

SATURDAY 06 OCTOBER 2018

SAT 00:00 Ursula K Le Guin - Earthsea (b05pktv)Series 1
Shadow

Ursula K Le Guin's enduring fantasy saga set on the magical archipelago rich with wizards and dragons. Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra.

Based on the novels *A Wizard of Earthsea* and *The Tombs of Atuan* by Ursula Le Guin. Adapted by Judith Adams.

Hungry for power and knowledge, the young wizard Ged tampers with long-held secrets and releases a terrible shadow into the world. Meanwhile, Tenar is taken away from her home and family to become Arha, the guardian of the ominous Tombs of Atuan.

Published between 1968 and 1972, the first three books of Ursula Le Guin's Earthsea cycle (*A Wizard of Earthsea*, *The Tombs of Atuan*, *The Farthest Shore*) are re-told across six intertwined episodes. Set on a vast archipelago of islands, where magic is a central part of life, they tell the stories of Ged and Tenar. Ged is a boy from the island of Gont, born with innate magical talent and a reckless nature, who releases a terrible shadow into the world and must risk everything in order to restore the balance. Tenar, a girl from the island of Atuan, is taken from her home and family to become Arha, the Priestess Ever Reborn, guardian of the ominous Tombs of Atuan. Deep within the Tombs, Ged and Tenar encounter one another and seek a way of bringing peace to the troubled archipelago.

Ged James McArdle

Tenar Aysla Kala

Young Ged Kasper Hilton-Hille

Young Tenar Nishi Malde

Ogion Paul Hilton

Manan Zubin Varla

Thar Souad Faress

Father David Hounslow

Boy Adam Thomas-Wright

Oarsman Mark Edel-Hunt

Witch Jessica Turner

Serret Lucy Hutchinson

Shipmaster Stephen Critchlow

Original music by Jon Nicholls.

Sound design by Caleb Knightley.

Directed by Sasha Yevtushenko.

SAT 00:30 Off the Page (b00766d6)

Taboo

Chris Bigsby chairs a debate about taboo with Adam Mars-Jones and Daisy Sampson. Is there anything still forbidden these days?

In each programme, Professor Bigsby introduces a duo of writers of fact and fiction: new talent and established names. In the context of a discussion of one of the ideas and pre-occupations of our times, each presents a piece on this week's topic.

The best new writing and the freshest conversation from 2002.

SAT 01:00 Robert Barr - Detective (b0blvcb3)

Series 4

The Tip-Off

A local villain tells DS Brook that he's going straight and wants to turn informant on some planned break-ins...

Stories of crime and detection in London by Robert Barr.

Starring Ray Brooks as long-serving, ducking-and-diving Detective Sergeant Dave Brook with his new partner, Detective Constable Tully played by Stephen Garlick.

With Peter Cleall as DS Harrison, Stephen Yardley as Chief Inspector Roach, Johnny Wade as Joe Harper and Christopher Douglas as DS Rigby.

Writer Robert Barr is best remembered for his work on BBC TV's crime serials *'Z-Cars'* and *'Softly Softly'*.

Producer: Martin Fisher

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in 1985.

SAT 01:30 The Man from the McCarthy Agency (b00b7r75)

Matthew Sweet reveals the untold story of Harold McCarthy, arguably the most powerful British film critic of the twentieth century despite the fact that his name never appeared in a newspaper byline. From the 1930s to the 1960s, McCarthy supplied reviews of 11,000 films to independent cinema managers from Cork to Calcutta - reviews that shaped what cinemagoers saw on the screen. Yet his importance only became clear recently when a huge archive of his work surfaced at auction.

SAT 02:00 Book at Bedtime (b050c5wh)

The Bottle Imp

Episode 5

Set in 1880s Hawaii, Robert Louis Stevenson's story about an enchanted bottle - its glass tempered in the flames of hell - that grants its owner's every wish. The catch? If the owner dies before selling it on, his soul will burn in hell forever. But it must be sold at a loss, and the price drops with every trade...

Read by Ian McDiarmid

Written by Robert Louis Stevenson

Abridged by Kirsteen Cameron

Produced by Kirsteen Cameron.

SAT 02:15 The Making of Music (b007rhvz)

Series 1

Beethoven's Eroica

James Naughtie presents a series chronicling the historical influences that affected the course of classical music.
25/30. Beethoven's Eroica

The original dedication to Napoleon was removed from the manuscript of Beethoven's Symphony No 3, allegedly by the composer's own hand, when Napoleon declared himself Emperor in 1804.

Read by Simon Russell Beale.

SAT 02:30 Maggie Allen - Not Me, But Us (b0bltrnk)

Recognition

Sophie's campaign for equality continues, as she draws closer to seeing women receive medical degrees in their own country.

Conclusion of the true story of late 19th century pioneer Sophia Jex-Blake's in Maggie Allen's ten-part dramatisation.

Julia Watson stars as Sophia Jex-Blake; Gavin Muir as Henry Littlejohn; Joanna Monro as Ursula Du Pre; and Jenny Lee as Miss Gosse.

Director: Sue Wilson.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2001.

SAT 02:45 Book of the Week (b03bx81y)

Olivier

Episode 5

Published when the National Theatre turned 50 in 2013, Philip Ziegler's biography, based on previously unseen letters and diaries, tells the story of Laurence Olivier as he developed his craft, focusing on his career path from early school days through rep theatre to Hollywood, before returning to triumph in his greatest role ever, as the first director of the National Theatre.

Episode 5:

Olivier goes to the Royal Court to star in 'The Entertainer' which, in turn, sets him on a path to the last two great loves of his life - Joan Plowright and the National Theatre.

Reader: Toby Jones

Producer: Clive Brill

A Pacificus production for BBC Radio 4.

SAT 03:00 Steve Walker - Habakkuk of Ice (b0087495)

The extraordinary story of a battleship - made entirely of ice - designed for use in the Second World War.

It was left to dissolve in a lonely Canadian lake in Northern Alberta - and its eccentric English inventor, Professor Geoffrey Pyke is one of the great unsung geniuses of the 20th Century. Steve Walker's drama stars Tim McInerney as Geoffrey Pyke, Dermot Crowley as JD Bernal, Melanie Hudson as Pamela Pleens, Chris Emmett as Winston Churchill and David Holt as Lord Mountbatten.

Director: Andy Jordan

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2001.

SAT 04:00 The Personality Test (b007s27h)

Series 3

Lorraine Kelly

Breakfast TV queen Lorraine Kelly is in the hot seat posing questions all about her.

On the panel: comedians Sue Perkins, Lucy Porter, Robin Ince and Will Smith.

Comedy quiz presented by a new guest host every week. All the questions are about the host.

Script by Simon Littlefield and Kieron Quirke.

Devised and produced by Aled Evans.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2007.

SAT 04:30 Elephants to Catch Eels (b007rkg0)

Series 1

Episode 6

Smuggler Tamsyn Trelawney joins the customs men to stop Courageous Kate from marrying her dad.

Then things take a turn for the even more absurd...

18th century Cornish village sitcom by the writers of *Dead Ringers* - Tom Jamieson and Nev Fountain.

Starring Lucy Speed as Tamsyn Trelawney, John Bowe as Jago Trelawney, Cameron Stewart as Major Thomas Falconer,

Andrew McGibbon as Captain Marriot, Martin Hyder as Squire

Bascombe, Mark Felgate as Dewey, Imelda Staunton as

Courageous Kate and Mark Perry as Hobbs.

Producer: Jan Ravens.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2003.

SAT 05:00 Two Doors Down (b00899nl)

Series 1

The Minister Has a Window

Clare's in a flap when the Minister from the Northern Ireland office comes for dinner with this dog.

So cleaner Sally is booked for overtime to make sure the evening runs smoothly...

Series one of Annie McCourtney's four-part sitcom.

Starring Frances Tomelty as Sally, Marcella Riordan as Clare, Roma Tomelty as Miss Black, Katy Gleadhill as Evie, Gerard

Murphy as Fintan, Alan McKee as Victor, Bethan Lloyd as Anna, Patrick Gleadhill as Simon, Robert Patterson as Tony,

Emily Walmesley as Layla, Joel McElroy as Ben and Alfie Lloyd as Sam.

Director: Tanya Nash

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2001.

SAT 05:30 A Charles Paris Mystery (b0738j25)

A Decent Interval

Episode 2

by Jeremy Front

based on Simon Brett's novel

Directed by Sally Avens

Charles is playing *The Ghost and the Gravedigger* in *Hamlet* but when the reality star playing the young Dane is badly injured he begins to suspect that the accident may have been deliberate and other members of the cast may be in danger.**SAT 06:00 Saturday Drama (b00g3ycd)**

Michael Hastings - Tom and Viv

Benedict Cumberbatch stars in the heart-breaking story of TS Eliot's marriage to Viv Haigh-Wood.

Michael Hastings' best known play charts the turbulent, doomed marriage of the young TS Eliot and the charismatic Vivienne Haigh-Wood. This moving, highly-charged study has been described as 'one of the most important plays of the 20th century'.

Stars Benedict Cumberbatch as Tom, Lia Williams as Viv, David Haig as Maurice and Judy Parfitt as Rose.

Adapted and directed by Peter Kavanagh.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2008.

Tom Benedict Cumberbatch

Viv Lia Williams

Maurice David Haig

Rose Judy Parfitt

Charles John Rowe

Louise Emily Randall

Janes Chris Pavlo

Dr Todd Gunnar Cauthery

Barrister Jonathan Tafler

Adapted and directed by Peter Kavanagh.

SAT 07:30 Our Language in Your Hands (b01p3hvv)

Nepal

Landlocked and mountainous Nepal is home to over 100 languages, many of which are now endangered. Languages spoken for generations may soon be extinct. Anthropologist and linguist Dr Mark Turin has spent years talking to the last speakers of languages under threat, and now he returns to the Himalayas to show us how communities are preserving and even reviving their speech forms, as well as what will be lost when languages die out.

Mark travels to the mountains of Eastern Nepal, where Thangmi is now spoken by only a few thousand people. Like many other languages that are at risk, Thangmi is a mine of unique indigenous terms for flora and fauna that have medical and ritual value. When people switch to speaking another language, traditional knowledge about man's place in nature falls into disuse. With the death of the last speaker, these unique ways of seeing the world can be lost forever.

Mark has lived with the Thangmi community for years, and speaks their ancestral language, Thangmi, whose speakers live in a highly mountainous region, has four distinct verbs that equate with the English verb 'to come', including yusa 'to come from above (down the mountain)' and wanga 'to come from below (or up the mountain)'. Languages, like species, adapt to and reflect their environment.

Through these windows into the world of Thangmi speakers, and in discussions with language activists and educators across Nepal, Mark explores the enduring relationship between language, culture and identity and explains why it's so critical for linguists to work with indigenous communities to document and protect these vanishing voices before they disappear without record.

Producer Mark Rickards.

SAT 08:00 Archive on 4 (b04kzz6g)

The Revolution That Nearly Wasn't

More than half a century on, Elinor Goodman tells the story of the election that changed the political course of the 1960s - but only just.

October 15th 1964: General Election day. It was a heady time - the Beatles had topped the charts all summer with *A Hard Day's Night*. And during the last days of campaigning, the Olympic Games in Tokyo were offering a welcome television distraction, with Mary Rand our gold-medal poster-girl all over the front and back pages as the polls opened.

For Britain's political leaders they were days of trading claims and counter-claims: in the blue corner, Tory grandee Alec Home - pronounced, aristocratically, as 'Hume' - the incumbent Prime Minister who'd two years previously had to renounce his peerage and fight a by-election in order to accept the

premiership. Labour's leader was pipesmoking honest-john Northerner Harold Wilson, whose avuncular addressing of ordinary folk and champion of technology gave him for some a modern appeal in keeping with the age. The Liberals were led by Jo Grimond, statesmanlike and distinctly upper-middle class, whose party had just won a startling by-election. It was a fascinating fight.

Both Wilson and Home were relative newcomers: Macmillan's resignation had propelled Sir Alec, a charming, if diffident foreign-affairs specialist, into the limelight, where he often appeared out of touch with the concerns of ordinary voters. Wilson too had taken the top job unexpectedly when Labour's much loved and admired Hugh Gaitskell died unexpectedly in 1963. What with sex scandals, gaffes and the satirical bite of *TW3* and *Beyond the Fringe*, it was quite a fight, and one Wilson was expected by many to cruise.

And yet, as the results poured in, it looked like it would be a

dead heat...

Producer: Simon Elmes.

SAT 09:00 Paul O'Grady Stands Up for Liverpool (b01n1102)Liverpoolian Paul O'Grady celebrates some of Merseyside's funny Scouse men and women including Arthur Askey, Rob Wilton, Tommy Handley, Kenny Everett, Ken Dodd, Jimmy Tarbuck, Alexei Sayle, Patricia Routledge and John Bishop. * Big-hearted Arthur Askey was born in Liverpool in 1900 and went on to front *Band Wagon*, the first regular BBC radio comedy series. Russell Davies introduces an episode of *Turns*

of the Century profiling the man who coined the famous phrase "Ay-Thang-You."

* Rob Wilton's was a different catch-phrase, but like Arthur Askey, his comedy entertained millions during the war years, kicking off with those immortal words "The Day War Broke Out". Mark Radcliffe tells Rob's story in an episode of How Tickled Am I?

* ITMA, or It's That Man Again for those not in the know, was the radio home of Tommy Handley, a comedian who was struck down in his prime, bringing to an end one of the most popular radio comedy series the BBC has ever known. And sticking with comedy catchphrases, it was Tommy who first started using the acronym TTFN - long before instant messaging and mobile phone text speak!

* Ken Dodd loves a catch phrase too, and he loves his tickling stick. Fellow Liverpudlian funny-man Ricky Tomlinson meets up with Duddy for a chat about his life.

* As radio revolutionaries go, they don't get much more radical than the late Kenny Everett. Well known on both commercial and BBC national radio, it's his time at local BBC Radio Merseyside that we hear about.

* Jimmy Tarbuck tells former Desert Island Discs presenter Sue Lawley how he got his start in comedy.

* Barry Cryer profiles a bit on an imposter to the programme - Patricia Routledge. As Paul O'Grady is quick to point out, Patricia hails from Birkenhead rather than Liverpool, but she's very welcome. The star of Keeping Up Appearances became best known for being the lady of the house at the notorious Bucket Residence.

* And finally, current star John Bishop chats to Desert Island Discs' Kirsty Young about the career change that took him from salesman to standup.

Producer: Elizabeth Clark

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra by BBC Scotland.

SAT 12:00 Whose Line Is It Anyway? (b007jrce)

Episode 1

It ran for 10 series on Channel 4 and found success in America, but the hit TV improvisation game actually started life on BBC radio.

When it began in January 1988, this show adopted a format with two regular team captains - Fry and Sessions and two guests each week, with Colin Sell at the piano.

In this first edition of the pioneering series, John Sessions, Dawn French, Stephen Fry and Lenny Henry are tasked to improvise by series chairman Clive Anderson.

Rounds include ghostly guests at a party and Goldilocks and the Three Bears performed as never before.

Devised and compiled by Mark Leveson. Additional material by Martin Booth.

Producer: Dan Patterson.

SAT 12:30 Making the Best of It (b03ttg81)

Shock Jock

DJ Asif (Adil Ray) has dragged Barry (Roy Hudd) out of his room to act as an air 'posse' in his Lake Vista Care Home radio show.

But can Barry and Asif hold it together in the cupboard next to the vending machine, and make the kind of radio magic which will propel Asif all the way to a photocopying placement with Chris Evans?

The first in a series of comedies developed with the Comedians Theatre Company.

Written by Dave Frolez

Produced and Directed by Jonquil Panting.

SAT 13:00 Maya Angelou: Singin' and Swingin' and Gettin' Merry Like Christmas (Omnibus) (b0bm6mnl)

Single mother Maya loves music. She meets and marries former sailor Tosh in the record shop where she works, though troubled waters lay ahead.

Maya's Angelou's third volume of vivid memoirs set in the early 1950s

Dramatised by Winsome Pimnock

NARRATOR - Older Maya Adjoa Andoh

MAYA Pippa Bennett-Warner

TOSH Jamie Demetriou

VIVIAN BAXTER Ellen Thomas

CLYDE Tumo Reetsang

PREACHER Steve Toussaint

Director: Pauline Harris

First broadcast in five parts on BBC Radio 4 in October 2018.

SAT 14:10 Inheritance Tracks (b0bm6mnn)

Kiki Dee

Singer Kiki Dee chooses 'Some Of Your Lovin' by Dusty Springfield and 'Calling All Angels', performed by Jane Siberry.

SAT 14:15 With Great Pleasure (b00773mw)

Lynne Truss

Lynne Truss harks back to 1974, a time when she worked in a library, lived for literature, and proudly wrote "irony" in the margins of her books.

The writer's nostalgic selection ranges from Dickens and HG Wells, to less familiar names like Betty MacDonald and poet Vernon Scannell, with some heartfelt lyrics from Joni Mitchell's Blue.

Actors Helen Atkinson Wood, Philip Franks and Peter Marinker join Lynne at the Drill Hall, in London, to perform the extracts.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2007.

SAT 14:45 Stewart Permutt - Singular Women (b007558j)

Stella

Miriam Margolyes plays a proud manageress of an unchanging

chocolate shop in a changing world. Bittersweet comedy from 1997.

SAT 15:00 Archive on 4 (b04kzz6g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

SAT 16:00 Saturday Drama (b00g3ycd)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SAT 17:30 Our Language in Your Hands (b01p3hvv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

SAT 18:00 Doctor Who (b06j6wry)

The Entropy Composition

A Prog Rock symphony rediscovered in the vaults can be catastrophic for the entire cosmos.

Peter Davison is the Fifth Doctor with his companion Nyssa played by Sarah Sutton.

This episode is one of four generated by Big Finish

Productions' 2010 'Opportunity for New Writers' contest, which attracted around 1200 entries.

Peter Davison played the Fifth Doctor on BBC TV from 1981 to 1984.

Sarah Sutton played Nyssa between 1981 and 1983. She was first seen on 'The Keeper of Traken' - Traken being Nyssa's home planet, when she starred with the Fourth Doctor (Tom Baker)

Written by Rick Briggs.

Original music composed by Richard Fox and Lauren Yason.

Directed by Ken Bentley

Producer: David Richardson

A Big Finish production.

SAT 18:25 Fear on 4 (b007jgqr)

Tapping

Something happened to Tom when he was six - something he's never been able to forget.

Every night when he tries to sleep, it starts.

Now, after nine years of marriage, Tom finally steals himself to tell his wife Janey about the tapping...

Fear on 4 brings you more in a series of nerve-tinglers.

Stars Siobhan Redmond as Janey, Mark Bonner as Tom and Alison Pettitt as the Girl.

Written by Colin Haydn Evans.

Director: David Blount

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1997.

SAT 18:50 Will Self - Irreversible (b007595q)

A man walks into an isolated pub, sporting a peculiar jacket.

What could he be hiding? Written and read by Will Self. From June 1998.

SAT 19:00 Paul O'Grady Stands Up for Liverpool (b01n1102)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SAT 22:00 Old Harry's Game (b00cbp7)

Series 5

The Crusade

Satan starts a quest to improve mankind by infiltrating the world's great religions. Devilish comedy stars Andy Hamilton. From September 2005.

SAT 22:30 The Richest Man in Britain (b00p6v3r)

The Meltdown

Sitcom by Nick Hornby and Giles Smith about an ageing rock star and his search for fulfilment.

Trillionaire rocker Dave Mabbutt buys some last-minute holiday Euros and promptly brings down the entire international monetary system.

Dave Mabbutt Mark Williams

Dom Russell Tovey.

SAT 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b0bnkhbs)

Angela Barnes 2/2

From 10pm to midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Arthur Smith chats again to Angela Barnes about comedian Linda Smith.

SAT 23:00 The Lawrence Sweeney Mix (b008xf49)

Series 2

Episode 3

Invention as it happens. Josie Lawrence and Jim Sweeney's improvised sketches driven by the audience. From February 2008.

SAT 23:30 Mark Watson's Live Address to the Nation (b016x241)

Faith

Mark Watson continues his quest to improve the world, nimbly assisted by Tim Key and Tom Basden.

As broadcast live in November 2011 - Mark invites the audience join in via tweets and messages to work out how we can all make the world a better place.

Mark asks the big questions that are crucial to our understanding of ourselves and society - in a dynamic and thought provoking new format he opens the floor to the live audience and asks them to jump into the conversation via tweets and messages to work out how we can all make the world a better place.

This week Mark looks at "Faith" - What is faith? One of the most used, and feared, words of modern times. Yet these days, it's often used derisively about religious beliefs and so on. We look at odd things done in the name of 'faith', versus the obvious merits of having faith (belief that England will eventually win World Cup, ability to ride out difficult marriages). Should we be more credulous and believe people like estate agents? Or LESS credulous and destroy our TV sets altogether in case we accidentally absorb lies?

Mark Watson is a multi-award winning comedian, including the inaugural If.Comedy Panel Prize 2006. He is assisted by Tim

Key, winner of Edinburgh Comedy Awards 2009 and Tom Basden who won the If.Comedy Award for Best Newcomer 2007.

Produced by Lianne Coop.

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SUN 06:00 Maggie Allen - Not Me, But Us (Omnibus) (b0bm9b8z)

1876-1894

By 1876, Sophia finally has a medical degree and sets up her own practice, but the challenges ahead lead her to question her very calling...

Omnibus of the last five episodes of Maggie Allen's ten-part dramatisation of the life the medical pioneer who campaigned for women's right to education in the late 19th century.

Starring Julia Watson as Sophia Jex-Blake; Tina Gray as Mrs Jex-Blake; Christopher Scott as Mr Norton; Joanna Monro as Ursula Du Pre; Isabel Thorne as Sara Coward; Susan Jeffrey as Edith Pechey; Gavin Muir as Henry Littlejohn; Tracy Wiles as Elsie Inglis; Teresa Gallagher as Ina Cadell; Hilary MacLean as Jessie MacGregor; Bob Docherty as John Inglis; Jenny Lee as Miss Gosse; and Jamie Ballard as Dr Milne.

Director: Sue Wilson.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2001.

SUN 07:15 Marian O'Neill - The Fishing Trip (b0076mbb)

4 Extra Debut. Jack wakes early on a perfect day for fishing. He's finally tall enough but is he sufficiently grown up? Read by Owen Roe. From November 2002.

SUN 07:30 Bad Salsa (b048jj9b)

Series 1

A New Perspective

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. In 'Bad Salsa', 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. 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.

SUN 08:00 Meet the Huggets (b00nhq58)

Loser Pays

Joe and Fred's attempt to teach their wives a lesson backfires. Stars Jack Warner as Joe, Kathleen Harrison as Ethel, George Howell as Bobby, Marion Collins as Jane, Charles Leno as Fred Stebbings, Molly Lumley as Clara and Kenneth Connor as the Insurance Salesman.

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

Scripted by Eddie Maguire.

Producer: Jacques Brown

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in September 1957.

SUN 08:30 Take It From Here (b01cv9v2)

From 30/04/1958

Flavours of Italy are on the menu, while Eth's claiming Ron is a daddy's boy in 'The Glums'.

Starring Professor Jimmy Edwards, Dick Bentley and June Whitfield.
 Music from Wallace Eaton and the Keynotes and the BBC Revue Orchestra conducted by Harry Rabinowitz.
 Scripted by Frank Muir and Denis Norden.
 Producer: Charles Maxwell
 First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in April 1958.
SUN 09:00 Erebus (Omnibus) (b0bm9b94)
 Michael Palin reads from his book about the mysterious and tragic voyage of HMS Erebus in 1845:
 A 19th century botanist, Joseph Hooker, and a press conference in Canada in 2014 sharpen the author's interest in the story. Erebus made a successful journey to the Antarctic and was being rigged and loaded for a second expedition to the Northwest Passage. Hopes were high when she finally set off from Greenhithe on the Thames estuary..
 Omnibus of five parts abridged by Penny Leicester
 Producer: Duncan Minshull
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2018.
SUN 10:10 The Listening Project (b04mhd7f)
 Gill and Mari - A Good Team
 Fi Glover introduces a conversation about whether a massage can ever feel too close for comfort, and the ups and downs of a working relationship.
 The Listening Project is a Radio 4 initiative that offers a snapshot of contemporary Britain in which people across the UK volunteer to have a conversation with someone close to them about a subject they've never discussed intimately before. The conversations are being gathered across the UK by teams of producers from local and national radio stations who facilitate each encounter. Every conversation - they're not BBC interviews, and that's an important difference - lasts up to an hour, and is then edited to extract the key moment of connection between the participants. Most of the unedited conversations are being archived by the British Library and used to build up a collection of voices capturing a unique portrait of the UK in the second decade of the millennium. You can learn more about The Listening Project by visiting bbc.co.uk/listeningproject
 Producer: Marya Burgess.
SUN 10:15 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b06gy2s3)
 Fashion
 Mario Testino
 From Sid Vicious to Caetano Veloso, celebrity photographer Mario Testino makes his castaway choices. With Sue Lawley. From October 2005.
SUN 11:00 Radiolab (b0bm9b96)
 Series 4
 Stochasticity
 Radiolab's Jad Abumrad and Robert Krulwich explore stochasticity, a word which means randomness, and the role it plays in our lives.
 From a woman suddenly consumed by a gambling addiction, to a meeting which seems to defy pure chance, and some very noisy bacteria, they consider chance and patterns in sport, lotteries, and the cells in our own body.
 Radiolab is an award winning show about curiosity, where sound illuminates ideas, and the boundaries blur between science, philosophy and the human experience.
 First broadcast on public radio in the USA.
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SUN 14:30 Lisa Owen - Not Working: Omnibus (b07bljq)
 Episode 2
 Claire Flannery has quit her marketing job in order to search for her true vocation. But months have passed and she's no closer to understanding what she wants to do with her life. It doesn't help that Luke, her long-term partner, is passionate about his job, which also happens to be one of the worst in the world... he's training to be a brain surgeon.
 In addition, she's fallen out badly with her mother - who refuses to accept Claire's revelation that her grandfather exposed himself to her with she was little. It hadn't seemed like a big deal to Claire at the time, but her mother's reaction has left her hurt and reeling...
 Lisa Owens's comic debut novel tells the story of a life unravelling in minute and spectacular ways, voicing the questions we've all asked ourselves but never dared to say out loud.
 Read by Emily Bruni
 Omnibus of the last five of ten episodes abridged by Robin Brooks.
 Producer: Kirsteen Cameron.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2016.
SUN 15:45 Rivals in Stone (b0076812)
 Opposite Sides of the Tracks
 London's King's Cross Station was built in 1851-2 and was hailed an important work of engineering.
 15 years later, the Midland Railways Company, desperate to impose itself on London and outdo rival companies, built a new station next door - only bigger, grander and more expensive - St Pancras.

Series in which architectural historian Joe Kerr visits pairs of neighbouring buildings built as responses to the rivalry between their builders.
 Robert Thorne champions St Pancras while Helen Evenden speaks up for King's Cross.
 Producer: Matthew Dodd
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2002.
SUN 16:00 Don Haworth - Challenged (b0075s00)
 Set in a remote part of the Pennines, a widowed mother and her son battle to come to terms with the passage of time when hired worker, Tom arrives.
 Son Harry, who has learning difficulties, is described by his school as 'challenged'. With Tom's encouragement he finds new confidence, but this creates fresh conflict for the trio.
 Don Haworth's atmospheric drama stars Brigit Forsyth as Anne, Paul Copley as Tom and Matthew Booth as Harry.
 Producer: Pauline Harris
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2000.
SUN 17:00 Poetry Extra (b0bm9b98)
 Maadai-Kara
 Poet Daljit Nagra revisits the BBC's radio poetry archive with Maadai-Kara - an ancient epic Siberian poem with an oral tradition.
 Described as an altai poem which involves throat singing - Benjamin Zephaniah goes on a journey to learn more about the epic, and about the great reciters of the poem.
 Producer: Kevin Dawson
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2009.
SUN 17:30 Bad Salsa (b048jj9b)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
SUN 18:00 Eric Pringle - The Last Piano Player (b0075x8c)
 It's the year 2020, and the world of technology rules supreme. One of its successes is the Simon Swain show whose contestants fight for survival in a desperate bid to justify their existence. Meanwhile, in an empty Norfolk seaside resort, a lone piano player - a relic from a lost world - plays to his dead wife in a deserted ballroom. His life is transformed when he is invited on the show.
 Eric Pringle's futuristic drama stars Bernard Cribbins as Jack, Phillip Jackson as Simon, Becky Hindley as Kate and Andrew Wincott as Paul.
 Piano: Stuart Hutchinson
 Director: Cherry Cookson
 First broadcast on BBC Radio in 2000.
SUN 18:45 MR James - Rats (b0bmlv8d)
 "Something is lying in the empty room of the inn - and that 'something' is enough to give young Mr Thomson a fright he never forgets."
 Mystery looms for a student during his stay in Suffolk...
 A classic ghost story by master of the genre, MR James - first published in 1929.
 Read by James Aubrey.
 Producer: Mitch Raper
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1986.
SUN 19:00 Radiolab (b0bm9b96)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
SUN 20:00 Erebus (Omnibus) (b0bm9b94)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
SUN 21:10 The Listening Project (b04mhd7f)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:10 today]
SUN 21:15 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b06gy2s3)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:15 today]
SUN 22:00 Bad Salsa (b048jj9b)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
SUN 22:30 The Mark Steel Lecture (b007r5lk)
 Series 3
 Hannibal
 The radical comedian offers his humorous assessment of the talented military commander. From September 2002.
SUN 23:00 Newsjack (b0blsy0v)
 Series 19
 Episode 4
 BBC Radio 4 Extra's topical sketch show Newsjack with host Angela Barnes. A scrapbook sketch show written entirely by the Great British public.
 Featuring: Angela Barnes, Jon Pointing, Sukh Ojla and Josh Berry
 Script Editors: Tom Coles and Ed Amsden
 Producers: Adnan Ahmed and Hayley Sterling
 A BBC Studios Production.
SUN 23:30 Beauty of Britain (b00njwd9)
 Series 1
 Colour Me Wow
 Comedy by Christopher Douglas and Nicola Sanderson. Beauty Olunga works as a carer for the Featherdown Agency and sees herself as an inspiration to other African girls hoping to achieve their goals in the land of semi-skimmed milk.
 Beauty has a particularly difficult client, but is distracted by her latest business venture. Lynette assures Beauty that 'Colour Me Wow' is no pyramid scheme, while Anil shows a surprising new side to himself.
 Beauty Jocelyn Jee Esien
 Lynette Doon Mackichan
 Sandra Nicola Sanderson
 Sally Felicity Montagu
 Karen Nicola Sanderson
 Mrs Gupte Indira Joshi
 Anil Paul Sharma
 Dr Kavanagh Phyllida Law

Hilary Rachel Atkins
 Clare Doon Mackichan
 Music by The West End Gospel Choir.

MONDAY 08 OCTOBER 2018

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 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Sunday]
MON 00:45 MR James - Rats (b0bmlv8d)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:45 on Sunday]
MON 01:00 Maggie Allen - Not Me, But Us (Omnibus) (b0bm9b8z)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Sunday]
MON 02:15 Marian O'Neill - The Fishing Trip (b0076bmb)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:15 on Sunday]
MON 02:30 Lisa Owen - Not Working: Omnibus (b07bljq)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Sunday]
MON 03:45 Rivals in Stone (b0076812)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 15:45 on Sunday]
MON 04:00 Don Haworth - Challenged (b0075s00)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Sunday]
MON 05:00 Poetry Extra (b0bm9b98)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 17:00 on Sunday]
MON 05:30 Bad Salsa (b048jj9b)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Sunday]
MON 06:00 Robert Barr - Detective (b0bm9kb6)
 Series 4
 A Bit of Forensic
 Caught out when forensic evidence is found in a getaway car, will a villain opt to shop the other gang members?
 Stories of crime and detection in London by Robert Barr. Starring Ray Brooks as long-serving, ducking-and-diving Detective Sergeant Dave Brook with his partner, Detective Constable Tully played by Stephen Garlick.
 With Peter Cleall as DS Harrison, Stephen Yardley as Chief Inspector Roach, Mike Grady as Eddie Dean, Ian Brimble as Keller, Jenny Funnell as the Lab Assistant, Peter Acre as Steve Gray, Helena Breck as Mrs Pearce and Brian Smith as DC Knowles.
 Writer Robert Barr is best remembered for his work on BBC TV's crime serials 'Z-Cars' and 'Softly Softly'.
 Producer: Martin Fisher
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in 1985.
MON 06:30 The Lake (b00gs3ks)
 An evocative sound portrait of Britain's largest lake, Lough Neagh in Northern Ireland. With a shoreline measuring over 70 miles long, this vast stretch of water is more like a sea than a lake. Recordings made above and below the waves reveal a moody, stormy, wild and even dangerous place where legends of a buried town, a horse god and three sisters emerge from the shallows, while smoke-like plumes and huge flocks of birds rise from the surface as the seasons unfold.
MON 07:00 Flying the Flag (b007jx9v)
 Series 1
 Spy Story
 Why does the bear suck his paw in winter? And what does the answer have to do with the First Secretary's dinner suit?
 The British Ambassador and his team plan their campaign for a diplomatic dinner.
 Alex Shearer's Eastern bloc embassy sitcom.
 Starring Dinsdale Landen as HM Ambassador Mackenzie, Peter Acre as William Frost, Moir Leslie as Helen Waterson, Stephen Greif as the United States Ambassador, Susie Brann as Mrs Newton and Peter Howell as George Sommers.
 Producer: Pete Atkin
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1987.
MON 07:30 The Museum of Curiosity (b0bnghrv)
 Series 13
 Episode 1
 Professor of Ignorance John Lloyd and his brand new curator Lee Mack welcome comedian and writer Lucy Beaumont; scientist, writer and storyteller Dr Kat Arney; and multi-award-winning poet Benjamin Zephaniah.
 This week, the Museum's Guest Committee find out how jumping genes took the world by surprise, peep through the smallest window in the world and practise the ancient art of Tai Chi.
 The show was researched by Mike Turner and Emily Jupitus of QI.
 The Producers were Richard Turner and Anne Miller.
 A BBC Studios Production.
MON 08:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007w3y4)
 The Emigrant
 Hancock is keen to emigrate, but is met with refusals from other countries including Australia and Canada. Can Sid help him to leave Britain?
 Stars Tony Hancock. With Sidney James, Bill Kerr, Hattie Jacques and Kenneth Williams.
 Written by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.
 Theme and incidental music written by Wally Stott.
 Producer: Denis Main Wilson
 First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in February 1957.
MON 08:30 It Sticks Out Half a Mile (b007jqc5)
 Hidden Treasure
 Pike and Hodges call in a clairvoyant to help them locate the rumoured booty hidden somewhere on the pier in Frambourne-on-Sea.
 A seaside saga of pier perpetuation starring John Le Mesurier as

concept both relate to the Afro-American's desire for self-determination and nationhood' wrote the African American philosopher Larry Neale in 1968. '...a main tenet of Black Power is the necessity for Black people to define the world in their own terms. The Black artist will make the same point in the context of aesthetics.'

The quest for freedom had both a musical and political resonance. Musicians opened up new and unexplored worlds of musical possibility. Players like Ornette Coleman and Archie Shepp pioneered the 'New Thing' - an avant-garde in jazz, pushing the limits of harmony and rhythm. Music was explicitly pressed into political service: The Black Panther Party even produced its own album of underground anthems 'Seize the Time' and Black music as a whole became far more vocal in its opposition to white mainstream society. Poet-musicians like Gill Scott Heron and the Last Poets delivered stinging attacks on the political failure of Civil Rights and the reality of the black experience in cities across America. Meanwhile Africa became as a powerful symbol for a younger generation of black American artists, a source of political identification, spiritual sustenance and often exotic, musical inspiration.

Black Power transformed the way musicians negotiated control and ownership of their own music. The club and bar circuit gave way to performances in galleries, lofts, community halls and public spaces. The Association for the Advancement of Creative Musicians was inaugurated in Chicago (and still thrives today) and other collectives followed. Radical independent labels flourished with very limited vinyl release. Many of these records, infused with the Black Power ethos, are extremely rare, and are featured throughout the series.

Contributors include: Ornette Coleman, Archie Shepp, founder of the Black Arts Movement Amiri Baraka, Black Arts poet Sonia Sanchez, jazz flautist Lloyd McNeil, Abiodun Oyewole of the Last Poets, Gill Scott Heron's co-writer Brian Jackson, hip-hop artist Talib Kweli and former Black Panther leader and songwriter Elaine Brown.

Presenter: Erykah Badu

Producer: Simon Hollis

A Brook Lapping Production for BBC Radio 4.

TUE 07:00 Second Thoughts (b00fnfv)

Series 2

Maybe, Baby

Broody Faith fancies starting a second family - but does Bill? Sitcom about the battles of divorcees Bill MacGregor and Faith Greyshot trying to forge a relationship whilst balancing the demands of his ex-wife, Liza and her teenage children, Hannah and Joe.

Stars Lynda Bellingham as Faith, James Bolam as Bill, Kelda Holmes as Hannah, Norman Bird as Mr Burrows and Deborah Rowbottom as the Police Officer.

Series two of four inspired by the real lives of its writers, husband and wife Jan Etherington 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: Sioned Wiliam

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1989.

TUE 07:30 Thanks a Lot, Milton Jones! (b03yqcws)

Series 1

Books and Bookability

Mention Milton Jones to most people and the first thing they think is 'Help!'.

King of the one-liners, Milton Jones returns BBC to Radio 4 for an amazing 10th series in a new format where he has decided to set himself up as a man who can help anyone anywhere - whether they need it or not. Because, in his own words, "No problem too problemy".

But each week, Milton and his trusty assistant Anton set out to help people and soon find they're embroiled in a new adventure. So when you're close to the edge, then Milton can give you a push.

This week, Milton Jones is asked to help out with the local book festival because the townsfolk are too distracted by their smartphones to.... Sorry, what was I saying? Sorry, just got a text.

Written by Milton with James Cary ("Bluestone 42", "Miranda") and Dan Evans (who co-wrote Milton's Channel 4 show "House Of Rooms") the man they call "Britain's funniest Milton," returns to the radio with a fully-working cast and a shipload of new jokes.

The cast includes regulars Tom Goodman-Hill ("Spamalot", "Mr. Selfridge") as the ever-faithful Anton, and Dan Tetsell ("Newsjack"), and features the one and only Josie Lawrence working with Milton for the first time.

Producer David Tyler's radio credits include Armando Iannucci's Charm Offensive, Cabin Pressure, Bigpedia, Another Case Of Milton Jones, Jeremy Hardy Speaks To The Nation, The Brig Society, Giles Wemmbley Hogg Goes Off, The 99p Challenge, The Castle, The 3rd Degree and even, going back a bit, Radio Active.

Produced and Directed by David Tyler

A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4.

TUE 08:00 The Small, Intricate Life of Gerald C Potter (b0081171)

Series 2

The Holiday

Author Gerald and his wife Diana struggle to get on a getaway.

The convoluted chronicle of an optimistic author starring Ian Carmichael as Gerald C Potter and Charlotte Mitchell as his wife.

Written by Basil Boothroyd.

Producer: Bobby Jaye

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1977.

TUE 08:30 The Men From the Ministry (b018jpp3)

Pardon My French

Battling to get the rest of Europe playing cricket - the bungling bureaucrats are on a sticky wicket.

The first of 14 shows not kept in the archive and re-recorded in 1980 - previously never broadcast in the UK, until the arrival of BBC Radio 4 Extra.

'The Men from the Ministry' ran for 14 series between 1962 and 1977.

Stars Richard Murdoch and Deryck Guyler (who replaced Wilfrid Hyde-White from 1966).

With Norma Ronald, Ronald Baddiley and John Graham.

Written by Edward Taylor and John Graham.

Producer: Edward Taylor

Re-recording of 'French Cricket' made in April 1980.

TUE 09:00 News Quiz Extra (b0bm9p81)

[Repeat of broadcast at 23:00 on Monday]

TUE 09:45 Hearing With Hegley (b03sb6t8)

[Repeat of broadcast at 23:45 on Monday]

TUE 10:00 Howard Spring - Fame Is the Spur (b0121lh9)

Thrown to the Wolves

As John starts work, he studies, preaches and keeps fit - preparing to change the world.

Ian McKellen stars in the story of John Hamer Shawcross - set against the wider current of events in England in the early 19th century.

Howard Spring's novel freely adapted for radio in 8 episodes by Ken Whitmore.

With Gary Carp as John as a boy, George Hagan as Charles Artingstall, Romy Baskerville as Polly Burnsall, Graham Tennant as Hawley, Elizabeth Kelly as Lillian Artingstall, Lesly Nicol as Hilda, Andrew Jackson as Arnold Ryerson, Vida Paterson as Pen Muff, Ian Flintoff as Gordon Stansfield,

Rosalie Williams as Ellen, Randal Herley as Richardson and Jimmy Bradock as Ezra Crompton.

Director: Trevor Hill

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1979.

TUE 11:00 Ian Rankin - Beggars Banquet (b00mw69h)

The Hanged Man

The sinister workings of a serial killer's mind are exposed when a fair arrives in Kirkcaldy. Read by Steven McNicoll.

TUE 11:15 Afternoon Drama (b03h3ybp)

Lavinia Greenlaw - The Icelandic Journals

At the height of his fame, William Morris left his wife Janey and mentor Rossetti to their affair and headed for Iceland, as ever in pursuit of an answer to the question: how to live? While travelling this starkly dramatic landscape, he kept a journal for his confidante Georgie, the wife of his friend Edward Burne-Jones. The journals are Morris at his best: visually attentive, relishing wonders and noting every good dinner as well as every shift of light and mood. He also writes about what he doesn't know he's feeling: what it means to go away and come back, to be apart and alone. Setting the journals in this context, Lavinia Greenlaw has drawn on the letters and journals of Morris's circle to reimagine the events of that summer.

The music is Debussy's String Quartet in G Minor performed by the Alban Berg Quartet.

Production Coordinator: Eleri McAuliffe

Sound: Nigel Lewis

A BBC/Cymru Wales production, written and directed by Lavinia Greenlaw and produced by Kate McAll.

TUE 12:00 The Small, Intricate Life of Gerald C Potter (b0081171)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

TUE 12:30 The Men From the Ministry (b018jpp3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

TUE 13:00 Robert Barr - Detective (b0bm9tkd)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

TUE 13:30 Black Is a Country (b018xwcn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

TUE 14:00 Karl Ove Knausgaard - A Death in the Family (b0bn0ygx)

Episode 2

A Death in the Family is the first book in the six volume cycle of autobiographical novels, My Struggle. Karl Ove Knausgaard's memoir has been described, in many countries, as a masterpiece.

With searing honesty, and an unflinching gaze turned upon himself and those around him, he writes about his teenage years in Norway. Later, he looks back on the writing of this book, the changes in his life and his second marriage to Linda, and the arrival of their children. Becoming a father prompts further reflections on family life and his relationship with his own father.

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Produced by Jill Waters

A Waters Company production for BBC Radio 4.

TUE 14:15 The Making of Music (b007s1bt)

Series 1

Weber and German Romanticism

James Naughtie presents a series chronicling the historical influences that affected the course of classical music.

27/30. Weber and German Romanticism

Carl Maria Von Weber gave audiences what they wanted - storms and disasters, wild beasts and blood. Although German unification was a generation away, by drawing on folk tales,

Weber wanted to create a German sensibility.

Read by Simon Russell Beale and Benedict Cumberbatch.

TUE 14:30 15 Minute Drama (b06trd1x)

Toni Morrison - Beloved

Episode 2

By Toni Morrison

Adapted by Patricia Cumper

Toni Morrison's seminal 1987 novel about a haunted house in the era that followed the abolition of slavery in the United States is adapted for radio for the first time. Toni Morrison's masterpiece melds horror and poetry as it tells the story of Sethe, a woman who escaped slavery by crossing the Ohio river,

but who, eighteen years later, is still not free.

124 Bluestone Road, the house Sethe has lived in with her daughter Denver since she escaped slavery, has long been haunted by a baby ghost. For years, both mother and daughter have tried to discover what it wants.

Cast:

Original music by Jon Nicholls

Sound design by Caleb Knightley

Director: Sasha Yevtushenko

TUE 14:45 Book of the Week (b03h2rdl)

Martin Sandler - The Letters of John F Kennedy

Episode 2

Letters to and from President Kennedy are published in book form and edited by Martin W Sandler to mark fifty years since the assassination of 1963. And a selection, abridged in five episodes by Penny Leicester, reveal the drama and tensions to do with American foreign policy. Other letters reveal Kennedy's wit and warmth when contacting friends and members of the public:

2. At the time of his inauguration Kennedy was lauded by a famous poet. Afterwards he wrote about the threat of communism and America's youth abroad. He also wished somebody a very happy birthday.

Readers Colin Stinton, Richard Laing, Peter Marinker, Trevor White and Stephen Greif.

Producer Duncan Minsball.

TUE 15:00 Howard Spring - Fame Is the Spur (b0121lh9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

TUE 16:00 Dilemma (b01rgj1n)

Series 2

Episode 6

Sue Perkins puts Miles Jupp, Isa Guha, Annie Nightingale and Sarah Kendall through the moral and ethical wringer.

Amongst the dilemmas facing the panel, Sue asks BBC Radio 1 DJ Annie whether she'd sell embarrassing recordings of media mogul, Rupert Murdoch.

Devised by Danielle Ward.

Producer: Ed Morrish.

TUE 16:30 Ballylenon (b0080skq)

Series 5

Ballylenon

The Americans are desperate to identify the owner of the Hoover cottage.

Series set in the sleepy town of Ballylenon, Co Donegal in 1956. Written by Christopher Fitz-Simon.

Starring TP McKenna as Phonsie Doherty, Margaret D'Arcy as Muriel McConkey, Stella McCusker as Vera McConkey, Aine McCartney as Mrs McFinney, Gerard Murphy as the Reverend Hawthorne, Charlie Bonnar as Packy McGoldrick and Gerard McSorley as Stumpy Bonnar.

Music arranged and performed by Stephanie Hughes.

Director: Eoin O'Callaghan

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1998.

TUE 17:00 Second Thoughts (b00fnfv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

TUE 17:30 Thanks a Lot, Milton Jones! (b03yqcws)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

TUE 18:00 Ursula K Le Guin - Earthsea (b05s8qzd)

Series 1

Lookfar

Ursula K Le Guin's enduring fantasy saga set on the magical archipelago rich with wizards and dragons.

Based on the novels A Wizard of Earthsea and The Tombs of Atuan by Ursula Le Guin. Adapted by Judith Adams.

At Roke School, Ged released a terrible shadow into the world when he recklessly cast a spell for summoning the dead. It nearly cost him his life then and now it hunts him wherever he goes. He must make a choice: keep running or turn around and become hunter himself.

Ged James McArdle

Tenar Aysla Kala

Ogion Paul Hilton

Vetch Will Howard

Dragon Jessica Turner

Pechvarry Mark Edel-Hunt

Ship's Master Sam Dale

crime-writer and columnist Maxim Jakubowski.

1: Detective Inspector Jimmy Perez interviews a Scottish spinster with a buried secret. Read by Sheila Reid.

WED 11:15 Pete Lawson - The Deep End (b007jyz3)
Leni makes a surprising discovery at a public swimming pool. Moving drama about the loss of a baby. Stars Michelle Holmes. From December 1999.

WED 12:00 The Navy Lark (b01jlmzj)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

WED 12:30 Beyond Our Ken (b0bmbbrp)
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Episode 3
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Series 1
Virtuosi
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Paul D's arrival at 124 Bluestone Road had the effect of ridding the house of the ghost that had haunted it for years. But he's about to discover that any sense of victory he might have, will be short-lived.
Original music by Jon Nicholls
Sound design by Caleb Knightley
Director: Sasha Yevtushenko.

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3. In the early 60's Kennedy is starkly reminded of events in Vietnam. He also jokes with a friend about the worth of his signature - and how to make more out of it!
Readers Colin Stinton, Richard Laing, Trevor White and Stephen Greif.
Producer Duncan Minshull.

WED 15:00 Howard Spring - Fame Is the Spur (b0122k4h)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

WED 16:00 The Unbelievable Truth (b042jcxg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

WED 16:30 The Secret Life of Rosewood Avenue (b007jx7h)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

WED 17:00 Like They've Never Been Gone (b00bt51z)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

WED 17:30 Rob Newman (b0bjlwt)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

WED 18:00 Ursula K Le Guin - Earthsea (b05s8wrp)
Series 1

The Ring
Ursula K Le Guin's enduring fantasy saga set on the magical archipelago rich with wizards and dragons.
Based on the novel The Tombs of Atuan by Ursula Le Guin. Adapted by Judith Adams.
When Tenar is chosen as high priestess to the ancient and nameless Powers of the Earth, everything is taken from her - home, family, even her name. She is now known only as Arha, the Eaten One, and guards the shadowy, labyrinthine Tombs of Atuan. Then Ged comes to steal the Tombs' greatest hidden treasure, the Ring of Erreth-Akbe. Tenar's duty is to protect the Ring, but Ged possesses the light of magic and tales of a world that Tenar has never known. Will she risk everything to escape from the darkness that has become her domain?
Ged James McArthur
Tenar Susha Kala
Manan Zubin Varla
Kossil Souad Faress
Willow Jessica Turner
Penthe Ayesha Antoine
Original music by Jon Nicholls
Directed by Sasha Yevtushenko.

WED 18:30 How Ticked Am I? (b007k4r1)
Series 2
Al Read
Mark Radcliffe profiles the Salford sausage-maker who became one of BBC radio's most popular comedians, Al Read.
Series exploring some of the North's best-loved and most influential comedians.
Producer: Libby Cross
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2000.

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WED 21:00 OxCrimes (b052n4df)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

WED 21:15 Pete Lawson - The Deep End (b007jyz3)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]

WED 22:00 Rob Newman (b0bjlwt)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

WED 22:30 The Sofa of Time (b00hqxnm)
And the Hackett March on...
The magical quest is helped by a tiny gold samurai who points.
Stars Mark Heap, Nick Frost and Kevin Eldon. From November 2002.

WED 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b0bnkk5k)
Ahir Shah 1/2
From 10pm to midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Jon Holmes chats to Ahir Shah.

WED 23:00 The In Crowd (b0085j15)
Series 4
Episode 2
A tricky restaurant customer and a confused football manager. Manchester sketch show with Kate Ward and Robin Ince. From June 2004.

WED 23:30 Delve Special (b007jmq1)
Series 3
City Limits
David Lander probes shady shenanigans in London's Square Mile. Stars Stephen Fry and Harry Enfield. From September 1986.

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THU 01:30 Black Is a Country (b0196tcy)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Wednesday]

THU 02:00 Karl Ove Knausgaard - A Death in the Family (b0bn12sc)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Wednesday]

THU 02:15 The Making of Music (b007s1vj)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Wednesday]

THU 02:30 15 Minute Drama (b06ts3xw)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Wednesday]

THU 02:45 Book of the Week (b03h310p)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:45 on Wednesday]

THU 03:00 Howard Spring - Fame Is the Spur (b0122k4h)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Wednesday]

THU 04:00 The Unbelievable Truth (b042jcxg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Wednesday]

THU 04:30 The Secret Life of Rosewood Avenue (b007jx7h)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Wednesday]

THU 05:00 Like They've Never Been Gone (b00bt51z)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Wednesday]

THU 05:30 Rob Newman (b0bjlwt)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Wednesday]

THU 06:00 Agatha Christie - Ordeal by Innocence

(b03y0l8y)

Episode 1
Doctor Calgary comes to visit the Argyle family with good news. He tells the family he is there to clear the name of Jacko, who was convicted of the murder of his mother. But his information is not greeted with the enthusiasm he expects.
Along with Crooked House, Ordeal by Innocence was Agatha Christie's favourite of her own works. It is easy to see why. Eschewing the traditional detective format, it takes an original idea - how the innocent suffer more than the guilty when a crime goes unsolved - and explores it to the full within a family where everyone has a motive and means to have done it.

THU 06:30 Talking about Lionel (b00fr715)
Eddie Mair tells the story of composer Lionel Bart, creator of Britain's most successful post-war musical, Oliver!
From the height of his dazzling fame in the 1960s, Bart endured a series of flops, leading to eventual bankruptcy, and he suffered serious health problems, including long battles with alcoholism and depression. He died aged 69 in 1999.
Eddie tells the story of this sensitive and troubled artist with the help of those who knew him intimately, including Tim Rice, Cameron Mackintosh, Miriam Karlin and Barbara Windsor.
Producers: Jo Coombs and Stewart Henderson
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2008.

THU 07:00 Making the Best of It (b03vh0cb)
Eking It
After losing his job in Urban Planning, Matt's been eking out the last of his money.
Luckyly for him, his ex-partner has a stable job and is still fond of him. Possibly.
Second in a series of comedies developed with the Comedians Theatre Company.
Written by Alan Francis and Richard Turner
Produced and Directed by Jonquil Panting.

THU 07:30 Reluctant Persuaders (b0bnqnq)
Series 3
Ideas for Life
Welcome back to Hardacre's, the worst advertising agency in London, as Edward Rowett's award-winning sitcom returns for a third series.
The second series ended in euphoria, as Hardacre's secured their biggest ever account - the Cosmos X10 smartphone. Now there's a reality check, as the team realise how woefully ill-equipped they are to handle a client of this magnitude.
Accounts manager Amanda Barnes (Josie Lawrence) immediately sets to work hiring new staff, while agency chief and creative director Rupert Hardacre (Nigel Havers) heads into Soho to secure new and grander premises.
Meanwhile on the creative side, copywriter Joe Starling (Mathew Baynton) begins to doubt his ability to deliver work for an account this size, despite reassurance from his art director and best friend Teddy Beech (Rasmus Hardiker), leading Joe to take drastic action.

Cast:
Nigel Havers- Hardacre
Mathew Baynton- Joe
Josie Lawrence- Amanda
Rasmus Hardiker- Teddy
Holly Morgan- Singer/Waitress
Andrew Nolan- Irish Barrista
An Absolutely production for BBC Radio 4.

THU 08:00 Yes Minister (b007k0fx)
Series 2
The Skeleton in the Cupboard
Jim Hacker gets the better of Sir Humphrey over a crisis in Derbyshire.
Starring Paul Eddington as Jim Hacker, Nigel Hawthorne as Sir Humphrey Appleby, Derek Fowldes as Bernard and Ian Lavender as Dr Cartwright.
Anthony Jay and Jonathan Lynn's satirical sitcom ran on BBC TV between 1980 and 1984. Yes Minister is centred around the hapless Jim Hacker and a collection of civil service underlings headed by the Machiavellian Sir Humphrey Appleby and obsequious Bernard.
Adapted for radio by producer Pete Atkin.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1984.

THU 08:30 The Goon Show (b00b5pg1)
The Mysterious Punch-up-the-Conker
Spike Milligan, Peter Sellers and Harry Secombe star in a thrilling pursuit of a mysterious nose assailant! From February 1957.

THU 09:00 Puzzle Panel (b00x7l5s)
Episode 1
Agitate your grey matter with Chris Maslanka, David Singmaster, William Harston and Professor Angela Newing.
From June 1998.

THU 09:30 Rent (b04dy2z)
Series 1
Episode 4
It's party-time for students Paul and Ruby, but posh hote-time for Maria and Richard - and never the two shall meet, or shall they...?
Stars Barbara Flynn as Maria, Patrick Barlow as Richard, Diane Louise-Jordan as Ruby, Toby Longworth as Paul and Linda Polan as Amy.
Producer: Liz Anstee.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1993.

THU 10:00 Howard Spring - Fame Is the Spur (b0122k4h)
Lovers and Losers

Meanwhile, the free range children plan revenge on Victor... Conclusion of series one of Annie McCartney's sitcom. Starring Frances Tomelty as Sally, Ali White as Saffron, Marcella Riordan as Clare, Robert Patterson as Tony, Roma Tomelty as Miss Black, Katy Gleadhill as Evie, Gerard Murphy as Fintan, Alan McKee as Victor, Bethan Lloyd as Anna, Patrick Gleadhill as Simon, Emily Walmsley as Layla, Joel McElnay as Ben, Alfie Lloyd as Sam and Gerard McSorley as Trevor. Director: Tanya Nash
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2001.
FRI 07:30 A Charles Paris Mystery (b0bngls6)
A Decent Interval
Episode 3
by Jeremy Front
based on Simon Brett's novel
Directed by Sally Avens
Charles has eventually got a job in Hamlet but within a week the reality star playing Hamlet has been hospitalized and the one playing Ophelia found dead.
Charles may not have been a fan of their acting abilities but he doesn't want the show to close and he suspects foul play, but who would want to kill them?
FRI 08:00 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b007jskn)
Series 8
Episode 10
The Radio Prune team hand out their gongs - and get saved by the bell.
Starring Tim Brooke-Taylor, John Cleese, Graeme Garden, David Hatch, Jo Kendall and Bill Oddie.
Sketches written by Graeme Garden and Bill Oddie.
Originating from the Cambridge University Footlights revue 'Cambridge Circus', ISIRTA ran for 8 years on BBC Radio and quickly developed a cult following.
Music and songs by Graeme Garden, Bill Oddie, Liam Cohen and Dave Lee.
Producer: David Hatch/Peter Titheradge
First broadcast on the BBC Radio 2 in April 1970.
FRI 08:30 Doctor in the House (b007lmys)
Money Troubles
With their microscopes in at the pawn broker, the young medics need some cash in a hurry.
The misadventures of student doctor Simon Sparrow - adapted for radio by Ray Cooney from Richard Gordon's novel 'Doctor in the House' published in 1952.
Starring Richard Briers as Simon Sparrow, Geoffrey Sumner as Sir Lancelot Spratt, Ray Cooney as Tony Benskin, Edward Cast as Taffy Evans, Joan Young as Lady Spratt and David Jason as the Waiter.
Producer: David Hatch
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1968.
FRI 09:00 The Personality Test (b007sq67)
Series 3
Andrew Neil
Broadcaster and former Sunday Times Editor Andrew Neil is in the hot seat posing questions all about him.
On the panel: comedians Sue Perkins, Caroline Quinlan, Robin Ince and Will Smith.
Comedy quiz presented by a new guest host every week. All the questions are about the host.
Script by Simon Littlefield and Kieron Quirke.
Devised and produced by Aled Evans.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2007.
FRI 09:30 Smelling of Roses (b007jzcd)
Series 1
Wise After the Event
The lives of Rosie and her granddaughter Jo are shaken by the return to Rosie's daughter Kate after a long spell working abroad.
Prunella Scales in the first of four series of Simon Brett's sitcom following the trials and tribulations of Rosie Burns and her event-management company based in Brighton.
With Arabella Weir as Kate, Rebecca Callard as Jo, Duncan Preston as Bob, Annette Badland as Tess, Michael Fenton Stevens as Mr Blantyre and Stephen Thorne as Mr Joost.
Producer: Maria Esposito
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2000.
FRI 10:00 Howard Spring - Fame Is the Spur (b0121xgr)
Deaths and Entrances
John's political pursuits lead him to Westminster and Welsh valley mines.
Ian McKellen stars in the story of John Hamer Shawcross - set against the wider current of events in England in the early 19th century.
Howard Spring's novel freely adapted for radio in 8 episodes by Ken Whitmore.
With Alan Meadows as Haslett, Geoffrey Wheeler as Tom Hannaway, Herbert Smith as Marsden, Jeffrey Wickham as Lord Lostwithiel of Hereward Castle, Helen Ryan as Lady Lettice Melland, June Barry as Anne Artingstall and Rosalie Crutchley as Lizzie Lightowler.
With Peter Guinness as Harry Liskeard, Andrew Jackson as Arnold, Rosalie Williams as Ellen, Vida Paterson as Pen Muff, Nina Holloway as Nell Richards, Helen Ryan as Lady Lettice Melland, Geoffrey Wheeler as Tom Hannaway, Jeffrey Wickham as Lord Lostwithiel of Hereward Castle, James Tomlinson as Carrickfergus, June Barry as Anne Artingstall, Richard Clay-Jones as Evan Vaughan, John Baldwin as Jimmy Newbould, Rosalie Crutchley as Lizzie Lightowler, Herbert Smith as Marsden and Rory Scase as the Gallery Assistant.

Director: Trevor Hill
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1979.
FRI 11:00 Podcast Radio Hour (b0bmbxgd)
Rowan Slaney: 'Capital' and 'Everything Is Alive'
Made for 4 Extra. Amanda Litherland is joined by Rowan Slaney to recommend two improvised comedy podcasts - 'Capital' and 'Everything Is Alive'.
FRI 12:00 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b007jskn)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
FRI 12:30 Doctor in the House (b007lmys)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
FRI 13:00 Agatha Christie - Ordeal by Innocence (b03yqn0n)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
FRI 13:30 Playing Ping Pong with Henry Miller (b037706h)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
FRI 14:00 Karl Ove Knausgaard - A Death in the Family (b0bn13c6)
Episode 5
A Death in the Family is the first book in the six volume cycle of autobiographical novels, My Struggle. Karl Ove Knausgaard's memoir has been described, in many countries, as a masterpiece.
With searing honesty, and an unflinching gaze turned upon himself and those around him, he writes about his teenage years in Norway. Later, he looks back on the writing of this book, the changes in his life and his second marriage to Linda, and the arrival of their children. Becoming a father prompts further reflections on family life and his relationship with his own father.
Karl Ove Knausgaard was born in December 1968. He published two novels, in 1998 and 2004, which both won prizes in Norway. The six volume series of novels, titled Min Kamp in Norwegian, were published between 2009 and 2011, totalling over 3,500 pages. The sixth and final volume, translated by Don Bartlett, has recently been published in the UK. He lives in Sweden with his wife, the writer Linda Boström Knausgaard, and their four children.
Written by Karl Ove Knausgaard
Translated by Don Bartlett
Read by David Threlfall
Abridged by Isobel Creed and Jill Waters
Produced by Jill Waters
A Waters Company production for BBC Radio 4.
FRI 14:15 The Making of Music (b007s42x)
Series 1
Albertopolis
James Naughtie presents a series chronicling the historical influences that affected the course of classical music.
30/30. Albertopolis
The Royal Albert Hall opened in 1871 and celebrated a Prince Consort who championed both music and culture.
FRI 14:30 15 Minute Drama (b06tvswh)
Toni Morrison - Beloved
Episode 5
By Toni Morrison
Adapted by Patricia Cumper
Toni Morrison's seminal 1987 novel about a haunted house in the era that followed the abolition of slavery in the United States is adapted for radio for the first time. Toni Morrison's masterpiece melds horror and poetry as it tells the story of Sethe, a woman who escaped slavery by crossing the Ohio river, but who, eighteen years later, is still not free.
A young woman calling herself Beloved has arrived and stayed at One Twenty-Four Bluestone Road, and her hold, on each of its residents, has strengthened day by day.
Original music by Jon Nicholls
Sound design by Caleb Knightley
Director: Sasha Yevtushenko.
FRI 14:45 Book of the Week (b03h7grj)
Martin Sandler - The Letters of John F Kennedy
Episode 5
Letters to and from President Kennedy are published in book form and edited by Martin W Sandler to mark fifty years since the assassination of 1963. And a selection, abridged in five episodes by Penny Leicester, reveal the drama and tensions to do with American foreign policy. Other letters reveal Kennedy's wit and warmth when contacting friends and family:
5. Kennedy receives a vivid communique from his advisor JK Galbraith about the practicalities of shelter during nuclear attack. Later he writes to the British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan - words of social nicety and trepidation about the Russians.
Readers Colin Stinton, Richard Laing, Peter Marinker and Trevor White
Producer Duncan Minshull.
FRI 15:00 Howard Spring - Fame Is the Spur (b0121xgr)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
FRI 16:00 The Personality Test (b007sq67)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
FRI 16:30 Smelling of Roses (b007jzcd)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
FRI 17:00 Two Doors Down (b0089m6j)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
FRI 17:30 A Charles Paris Mystery (b0bngls6)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
FRI 18:00 Ursula K Le Guin - Earthsea (b05i3dh9)
Series 1
The Other Earthsea

Ursula Le Guin's enduring fantasy saga set on the magical archipelago rich with wizards and dragons.
Based on the novel The Farthest Shore by Ursula Le Guin. Adapted by Judith Adams.
A strange plague is spreading over Earthsea and the springs of wizardry are drying up. Driven to seek out the source of the trouble, Archmage Ged has embarked on a perilous journey with young prince Arren. Their travels have taken them to a land cursed with a strange soul sickness, as they seek the man behind this darkness.
Ged Shaun Dooley
Tenar Vineeta Rishi
Arren Will Featherstone
Cob Toby Jones
Nilgu Noma Dumezweni
Orm Ember Ayesha Antoine
Original music by Jon Nicholls
Directed by Sasha Yevtushenko.
FRI 18:30 Off the Page (b00766h6)
Siblings
Misha Glennie, Martin Newell and Elizabeth Bond join Chris Bigsby to explore family ties and blood relation.
In each programme, Professor Bigsby introduces a duo of writers of fact and fiction: new talent and established names. In the context of a discussion of one of the ideas and pre-occupations of our times, each presents a piece on this week's topic.
The best new writing and the freshest conversation from 2002.
FRI 19:00 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b007jskn)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
FRI 19:30 Doctor in the House (b007lmys)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
FRI 20:00 Agatha Christie - Ordeal by Innocence (b03yqn0n)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
FRI 20:30 Playing Ping Pong with Henry Miller (b037706h)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
FRI 21:00 Podcast Radio Hour (b0bmbxgd)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
FRI 22:00 Alex Horne Presents The Horne Section (b01dsy7d)
Series 1
Isy Suttie
Comedian Alex Horne is joined by his own 5 piece jazz band for a brand new series of music and comedy. This time they make music on the subject of 'hard water'; shine a spotlight on the troubled life of the double bassist and reveal the haunting sound of the 'ocarina'. The band are joined by guest comedian Isy Suttie who persuades Alex to sing in a duet...
Producer Julia McKenzie.
FRI 22:30 The Nick Revell Show (b007jp51)
Series 1
Episode 3
The writer's mate Craig proves a headache, while Vince the geranium encounters a bee. With Alistair McGowan. From February 1992.
FRI 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b0bp2n30)
Hal Crutenden 1/2
From 10pm to midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Arthur Smith chats to Hal Crutenden.
FRI 23:00 The Mary Whitehouse Experience (b007jmpk)
From 20/01/1990
David Baddiel, Rob Newman and Nick Hancock sum up the experience of school and eating out. With Mark Hurst. From January 1990.
FRI 23:30 King Cutler (b008s3cc)
Episode 2
Phyllis King and Ivor Cutler present offbeat humorous songs, stories and poems. With Craig Murray-Orr. From January 1990.