

Helen Lederer shares another recipe for coping with life - how best to move home.

Written by Helen Lederer.

With:

Nigel Carrington

Barbara Dryhurst

Sandra Maitland

Victoria Finney

Malcolm Raeburn

Produced at BBC Manchester by Paul Z Jackson.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1990.

MON 22:45 Date With Fate (b008zq34)

Along for the Ride

When Colin impersonates a film producer, it sparks dangerous consequences.

Harold Wing Pinerio is your host.

Another of four comic close encounters with fate written by Gary Parker and Phil Whelans.

Colin Bond Michael Troughton

Harold Wing Pinerio Charles Gray

Monica Ludlow Jenny Howe

Flores Mandy Knight

Ralph Stephen Critchlow

Hostess/Lauren Debbie Stephenson

All other parts Toby Longworth

Producer: Paul Schlesinger

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1996.

MON 23:00 Dead Ringers (m001287t)

Christmas Specials 2021

Episode 1

Topical satire as we run up to Christmas. With climate change catastrophe, sleaze in parliament, a continuing pandemic, there will be no shortage of laughs.

With Jon Culshaw, Lewis Macleod, Jan Ravens, Debra

Stephenson and Duncan Wisbey.

Written by: Tom Jamieson and Nev Fountain, Ed Amsden and Tom Coles, Laurence Howarth, Edward Tew, Jane McUtcheon

and Vivienne Riddoch, Sophie Dickinson, Athena Kugblenu,

Rob Darke and Cody Dahler.

Producer: Bill Dare

Production Coordinator: Caroline Barlow

A BBC Studios Production for Radio 4.

MON 23:30 The Young Postmen (b00fz7bp)

Top of the Pops

The eager threesome attempt to record a number one record for Christmas.

More surreal escapades of a trio of 'posties'.

Written by and starring Ben Miller. With John Thomson and Felicity Montagu.

Brian Ben Miller

Derek John Thomson

Sue/Madonna Felicity Montagu

Mr Tilbury/George Michael/Burton Jim Barclay

Simon Bates/Gary Lineker/DJ Alastair McGowan

Music by Murray Gold

Producer: Gareth Edwards

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1992.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Monday]

TUE 06:00 Dick Francis (b011psk5)

Whip Hand

2. Hide Out

When the favourite for the Newmarket 2000 Guineas was

nobbled, why was Sid Halley hiding out in Paris?

Dick Francis's thriller set in the world of horse-racing.

Starring Mick Ford.

Dramatised by Alan England.

Sid Halley Mick Ford

George Caspar Alan Devereux

Unwin David Vann

Chico Barnes Kim Durham

Rosemary Caspar Patricia Gallimore

Jenny Petra Markha

Charles Simon Carter

Trevor Deansgate Terry Molloy

Martin England Christopher England

Other parts played by Susan Sheridan and David Neal.

Producer: Philip Martin

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1991.

TUE 06:30 Deep Six (m000fx14)

6. Battle

Terry Prince lurks in the darkness near an Oxford mansion - the

setting for the deed he's been blackmailed into carrying out.

The ex-SAS agent is preparing to do battle, with whatever

forces await him....

Starring Freddie Lees.

The gripping conclusion of John Fletcher's thriller serial.

Terry Freddie Lees

Thompson John Abineri

Sir James Simpson Conrad Phillips

Fortescue Hubert Rees

Manny Silverman Arnold Diamond

Linda Taylor Madeleine Cemm

Radio voice Roger Leach

Directed at BBC Bristol by Brian Miller.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1984.

TUE 07:00 Bad Salsa (b04bn088)

Series 1

The Shorefest Redemption

After treatment for Ovarian and breast cancer Chippy, is mad,

Jill is sad and Terri is definitely dangerous to know!

The road back after cancer treatment can be tricky and full of

obstacles.

Two middle aged women and their younger friend seek to

regain their zest for life and love by learning to dance at Bad

Salsa, the club where everyone knows your name but no-one

knows your prognosis!

Depictions of people with cancer on TV and radio too often

follow a standard format; there is the diagnosis, the depression the chemo, then the false recovery followed by the tragic death. Written by Kay Stonham, Bad Salsa tries to paint a picture at once more hopeful and more in line with survival rates which have improved immensely over the past 20 years. For many, 'living with cancer' is now their day to day challenge. The characters in the series have finished their treatment and are in the process of finding their way back to normal life or at least finding a "new normal." As in the real world, the challenges of everyday life go on for our characters; like us they have boring marriages, distracting crushes, troublesome children, difficult workmates and infuriating parents, but unlike us their brush with mortality has given them a new perspective. The fun and excitement of the series is in watching them decide to preserve the pre-cancer status quo or in Terri's words, to say "sod it all" and "go for it!" Follow the women as they embrace the world of salsa whilst they adjust to life after cancer.

Terry Camille Coduri
Chippy Sharon Rooney
Jill Natasha Little
Marco Doc Brown
Gordon Andrew Obeney
Colin David Cann
Georgie Emily Chase
Tim Matt Houlihan
Sara Antonia Reid
Corrine Kay Stonham
Producer: Alison Vernon-Smith
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2014.

TUE 07:30 The Casebook of Max and Ivan (b098h0f8)

Series 2
Case #73 - Cirque Du Solihull
Ineffective detectives Max and Ivan are called to help the penniless ringmaster of the crumbling Cirque Du Solihull (guest star Bridget Christie). After a series of mysterious accidents the circus faces closure after the human cannonball cannon is stolen.

Meanwhile, in an effort to fend off increasingly erratic landlord Malcolm, Max has come up with an ingenious way to delay paying him their rent.

Cast:
Max.....Max Olesker
Ivan.....Ivan Gonzalez
Brenda Zamponi.....Bridget Christie
Narrator /
Malcolm McMichaelmas.....Lewis MacLeod
Belle (& others).....Lolly Adefope
Joe (& others).....David Reed
Written by Max Olesker and Ivan Gonzalez
Developed by John Stanley Productions
Produced by Ben Walker

A Retort production for BBC Radio 4.
TUE 08:00 Round the Horne (b007js8b)

Series 2
Episode 13
Drama affloat with Moby Duck, while Kenneth Horne seeks a cabaret performer for the BBC's Director-General. Can Julian and Sandy's bona theatrical agency help out?

Starring:
Kenneth Horne
Kenneth Williams
Hugh Paddick
Betty Marsden
Bill Pertwee
Announcer: Douglas Smith
Parodies, recurring characters, catchphrases and double-entendres galore!
Classic groundbreaking comedy series written by Barry Took and Marty Feldman.

Recorded at the BBC's Paris Studio in Lower Regent Street, London.

Music by Edwin Braden and the Hornblowers and The Fraser Hayes Four.

Producer: John Simmonds
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in May 1966.
TUE 08:30 Molesworth (m000fqk5)

Home Life
Remember that school boy terror who loved flicking ink pellets? Many trillions of eons ago Nigel Molesworth was The Curse of St Custards.

But he's come a long way since those days, and now returns with his guide to modern life.

Starring Willie Rushton.
Series written by Simon Brett based on characters created by Geoffrey Willans and by Ronald Searle.
Molesworth Willie Rushton

Grimes Clive Swift
Louise Penelope Nice
Gillibrand Robert Harley
Peason Bob Sinfield
Fotherington-Thomas Phil Nice

Arabella Chrissy Roberts
Music: Oonagh Bernon
Producer: Mark Robson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1987.
TUE 09:00 Foul Play (b00jm6kb)

Series 3
The Proof of the Pudding

Crime writers PD James and HRF Keating probe a death at Christmas dinnertime.

Simon Brett hosts the murder quiz.

Suspects played by:
Maria McErlane
Lee Simpson
Producer Liz Anstree

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1997.
TUE 09:30 The Mitch Benn Music Show (b007v1p5)

Series 1
4. Philip Pope
From Stan Freberg to Flanders & Swann.
Musical comedian Mitch Benn presents his selection of some of the finest comic songs by other performers.

With guest Philip Pope.
Producer: Ed Morrish
Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in August 2005.

TUE 10:00 George Eliot - Daniel Deronda (b007k06p)

2. Marriage
Gwendolen is now trapped in a cruel and loveless marriage with the philandering Grandcourt.

George Eliot's 1876 classic novel of love and idealism.
Starring Anna Chancellor and Michael Perceval-Maxwell.

Dramatised by Robert Forrest.
Gwendolen Harleth Anna Chancellor
Deronda Michael Perceval-Maxwell

Grandcourt James Bryce
Mrs Davilow Joanna Tope
Klesmer Finlay Welsh

Mirah Lucy Patterson
Mrs Arrowpoint Sarah Collier
Sir Hugo Sandy Neilson

Mordecai Mark McDonnell
Mrs Meyrick Gerda Stevenson
Ezra Cohen Steven McNicoll

Director: Patrick Rayner
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1999.
TUE 11:00 Archive on 4 (b0b4ykkw)

The American Art Tapes
A unique insight into the vibrant art scene of mid-1960s America from an archive of recordings made then.

In 1965, painter and teacher John Jones headed to the USA for a year, intending to record the most important and most influential artists he could find. His wife Gaby and their two young daughters went with him. One of those daughters,

Nicolette Jones is now a writer and critic and she tells the story of how they lodged in New York, while her father grabbed interviews with Yoko Ono, Roy Lichtenstein, Claes Oldenburg, Robert Rauschenberg and many more.

This was the moment of Happenings, Pop Art and Abstract Expressionism, while the long shadow of Dada and Surrealism, represented on the tapes by Marcel Duchamp and Man Ray, reached forward to Louise Bourgeois.

Later, with nothing planned at all, the family set off on a three month road-trip in their old Ford station wagon, travelling America from East to West Coast, turning up in little towns on the off chance of getting an interview with artists like Jasper Johns in Florida or a young Ed Ruscha in California.

The unique archive of over 100 recordings, gathered by John Jones, lay in boxes in the family home for decades, waiting for him to write a book based on the tapes. He wasn't able to do this and so the family offered the whole set of recordings to the Tate Archive, which acquired them in 2015.

Listen out for a tantalising sample of this extraordinary material, airing a pivotal moment in 20th century art and revealing John Jones to be on a par with some of the great audio collectors like Alan Lomax and Studs Terkel.

The mood of the time is evoked by interweaving the artists' reflections with a soundscape of mid-60s American music, TV and location sound.

Art historian and Artistic Director of the Royal Academy, Tim Marlow gives a powerful sense of the artists' achievement, as Nicolette Jones conjures up the feeling of a great American road trip through the eyes of the child she was.

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Producer: Emma-Louise Williams

A Loftus production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in June 2018.
TUE 12:00 Round the Horne (b007js8b)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
TUE 12:30 Molesworth (m000fqk5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
TUE 13:00 Dick Francis (b011psk5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
TUE 13:30 Deep Six (m000fx14)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
TUE 14:00 A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man by James Joyce (b09snj9g)

Episode 7
Stephen has rejected the idea of the priesthood, on instinct. He wants to embrace a wilder and more vivid kind of life.

James Joyce's autobiographical masterpiece.
Read by Andrew Scott.

Abridged by Sara Davies.
Producer: Mary Ward-Lowery
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2018.

TUE 14:15 D for Dexter (b06nnrc5)

Series 2
Episode 2
Skye's home with her Mum for a week on a contact visit, and if everything goes well, Dexter will come on Thursday. Things are different now: there's furniture, food, and a new family member.

Why wouldn't she be ok with that?
Amanda Whittington's heart-breakingly brave, funny and beautiful story.

Skye ... Sydney Wade
Dexter ... Alfie Johnson
Joe ... Bill Rodgers

Jak ... Una McNulty
Dean ... Peter Caulfield
Amber ... Liz Godber

Ant ... John Elkington
Director: Mary Ward-Lowery

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2015.
TUE 14:30 John Arlott - My Kind of Country (b03vztj9)

Legendary cricket commentator John Arlott waxes lyrical about the rural splendour of Hampshire.

John Arlott is regarded as one of cricket's greatest commentators.

He was one of the longest serving voices on the BBC's Test Match Special.

John died aged 77 in 1991.
Producer: David Allan.

First broadcast on the BBC World Service in May 1968.
TUE 15:00 George Eliot - Daniel Deronda (b007k06p)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

TUE 16:00 The 3rd Degree (b01r15rg)

Series 3
University of Exeter
A lively and funny quiz show, hosted by Steve Punt, where a team of three University students take on a team of three of their professors.

Coming this week from the University of Exeter, the specialist subjects are Psychology, Philosophy and Biosciences, and the questions range from whistling sailors and George Orwell to Pythagoras and guano.

The rounds vary between Specialist Subjects and General Knowledge, quickfire bell-and-buzzer rounds, and the 'Highbrow and Lowbrow' round cunningly devised to test not only the students' knowledge of current affairs, history, languages and science, but also their Professors' awareness of television, film, and One Direction.

The resulting show is funny, fresh, and not a little bit surprising, with a truly varied range of scores, friendly rivalry, and moments where students wished they had more than just glanced at that reading list.

The host Steve Punt, although best known as a satirist on The Now Show, is also someone who delights in all facets of knowledge, not just in the Humanities (his educational background) but in the sciences as well. He has made a number of documentaries for Radio 4, on subjects as varied as "The Poet Unwound - The History Of The Spleen" and "Getting The Gongs" (an investigation into awards ceremonies), as well as a comedy for Radio 4's Big Bang Day set in the Large Hadron Collider, called "The Genuine Particle".

Producer: David Tyler
A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4.
TUE 16:30 The Mitch Benn Music Show (b007v1p5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
TUE 17:00 Bad Salsa (b04bn088)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
TUE 17:30 The Casebook of Max and Ivan (b098h0f8)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
TUE 18:00 The First Church of the New Millennium by Bryan Appleyard (b007jqpm)

Episode 7
Architect Stephen Rix must face the doubts of his family and others about his plan to build a cathedral. Read by David Horovitch.

TUE 18:15 The Second Pan Book of Horror Stories (m0000y8q)

The Speciality of the House by Stanley Ellin
A restaurant has a gourmet dish for only the select few. But what are its ingredients?

Written by Stanley Ellin.
The Pan Book of Horror Stories was a paperback series of short story anthologies first published in 1959. Early editions were known for their lurid cover art and editor Herbert Van Thal's selection of stories by new authors alongside classics of the genre. It was credited with introducing a new generation to the horror tradition in the 1960s.

The Second Pan Book Of Horror Stories, published in 1962, was considered to be one of the best. Anita Sullivan has selected five from this edition for her own fresh interpretation.

CAST:
Costain Samuel Barnett
Vincent Kenneth Collard
Sbirro Timothy Watson
Haysou Adam James

Producer/Director: Karen Rose
A Sweet Talk production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in September 2018.

TUE 18:30 Soul Music (b03zb49y)

Series 18

Rhapsody in Blue

"I'm convinced it's the best thing ever written and recorded in the history of things written and recorded" - Moby.
Rhapsody in Blue was first heard exactly 90 years ago when it premiered on February 12, 1924, in New York's Aeolian Hall. Through its use at the opening of Woody Allen's 'Manhattan' it has become synonymous with the city that inspired its creation. But for people around the world, George Gershwin's "experiment in modern music" has become imbued with the most personal of memories.

LA based screen writer Charles Peacock reflects on how this piece has become entwined with his life and how, on an evening at the Hollywood Bowl this music "healed him". When Adela Galasiu was growing up in communist Romania, Rhapsody in Blue represented "life itself, as seen through the eyes of an optimist". For world speed champion Gina Campbell, the opening of that piece will forever remind her of the roar of the Bluebird's ignition as it flew through the "glass like stillness of the water" and brings back the memories of her father, the legendary Donald Campbell - it was played at his funeral when he was finally laid to rest decades after his fatal record attempt on Coniston Lake.

Featuring interviews with Professor of Music Howard Pollock and musician Moby.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014.

TUE 19:00 Round the Horne (b007js8b)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

TUE 19:30 Molesworth (m000fqk5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

TUE 20:00 Dick Francis (b011psk5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

TUE 20:30 Deep Six (m000fx14)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

TUE 21:00 Archive on 4 (b0b4ykkw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

TUE 22:00 The Casebook of Max and Ivan (b098hf08)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

TUE 22:30 Susan Calman - Keep Calman Carry On (b09hw51h)

Series 2

Festivals

Susan Calman is the least relaxed person she knows. She has no down time, no hobbies (unless you count dressing up your cats in silly outfits) and her idea of relaxation is to sit on her sofa playing Assassin's Creed, an hour into which she is in a murderous rage with sky high blood pressure. Her wife had to threaten to divorce her to make her go on holiday, and she's been told by the same long-suffering wife that unless she finds a way to switch off, and soon, she's going to be unbearable. Susan decided her best bet was to try to immerse herself in the pursuits that her friends find relaxing, to find her inner zen and outer tranquillity. In the first series of this show she attempted to ditch the old Susan Calman and attempted to find the new Susan Calm, by watching Cricket; going Hillwalking; visiting an Art Gallery and being spontaneous. She enjoyed these pursuits, but all too soon found herself slipping back into her old ways. So she's trying again. This week she takes a trip to the Latitude Festival with Robin Ince, to try and understand why all her friends think a weekend of noisy camping is a relaxing way to spend their time.

In other episodes Susan will learn about gardening with Val McDermid, try her hand at baking with Selasi Gbmormittah and have a go at birdwatching with Emma Kennedy.

Keep Calman Carry On is an audience stand up show in which Susan reports on how successful she's been - both at relaxing and at the pursuit itself - as well as playing in and discussing a handful of illustrative clips from her efforts. It's an attempt to find out how people find solace or sanctuary in these worlds and how Susan can negotiate her own place in them.

Written by Susan Calman and Jon Hunter.

Produced by Lyndsay Fenner.

A BBC Studios Production.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2017.

TUE 23:00 The Malthy Collection (b00crj7j)

Series 1

Episode 4

Museum director Walter Brindle has some important news, freeing up time for the pursuit of romance between almost every member of the lusty staff.

Geoffrey Palmer and Julian Rhind-Tutt star in David Nobbs' sitcom about a small museum of paintings and sculpture.

Rod Millet Julian Rhind-Tutt

Walter Brindle Geoffrey Palmer

Prunella Edgecumbe Rachel Atkins

Julian Crumb-Loosely Ben Willbond

Des Wainwright Michael Smiley

Eva Tattle Julia Deakin

Wilf Arbutnot Geoff McGivern

Stelios Constantinopolis Chris Pavlo

Andrea Marshall Barunka O'Shaughnessy

Producer: Colin Anderson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2007.

TUE 23:30 Concrete Cow (b00768y0)

Series 1

Episode 1

Two kids from Peckham enter Narnia, Dr Jekyll gets a telling off - and Radio 4's new quiz for pedants 'I Think You'll Find'. Sketch series in which anything is possible.

Starring Olivia Colman, Robert Webb, Sally Hawkins, Steven

Kynman and Chris Pavlo.

Written by James Cary, Sally Hawkins, Catherine Shepherd,

Ashley Blake, Jon Holmes, Adam Bromley, Stuart Barker,

Robin Ince and Tim Key.

Producer: Adam Bromley

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2002

WEDNESDAY 15 DECEMBER 2021

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[Repeat of broadcast at 18:15 on Tuesday]

WED 00:30 Soul Music (b03zb49y)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Tuesday]

WED 01:00 Dick Francis (b011psk5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Tuesday]

WED 01:30 Deep Six (m000fx14)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Tuesday]

WED 02:00 A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man by James Joyce (b09snj9z)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Tuesday]

WED 02:15 D for Dexter (b06nncr5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Tuesday]

WED 02:30 John Arlott - My Kind of Country (b03zvztj9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Tuesday]

WED 03:00 George Eliot - Daniel Deronda (b007k06p)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Tuesday]

WED 04:00 The 3rd Degree (b01rl5rg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Tuesday]

WED 04:30 The Mitch Benn Music Show (b007v1p5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Tuesday]

WED 05:00 Bad Salsa (b04bn088)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Tuesday]

WED 05:30 The Casebook of Max and Ivan (b098hf08)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Tuesday]

WED 06:00 Dick Francis (b011q9fm)

Whip Hand

3. Threats

Determined Sid Halley returns to England determined to overcome threats made against him by a gang of racecourse dopers.

Dick Francis's thriller set in the world of horse-racing stars Mick Ford.

Dramatised by Alan England.

Sid Halley Mick Ford

Unwin David Vann

Chico Barnes Kim Durham

Rosemary Caspar Patricia Gallimore

Jenny Petra Markha

Charles Simon Carter

Trevor Deansgate Terry Molloy

Rammileese Andy Hockley

Mark Rammileese Philip Molloy

John Viking James Simmonds

Ullaston Geoff Serie

Other parts played by David Neal.

Producer: Philip Martin

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1991.

WED 06:30 The Hot Kid (b05410x3)

Rising Star and Wayward Son

Elmore Leonard's enthralling criminal odyssey is set against the dusty, sun-kissed backdrop of Oklahoma and Kansas during America's Great Depression.

Carl Webster is a rising star in the US Marshals Service, one of the elite man-hunters currently chasing the likes of Dillinger, Bonnie and Clyde, and Pretty Boy Floyd across America's Depression-ravaged heartland.

Meanwhile, Jack Belmont, the wayward son of an oil millionaire, wants to be public enemy number one. The lives of the cop and robber criss-cross repeatedly before finally confronting in an inevitable show down.

Adapted by Katie Hims

Carl Webster Luke Norris

Jack Belmont Adam Gillen

Louly Brown Samantha Dakin

Tony Antonelli Nathan Osgood

Virgil Webster David Acton

Heidi Dilworth Bettyrs Jones

Emmet Long Shaun Mason

Marshal Bob McMahon Ian Coningham

Oris Belmont John Chancer

Doris Belmont Elaine Claxton

Norm Dilworth Paul Heath

Nancy Polis Roslyn Hill

Crystal Lee Davidson Hannah Genesis

Mr Deering Michael Bertenshaw

Director: Sasha Yevtushenko

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.

Critical praise for Elmore Leonard's novel:

"Elmore Leonard is our Prospero, a magician who has given us inspired fun for 50 years. He floats above the action, amused; his motto is surely Puck's "What fools these mortals be." In The Hot Kid, Oklahoma is his version of Shakespeare's enchanted isle in "The Tempest," a brave new world where maids and monsters, outlaws and oilmen, strange creatures all, act out their

dubious destinies." - The Washington

Post

"As always, Leonard's prose seems effortless, his dialogue is perfect, and his humor is as dry as a moonshine martini....a terrific pleasure." - Booklist

"The whole sepia-toned caravan, in fact, is so relaxed that even the most violent felonies may leave you smiling. Leonard's gentle epic is as restorative as a month in the country." - Kirkus Reviews

WED 07:00 Ed Reardon's Week (b00qgxxb)

Series 6

A Bottle of Ulterio Motivo

Episode 5: A Bottle of Ulterio Motivo

Ed finds himself in the money when he sells most of his possessions to a themed wine bar owned by the lovely Violet Carson.

With Christopher Douglas as Ed Reardon and

Stephanie Cole as Olive

Simon Greenall as Ray

Geoff McGivern as Cliff

Philip Jackson as Jaz

Rita May as Pearl

Barunka O'Shaughnessy as Ping

And Geoffrey Whitehead as Stan

With Dan Tetsell and Emma Fryer.

Written by Christopher Douglas and Andrew Nickolds

Producer: Dawn Ellis

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2010.

WED 07:30 Mark Steel's in Town (m00127vg)

Series 11

Walthamstow, London.

Walthamstow has got plenty going for it "it has the requisite village middle-class bit, but with a proper gor-blimey gov'nor East End heart" says one newspaper article and Mark finds a town mid-gentrification. The dog track has gone, the famously long market remains but there is also a Viking Shop and an extraordinary showroom and workshop with a vast range of neon light fittings called God's Own Junkyard. There is a museum dedicated to the designer William Morris who used to live there and there's evidence of a recent war too in the form of the cycling scheme known as "mini-Holland." Hopefully

Mark will tread carefully. With guest local MP Stella Creasy. The full box set of all episodes (with well over 50 towns visited) is available now wherever you get your podcasts.

Written by and starring...Mark Steel

With additional material from Pete Sinclair

Production Coordinator...Beverly Tagg

Producer...Julia McKenzie

A BBC Studios Production.

WED 08:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007s5g6)

Series 4

Almost a Gentleman

Overlooked in the New Year's Honours, the lad brushes up on his social etiquette skills.

Starring Tony Hancock.

With Sidney James, Bill Kerr, Kenneth Williams and Hattie Jacques.

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 1957.

WED 08:30 If You're So Clever, Why Aren't You Rich? (b00nth17)

Series 1

Death of Hope

Three promising graduates are still underachieving in their 30s.

Stars Richard E Grant and Amanda Root.

With Richard E Grant, Amanda Root, Peter Capaldi, Paul Shearer, Richard Turner, Geoffrey Whitehead, Tina Grey,

Christopher Rozycki, Amerjit Deu and Kay Stoneham.

Produced by Paul Schlesinger.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1995.

WED 09:00 Listomania (b0b1xqns)

Series 1

Episode 6

Susan Calman hosts the series exploring the world of the list - from the magnificent to the mundane - from the humble 'to do' list to the bucket list and many more...

With Sara Cox, Elis James, Izy Stuntie and Gary Delaney.

Written by James Kettle and Juliet Meyers with Max Davis

Producer: Jane Berthoud and Adnan Ahmed.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in 2015.

WED 09:30 All the Young Dudes (b007rkc3)

Series 1

People's Parties

Billy is not keen on entertaining at his place, until someone suggests a game of cards.

Unemployed teacher, Patrick, has moved back to the town of his birth with his high-flying businesswoman wife, Helen.

There, they befriend divorcees Billy and Moira, and the local pub owners, Joe and Maria.

CAST:

Patrick Jim Sweeney

Helen Cathryn Harrison

Billy Steve Steen

Moira Sadie Shimmin

Joe Stephen Frost

Maria Flaminia Cinque
Jim Sweeney's award-winning comedy-drama based on his play 'Danny's Wake'.
Producer: Steve Doherty
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2001.
WED 10:00 George Eliot - Daniel Deronda (b007k07z)
3. Tensions
In the sun-drenched port of Genoa, Gwendolen and Daniel's fates become eternally and tragically entwined.
The conclusion of George Eliot's classic novel of love and idealism.
Starring Anna Chancellor and Michael Perceval-Maxwell.
Dramatised by Robert Forrest.
Gwendolen Harleth Anna Chancellor
Deronda Michael Perceval-Maxwell
Grandcourt James Bryce
Mrs Davilov Joanna Tope
Klesmer Finlay Welsh
Mirah Lucy Patterson
Lydia Noreen Leighton
Lush Simon Tait
Leonara Vivienne Dixon
Mordecai Mark McDonnell
Director: Patrick Rayner
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1999.
WED 11:00 Unsung Heroines (m000ntdk)
2. Florrie Forde, Betty Davis, Caroline Norton, Wangari Maathai, Hoda Sharawi, Mary Tealby, Olive Shapley
History is full of incredible women who did amazing things. And yet, even though their legacy is still felt today, their names aren't on the tip our tongues. We've all heard of Florence Nightingale and Amelia Earhart - but what about Annie Russell Maunder, Jayaben Desai or Josephine Butler? They're much less well known, yet they all made significant and enduring contributions to our world.
The writer and comedian Viv Groskop has been trawling the BBC radio archives to find out about a kickass sisterhood that refused to stay at home when that's what was expected of them. We meet the pioneering physician, Sophia Jex Blake; the Nobel laureate environmentalist, Wangari Maathai, the social reformer, Caroline Norton; the champion cyclist, Beryl Burton; we take a trip to Battersea Dogs and Cats Home to learn about its founder, Mary Tealby. And many more.
Viv also invites contemporary women to nominate their favourite unsung heroines - so we hear from Clare Balding, Cathy Newman, Samira Ahmed, Natalie Haynes, Gemma Cairney, Angela Barnes and Jessica Fostekew about the females they call phenomenal.
From ancient Rome to the 21st Century, Viv Groskop brings inspiring women out of the shadows and into the spotlight.
Producer - Moy McGowan
WED 12:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007s5g6)
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WED 14:00 A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man by James Joyce (b09snxqf)
Episode 8
James Joyce's autobiographical masterpiece. Read by Andrew Scott and abridged by Sara Davies.
Stephen has had a revelation that makes him more certain about his rejection of the priesthood. Now he has started studying at the university.
Produced by Mary Ward-Lowery.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2018.
WED 14:15 D for Dexter (b06nq1f0)
Series 2
Episode 3
Skye's in the bath. There's hot water these days, and a plug. Her mum can't understand why she's locked the bathroom door, but Skye doesn't want her newly-discovered Uncle Dean to come barging in.
A heart...breakingly brave, funny and beautiful story, exploring the issue of neglect, originally part of programming for the BBC Children in Need appeal.
Skye and Dexter's story was developed with the help of Hull Children's University and Voice of Young People in Care, both organisations that receive funding for specific projects from BBC Children in Need.
Skye ... Sydney Wade
Dexter ... Alfie Johnson
Joe ... Bill Rodgers
Jak ... Una McNulty
Dean ... Peter Caulfield
Amber ... Liz Godber
Ant ... John Elkington
Writer: Amanda Whittington
Director: Mary Ward-Lowery
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.
WED 14:30 Blood, Sage and Grace (b04tjkk8)
Lorna Sage's classic memoir, Bad Blood, is a story about how books can be passports out of the 'hell' of childhood. When Grace Dent first read it, it made a huge impact on her, forcing her to question her own childhood and her relationship with

writing.
Exiled in a remote parish on the Welsh borders, Bad Blood tells the tale of a strange upbringing in a haunted postwar Britain.
'I've never read anything which explores, with such biting humor and energy, the way rage and frustrated desire are passed down the family line. I've always felt I have a great memoir in me but I'd have to wait for a lot of people to die before I could write it,' says Grace.
She visits the Shropshire vicarage where Bad Blood is set and talks to Lorna's daughter Sharon and to close friends and colleagues - including the writers Marina Warner and Ali Smith who describe what it was like to live with Lorna. Grace also meets Lorna's ex-husband Victor Sage, who describes how Lorna read constantly. 'She ate and read at the same time, without looking up, I had to get used to that when I married her.'
In the 1960s, Lorna became a Professor of English Literature at the University of East Anglia and established an international reputation as a critic, scholar and teacher with a dedication to women's writing. But she also inspired generations of students who came to UEA to listen to hear her voice.
Lorna was revered as a teacher - but her life story made her famous. Bad Blood won the Whitbread prize for biography in 2001, a triumph cruelly clouded by her death from emphysema a week later, aged 57.
Producer: Sarah Cuddon
A Testbed production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in December 2014.
WED 15:00 George Eliot - Daniel Deronda (b007k07z)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
WED 16:00 Listomania (b0b1xqms)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
WED 16:30 All the Young Dudes (b007rkc3)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
WED 17:00 Ed Reardon's Week (b00qgxxb)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
WED 17:30 Mark Steel's in Town (m00127vg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
WED 18:00 The First Church of the New Millennium by Bryan Appleyard (b007jppz)
Episode 8
Can architect Stephen Rix and his developer get planning permission for their cathedral? Read by David Horovitch.
WED 18:15 The Second Pan Book of Horror Stories (m0000ygz)
The Black Cat by Edgar Allan Poe
Dark classic tale about the psychology of guilt.
Written by Edgar Allan Poe.
The Pan Book of Horror Stories was a paperback series of short story anthologies first published in 1959. Early editions were known for their lurid cover art and editor Herbert Van Thal's selection of stories by new authors alongside classics of the genre. It was credited with introducing a new generation to the horror tradition in the 1960s.
The Second Pan Book Of Horror Stories, published in 1962, was considered to be one of the best. Anita Sullivan has selected five from this edition for her own fresh interpretation.
CAST:
John Barnaby Kay
Louisa Samantha Dakin
Police Samuel Barnett and Kenneth Collard
Producer/Director: Karen Rose
A Sweet Talk production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in September 2018.
WED 18:30 The Radio Detectives (b007jp6v)
Series 1
The Voice of Sherlock Holmes
Armed with pipe, hansom cab and violin, Professor Jeffrey Richards probes the varied incarnations of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's most celebrated Baker Street creation, Sherlock Holmes.
Featuring interviews and classic recordings by Orson Welles, Basil Rathbone, Sir John Gielgud, Carleton Hobbes and Clive Merrison.
Affectionate five-part series about popular radio detectives hosted by the aficionado and expert.
Producer: Jon Rolph
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1998.
WED 19:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007s5g6)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
WED 19:30 If You're So Clever, Why Aren't You Rich? (b00nth17)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
WED 20:00 Dick Francis (b011q9fm)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
WED 20:30 The Hot Kid (b05410x3)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
WED 21:00 Unsung Heroines (m000ntdk)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
WED 22:00 Mark Steel's in Town (m00127vg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
WED 22:30 Little Lifetimes by Jenny Eclair (b04d4qpn)
Series 1
A Trolley for a Change
A grandmother visits an upmarket supermarket to buy her grandchildren a meal they won't forget, but the trip proves memorable for all the wrong reasons.
Starring Ruth Sheen.
Leading actresses star in Jenny Eclair's comic series about

women facing a crisis in their lives.
Pat Ruth Sheen
Checkout woman Elaine Claxton
Security Guard Clive Hayward
Lauren Jane Slavin
By Jenny Eclair
Produced by Sally Avens
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2014.
WED 22:45 Tim Key's Late Night Poetry Programme (b01cws2j)
Series 1
Chance
Tim tackles the dicey issue of 'chance' via a selection of poems including: 'The Wrong Number that Led to a Marriage' and 'Probably Gay'.
Written and presented by Tim Key
Musical accompaniment is provided by Tom Basden.
Producer: James Robinson
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2012.
WED 23:00 Radio Active (b007k3ny)
Series 6
Bogie Awards
The stars are out for the Bogies! Who'll win the much coveted gold-plated award?
Starring Helen Atkinson-Wood, Angus Deayton, Geoffrey Perkins, Philip Pope and Michael Fenton-Stevens.
Music by Philip Pope, Steve Brown and Michael Fenton-Stevens.
Written by Angus Deayton and Geoffrey Perkins with Michael Fenton-Stevens.
Producer: Paul Mayhew-Archer
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1986.
WED 23:30 The News at Bedtime (b00pftgl)
Series 1
Episode 4
Twin presenters John Tweedledum and Jim Tweedledee present in-depth news analysis covering the latest stories happening this 'once upon a time'.
Jim reports live from the launch site of the Nurseryland space programme as preparations are finalised to put a cow over the moon.
With Peter Donaldson, Lewis MacLeod, Alex Macqueen, Lucy Montgomery, Vicki Pepperdine, Dan Tetsell.
Written by Ian Hislop and Nick Newman.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2009.
WED 23:45 The Goldfish Bowl (b007k0g8)
Series 1
Episode 4
As Susan turns 40, her goldfish ponder the concept of time.
Stars Shaun Prendergast and Hamish McColl. From September 1998.

THURSDAY 16 DECEMBER 2021

THU 00:00 The First Church of the New Millennium by Bryan Appleyard (b007jppz)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Wednesday]
THU 00:15 The Second Pan Book of Horror Stories (m0000ygz)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:15 on Wednesday]
THU 00:30 The Radio Detectives (b007jp6v)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Wednesday]
THU 01:00 Dick Francis (b011q9fm)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Wednesday]
THU 01:30 The Hot Kid (b05410x3)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Wednesday]
THU 02:00 A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man by James Joyce (b09snxqf)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Wednesday]
THU 02:15 D for Dexter (b06nq1f0)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Wednesday]
THU 02:30 Blood, Sage and Grace (b04tjkk8)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Wednesday]
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[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Wednesday]
THU 06:00 Dick Francis (b011q9fm)
Whip Hand
4. Connections
Sid Halley must probe a link between cauliflowers and pig disease - and the loss of three champion racehorses.
Dick Francis's thriller set in the world of horse-racing stars Mick Ford.
Dramatised by Alan England.
Sid Halley Mick Ford
Chico Barnes Kim Durham
Rosemary Caspar Patricia Gallimore
Charles Simon Carter
Rammileese Andy Hockley
Ullaston Geoff Serle
Arnadale David Vann

Louise Susan Sheridan
 Martin England Christopher England
 Other parts played by David Neal.
 Producer: Philip Martin
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1991.
THU 06:30 The Hot Kid (b054qctm)
 Shoot-out
 Louly Brown tells of how her letters to Pretty Boy Floyd in prison led to her stealing her step-father's car and running away from home with a bank robber, before meeting the handsome Deputy Marshal Carl Webster at a fatal motel shoot-out.
 Meanwhile, Jack Belmont's illegal moonshine operation is threatened when his roadhouse is attacked by members of the Klan.
 Elmore Leonard's enthralling criminal odyssey is set against the dusty, sepia-toned backdrop of Oklahoma and Kansas during America's Great Depression.
 Adapted by Katie Hims
 Jack Belmont Adam Gillen
 Louly Brown Samantha Dakin
 Tony Antonelli Nathan Osgood
 Carl Webster Luke Norris
 Joe Young Joe Jameson
 Norm Dilworth Paul Heath
 Pretty Boy Floyd Shaun Mason
 Virgil Webster David Acton
 Heidi Dilworth Bettrys Jones
 Nestor Lott Ian Conningham
 Sylvia Hagenlocker Elaine Claxton
 Filling Station Woman Jane Slavin
 Director: Sasha Yevtushenko
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.
THU 07:00 Meet David Sedaris (b08y115k)
 Series 6
 Suitable for Framing; Diary Extracts
 The globetrotting, trash-picking, aisle-rolling storyteller shares more words of wit and wisdom:
 * Suitable For Framing - a story about the significance of art in David's childhood family home -
 * Additional extracts from David's book *Theft By Finding*, a compilation of diary entries from 1977-2002.
 With sardonic wit and incisive social critiques, David Sedaris has become one of America's pre-eminent humour writers. The great skill with which he slices through cultural euphemisms and political correctness proves that he is a master of satire and one of the most observant writers addressing the human condition today.
 David Sedaris's first book, *Barrel Fever* (1994), which included *The SantaLand Diaries*, was a critical and commercial success, as were his follow-up efforts, *Naked* (1997), *Holidays on Ice* (1997) and *Me Talk Pretty One Day* (2000). He became known for his biting funny recollections of his youth, family life and travels, making semi-celebrities out of his parents and siblings. David Sedaris has been nominated for three Grammy Awards for Best Spoken Word and Best Comedy Album. A feature film adaptation of his story *C.O.G.* was released after a premier at the Sundance Film Festival (2013). He has been a contributor to BBC Radio 4 since 1996.
 Producer: Steve Doherty
 A Giddy Goat production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in July 2017.
THU 07:30 Relativity (m000lnlq)
 Series 3
 Episode 5
 The third series of Richard Herring's comedy drama builds on the warm, lively characters and sharply observed family dynamics of previous series.
 It is an honest, affectionate observation of inter-generational misunderstanding, sibling sparring and the ties that bind. Amid the comedy, Richard broaches some more serious highs and lows of family life. In this series, he focuses on the roller coaster ride of first time parenting, how to maintain a long standing marriage and brass rubbing.
 Richard Herring is a comedian, writer, blogger and podcaster and the world's premier semi-professional self-playing snooker player.
 Episode 5
 Ian has now taken refuge at Ken and Margaret's, as well as sister Jane. Unexpectedly reunited, without partners or offspring, the family of four go down memory lane – good and bad. Then Pete appears on the doorstep with urgent news about Holly.
 Cast:
 Margaret.....Alison Steadman
 Ken.....Phil Davis
 Jane.....Fenella Woolgar
 Ian.....Richard Herring
 Pete.....Gordon Kennedy
 Written by Richard Herring
 Sound design by Eloise Whitmore
 Producer: Polly Thomas
 Executive Producers: Jon Thoday and Richard Allen Turner
 An Avalon Television production for BBC Radio 4
THU 08:00 The Men from the Ministry (b007jnvj)
 Rolling in It
 Money muddles for the bumbling bureaucrats, when surplus petty cash must be spent.
 A weekly tribute to all those who work in government departments.
 CAST:

Lennox-Brown Deryck Guyler
 Lamb Richard Murdoch
 Mildred Norma Ronald
 Sir Gregory Pitkin Ronald Baddeley
 with John Graham and John Cole
 Written by Edward Taylor and John Graham.
 'The Men from the Ministry' ran for 14 series between 1962 and 1977. Deryck Guyler replaced Wilfrid Hyde-White from 1966. Sadly many episodes didn't survive in the archive, however the BBC's Transcription Service re-recorded 14 shows in 1980 - never broadcast in the UK, until the arrival of BBC Radio 4 Extra.
 Producer: Edward Taylor
 First broadcast on the BBC Radio 4 in July 1971.
THU 08:30 After Henry (b007k280)
 Series 2
 Memory Games
 'Mother, you are doing it again. You are defining us. And what's more, you are wrong. Henry was lovely and endearing, but he wasn't practical. He couldn't organise himself out of a paper bag.'
 Daughter Clare's trivia quiz helps Sarah with all her memories of late husband Henry.
 Simon Brett's comedy about three generations of women - struggling to cope after the death of Sarah's GP husband - who never quite manage to see eye to eye.
 Sarah Prunella Scales
 Eleanor Joan Sanderson
 Russell Benjamin Whitrow
 Clare Gerry Cowper
 Miles David Quilter
 Quizmaster Graham Blockey
 Four radio series were made, but instead of moving to BBC TV - Thames Television produced 'After Henry' for the ITV network.
 Producer: Pete Atkin.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1986.
THU 09:00 The Unbelievable Truth (b09cylyr)
 Series 19
 Episode 6
 David Mitchell hosts the panel game in which four comedians are encouraged to tell lies and compete against one another to see how many items of truth they're able to smuggle past their opponents.
 Mark Steel, Holly Walsh, Tony Hawks and Fred Macaulay are the panellists obliged to talk with deliberate inaccuracy on subjects as varied as doughnuts, jellyfish, twitter and Star Wars.
 Producer: Jon Naismith
 A Random Entertainment production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in November 2017.
THU 09:30 Clare in the Community (b00fw5jh)
 Series 2
 Relax
 Sally Phillips is Clare Barker the social worker who has all the right jargon but never a practical solution.
 In this episode, romantic Brian is plotting to surprise the social worker on holiday.
 A control freak, Clare likes nothing better than interfering in other people's lives on both a professional and personal basis. Clare is in her 30s, white, middle class and heterosexual, all of which are occasional causes of discomfort to her.
 Clare continually struggles to control both her professional and private life
 In today's Big Society there are plenty of challenges out there for an involved, caring social worker. Or even Clare.
 Written by Harry Venning and David Ramsden.
 Starring Sally Phillips and Alex Lowe.
 Clare Sally Phillips
 Brian Alex Lowe
 With:
 Richard Lumsden
 Gemma Craven
 Ellen Thomas
 Nina Conti
 Andrew Wincott
 John Cummins
 Producer: Katie Tyrell
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2005.
THU 10:00 Choderlos de Laclous - Les Liaisons Dangereuses (b007jppp)
 Episode 1
 August 1785: The jilted Marquise de Merteuil begins a game of seduction - and revenge...
 Choderlos de Laclous's 1782 epistolary novel dramatised in two-parts by Christopher Hampton.
 Cast:
 Ciaran Hinds ... Le Vicomte de Valmont
 Lindsay Duncan... La Marquise de Merteuil
 Emma Fielding... Mme de Tourvel
 Adam Godley ... Chevalier Danceny
 Joanna David ... Mme de Volanges
 Alison Pettitt ...Cecile Volanges
 Elizabeth Spriggs... Mme de Rosemonde
 Charles Simpson... Azolan
 Sarah-Jane Holm ... Emilie.
 Narrator: John Moffatt
 Music composed by Ilona Sekacz.
 Director: Gordon House.
 First broadcast on the BBC World Service in 1998.

THU 11:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m0012gnz)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Sunday]
THU 11:45 The Curious Cases of Rutherford & Fry (m0001jpb)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 on Sunday]
THU 12:00 The Men from the Ministry (b007jnvj)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
THU 12:30 After Henry (b007k280)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
THU 13:00 Dick Francis (b011flfj)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
THU 13:30 The Hot Kid (b054qctm)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
THU 14:00 A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man by James Joyce (b09sqrmx)
 Episode 9
 James Joyce's autobiographical masterpiece. Read by Andrew Scott and abridged by Sara Davies.
 Stephen is thinking about E.C., the girl who has long been the object of his affection. And his intellectual universe is expanding.
 Produced by Mary Ward-Lowery.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2018.
THU 14:15 D for Dexter (b06nrqvf)
 Series 2
 Episode 4
 Dexter is coming for the night, for a contact visit, and Skye can't wait. Mum's even told Uncle Dean to stay away. Things are looking up.
 A heart...breakingly brave, funny and beautiful story, exploring the issue of neglect, originally part of programming for the BBC Children in Need appeal.
 Skye and Dexter's story was developed with the help of Hull Children's University and Voice of Young People in Care, both organisations that receive funding for specific projects from BBC Children in Need.
 Skye ... Sydney Wade
 Dexter ... Alfie Johnson
 Joe ... Bill Rodgers
 Jak ... Una McNulty
 Dean ... Peter Caulfield
 Amber ... Liz Godber
 Ant ... John Elkington
 Writer: Amanda Whittington
 Director: Mary Ward-Lowery
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.
THU 14:30 Ken Clarke's Jazz Greats - Bessie Smith (b0076jyq)
 Bessie Smith was born in abject poverty. Singing on street corners before her tenth birthday and tragically killed just 32 years later, she had crammed a lot of hard living into that relatively short life.
 Ken Clarke talks to George Melly about the woman who brought together the blues and ragtime traditions to forge a new sound in jazz.
 Producer: Paul Evans
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2004.
THU 15:00 Choderlos de Laclous - Les Liaisons Dangereuses (b007jppp)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
THU 16:00 The Unbelievable Truth (b09cylyr)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
THU 16:30 Clare in the Community (b00fw5jh)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
THU 17:00 Meet David Sedaris (b08y115k)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
THU 17:30 Relativity (m000lnlq)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
THU 18:00 The First Church of the New Millennium by Bryan Appleyard (b007jqg8)
 Episode 9
 With his cathedral vision still in mind, architect Stephen Rix undertakes a dangerous journey. Read by David Horovitch.
THU 18:15 The Second Pan Book of Horror Stories (m0000xqm)
 Leiningren Versus The Ants
 Classic story about a plantation owner who stubbornly refuses to leave his land when he is confronted by a seemingly unstoppable army of killer ants. But how long can he hang on for?
 Written by Carl Stephenson.
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 The Second Pan Book Of Horror Stories, published in 1962, was considered to be one of the best. Anita Sullivan has selected five from this edition for her own fresh interpretation.
 CAST:
 Leiningren Timothy Watson
 Rica Kathryn Drysdale
 Luiz Adam James
 Producer/Director: Karen Rose
 A Sweet Talk production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in September 2018.
THU 18:30 Great Lives (b095rzzz)
 Series 43

Helena Morrissey on Rachael Heyhoe Flint
City Boss Dame Helena Morrissey champions the life of Rachael Heyhoe Flint, the pioneer of women's cricket who was regarded as a ground breaker who ruffled feathers and shook up a male dominated sport.

Helena Morrissey who has also made it to the top of her career in a male dominated world of the City, is founder of the 30% Club, a campaign group whose aim is to get a minimum of 30% women on FTSE-100 boards. Now working as Head of Personal Investing with Legal and General Investment Management, Helena makes the case for why Heyhoe Flint is a great life. She is joined by Dr Raf Nicholson who teaches history at Queen Mary University of London and is a writer on the women's game.

The presenter is Matthew Parris

Producer: Perminder Khatkar

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2017.

THU 19:00 The Men from the Ministry (b007jnvj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

THU 19:30 After Henry (b007k280)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

THU 20:00 Dick Francis (b011qf1j)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

THU 20:30 The Hot Kid (b054qctm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

THU 21:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m0012gnz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Sunday]

THU 21:45 The Curious Cases of Rutherford & Fry (m0001jpb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 on Sunday]

THU 22:00 Relativity (m000lnlq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

THU 23:30 The Penny Dreadfuls (b08x2zf1)

Le Carré on Spying

David Cornwell (the real name of the spy and thriller writer John Le Carré) is the star of this comedy drama as we follow his desperate efforts to uncover the latest mole in the secret service. John F Kennedy's official visit to Berlin looms and the pressure is on to get to the truth.

Dramatic tension and big laughs abound in this seventh comedy play by acclaimed sketch group The Penny Dreadfuls. Also starring Miles Jupp as Cornwell and Mark Heap as the narrator. Recorded in front of an audience in the Radio Theatre.

Writer...David Reed

Producer...Julia McKenzie

A BBC Studios Production.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2017.

THU 23:30 The Secret World (b0125n5t)

Series 2

Episode 1

From Al Pacino to Keith Harris and Orville, Jon Culshaw and friends probe the private lives of the famous. From July 2010.

FRIDAY 17 DECEMBER 2021

FRI 00:00 The First Church of the New Millennium by Bryan Appleyard (b007jqg8)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Thursday]

FRI 00:15 The Second Pan Book of Horror Stories (m0000xqm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:15 on Thursday]

FRI 00:30 Great Lives (b095rzzz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Thursday]

FRI 01:00 Dick Francis (b011qf1j)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Thursday]

FRI 01:30 The Hot Kid (b054qctm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Thursday]

FRI 02:00 A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man by James Joyce (b09sqrmx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Thursday]

FRI 02:15 D for Dexter (b06nrqf)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Thursday]

FRI 02:30 Ken Clarke's Jazz Greats - Bessie Smith (b0076jyq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Thursday]

FRI 03:00 Choderlos de Laclos - Les Liaisons Dangereuses (b007jppp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Thursday]

FRI 04:00 The Unbelievable Truth (b09cylyr)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Thursday]

FRI 04:30 Clare in the Community (b00fw5jh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Thursday]

FRI 05:00 Meet David Sedaris (b08y115k)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Thursday]

FRI 05:30 Relativity (m000lnlq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Thursday]

FRI 06:00 Dick Francis (b011qm8r)

Whip Hand

5. The Finish

Sid Halley believes he knows the truth behind the doping and

phoney racing syndicates, but dare he reveal it?

Mick Ford stars in the conclusion of Dick Francis's thriller set in the world of horse-racing.

Dramatised by Alan England.

Sid Halley Mick Ford

Chico Barnes Kim Durham

Rosemary Caspar Patricia Gallimore

Charles Simon Carter

Trevor Deansgate Terry Molloy

Rammileese Andy Hockley

Ullaston Geoff Serle

Jenny Petra Markham

Mark Rammileese Philip Molloy

George Casper Alan Devereux

Producer: Philip Martin

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1991.

FRI 06:30 The Hot Kid (b055g8zr)

Fresh Start

Fed up with waiting for Deputy Marshal Carl Webster to take her dancing, Louly has gone to Kansas City to make a fresh start, with a new job and new name.

She arrives at the same time as Jack Belmont, who's fled Tulsa after shooting his partner and now plans to start robbing banks.

Both soon come to the attention of local crime boss Teddy Ritz and it's not long before Carl has to bail them all out of trouble.

Elmore Leonard's enthralling criminal odyssey is set against the dusty, sun-kissed backdrop of Oklahoma and Kansas during

America's Great Depression.

Adapted by Katie Hims

Louly Brown Samantha Dakin

Tony Antonelli Nathan Osgood

Carl Webster Luke Norris

Jack Belmont Adam Gillen

Teddy Ritz Lucian Msamati

Heidi Dilworth Bettrys Jones

Lou Tessa Shaun Mason

Bank Guard David Acton

Bank Teller Hannah Genesis

Bank Manager Ian Cunningham

Hotshot Paul Heath

Director: Sasha Yevtushenko

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.

FRI 07:00 Welcome to Our Village, Please Invade Carefully (b0177b8n)

Series 1

Power Block

Katrina Lyons was only visiting Cresdon Green, the village where she grew up, to borrow some money from her parents.

But when she tried to head back to London, it turned out alien beings known as the Geonin had lowered a force field around the village and were refusing to let anyone in or out.

Unfortunately almost everyone in the village is too cowardly, apathetic, polite or stupid to stand up to this alien menace, so Katrina has no choice but to start the resistance movement herself. In the cricket pavilion.

Hattie Morahan and Julian Rhind-Tutt star in Eddie Robson's sitcom about an alien invasion of a small English village.

Uljabaan is busy with a construction project and asks Margaret to help with some routine duties in the village - collecting data, checking up on the man they put down the old well, that sort of thing. Katrina is dismayed - he's too busy to oppress the humans, so he's getting them to do it to each other.

But the construction project involves opening up the force-field that surrounds the village. Can Katrina and Lucy sneak a message into the outside world?

Katrina Lyons Hattie Morahan

Field Commander Uljabaan Julian Rhind-Tutt

Margaret Lyons Jan Francis

Richard Lyons Peter Davison

Lucy Alexander Hannah Murray

Computer John-Luke Roberts

Producer: Ed Morrish

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in March 2013.

FRI 07:30 It's Not What You Know (b09wt185)

Series 5

Episode 4

What does Russell Kane think his best personality trait is?

What's Fern Britton's party trick and who does Ivo Graham believe is the funniest person he knows?

All these burning questions, and more, will be answered in the show hosted by Joe Lycett, where panellists are tested on how well they know their nearest and dearest.

Produced by Matt Stronge.

It's Not What You Know is a BBC Studios production.

FRI 08:00 Dad's Army (b007jpkw)

Series 3

A Man of Action

When a landmine sparks martial law, a reporter catches Captain Mainwaring in charge.

Adapted for radio from Jimmy Perry and David Croft's TV scripts by Harold Snoad and Michael Knowles.

Captain Mainwaring Arthur Lowe

Sergeant Wilson John Le Mesurier

Corporal Jones Clive Dunn

Private Frazer John Laurie

Private Pike Ian Lavender

Private Godfrey Arnold Ridley

Warden Hodges Bill Pertwee

Private Walker Larry Martyn

Town Clerk Julian Orchard

Mr Norris Jonathan Cecil

Inspector Baker Fraser Kerr

Producer: John Dyas

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1976.

FRI 08:30 Second Thoughts (b001tt4)

Series 3

Occupational Hazard

Bill and Faith's plans for a proper getaway hit some holiday hiccups...

Sitcom about the battles of divorcees Bill and Faith beginning married life, whilst balancing the demands of his ex-wife, Liza and Faith's teenage children.

Stars James Bolam as Bill, Lynda Bellingham as Faith, Celia Imrie as Hilary, Belinda Lang as Liza, Emma Gregory as Hannah, Mark Denham as Joe and Mark Straker as Alex.

Series three of four inspired by the real lives of its writers, husband and wife Jan Eatherington and Gavin Petrie.

A TV version made by LWT for ITV appeared in 1991 and ran for four series, with a spin-off 'Faith in the Future'.

Producer: Paul Schlesinger

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1991.

FRI 09:00 Funny You Should Ask (b0b53jl3)

From 20/08/1979

Peter Jones hosts the entertainment quiz about comedy as he tests a panel of experts:

Barry Cryer, Sid Colin and John Junkin recall memories of careers and comic colleagues.

Funny You Should Ask ran for 8 series from 1976 to 1982.

Questions compiled by Michael Pointon.

Producer: Bob Oliver Rogers

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in August 1979.

FRI 09:30 In the Red (b007k07w)

Episode 4

Reporter George Cragge grabs headlines, as the plot to overthrow the BBC Director General grows darker.

London is plagued by a series of bizarre murders of bank managers. Hot on the trail of the killer are an old-style Chief

Police Inspector and BBC Radio's crime correspondent, George Cragge.

A blackly humorous murder mystery set in the world of City finance, the BBC and political parties. Dramatised in seven-

parts by Mark Tavener and Peter Baynham from Mark Tavener's novel.

George Cragge Michael Williams

Frank Jefferson Barry Foster

Geoffrey Crichton-Potter Stephen Moore

Henry Julian Rhind-Tutt

Max Peter Woodthorpe

Controller Radio 2 Stephen Fry

Controller Radio 4 John Bird

Dominic De'ath Benjamin Whitrow

Hercules Fortescue Nicholas Le Prevost

Andrew James Peter Serafinowicz

Laetitia Victoria Carling

Caroline Susie Brann

Other parts played by Jonathan Keeble, Don Macorkindale,

Annabel Mullion and Alice Arnold.

Music by Paul Mottram

Producer: Paul Schlesinger

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1995.

FRI 10:00 Choderlos de Laclos - Les Liaisons Dangereuses (b007jptt)

Episode 2

Can Vicomte Valmont and the Marquise de Merteuil win their game of seduction and revenge?

Choderlos de Laclos's 1782 epistolary novel dramatised in two-

parts by Christopher Hampton.

Cast:

Ciaran Hinds ... Le Vicomte de Valmont

Lindsay Duncan... La Marquise de Merteuil

Emma Fielding... Mme de Tourvel

Adam Godley ... Chevalier Danceny

Joanna David ... Mme de Volanges

Alison Pettitt ...Cecile Volanges

Elizabeth Spriggs... Mme de Rosemonde

Charles Simpson... Azolan

Sarah-Jane Holm ... Emilie.

Narrator: John Moffatt

Music composed by Ilona Sekacz.

Director: Gordon House.

First broadcast on the BBC World Service in 1998.

FRI 11:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m0012h7d)

Happy Golden Days of Yore

Laura Grimshaw and Jake Yapp present a collection of podcasts that bring history to life.

We speak to bona fide academic historian Professor Suzannah Lipscomb about her podcast that looks at the most fascinating periods in history - Not Just The Tudors.

We'll also be joined by history podcast producing magnate Natt Tapley to discuss what's the point of history? And we chat to self-confessed history nerds Angela Barnes and John O'Farrell about their fun conversation podcast We Are History.

We also hear bursts of:

Future Imperfect with Jason Kingsley

The Unfiltered History Tour from VICE World News

Revisionist History with Malcolm Gladwell

Human Resources with Moya Lathan McLean

The Retrospectors with Olly Mann, Rebecca Messina and Arion McNicoll

Date Fight with Natt Tapley and Jake Yapp

History Film Club with Alex von Tunzelmann and Hannah Grieg

Homeschool History with Greg Jenner

Horrible Histories from CBBC

You're Dead To Me also with Greg Jenner

FRI 12:00 Dad's Army (b007jpkw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

FRI 12:30 Second Thoughts (b0011tt4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

FRI 13:00 Dick Francis (b011qm8r)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

FRI 13:30 The Hot Kid (b055g8zr)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

FRI 14:00 A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man by James Joyce (b09sr1k8)

Episode 10

James Joyce' autobiographical masterpiece. Read by Andrew Scott and abridged by Sara Davies.

Stephen is sloughing off the ties of his life in Ireland, in order to be free to pursue the life of an artist.

Produced by Mary Ward-Lowery.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2018.

FRI 14:15 D for Dexter (b06nrzqr)

Series 2

Episode 5

It's the early hours of Friday morning. Dexter could sleep through a riot. In fact, he just has. But Skye isn't going down to see her Mum, not this time.

A heart...breakingly brave, funny and beautiful story, exploring the issue of neglect, originally part of programming for the BBC Children in Need appeal.

Skye and Dexter's story was developed with the help of Hull Children's University and Voice of Young People in Care, both organisations that receive funding for specific projects from BBC Children in Need.

Skye ... Sydney Wade

Dexter ... Alfie Johnson

Joe ... Bill Rodgers

Jak ... Una McNulty

Dean ... Peter Caulfield

Amber ... Liz Godber

Ant ... John Elkington

Writer: Amanda Whittington

Director: Mary Ward-Lowery

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.

FRI 14:30 Mysteries from the Past (b011hbg8)

In 2012 a new outdoor production of the medieval York Cycle of Mystery Plays opened in the city starring Ferdinand Kingsley as Jesus, Graeme Hawley as the devil and a community cast and crew of over 500 people.

The revival of these plays first took place as part of the Festival of Britain in 1951 and were staged, like the 2012 production, against the backdrop of the ruined St Mary's Abbey in the Museum Gardens. The York Mystery Plays are the most complete cycle telling stories from the bible in 48 separate plays each one originally performed by one of the city's medieval guilds. Staged on the back of waggons at various locations around the city the plays were performed on Corpus Christi Day from around 1390 until 1575 and took all day to perform. Since 1951 the plays have been staged every three or four years until 2000 when the last full-scale production took place in York Minster directed by the RSC's Gregory Doran.

In Mysteries from the Past the playwright John Godber takes to the medieval streets of York to look back at how these 'modern-day' performances relate to the original ideas behind the plays of communicating bible stories to the illiterate masses.

Examining archive material including medieval manuscripts and recordings of the some of the productions he talks to experts in medieval drama and some of the people involved in past productions which have launched the careers of actors Judi Dench, David Bradley and Mary Ure. The productions have not been without controversy - such as casting a woman as God or having Hindu actor, Victor Banerjee, playing Christ - guaranteeing publicity for these adventures in major community theatre production.

Producer: Andy Cartwright

A Soundscape Production

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2012.

FRI 15:00 Choderlos de Laclos - Les Liaisons Dangereuses (b007jptt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

FRI 16:00 Funny You Should Ask (b0b53jl3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

FRI 16:30 In the Red (b007k07w)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

FRI 17:00 Welcome to Our Village, Please Invade Carefully (b01r7b8n)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

FRI 17:30 It's Not What You Know (b09wt185)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 18:00 The First Church of the New Millennium by Bryan Appleyard (b007jqm)

Episode 10

Architect Stephen Rix's cathedral has finally been built. But what has been the true cost? Concluded by David Horovitch.

FRI 18:15 The Second Pan Book of Horror Stories (m0000z4y)

The Judge's House by Bram Stoker

A scholar moves into the former home of a judge with an evil reputation.

Written by Bram Stoker.

The Pan Book of Horror Stories was a paperback series of short story anthologies first published in 1959. Early editions were known for their lurid cover art and editor Herbert Van Thal's selection of stories by new authors alongside classics of the

genre. It was credited with introducing a new generation to the horror tradition in the 1960s.

The Second Pan Book Of Horror Stories, published in 1962, was considered to be one of the best. Anita Sullivan has selected five from this edition for her own fresh interpretation.

CAST:

Malcolmson Luke Thompson

Mrs Witham Pippa Haywood

Dempster Kathryn Drysdale

Producer/Director: Karen Rose

A Sweet Talk production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in September 2018.

FRI 18:30 Off the Page (b017wy7c)

The Making of You

Dominic Arkwright talks to three guests about their formative years: The Making of You.

Sports writer Julie Welch recalls boarding school days of innocence, lusting after her Games Captain. Social entrepreneur, Gwilym Gibbons, remembers growing up in a commune, feeling an outsider from the mainstream world.

Psychotherapist Paul Welcomme, whose schooldays were far from halcyon, argues that the decisions adults make for their children can have a devastating and lasting affect on their lives.

Producer: Sarah Langan.

FRI 19:00 Dad's Army (b007jpkw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

FRI 19:30 Second Thoughts (b0011tt4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

FRI 20:00 Dick Francis (b011qm8r)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

FRI 20:30 The Hot Kid (b055g8zr)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

FRI 21:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m0012h7d)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

FRI 22:00 It's Not What You Know (b09wt185)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 22:30 Alice's Wonderland (b03mj3hp)

Series 2

Unclear War

A trip to Wonderland, the Poundland of magical realms. In this last episode of the series, Wonderland is under threat from an Unclear War.

Sketch show by Alice Lowe.

Also starring Richard Glover, Simon Greenall, Rachel Stubbings, Clare Thompson and Marcia Warren.

Produced by Lyndsay Fenner.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2014.

FRI 23:00 Old Harry's Game (b00j4kbz)

Series 7

Episode 5

Hell is not what it was since the baby turned up.

Satan's become a one-man adoption agency whilst his chief demon is reading Penelope Leach. But can Satan place the baby with a good family?

CAST:

Satan Andy Hamilton

Edith Annette Crosbie

Scumspawn Robert Duncan

Thomas Jimmy Mulville

with Mike Fenton Stevens, Philip Pope and Felicity Montagu

Written by Andy Hamilton.

Producer: Paul Mayhew-Archer

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2009.

FRI 23:30 Think the Unthinkable (b01j0z0)

Series 3

Making Cuts

When is a pay cut not a pay cut? When Unthinkable Solutions have to sell it to the staff. Their diplomatic skills are tested to breaking point.

James Carey's sitcom about a clueless bunch of management consultants, Unthinkable Solutions, effortlessly screwing-up their clients' businesses.

Starring:

Marcus Brigstocke

Robin Ince

Catherine Shepherd

Beth Chalmers

With Ewan Bailey, Tilly Gaunt, Simon Greenall and Neil Edmond.

Producer: Adam Bromley.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2004.