

## SATURDAY 11 MAY 2019

**SAT 00:00 Charles Chilton - Journey into Space (b007jq7r)**

The Red Planet  
Episode 10  
Captain Jet Morgan and his crew are on Mars, but he's alarmed when more of the fleet appear to arrive...Charles Chilton's 1954 classic set in 1971.Andrew Faulds ..... Jet MorganDavid Klassoff ..... LemmyGuy Kingsley Poynter ..... DocBruce Beedy ..... MitchDavid Jacobs ..... Announcer/VariousAnthony Marriott ..... VariousMusic composed and conducted by Van Phillips.Producer: Charles ChiltonFirst broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in November 1954.

**SAT 00:30 Off the Page (b0076gkq)**

Secrets  
Writers Alice Jolly, Kris Kenway and Duncan Fallowell reveal all on matters undisclosed to Matthew Parris.In each programme, Matthew Parris introduces a group 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 2003.

**SAT 01:00 Castles in Spain (m0004xw1)**

Episode 5  
'Whatever you think it is, bookseller, Terry copied pictures. End of story. Right?'. Will Forrest's death tracking bookseller Grahame Mayer from the business of tracking down Jack Cameron?Conclusion of Edward Boyd's five-part thriller serial.Grahame Mayer ..... Ray BrooksColeman ..... John WestbrookTeresa ..... Alexandra MathieDr Lovat ..... Roy HanlonJoseph Greig ..... CameronProduced at BBC Scotland by Patrick Rayner. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1987.

**SAT 01:30 The Shapes of Things: BB Remembered (b00v71w4)**

Kate Best looks back at the life and work of 'BB' - the pen-name of the writer and illustrator Denys Wakins-Pitchford. Best known for his children's books which include a much-loved classic, The Little Grey Men, BB also wrote prolifically about the countryside, documenting the wildlife which was his lifelong obsession. Kate visits some of his Northamptonshire haunts and talks to those who knew him - and fans including Ian McMillan and Philip Ardagh explain his lasting appeal. With readings by Sir Derek Jacobi.Producer: Thomas Morris

**SAT 02:00 Michael Palin - Hemingway's Chair (b01sf1x0)**

Episode 10  
Martin returns to the post office, seeking Geraldine. Meanwhile, Nick anticipates a big day.Michael Palin concludes this ten-part reading of his first novel.Producer: Rosemary WattsFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1995.

**SAT 02:15 Foreign Bodies (b01mmz8f)**

Series 1  
Italy - Inspector Montalbano  
Andrea Camilleri discusses the influence of both the Spanish writer Montalbán and Belgian author Georges Simenon on the creation of his Sicilian detective Inspector Montalbano.In a conversation recorded at his home in Rome with Mark Lawson, he describes the way he uses his crime stories to comment upon the effects of both the Mafia and Berlusconi's leadership on Italian society today.Producer: Robyn ReadFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2012.

**SAT 02:30 15 Minute Drama (b052t2yy)**

The Embrace  
Episode 5  
As the repercussions of Tabby's betrayal unfold, Iona and Charlie come to understand the price of their love.Linda Marshall Griffiths' unflinching drama about betrayal and the power of money cracks open the impossibilities and difficulties of love.IONA.....LYNDESEY MARSHALCHARLIE.....WILLIAM ASHGRACE.....OLIVIA HALLINANDAN.....BLAKE RITSONTABBY.....OLWEN MAYCLEM.....JONATHAN KEEBLEDirector: Nadia MolinariFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.

**SAT 02:45 Book of the Week (b043kj32)**

Gironimo! Riding the Very Terrible 1914 Tour of Italy  
Episode 5

Nearing the end of his epic cycle ride retracing the route of the 1914 Giro d'Italia, Tim's bike is falling to pieces and his sat-nav directs him onto the most terrifying road yet.It's 12 years since Tim Moore, the ultimate amateur, slogged around the route of the Tour de France. At 48 years old, and distraught by those riders who are despoiling the heroic image of cycling, he decides it's time to reacquaint his feet with cleats and show these soft modern-day cyclists what a real challenge is.A brief internet search later, he discovers the 1914 Giro d'Italia, the hardest bike race in history. Eighty-one riders started and only eight finished, after enduring cataclysmic storms, roads strewn with nails and even the loss of an eye by one competitor.Undeterred, Tim sets off to cycle all 3,200km of it. For authenticity, he decides to do it on a 100-year-old bike, which, unburdened by relevant experience, he opts to build himself. Wearing period leather goggles, a woollen jersey, and with an account of the 1914 Giro as his trusty companion, Tim sets off to tell the story of this historic race, as well as the travails of a middle-aged man cycling up a lot of large mountains on a mainly wooden bicycle.Tim Moore's Gironimo! Riding the Very Terrible 1914 Tour of Italy - abridged in five-parts by Libby SpurrierReader: Stephen ManganProducer: Joanna GreenA Pier production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in 2014.

**SAT 03:00 Jill Paton Walsh - A Piece of Justice (b010vyt7)**

When Fran gets the chance to take over the biography of the great mathematician Gideon Summerfield, she rapidly discovers there's a mystery over a few days he went missing in August 1978.Her friend Imogen is the first to realise she may be in danger...Dramatised by Neville Teller from the novel by Jill Paton Walsh. Imogen Quy ..... Barbara FlynnJanet Somerfield ..... Rosemary Leach Francis Bullion ..... Tracy WilesJosh ..... Robert HarperDr Mistral ..... James GreeneLady Buckmote ..... Marlene SidawaySir William Buckmote ..... Geoffrey WhiteheadProfessor Maverack ..... Colin StarkeyMeredith Bagadeuce ..... Peter Howell(Pamela Zephyr ..... Di BotcherDavid Swann ..... Iwan ThomasDirector: Janet WhitakerFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1998.

**SAT 04:00 Hidden Treasures (b05ndg4y)**

Syon House  
From bronze statues to Lalique.Lars Tharp chairs the light-hearted antiques quiz from the London home of the Duke of Northumberland, Syon House.With John Bly, Philippa Glanville, Jane Hay and Peter Brown.Producers: Elizabeth Abrahams and Annie Bristow.First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1998.

**SAT 04:30 Home Again (m0004xw3)**

The Family Gathering  
As suddenly as he disappeared, Fulton Jones returns to his family - wife Margaret and children Rosie and Martin.He went to the newsagent to buy matches 20 years before and, bold as brass, waltzes back assuming his role as father figure once more.Margaret is perplexed, whilst Rosie and Martin are furious with him.Robin Bailey ..... FultonDoreen Mantle ... MargaretLiz Goulding ... RosieDavid Troughton ... MartinChristopher Benjamin ..... Ernest BlackrockScript writer: Peter TimmiswoodProducer: Griff Rhys Jones First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1980.

**SAT 05:00 Reluctant Persuaders (b06bnq1g)**

Series 1  
We Try Harder  
Change is afoot at Hardacre's, London's worst advertising agency. New accounts chief Amanda Brook is well underway with her plans to turn the agency around, insisting they take any work they can get. Creative team Joe and Teddy thus find themselves reduced to working on posters for industrial adhesives, cast iron stoves, and jewellery for dogs.Horrified at seeing his name associated with such a low calibre of clients, creative director and advertising legend Rupert Hardacre resolves to bring in a better class of account. He enlists Amanda's help to chase down McCutcheon's Whisky, a client he worked with many years earlier. While Hardacre and Amanda head off, Joe and Teddy are left at the office determined to prove that they can design a poster, hire a plumber, and interview a client entirely unsupervised. Their jobs may just depend on it.Rupert Hardacre - Nigel HaversAmanda Brook - Josie LawrenceJoe - Matthew BayntonTeddy - Rasmus HardikerDirector Alan NixonProducer Gordon KennedyAn Absolutely production for BBC Radio 4.

**SAT 05:30 Stand-Up Specials (m000403)**

Ruby Wax: Frazzled - 2  
Ruby Wax returns to talk about mental health in her inimitable style, using comedy and insight to make us laugh and also think about what it means to be human.It follows her well-received show for Radio 4 last year. "Excellent" - The Guardian."Appealing and wise" - The Times"Articulate and entertaining" - iThere is so much to say about mental health and, with a Master's degree in Mindfulness-based Cognitive Behavioural Therapy and years of struggles with mental health, Ruby has the knowledge, the experience and the comic gifts to say it in an articulate, funny and entertaining way, engaging the audience both in the room and at home.She wants to make us laugh at her and at ourselves, share her thoughts about where we are now, how we can make ourselves think and feel a bit better and how we can all be a bit less isolated.Written and performed by Ruby WaxProducer: Liz AnsteeA CPL production for BBC Radio 4

**SAT 06:00 Noel Coward - Nude With Violin (b055f6vq)**

Paris 1956: Paul Sorodin, the world-famous artist, has just died.His family, gathered together for the funeral, is shocked by the discovery that during his life Sorodin had perpetrated an enormous hoax on the international art world.Only Sebastian, his former valet, knows all the answers ...Noel Coward's comedy of manners dramatised by Peggy Wells.Sebastian ..... Aubrey Woods Isobel Sorodin ..... Joyce CareyJane Patricia ..... RoutledgeCherry-May Wateron ..... Barbara MitchellAnya Pavlikov ..... Betty Huntley-WrightJacob Friedland ..... Wilfrid CarterPamela ..... Margaret WolfitColin Allan ..... CuthbertsonClinton Premieringer ..... Junior Kerry FrancisLauderdale ..... Rufus FramptonProducer: Glyn DearmanFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1970.

**SAT 07:30 Let Me Entertain You (b00d198j)**

The Sporting Hero  
A look at the hundred-year period from the Restoration of 1660 onwards, and the rise of a new figure in popular entertainment: the sporting hero.Plus, the importance of the increasing use of printing, as a way of spreading popular entertainment around the country and of establishing popular tunes and songs.John Sessions continues his series charting the history of popular entertainment in Britain, from medieval minstrels to Victorian freakshows.First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2008.

**SAT 08:00 Archive on 4 (b06386c5)**

Shhhhhhh

Examining the nature of silence might not seem the most obvious thing to do on the radio, the medium most wholly given over to noise and which was in its day seen as a direct threat to the realm of silence in our personal and public lives.It might seem, too, that silence is a singular thing, an absence that offers little to any would-be investigation. But it's a subject that's fascinated Lucy Powell ever since she was set a koan by a Zen master, who asked her what the sound is before the bird sings.Now she sets out to answer that problem through an analysis of archive recordings from religious scholars, authors, comedians and poets, as well as conducting fresh interviews with the likes of conductor Edward Gardner, neuro-scientist Jan Schnupp and Buddhist nun Tenzin Palmo, who spent seven years on silent retreat in a Himalayan cave.Lucy hears a freshly composed improvisation on the theme of silence from the classical duo 'Folie a Deux Femmes' and argues that in fact silence is a rich, multiple property that can vary dramatically depending on the context within which it is placed.Producer: Geoff BirdPresenter: Lucy PowellFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.

**SAT 09:00 Being David Sedaris (m00055bd)**

Emma Freud is joined in her kitchen by author David Sedaris to discuss his life and career and listen to extracts from his extensive BBC archive, dating back to the late 1990s.Programmes featured in this three-hour showcase include: The New York Diaries: Smoking Diary - 5 April 1997The New York Diaries: Naked - 12 April 1997Ramblings with Clare Balding - 7 March 2013The Santaland Diaries - 24 December 2014An American In Paris - 12 June 1999Paperback Writers (extract) - 5 August 2018Meet David Sedaris - 27 June 2011Being David Sedaris theme: Recado Bossa Nova by Hank MobleyPresented by Emma FreudProducer: Steve DohertyA Giddy Goat production for BBC Radio 4 Extra first broadcast in 2019.

**SAT 12:00 The Write Stuff (m0004xw4)**

Series 2  
William Shakespeare  
James Walton chairs the literary quiz with Sebastian Faulks, John Walsh, Lynne Truss and Nigel Williams.Author of the week: ShakespeareReader: Becky HindleyProducer: Dawn EllisFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1999.

**SAT 12:30 Bookcases (m0004tvc)**

Series 2  
Self Help  
There are some eccentric and desperate plans to save Spavin and Spavin from financial ruin involving Prince Albert and Samuel Smiles.Second series of Martyn Wade's comedy series set in a Victorian publishing house.Starring Michael Cochrane as Primus, Maggie Steed as Cordelia, David Horovitch as Gerald, Elizabeth Spriggs as Edith, Joan Sims as Mrs Quirk, Charles Simpson as Simeon, Ian Meredith as Prince Albert/Smiles, Stephen Critchlow as John, Rachel Atkins as Mrs Beeton and Becky Hindley as Lizzie Siddal.Director: Cherry CooksonFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2001.

**SAT 13:00 The Readers of Broken Wheel Recommend (Omnibus) (m00055bg)**

Dramatisation of Katrina Bivald's warm, funny and moving story of love and friendship which was originally published in Swedish.The heroine Sara, who is in her 20s, leaves her native Sweden to visit her much older pen pal Amy in a remote part of Iowa, a town aptly called Broken Wheel.But, when she arrives, all is not as she had foreseen.Knowing nobody there, the townspeople who are initially wary of her, take her into their hearts. The joint passion between Sara and Amy was books, and she soon decides that Broken Wheel needs a bookstore. With some help from the locals, she sets one up and it proves quite a hit.But how long can she stay there on a tourist visa? And what if she were to be persuaded to fall in love with one of the residents, making it possible to marry and stay on indefinitely? And which of the rather curious collection of suitors would be the most likely?Unexpectedly, she finds herself falling in love - not just with one of the men in question, but with the whole town itself.Omnibus cast: SARA.....Anna KovalTOM.....Richard GouldingCAROLINE.....Lorelei KingJEN.....Laurel LefkowAMY.....Adjoa AndohGEORGE.....William HopeANDY.....Martin T. ShermanGRACE .....Kate HarperAuthor: Katarina BivaldTranslator: Alice MenziesDramatist: Jeremy RaisonDirector: Cherry CooksonA Wireless Theatre production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in five parts in 2019.

**SAT 14:10 Inheritance Tracks (b010jg9c)**

Andrea Levy  
Author Andrea Levy inherits 'Magic Moments' by Perry Como and passes on 'London Is the Place for Me' by Lord Kitchener.  
**SAT 14:15 With Great Pleasure (b007vng)**  
Carmen Callil  
Publisher and writer, Carmen Callil draws on a working lifetime's experience of writers and writing to present some of her own favourite pieces to an audience at the Hay Festival.Including works by John McGahern and Angela Carter.Readers: Diana Quick and Richard Mitchley.Producer: Christine Hall First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2007.

**SAT 14:45 The (Almost) Accidental Adventures of Bell and Todd (m00055bk)**

Episode 5  
Stuck in a swamp pretending to be frogs, Todd and Bell are still

in danger. Mischievous narrator Diana is suffering too. June Whitfield stars as Diana in John Eggleston's six-part comedy adventure series. With Matthew Bell as Bell and Toby Longworth as Todd. Producer: Liz Ansell. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1998.

**SAT 15:00 Archive on 4 (b06386cs)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

**SAT 17:30 Let Me Entertain You (b00d198j)**

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**SAT 18:00 Anita Sullivan - The Bee Maker (b092ky54)**

It's 2020 and the bees are nearly all gone. Human beings might be next. Robotics expert, Deborah, builds artificial bees in order to help pollinate fruit trees across the world - real bees having been driven to the brink of extinction. But then a strange phenomenon strikes mankind - people start getting lost. It happens slowly, people lose their way, forget where they are. But before long society starts to crumble. Deborah must fight her way across an apocalyptic Britain and find her way back home. But first she must remember where that is. Anita Sullivan's dark and cautionary tale about our busy technology-filled lives first heard in 2014. Deborah... Alice Lowe. May... Harriet Walter. Ant... Stuart McLoughlin. Hire Car Salesman... Alun Raglan. Customs Official... John Norton. Lost passenger... Claire Cage. Director: James Robinson. A BBC Cymru Wales Production first broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014.

**SAT 18:45 EF Benson - The Terror by Night (b04ybn10)**

"Fear lay like a black cloak over my mind; I did not know what I dreaded ... but it was something that was very near." Inexplicable moods and smells mar a friendly reunion. What can it mean? Written by the author of Mapp and Lucia, EF Benson. Read by Brian Gear. Produced at BBC Bristol by Viv Beebey. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1993.

**SAT 19:00 Being David Sedaris (m00055bd)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

**SAT 22:00 Mark Steel's in Town (b05wy64j)**

Series 6

Shrewsbury

"Floreat Salopia - May Shrewsbury Flourish" Mark visits the Shropshire Town of Shrewsbury, birthplace of Charles Darwin and home to the oldest building in the world to house a McDonalds. Mark finds Shrewsbury to be a beautiful place with an identity crisis. Once in Wales, but now in England, Shrewsbury is a peaceful town with a bloody history. As one local points out, "We killed Owain Glyndwr outside WH Smith". An idyllic setting in a loop of the river Severn, with its beautiful public gardens designed by Percy Thrower, patrolled daily by a Croatian nightclub bouncer. Voted the politest town in Britain, the locals have very little to complain about. Apart from the disagreements over the buildings... and the statues... and the one-way system... and most of all, how to pronounce the name of the place. Mark Steel's sixth series of the award winning show that travels around the country, researching the history, heritage and culture of six towns that have nothing in common but their uniqueness, and performs a bespoke evening of comedy for the local residents. Written and performed by ... Mark Steel. Additional material by ... Pete Sinclair. Production coordinator ... Hayley Sterling. Producer ... Carl Cooper. A BBC Radio Comedy Production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in 2015.

**SAT 22:30 Revolting People (b00fnrmh)**

Series 2

And Yet Even More Trying Times

Samuel is left a fortune by his puritanical Aunt Sybil. But only if his family can fulfil her final wish. Comedy set just before the American Revolution. Written by Andy Hamilton and Jay Tarses. Stars Jay Tarses as Samuel Oliphant, Andy Hamilton as Sergeant McGurk, James Fleet as Captain Brimshaw, Jan Ravens as Mary, Hugh Dennis as Ezekiel Spriggs, Penelope Nice as Cora Oliphant, Tony Maudsley as Joshua Oliphant and Phillip Pope as Snavely. Producer: Paul Mayhew-Archer. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2001.

**SAT 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m00055bn)**

Michael Fabbri 2/3

From 10.00pm until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Angela Barnes chats to Michael Fabbri.

**SAT 23:00 Ivor Cutler - Cutler the Lax (b03vczgs)**

Episode 1

Legendary Scottish surrealist Ivor Cutler provides disappointment for cavemen and a cheap alternative to liquor. With Fiona MacDonald. Producer: Mark Savage. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1991.

**SAT 23:15 Guy Browning's Small Talk (b0076d5r)**

Series 1

How to Poach an Egg

"Eggs are no different from most people. Drop them into hot water and they go to pieces". Some surreal food for thought. Written by and starring Guy Browning. Producer: Jonquil Panting. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2003.

**SAT 23:30 Can't Tell Nathan Caton Nothing (b04hz62m)**

Series 3

About Paranoia

In a mix of stand-up and re-enacted family life - Nathan Caton illustrates how watching too much TV can make you paranoid and that can have serious repercussions for your family. Written by Nathan Caton and James Kettle. After becoming the first in his family to graduate from University, Nathan opted not to use

his architecture degree but instead to try his hand at being a full-time stand-up comedian, much to his family's horror and disgust. They desperately want him to get a 'proper' job. Janet a.k.a. Mum is probably the kindest and most lenient of the disappointed family members. At the end of the day she just wants the best for her son. However, she'd also love to brag and show her son off to her friends, but with Nathan only telling jokes for a living that's kind of hard to do. Martin a.k.a. Dad works in the construction industry and was looking forward to his son getting a degree so the two of them could work together in the same field. But now Nathan has blown that dream out of the window. Martin is clumsy and hard-headed and leaves running the house to his wife (she wouldn't allow it to be any other way). Shirley a.k.a. Grandma cannot believe Nathan turned down architecture for comedy. She can't believe she left the paradise in the West Indies and came to the freezing United Kingdom for a better life so that years later her grandson could 'tell jokes'. How can her grandson go on stage and use foul language and filthy material... it's not the good Christian way! So with all this going on in the household what will Nathan do? Will he persevere and follow his dreams? Or will he give in to his family's interference? Or will he finally leave home?! Producer: Katie Tyrrell. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2014.

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**SUN 06:00 The Embrace (Omnibus) (b053cwb5)**

Tabby is frightened that the truth will emerge when Iona's return stirs up old conflicts and broken promises. As the repercussions of Tabby's betrayal unfold, Iona and Charlie come to understand the price of their love. Six people desperately grapple with the consequences of a lie in Linda Marshall Griffiths's compelling drama about love, betrayal and the power of money. IONA...LYNDESEY MARSHALCHARLIE...WILLIAM ASHGRACE...OLIVIA HALLINANDAN...BLAKE RITSONTABBY...OLWEN MAYCLEM...JONATHAN KEEBLE. Omnibus directed by Nadia Molinari. First broadcast in five parts on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.

**SUN 07:15 Deborah Moggach - Playing the Part (b03zm819)**

A couple are house-sitting in London where they meet an unappealing dog and a celebrity neighbour. Josie Lawrence reads Deborah Moggach's short story. Producer: Pam Fraser. Solomon. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1999.

**SUN 07:30 Couples (b07q8x6p)**

Episode 2

Dr Tanya meets American therapy-addicts Trudi and Brandon. Semi-improvised comedy show written and performed by Julia Davis and Marc Wootton. The duo portray a series of couples, all in therapy with the renowned therapist Dr Tanya Ray-Harding, played by Vicki Pepperdine. Producer: Ashley Blaker. A Black Hat production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in 2015.

**SUN 08:00 Home to Roost (m00054w5)**

Series 1

Taken For A Ride

Now that he's retired, Olive pesters William to buy a car. Molly Sugden and Deryck Guyler play crusty old married couple, Olive and William Wheeler. After 40 years of work in the same office, he's recently retired and is trying to adapt to his new life of leisure. She, on the other hand, is trying to adapt to having her husband under her feet all day, for the first time in their marriage. Deryck Guyler ... William Wheeler. Molly Sugden ... Olive Wheeler. Norman Rossington ... Jack Bailey. Ysanne Churchman ... Angela Patricia Green ... Cath. Writer: Anne Jones. Producers: Richard Maddock and Peter Titheradge. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1974.

**SUN 08:30 ITMA - It's That Man Again (b073gr83)**

From 24/06/1943

When Tommy Handley finds his wartime hotel is full of animals, he decides to start a circus. ITMA proved to be one of the BBC's most popular radio comedies ever produced. It was first transmitted just before the start of the Second World War in 1939 and ran to 1949. Domestic audiences topped 20 million, and the audience worldwide was said to number 30 million. It starred Liverpudlian comic Tommy Handley, who with Ted

Kavanagh created the series named after the phrase newspapers often used to describe Hitler: It's That Man Again! The original setting on a ship was deemed inappropriate once war broke out, and was replaced with the Office Of Twerps, with Tommy as Minister of Aggravation and Mysteries. Other settings followed - a seaside resort, and a war factory which by 1943, for this run of episodes, had been turned into a hotel. Featuring a host of supporting characters including Dorothy Summers as Mrs Mops and Jack Train as Colonel Humphrey Chinstrap. Producer: Francis Worsley. First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in 1943.

**SUN 09:00 The Corner Shop: Shopkeepers, the Sharmas and Modern Britain (Omnibus) (m00054w7)**

A personal and insightful look at modern Britain through the prism of the corner shop. From the general stores of the first half of the 20th century to the reinvigorated corner shops run by immigrants from India, East Africa and Eastern Europe, their influence has shaped the way we shop, the way we eat, and the way we understand ourselves. Babita Sharma grew up as a 'corner-shop kid'; gaining a unique insight into a very British institution from behind the counter. She is a journalist and presenter on BBC World News. Omnibus read by the author. Abridged by Rosemary Goring. Producer: Eilidh McCreadie. First broadcast in five parts on BBC Radio 4 in 2019.

**SUN 10:10 The Listening Project (b07wm6p5)**

Julie and Catherine - Running As Therapy

Fi Glover with a conversation between fello runners about the emotional strength their passion gives them, and the self-esteem it has helped them build. Another in the series that proves it's surprising what you hear when you listen. 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](http://bbc.co.uk/listeningproject). Producer: Marya Burgess

**SUN 10:15 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b05vjwvn)**

Eurovision

Sir Terry Wogan

After Roy Plomley and Sue Lawley, Sir Terry shares his third set of castaway choices with Kirsty Young. From January 2012.

**SUN 11:00 The Moth Radio Hour (b094865v)**

Series 5

The Big Oops: Blunders Large and Small

True stories told live in the USA: Catherine Burns introduces stories about mistakes, from online shopping to college life. 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.

**SUN 11:50 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b00pgwgs)**

Series 1

Bowerbirds

One of the most extraordinary structures in the animal world is constructed by a Bower Bird. Sir David tells the life story of the Vogelkopf Bower Bird, the one that raises the bar higher than the rest. Series of talks by Sir David Attenborough on the natural histories of creatures and plants from around the world. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2009.

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**SUN 14:30 Machines Like Me (Omnibus) (m00054w9)**

Episode 2

Adam the synthetic human belonging to Charlie, has prompted his master to further investigate the Gorrage rape case, and even Miranda has opened up about it now. Also, a surprise request for Charlie to visit a man of profound influence. His name is Sir Alan Turing. Ian McEwan's new novel reimagines

life and times in the 1980s. Omnibus read by Anton LesserThe last five of ten parts abridged by Penny Leicester.Producer: Duncan MinshullFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2019  
**SUN 15:45 The Animals' VC (b0076mg9)**

A Brave New World

Dylan Winter hears the stories of the extraordinary devotion to duty displayed by working dogs caught up in the events of September 11th 2001. Author Jilly Cooper talks about her campaign for brave animals. Producer: Sheena Duncan First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2004.

**SUN 16:00 Martin Jameson - Radio Daze (m00054wd)**

At an event in support of the British Hungarian Society, actor Bob Rodwell is handed a radio script by a mysterious stranger. Martin Jameson's psychological thriller, set in 1956 at BBC Broadcasting House in London. Bob Rodwell .... Malcolm Sinclair Angyalka ..... Larissa Kouznetsova Louis MacNeice ..... Gerard Murphy Reggie Smith .... Jonathan Hyde Laurence Gilliam ... Andrew Woodall Aubrey Dutton ..... John Rowe Verity Gill .... Avril Clark Ted/Newsreader .... Jon Glover Roy/ Blake .... Philip Fox Mim ..... Alice Hart Continuity announcer ... Bertie Carvel Director: Jeremy Mortimer First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2004.

**SUN 17:00 Poetry Extra (m00054wg)**

In Memoriam - Conversations on a Bench  
Daljit Nagra revisits the BBC's radio poetry archive and selects In Memoriam: Conversations on a Bench. Anna Scott-Brown hears stories of love, loss and hope from the strangers and friends she sits beside on 'Rosie's Bench' in a park in Oxford. The inscription, Rest Awhile and Remember Happy Times Together, draws out reflections and revelations which Michael Symmons Roberts weaves into a poem, specially commissioned for the programme. Gradually, the story behind the inscription is revealed by Rosie herself as she remembers her husband Chris, whose life the bench commemorates. The experience of others, mixed with her own, turns Rosie's tale into a heartfelt and emotional acknowledgement of the need to stop and communicate with people around us, as life rushes by. Hidden lives are revealed and common threads recur as Anna Scott-Brown's gentle - but insistent and sometimes extremely direct questions elicit poignant and profound responses from those sitting on the bench to 'Rest Awhile'. Producer: Adam Fowler An Overture production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in 2014.

**SUN 17:30 Couples (b07q8x6p)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

**SUN 18:00 Night Terrace (m00054wj)**

Series 1

The Outsourcing

Anastasia decides to let Eddie go off exploring a new world on his own. But when he accidentally signs his life away to the mega-corporation which owns the planet, Anastasia must do something she's never done before to save him: get a desk job. Sci-fi comedy starring Neighbours' Jackie Woodburne as Anastasia Black. With guest stars Cate Wolfe and Aamer Rahman. Ben McKenzie ..... Eddie James Petra Elliott ..... "Sue" Aamer Rahman ..... Tony Dave Lamb ..... Bob Cate Wolfe ..... Carol Toby Truslove ..... Hostile Takeover Commander Amanda Buckley ..... Info Node Additional voices: Andrew Waddington, Tony Flynn, Graeme Callaghan, Anniene Stockton, Steven Petrenko and Daniel Sullivan Writer: John Richards Producers: Ben McKenzie / John Richards. A Splendid Chaps production.

**SUN 18:30 Bruce Bedford - The Gibson (b007js8d)**

Episode 3

Haensel Sethria warns Elise Judd, and Saul Judd is summoned to meet Selwyn Fist. Hazel warns Elise to protect her family and Saul is summoned again to meet Selwyn Fist. Bruce Bedford's time-hopping supernatural thriller serial set in, and under, Bath. Robert Glenister .... Saul Judd Sharon Duce .... Elise Judd Freddie Jones .... The Scribe Kate Binchy .... The Scribe's Wife Constance Chapman .... Haensel Sethria Gordon Reid .... Priscus Michael Stroud .... Stranger Jonathan Tafler .... Landlord Timothy West .... Selwyn Fist John Abineri .... Roman Officer Jonathan Adams .... The Guardian Original music composed by Thomas Johnson. Music realised by Robin Lever. Special effects: Dick Mills (Radiophonic Workshop) Directed at BBC Bristol by Andy Jordan First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1992.

**SUN 19:00 The Moth Radio Hour (b094865v)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

**SUN 19:50 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b00pgwgs)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:50 today]

**SUN 20:00 The Corner Shop: Shopkeepers, the Sharmas and Modern Britain (Omnibus) (m00054w7)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

**SUN 21:10 The Listening Project (b07wm6p5)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:10 today]

**SUN 21:15 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b05vjwn)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:15 today]

**SUN 22:00 Couples (b07q8x6p)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

**SUN 22:30 Rob Newman (b06mts69)**

Robert Newman's Entirely Accurate Encyclopaedia of Evolution

Episode 4

One of Britain's finest comedians, Rob Newman returns with a witty, fact-packed series mixing stand-up and sketches, challenging notions of Survival of the Fittest and The Selfish Gene with a new theory that's equal parts enlightening and hilarious. Rob is our guide on a journey through a unique audio

A-Z of nature that takes in everything from altruistic amoebae and dancing squid to Richard Dawkins wrestling naked with a postal worker. Piecing these fragments together allows Rob to correct some major distortions of Darwinism, as well as rejig the theory of natural selection in the light of what we now know about epigenetics, mirror neurons and the Flintstones. Written by Rob Newman Starring Claire Price, with Jenni Murray as the voice of the Encyclopaedia. Producer: Jon Harvey Executive Producer: Richard Wilson A Hat Trick production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in 2015.

**SUN 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m00054wl)**

Michael Fabbri 3/3

From 10.00pm until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Angela Barnes chats to Michael Fabbri.

**SUN 23:00 Pleased to Meet You (b0124y89)**

Pilot

90-something good-time girl Dora Dale shares wild tales of her star-strewn past. Betraying confidences and breaking unwritten rules galore, the friend of the stars reveals some surprising and salacious secrets. Written by and starring Martin Kelner and Jake Yapp. Made for BBC7 and first broadcast in November 2005.

**SUN 23:30 The Penny Dreadfuls Present (b00gpbez)**

More Brothers Faversham

Perceus and Lucius Faversham

The comedy trio's swashbuckling tale of Victorian Britain's great twin industrialists, Perceus and Lucius. From October 2008.

#### MONDAY 13 MAY 2019

**MON 00:00 Night Terrace (m00054wj)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Sunday]

**MON 00:30 Bruce Bedford - The Gibson (b007js8d)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Sunday]

**MON 01:00 The Embrace (Omnibus) (b053cwb5)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Sunday]

**MON 02:15 Deborah Moggach - Playing the Part (b03zm819)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:15 on Sunday]

**MON 02:30 Machines Like Me (Omnibus) (m00054w9)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Sunday]

**MON 03:45 The Animals' VC (b0076mg9)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 15:45 on Sunday]

**MON 04:00 Martin Jameson - Radio Daze (m00054wd)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Sunday]

**MON 05:00 Poetry Extra (m00054wg)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 17:00 on Sunday]

**MON 05:30 Couples (b07q8x6p)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Sunday]

**MON 06:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b047bz14)**

Corporate Bodies

Episode 1

by Jeremy Front Based on the novel by Simon Brett Bill Nighy stars as unsuccessful actor, Charles Paris. Charles gets a part in a corporate video but the company's employees seem to have some lethal secrets. Directed by Sally Avens.

**MON 06:30 Overexposed (b00q3cm3)**

Back in 1990, a small group of photojournalists set out to witness world events. They went to Yugoslavia, Angola, Rwanda and Iraq. Two were shot dead, and everyone was changed. All of the contributors, including the presenter Miles Warde, were students at the London College of Printing. They went to work for Reuters, the Observer and the New York Times, and won numerous awards, including the Pulitzer, World Press Photo and several Emmys. They began work in an era when access was still easy, and the dangers perhaps not fully understood. "While I was doing this course I did a work placement and stayed in touch with the picture editor. So when the war started in former Yugoslavia, I went to see him. He gave me the accreditation, he gave me the film and I drove to war in my little Renault Five." The programme follows up what happened next, providing an intimate, authoritative account of life as a photojournalist. Contributors include James Hill, Gary Calton, Sandra Balsells, Paul Lowe - the current course director of the LCC - and Colin Jacobson, former picture editor at the Independent Magazine. Producer: Miles Ware First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2010.

**MON 07:00 Flying the Flag (b00x71y)**

Series 4

Spiritual Values

Her Majesty's Ambassador Mackenzie and his staff battle on bravely, coming to terms with the changing order in Colonel Surikov's fledgling Eastern-bloc democracy. The new order brings new problems, not least keeping the diplomatic upper hand in a country discovering the ills of the West. So when equal rights for women appears on the agenda, closely followed by the emergence of militant feminists, the embassies echo to the sound of men closing ranks. Series 4 of Alex Shearer's Eastern bloc embassy sitcom. Starring Dinsdale Landen as HM Ambassador Mackenzie, Peter Acre as William Frost, Moir Leslie as Helen Waterson, Christopher Benjamin as Colonel Surikov and Stephen Greif as Spiro. Producer: Neil Cargill First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1992.

**MON 07:30 The Unbelievable Truth (m0004sgx)**

Series 22

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. Lou Sanders, Frankie Boyle, Henning Wehn and Lucy Porter are the panellists obliged to talk with deliberate inaccuracy on subjects as varied as time, driving, The Spice Girls and Scotland. Produced by Jon Naismith A Random Entertainment production for BBC Radio 4

**MON 08:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jppj)**

Series 6

Sid's Mystery Tours

Sid persuades the lad to be a director of his guided tours company, but there's a snag! Starring Tony Hancock. With Sidney James, Bill Kerr, Warren Mitchell, Mavis Villers and Errol McKinnon. Written by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson. Theme and incidental music written by Wally Stott. Producer: Tom Ronald First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in November 1959.

**MON 08:30 Dad's Army (b007jlw7)**

Series 1

Under Fire

On fire-watch with Godfrey, Frazer thinks a local resident of Walmington-on-Sea signalling to the enemy... Six years after legendary sitcom Dad's Army started on BBC TV, these specially adapted radio versions began recording with the original cast. Starring Arthur Lowe as Captain Mainwaring, John Le Mesurier as Sergeant Wilson, Clive Dunn as Corporal Jones, Arnold Ridley as Private Godfrey, John Laurie as Private Frazer, Geoffrey Lumsden as Colonel Square, Avril Angose as Mrs Keene and David Goodison as Murphy. With John Snagge as the announcer. Adapted from Jimmy Perry and David Croft's original BBC TV scripts by Michael Knowles and Harold Snoad. Producer: John Dyas First broadcast on the BBC Radio 4 in April 1974.

**MON 09:00 Wordaholics (b04fzc7p)**

Series 3

Episode 1

Comedians Lloyd Langford, Holly Walsh, Paul Sinha and Natalie Haynes join Gyles Brandreth for the panel game about words that will make you laugh your socks off. Lloyd Langford delicately tells us why avocados are called avocados; Natalie Haynes explains what the modern term astroturfing is; Paul Sinha unlocks the meaning of the German word handschuhsbalberwerfer and Holly Walsh shares her favourite example of prison slang. The panel also suggest words that don't yet exist, but should. What could they mean by 'a Clarkson', 'messcalation', 'trage' and 'appointmentia'? Writers: Jon Hunter and James Kettle. Producer: Claire Jones First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014

**MON 09:30 King Street Junior Revisited (b00kk7pr)**

Series 4

Another Year, Another Head

A surprise awaits the school staff at King Street returning from their summer holiday. School comedy created and written by Jim Eldridge. Ten series of this King Street Junior ran between 1985 and 1998. King Street Junior Revisited ran from 2002 to 2005. Stars Brigitte Forsythe as Mrs Eastwood, Marlene Sidaway as Miss Lewis, Michael Cochrane as Mr Maxwell, Teresa Gallagher as Miss Featherstone, Jacqueline Beatty as Miss Reid, Janice Acquah as Mrs Khan, Paul Copley as Mr Long, Charlie Barker as Rory, Leah Verity-White as Natasha and Rebecca McElroy as Paula. Producer: John Fawcett Wilson First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2005.

**MON 10:00 Drama (b068sjpb)**

A Place of Greater Safety

Liberty

Hilary Mantel's gripping account of the cataclysmic events of the French Revolution seen through the eyes of three of its most important figures, Georges Danton, Camille Desmoulins and Maximilien Robespierre. Dramatised by Melissa Murray Directed by Marc Beeby.

**MON 11:00 TED Radio Hour (m00054wx)**

Series 5

Finite

A journey through fascinating ideas based on talks by riveting speakers on the TED (Technology, Entertainment, Design) stage. Guy Raz explores ideas about living with less in a world with finite resources. First broadcast in the USA on National Public Radio in 2015.

**MON 11:50 Inheritance Tracks (b08frgg9)**

Tom Chaplin

Keane's lead singer Tom Chaplin chooses Simon & Garfunkel's 'Bridge Over Troubled Water' and The Divine Comedy's 'Charmed Life'.

**MON 12:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jppj)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

**MON 12:30 Dad's Army (b007jlw7)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

**MON 13:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b047bz14)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

**MON 13:30 Overexposed (b00q3cm3)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

**MON 14:00 William Trevor - The Story of Lucy Gault (m00054wz)**

Episode 1

Protestant land owners are abandoning their properties and heading for England. Captain Gault, fearing for his family, believes he has no choice but to follow them. William Trevor's haunting masterpiece about a young girl caught up in the Irish

War of Independence in the 1920s. Read by Dermot Crowley. Abridged by Sally Marmion in ten parts. Producer: Di Spiers. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2002.

**MON 14:15 Foreign Bodies (b01mmz8v)**

Series 1

Germany - PI Kemal Kayankaya

German author Jakob Arjouni returns periodically to write fiction featuring his Turkish PI Kemal Kayankaya. Mark Lawson visits him in Berlin to discuss the way his crime novels have reflected upon events including re-unification and the war in Yugoslavia, and drawn on more recent debates about what view of Islam it's appropriate to show in cartoons and films. Producer: Robyn Read.

**MON 14:30 15 Minute Drama (b05nszld)**

Mike Bartlett - A Steal

Episode 1

Liverpudlian shop assistant Hanna tries to help out a couple of friends who are down on their luck, and before she knows it, it's turned into a mission to tackle the widening economic gap in her community. Mike Bartlett's comic look at the morality of economics and how the financial crisis feels on the street. Hanna ..... Laura Dos Santos Susie ..... Samantha Robinson David ..... Justin Salinger Mark ..... Shaun Mason Director ..... Mary Peate A Steal explores our reaction to the current economic crisis, dramatising how it affects the fabric of society and community. What happens if a citizen takes matters into their own hands, how would they go about it and how would everyone else react? Mike Bartlett is one of Britain's foremost contemporary playwrights. In theatre productions includes the highly acclaimed *GAME* (Almeida Theatre) 2015; *KING CHARLES III* (Almeida Theatre/Wyndham's Theatre) 2014/2015 and *AN INTERVENTION* (Paines Plough/Watford Palace Theatre) 2014. Mike's TV series *The Town* (December 2012) was nominated for a Breakthrough Talent BAFTA. His play *Bull* (2013) received excellent reviews at the Sheffield Crucible, transferred to New York and was revived this year at the Young Vic. His dramatisation of *Chariots of Fire* (2012) at Hampstead transferred to the Gielgud. *Love Love Love* at the Royal Court won TMA Best Play 2011. *Love Contract* (2008), *Liam* (2009) and *The Core* (2011) were three outstanding radio listens. *Earthquakes In London* (2010) and *13* (2011) received critical acclaim at the National Theatre. *My Child* (2007) and *Cock* (2009) won awards at the Royal Court and *Cock* transferred to Broadway. In 2007 'Not Talking' for R3 covered the Imison and Tinniswood Awards for best newcomer and best radio play. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.

**MON 14:45 Book of the Week (b045y411)**

Curious: True Stories and Loose Connections

The Tiger Who Came To Tea

Rebecca Front reads from her collection of anecdotes and yarns exploring all that is remarkable about everyday life. "Being curious was my starting point, in both the active sense – being interested in people and things; and the passive – being, as we all are, a bit odd." To begin with, a singular tale from childhood, where an uninvited guest takes up residence in the Front family living room. Abridged by Sara Davies. Producer: Gemma Jenkins. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014.

**MON 15:00 Drama (b068sjpb)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

**MON 16:00 Wordaholics (b04fzc7p)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

**MON 16:30 King Street Junior Revisited (b00kk7pr)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

**MON 17:00 Flying the Flag (b00xc71y)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

**MON 17:30 The Unbelievable Truth (m0004sgx)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

**MON 18:00 Charles Chilton - Journey into Space (b007jqb9)**

The Red Planet

Episode 11

Captain Jet Morgan and the crew reach freighter number two after it crash landed, but they fear they're not alone on Mars... Charles Chilton's 1954 classic set in 1971. Andrew Faulds ..... Jet Morgan David Kossoff ..... Lemmy Guy Kingsley Poynter ..... Doc Bruce Beeby ..... Mitch David Jacobs ..... Announcer/Various Music composed and conducted by Van Phillips. Producer: Charles Chilton. First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in November 1954.

**MON 18:30 London Nights (b00sxxgv)**

Helicopters and Street Vendors

Writer Andrea Levy presents ten anthologies of short pieces for radio capturing a certain off-beat spirit of London. In this first programme, we join the crew of one of London's police helicopters looking down on city streets as they carve their circling way through the London sky on the shortest night of the year; on the ground, Andrea hears from Zimbabwean David Mwanaka who farms 60 - yes 60 - acres in Enfield, growing white maize; and on the final day of paid-for local newspapers on the streets of London, Alan Dein talked to the vendors calling "Standard! Evening Standard!" for the last time in October. Regular features include Pairs in Squares, in which Jonathan Glancey randomly selects a section from the grid of London's famous streetmap and explores it in company with a well-known London companion; and The Other Londons - five places with a 'London' name NOT found within the M25. Andrea Levy was born in London and holds the city close to her heart; her experience growing up there as a black Londoner pervades her novels and is the thread woven through

this mix of the day-to-day and the nocturnal... of pieces taking a sidelong glance as well as a more direct approach. A blend of poetry and prose, of the factual and the fictional that together make up this diverse and diverting nightly series. Andrea Levy sadly died of cancer aged 62 in February 2019. Executive Producer: Simon Elmes. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2010.

**MON 19:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jppj)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

**MON 19:30 Dad's Army (b007j1w7)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

**MON 20:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b047bzld)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

**MON 20:30 Overexposed (b00q3cm3)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

**MON 21:00 TED Radio Hour (m00054wx)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

**MON 21:50 Inheritance Tracks (b08frrg9)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:50 today]

**MON 22:00 The Unbelievable Truth (m0004sgx)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

**MON 22:30 Clare in the Community (b008nznw)**

Series 4

Mother of all Mothers

The bossy social worker wants a baby, but is Brian willing to make it happen? Starring Sally Phillips. From January 2008.

**MON 23:00 The News Quiz Extra (m00054wn)**

Series 26

Episode 5

A satirical look back at what's been happening in the news this week including stories about the EU Election, the birth of Archie Harrison Mountbatten-Windsor, the fall in the number of GPs working in the UK and a missing piece of Stonehenge that has been returned after 60 years. Miles Jupp is joined by Bugler Andy Zaltzman, stand ups Desiree Burch & Andrew Maxwell, and star of *The Mash Report* Rachel Parris. Alan Smith reads the news. Produced by Sarah Sharpe. A BBC Studios Production

**MON 23:45 Hearing With Hegley (b0075sf5)**

Series 3

Episode 5

The Lutton poet is by the sea in Aldeburgh, and gets some help with limericks from comedian Arnold Brown. From March 2000.

**TUESDAY 14 MAY 2019**

**TUE 00:00 Charles Chilton - Journey into Space (b007jqb9)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Monday]

**TUE 00:30 London Nights (b00sxxgv)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Monday]

**TUE 01:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b047bzld)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Monday]

**TUE 01:30 Overexposed (b00q3cm3)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Monday]

**TUE 02:00 William Trevor - The Story of Lucy Gault (m00054wz)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Monday]

**TUE 02:15 Foreign Bodies (b01mmz8v)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Monday]

**TUE 02:30 15 Minute Drama (b05nszld)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Monday]

**TUE 02:45 Book of the Week (b045y411)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:45 on Monday]

**TUE 03:00 Drama (b068sjpb)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Monday]

**TUE 04:00 Wordaholics (b04fzc7p)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Monday]

**TUE 04:30 King Street Junior Revisited (b00kk7pr)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Monday]

**TUE 05:00 Flying the Flag (b00xc71y)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Monday]

**TUE 05:30 The Unbelievable Truth (m0004sgx)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Monday]

**TUE 06:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b047zlvh)**

Corporate Bodies

Episode 2

by Jeremy Front. Based upon the novel by Simon Brett. Bill Nighy stars as the louche but loveable actor Charles Paris. Charles is filming a corporate video when a young secretary is murdered. But when he comes under suspicion for the murder Charles knows he must find the killer. Directed by Sally Avens.

**TUE 06:30 Jean (b00k9h9m)**

Mary Stephenson, who worked for the novelist Jean Rhys in the final months of her life before her death in 1979, remembers the time she spent with her as she took dictation of her autobiography. At the time she answered Jean's advertisement for a typist, Mary was in her early 30s and she found the 87-year-old Rhys to be, by turns, charming, infuriating and embittered; sometimes her memories would light her up, sometimes they would fire her anger. Now a writer herself, Mary's recollections draw on extracts from the book she typed - Jean's autobiography *Smile Please*. Two other women in Jean's life, her editor Diana Athill and her friend Diana Melly, also add their own memories of the author at this final, troubled stage of her life. Jean Rhys is played by Merelina Kendall.

**TUE 07:00 The Architects (b050zpxh)**

Series 2

Airport

Architects Sarah and Matt journey north in pursuit of an airport contract that will put Sir Lucien and Partners back on the map. Meanwhile Tim tries to buddy up with a TV chef who's fond of the sauce. Comedy by Jim Poyser with Neil Griffiths. Arch-Brutalist Sir Lucien founded his architectural practice as a commitment to concrete in all its forms. Fashion has been a cruel mistress and four decades later things are not going well for Sir Lucien and his team of loyal-ish employees. Sir Lucien ..... Geoffrey Whitehead Sarah ..... Anna Crilly Matt ..... Dominic Coleman Tim ..... Alex Carter Murray ..... Peter Forbes Noel ..... David Hounslow Ella ..... Rhiannon Neads Director: Toby Swift. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2015

**TUE 07:30 Ed Reardon's Week (m0004sky)**

Series 13

The Ed Talk

Comedy series written by Christopher Douglas and Andrew Nickolds. Ed Reardon, author, pipe smoker, consummate faredodger and master of the abusive email, attempts to survive in a world where the media seems to be run by idiots and lying charlatans. In episode two, Ed bumps into Geoff Daytona - a rich successful entrepreneur and motivational speaker Ed was at school with. Geoff commissions Ed with writing his self-help book - *The Geoff Daytona Method*. Surely this latest enterprise will pay the big bucks - keeping Ed in Cab Sav and Elgar in pilchards? Ed Reardon ..... Christopher Douglas Olive ..... Stephanie Cole Pearl ..... Brigit Forsyth Geoff Daytona ..... Colin McFarlane Ping ..... Barunka O'Shaughnessy Stan ..... Geoffrey Whitehead Elgar ..... Colin the cat With Sarah Ovens. Written by Christopher Douglas and Andrew Nickolds. Producer Simon Nicholls. A BBC Studios Production

**TUE 08:00 The Betty Witherspoon Show (b01m273b)**

From 18/05/1974

Kenneth Williams and Ted Ray take on Romeo and Juliet.

Songs and sketches with Miriam Margolyes. From May 1974.

**TUE 08:30 Whatever Happened to the Likely Lads? (b007js28)**

Count Down

Terry helps stressed Bob prepare for his wedding to Thelma. Starring James Bolam as Terry Collier and Rodney Bewes as Bob Ferris. With Joan Hickson, Bill Owen, Anita Carey and Robin Parkinson. Created and scripted for BBC TV by Dick Clement and Ian La Frenais. Adapted for radio and produced by John Brownell. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1975.

**TUE 09:00 The News Quiz Extra (m00054wn)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 23:00 on Monday]

**TUE 09:45 Hearing With Hegley (b0075sf5)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 23:45 on Monday]

**TUE 10:00 Drama (b069h37w)**

A Place of Greater Safety

Equality

Hilary Mantel's epic account of the French Revolution as seen through the eyes of its principal characters. Pressure is growing on the revolutionaries to depose the king and create a republic. Dramatised by Melissa Murray. Directed by Marc Beeby.

**TUE 11:00 Drama (b09pjm59)**

Reading Europe - Turkey: The Bastard of Istanbul

Episode 2

Two families - one Turkish, the other Armenian-American - are bound by the same horrific past. One rainy afternoon in Istanbul, a nineteen-year-old, unmarried woman walks into a doctor's surgery. "I need to have an abortion," she announces. Twenty years later, Asya Kazanci lives with her extended family in Istanbul. All the Kazanci men die early, victims of a mysterious family curse, so this is a household of women. Among them are Asya's beautiful, rebellious mother Zeliha, her clairvoyant aunt Banu and their eccentric sister Feride, as well as the ageing Petit Ma. They are ruled over by the iron will of matriarch Gulsum. Into the midst of this madhouse comes Asya's determined American cousin Armanoush, who unknowingly brings with her long-hidden family secrets inextricably linked to Turkey's turbulent past. Written by Elf Shafak and dramatised by Hattie Naylor. Produced and directed by Nicolas Jackson. An Afonica production for BBC Radio 4.

**TUE 12:00 The Betty Witherspoon Show (b01m273b)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

**TUE 12:30 Whatever Happened to the Likely Lads? (b007js28)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

**TUE 13:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b047zlvh)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

**TUE 13:30 Jean (b00k9h9m)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

**TUE 14:00 William Trevor - The Story of Lucy Gault (m00054wq)**

Episode 2

Assuming their daughter Lucy has drowned, the Gaults cannot wait to leave Ireland for England. William Trevor's haunting masterpiece about a young girl caught up in the Irish War of Independence in the 1920s. Read by Dermot Crowley. Abridged by Sally Marmion. Producer: Di Spiers. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2002.

**TUE 14:15 Foreign Bodies (b01mmz81)**

Series 1

Scotland - DI John Rebus

Mark Lawson visits Edinburgh to meet Ian Rankin and discuss the way his novels featuring DI John Rebus reflect the building

of the Scottish parliament, the G8 summit and debates over Scottish independence. Producer: Robyn Read.

**TUE 14:30 15 Minute Drama (b05nxz3f)**

Mike Bartlett - A Steal

Episode 2

Liverpool shop assistant Hanna's little bit of wealth redistribution has given her a taste for it. And she is getting fonder of Mark, the teacher she met in her Department Store... Written by Mike Bartlett/Hanna ..... Laura Dos Santos/Susie ..... Samantha Robinson/David ..... Justin Salinger/Mark ..... Shaun Mason/Len ..... Jude Akuwudike/Denise ..... Annabelle Dowler/Man ..... Ian Conningham/Director ..... Mary Peate/First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.

**TUE 14:45 Book of the Week (b045z8wg)**

Curious: True Stories and Loose Connections

Rainy Days and Mondays

An 11-year-old Rebecca decides she has to leave school and embarks on an intricate campaign. Rebecca Front reads from her collection of anecdotes and yarns exploring all that is remarkable about everyday life. Abridged by Sara Davies. Producer: Gemma Jenkins. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014.

**TUE 15:00 Drama (b069h37w)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

**TUE 16:00 The Museum of Curiosity (b03f92qc)**

Series 6

Llewellyn, Rocos, Warwick

This week, the Professor of Ignorance John Lloyd and his curator Humphrey Ker welcome the author, presenter and actor Robert Llewellyn; comedian, socialite and tequilera Cleo Rocos and the partly-robotic professor of cybernetics at the University of Reading, Professor Kevin Warwick. This week, the Museum's Steering Committee discusses the joys of mobile chat shows; the demise of the internal combustion engine; the advantages of higher quality alcohol; the possibility that intelligent machines will make slaves of us all; and the late, lamented trees of our youth. The show was researched by James Harkin, Molly Oldfield and Stevyn Colgan of QI. The producers were Richard Turner and Dan Schreiber. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2013.

**TUE 16:30 Up the Garden Path (b007jqkw)**

Series 3

A Dick in Shining Armour

Will pregnant Izzy be able to finally settle down with the man of her dreams? Stars Imelda Staunton. From October 1993.

**TUE 17:00 The Architects (b050zpxh)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

**TUE 17:30 Ed Reardon's Week (m0004sky)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

**TUE 18:00 Charles Chilton - Journey into Space (b007jqdn)**

The Red Planet

Episode 12

An alien ship disturbs the space crew - and is Captain Jet Morgan's childhood dream becoming a reality on Mars? Charles Chilton's 1954 classic set in 1971. Andrew Faulds ..... Jet Morgan/David Kossoff ..... Lemmy/Guy Kingsley Poynter ..... Doc/Bruce Beeby ..... Mitch/David Jacobs ..... Announcer/Various/Music composed and conducted by Van Phillips. Producer: Charles Chilton. First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in November 1954.

**TUE 18:30 London Nights (b00sxxgh)**

Trains

Writer Andrea Levy presents anthologies of short pieces for radio that capture a certain off-beat spirit of London. In the second programme: a train away from through it... Trains are one of the most audible heartbeats of the capital, threading their way through the suburbs above ground and pulsing millions of commuters deep beneath the London clay, from the outer fringes to the centre and the centre to the fringes. Writer Claire MacDonald remembers an unexpected and uplifting chance encounter on a commuter train, while Jonathan Glancey's guests in the nightly Pairs in Squares feature find themselves on Page 19, Square 2J on the London streetmap - featuring the railway hub that is Old Oak Common... Also on the menu, London's bikers pause for a cuppa in Epping Forest and free-runner Dan takes a leap across the city's night-time rooftops. Andrea Levy was born in London and holds the city close to her heart; her experience growing up here as a black Londoner pervades her novels and is the thread woven through this mix of the day-to-day and the nocturnal... of pieces taking a sidelong glance as well as a more direct approach. A blend of poetry and prose, of the factual and the fictional that together make up this diverse and diverting nightly series. Andrea Levy sadly died of cancer aged 62 in February 2019. Executive Producer: Simon Elmes. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2010.

**TUE 19:00 The Betty Witherspoon Show (b01m273b)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

**TUE 19:30 Whatever Happened to the Likely Lads? (b007js28)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

**TUE 20:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b047zlvh)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

**TUE 20:30 Jean (b00k9h9m)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

**TUE 21:00 Drama (b09pjm59)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

**TUE 22:00 Ed Reardon's Week (m0004sky)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

**TUE 22:30 Warhorses of Letters (b016ldtq)**

Series 1

Episode 3

Deep in the British Library tucked into the slipcover of a book on the history of Blenheim Palace a packet of extraordinary letters has been discovered. "Dear Marengo brackets Napoleon's horse close brackets, I've never written a letter like this before...." Thus begins the first passionate letter from Copenhagen, the Duke of Wellington's horse, to his hero Marengo in this epistolary equine love story. A story of two horses united by an uncommon passion, cruelly divided by a brutal conflict. Warhorses of Letters stars Stephen Fry as Marengo, the seasoned, famous and just-a-little-bit-short mount of Emperor Napoleon. Daniel Rigby stars alongside him as Copenhagen, the frisky young racehorse who as our story begins is about to be the new mount for the Duke of Wellington. This collection of their moving letters to each other is introduced by Tamsin Greig. Episode 3 sees our heroes' fortunes fluctuate as the Napoleonic Wars get bloodier and colder making it much harder to send Valentine's cards. Written by novelists Robert Hudson (The Kilburn Social Club) and Marie Phillips (Gods Behaving Badly - soon to be a feature film starring Christopher Walken and Sharon Stone). Directed by Steven Canny. Produced by Gareth Edwards.

**TUE 22:45 I, Regress (b01rvpw6)**

Series 2

Thunder

A dark, David Lynch-ian comedy, ideally suited for an unsettling and surreal late night listen. 'I, Regress' sees Matt Berry (The IT Crowd, Garth Marenghi's Dark Place, Snuff Box) playing a corrupt and bizarre hypnotherapist taking unsuspecting clients on twisted, misleading journeys through their subconscious. Each episode sees the doctor dealing with a different client who has come to him for a different phobia. As the patient is put under hypnosis, we 'enter' their mind, and all the various situations the hypnotherapist takes them through are played out for us to hear. The result is a dream- (or nightmare-) like trip through the patient's mind, as funny as it is disturbing. The cast across the series include Bob Mortimer, Daisy Haggard, Steve Furst and Tracy-Ann Oberman. A compelling late night listen: tune in and occupy someone else's head! Produced by Sam Bryant.

**TUE 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m00054vw)**

Anna Maxwell Martin 1/3

From 10.00pm until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Paul Garner chats to Anna Maxwell Martin.

**TUE 23:00 Vent (b00sy275)**

Series 1

Don't Bet on It

TV racing can't bring Ben out of his coma, so what use is his predicting the winners? Stars Neil Pearson. From July 2006.

**TUE 23:30 Tim Key's Late Night Poetry Programme (b01d2hf1)**

Series 1

Superstition

Tim Key tells the tale of Mike Fieg, an intensely superstitious man. Tom Basden plays the xylophone and has brought his own beaters. Written and presented by Tim Key. With Tom Basden. Produced by James Robinson.

**TUE 23:45 Jigsaw (b01r5pxx)**

Series 1

Episode 4

Dan Antopolski, Nat Luurtsema and Tom Craine piece together a selection of silly, clever, dark sketches. Produced by Colin Anderson.

### WEDNESDAY 15 MAY 2019

**WED 00:00 Charles Chilton - Journey into Space (b007jqdn)**

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**WED 01:30 Jean (b00k9h9m)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Tuesday]

**WED 02:00 William Trevor - The Story of Lucy Gault (m00054wg)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Tuesday]

**WED 02:15 Foreign Bodies (b01mz91)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Tuesday]

**WED 02:30 15 Minute Drama (b05nxz3f)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Tuesday]

**WED 02:45 Book of the Week (b045z8wg)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:45 on Tuesday]

**WED 03:00 Drama (b069h37w)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Tuesday]

**WED 04:00 The Museum of Curiosity (b03f92qc)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Tuesday]

**WED 04:30 Up the Garden Path (b007jqkw)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:30 on Tuesday]

**WED 05:00 The Architects (b050zpxh)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Tuesday]

**WED 05:30 Ed Reardon's Week (m0004sky)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Tuesday]

**WED 06:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b048n3fd)**

Corporate Bodies

Episode 3

by Jeremy Front. Based on the novel by Simon Brett. Bill Nighy stars as Charles Paris the actor who is never far from a murder scene. Charles is filming a corporate video when a secretary working as an extra is killed. But whilst Charles investigates his own life comes under threat. Directed by Sally Avens.

**WED 06:30 David Vaughan: The Artist Who Fell from Grace (b01sjjxx)**

Manchester-born pop artist David Vaughan was a 1960s success story who got to the very top and then lost everything. Wayne Hemingway takes a fresh angle on an iconic decade and its trendy art and pop scenes, encapsulated in the tragic, but frequently funny and inspiring story of one man. David Vaughan was in his 20s and had just left the Slade School of Art when he co-founded the BEV Group (Binder, Edwards and Vaughan) with two friends from Manchester, in the early 60s. Their psychedelic furniture, cars, fabrics, wall murals, and posters all commanded an elite list of customers, including Eric Clapton, Princess Margaret and Henry Moore. Vaughan was so successful he went to America to customise aircraft for Pan Am. Briefly, he also ran London's Roundhouse and booked Jimi Hendrix for one of his early UK gigs. But David fell - literally - from grace, victim of a mental collapse that started after he tumbled 30 feet from a cradle while painting a wall mural on Carnaby Street, injuring his head. A friend's response was to give him a large dose of LSD, from which he never seemed to recover. He quit London and returned north where he continued making art, but his personal style had become darker, earning him the label "modern Goya" for his paintings of victims of the Vietnam War. He became, disastrously, a friend and patient of the anti-psychiatrist, RD Laing, who at the time was possibly in an even worse state, due to alcoholism. But Vaughan's life was deteriorating slowly, and after moving to Ibiza, splitting with his family, remarrying, and then returning to Manchester, he eventually died in 2003. Featuring deathbed interviews recorded by Vaughan's friend, David Lunt and his daughter, Sadie Frost. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2013.

**WED 07:00 Bookcases (m00054x3)**

Series 2

Great Expectations

Primus plans to save Spavin and Spavin from bankruptcy by becoming Charles Dickens's new publisher. Cordelia has a surprise for Gerald. Martyn Wade's four-part comedy series set in a Victorian publishing house. Starring Michael Cochrane as Primus, Maggie Steed as Cordelia, David Horovitch as Gerald, Elizabeth Spriggs as Edith, Joan Sims as Mrs Quirk, Charles Simpson as Simeon, Ioan Meredith as Prince Albert/Smiles, Stephen Critchlow as John, Rachel Atkins as Mrs Beeton, Becky Hindley as Lizzie Siddal and Gerard McDermott as Forster. Director: Cherry Cookson. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2001.

**WED 07:30 Simon Evans Goes to Market (m0004snh)**

Series 5

John Maynard Keynes

Radio 4's premier comedy-economics hybrid is five series old and the time is right to take a step back, and perhaps two steps up, and tackle the big, competing theories of Macro Economics. These are little short of religions to their proponents, and the figures who devised them dominate the intellectual landscape in a way that mere politicians can only dream of. These are the Big Beards, the Glinting Eyes, the Bristling Moustaches and Eyebrows of "Worldly Philosophy" and their insights, calculations and hallucinations remain as contentious today as they were when first inked into place. In this series Simon Evans, with the help of Undercover Economist, Tim Harford will advance through the modern industrial era using three great beacons as their guide - Adam Smith, Karl Marx and John Maynard Keynes - and reflect on how they continue to shape our world today. For episode 3 we look at John Maynard Keynes, a figure whose analysis and suggested solutions for the West's economic woes are still argued over as heatedly in Westminster and Washington as if they had been published just last week. Keynes was an extraordinary figure, not only an economic visionary but that rarest of things, one who put his money where his mouth was, and to great effect - his canny investments kept the entire Bloomsbury group afloat and in crayons, though we needn't hold that against him. Producer: Richard Morris. Presenters: Simon Evans and Tim Harford. Writers: Simon Evans, Tim Harford, Dan Evans and Robert Ledger.

**WED 08:00 The Navy Lark (b01sjs44)**

Series 8

Charitably Taking Part

The crew of Troutbridge see stars at a fundraiser for seamen who are down on their luck. Stars Jon Perwée. From October 1966.

**WED 08:30 Thank You, Mrs Fothergill (b087llxb)**

At Home With The Brontes

Bronte sisterly stage shenanigans as the ladies of the guild enter the district drama festival - and Madam Chairman Alice lands the lead role... Keith Parry's sitcom about the comic mishaps of the Cloughbottom Ladies' Evening Guild. Starring Sheila Hancock as Alice Foster, Pat Coombs as Phyllis Middleton, Avis Bunnage as Mrs Fothergill and Clovisia Newcombe as Ethel and Peggy. Produced in Manchester by Bob Oliver Rogers. First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in December 1978.

**WED 09:00 Counterpoint (b00hyn72)**

Series 22

2008 Semi-final 3

Paul Gambaccini chairs the general knowledge music quiz. The pace hots up as the series enters its semi-final stage, with three of this year's heats winners going into battle for a place in the Final in a few weeks' time. The questions cover every aspect of music - from the classical repertoire to world music, show tunes, film scores, jazz, rock and pop. Three contestants battle it out: Adrian Salter of London, Martyn Smith of Aberdair and Geoff Wickham of Bristol. Producer: Paul Bajoria. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2008.

**WED 09:30 Be Prepared (b0076ftf)**

Girl Guides and Caves

Could Miles have found love with a local girl guide leader? A weekend camp proves fateful for the troop. Recently separated from his wife and with a teenage son, Miles Rummings continues with his dream of running a scout troop. Stars Kim Wall as Miles, Emma Amos as Dawn, Barnaby Power as Steve, Louis Dunsford as Jason, Dave Lamb as Garth and Rachel Atkins as Jenny. Producer: Sally Avens. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2005.

**WED 10:00 Drama (b06bd7sl)**

A Place of Greater Safety

Fraternity

Hilary Mantel's epic account of the French Revolution. France is at war. Louis XVI and Marie Antoinette have been arrested and await execution. And Robespierre and Danton are increasingly at odds over the direction the revolution should take. Dramatised by Melissa Murray. Directed by Marc Beeby.

**WED 11:00 Step Back In Time - with Rylan Clark-Neal (m00054x7)**

2000 - Gabrielle

Singer Gabrielle takes a seat in Rylan's time machine, for a journey back to 2000, where they revel in some of the year's most talked about moments. From the ill-fated opening of a new Thames river crossing to the dress that broke the internet, Gabrielle and Rylan celebrate the events, music and television that made a mark on the first year of the 21st century. Producer: Oliver Morris. Assistant Producer: Simona Rata. Composer: Pascal Wyse. Production Manager: Sara Butler. Executive Producer: Daniel Clark-Neal. A Harbar 8 production for BBC Sounds.

**WED 11:30 Short Cuts (b083n15b)**

Series 10

The Dreamers

Josie Long hears stories of dreamers - from the search for utopia to striving to transform into the writer Barbara Cartland. Becoming Barbara. Produced by Natalie Kestecher. Utopia. Featuring Michaela Vieser. Produced by Tim Hinman and Michaela Vieser. Dear Face at Deer Lake with Deer People. Originally made for Third Coast International Audio Festival. <http://thirdcoastfestival.org/explore/feature/dear-face-at-deer-lake-with-deer-people>. Produced by Dear Deer Face Collective. Series Producer: Eleanor McDowall. A Falling Tree production for BBC Radio 4.

**WED 12:00 The Navy Lark (b01sjs44)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

**WED 12:30 Thank You, Mrs Fothergill (b087l1xb)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

**WED 13:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b048n3fd)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

**WED 13:30 David Vaughan: The Artist Who Fell from Grace (b01sjjxx)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

**WED 14:00 William Trevor - The Story of Lucy Gault (m00054x9)**

Episode 3

Lucy's parents try to fill their days in Italy - quite unaware that their daughter is alive in Ireland. William Trevor's haunting masterpiece abridged by Sally Marmion. Read by Dermot Crowley. Producer: Di Spiers. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2002.

**WED 14:15 Foreign Bodies (b01mz97)**

Series 1

Sweden - Kurt Wallander and Lisbeth Salander  
If the Martin Beck novels of Sjöwall and Wahlöö set the template for the social commentary found in Scandinavian crime fiction - Henning Mankell's Kurt Wallander novels and Steig Larsson's Millennium Trilogy have both used the form to focus on racist attitudes in modern Sweden. Henning Mankell, Kenneth Branagh, Liza Marklund, Camilla Läckberg and Eva Gabrielsson - Stieg Larsson's partner, share their views about whether the Swedish state can still be held up as an ideal as Mark Lawson continues his series about the way modern European history is reflected through the pages of crime fiction. Producer Robyn Read.

**WED 14:30 15 Minute Drama (b05nxz5k)**

Mike Bartlett - A Steal

Episode 3

Hanna's unorthodox way of helping out some friends in need is going from strength to strength. But she's not going to be able to get away with it for much longer... Written by Mike Bartlett. Hanna ..... Laura Dos Santos Susie ..... Samantha Robinson David ..... Justin Salinger Mark ..... Shaun Mason Barry ..... Sam Dale Denise ..... Annabelle Dowler Rogers ..... David Acton Man ..... Ian Conningham Director ..... Mary Peate. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.

**WED 14:45 Book of the Week (b0460hz6)**

Curious: True Stories and Loose Connections

Slumming It

The thrill of moving into student digs is short-lived but then

there's a late night knock at the door. Rebecca Front reads from her collection of anecdotes and yarns exploring all that is remarkable about everyday life. Abridged by Sara Davies. Producer: Gemma Jenkins. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014.

**WED 15:00 Drama (b06bd7sl)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

**WED 16:00 Counterpoint (b00byn72)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

**WED 16:30 Be Prepared (b0076ftf)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

**WED 17:00 Bookcases (m00054x3)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

**WED 17:30 Simon Evans Goes to Market (m0004snh)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

**WED 18:00 Charles Chilton - Journey into Space (b007jggq)**

The Red Planet

Episode 13

In the Martian city from Captain Jet Morgan's childhood dream, Lemmy is under telepathic attack... Charles Chilton's 1954 classic set in 1971. Andrew Faulds ..... Jet Morgan David Kossoff ..... Lemmy Guy Kingsley Poynter ..... Doc Bruce Beeby ..... Mitch David Jacobs ..... Announcer/Various Music composed and conducted by Van Phillips. Producer: Charles Chilton. First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in November 1954.

**WED 18:30 London Nights (b00sxgy7)**

Music and Prayers

Writer Andrea Levy presents short pieces for radio capturing a certain off-beat spirit of London and Londoners - a whole world of experience within one sprawling city. Tonight, the rhythms of a north London estate with young musicians Kyle and Marius prompt Andrea to memories of her own childhood adventures, car-minding for sixpence near Highbury Stadium on matchday. She invites us to eavesdrop on an all-night suburban prayer vigil; and we hear a spooky modern ghost story of unaccountable disappearances from Brockwell Lido... Plus: in the nightly feature, Pairs in Squares, Jonathan Glancey's pin lands in the map-section devoted to Soho, as revealed by ad-man John Hegarty. Andrea Levy was born in London and holds the city close to her heart; her experience growing up here as a black Londoner pervades her novels and is the thread woven through this mix of the day-to-day and the nocturnal... of pieces taking a sidelong glance as well as a more direct approach. A blend of poetry and prose, of the factual and the fictional that together make up this diverse and diverting nightly series. Andrea Levy sadly died of cancer aged 62 in February 2019. Executive Producer: Simon Elmes. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2010.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

**WED 22:30 Tina C (b06r885k)**

Tina C: Herstory

Episode 2

1999 sees Tina C established as a global icon, and exploring her feminist side. Jenni Murray quizzes Tina about the highs and lows of finding your feet as a woman in Nashville. Written & performed by Christopher Green. Additional voices: Susan Jameson & Leo Wan. The Band: Duncan Walsh-Atkins, Mark Hardisty & Phil Wraith. Produced by Victoria Lloyd. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.

**WED 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m00054xd)**

Anna Maxwell Martin 2/3

From 10.00pm until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Paul Garner chats to Anna Maxwell Martin.

**WED 23:00 Lee and Herring's Fist of Fun (b007znh6)**

Episode 1

Stewart Lee berates Richard Herring for his lack of street cred, Peter Baynham shares some unusual recipes and is Radio 1 really the youth-friendly station it pretends to be? Recorded at the Pleasance Theatre during the Edinburgh Fringe Festival. With Alistair McGowan and Rebecca Front, Stewart Lee and Richard Herring's mix of sharp sketches and situations, stand up topical gags and banter. Lee and Herring went to write and star in their successful TV transfer to BBC TWO in 1995. The rest of the series comes from university venues, including Plymouth, Lancaster and Belfast. Cult BBC Radio 1 series first broadcast in October 1993.

**WED 23:30 World of Pub (b00cm91k)**

Series 2

Episode 3

Dodgy Phil hatches a sporting scheme to improve the fortunes of Barry and Garry's bar. Tony Roche's four-part comedy starring John Thomson as Dodgy Phil, Phil Cornwell as Barry,

Alistair McGowan as Garry, Debra Stephenson, Kim Wall and Tony Roche. Special effects: Carl Phillips and Nick Romero. Music: Bill Bailey. Producer: Jane Berthoud. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1999.

**THURSDAY 16 MAY 2019**

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[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Wednesday]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 14:45 on Wednesday]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Wednesday]

**THU 05:00 Bookcases (m00054x3)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Wednesday]

**THU 05:30 Simon Evans Goes to Market (m0004snh)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Wednesday]

**THU 06:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b0499dl3)**

Corporate Bodies

Episode 4

by Jeremy Front. Based on the novel by Simon Brett. Bill Nighy stars as unsuccessful actor, but ace detective, Charles Paris. A corporate video turns into a horror movie when an employee is killed. But Charles is about to uncover blackmail and sexual intrigue and plenty of motives for murder amongst the workforce. Directed by Sally Avens.

**THU 06:30 A Handful of Keys - Liberace (m00054xh)**

Peter Skellern takes a look back at the career of Liberace. The flamboyant pianist born in Wisconsin in 1919 went on to be a superstar. Produced by Bridget Apps. First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in 2000.

**THU 07:00 Dot (b055gcl6)**

Pilot

by Ed Harris. Dot's had quite enough of making tea in the Cabinet War Rooms. When she finds a cryptic message in the newspaper she enlists the help of her gals Myrtle and Pearl. Can they catch the spy? And will it prove to be the big break Dot's been waiting for? Dot ..... Fenella Woolgar Myrtle ..... Kate O'Flynn Pearl ..... Roslyn Hill Millicent ..... Jane Slavin Peabody ..... David Acton Ken ..... Stephen Crichtlow Director/Producer Jessica Brown Ed Harris has written extensively for radio. In 2013 he won the Radio Academy Award for Best Drama for his War time thriller, 'The Resistance of Mrs Brown'. In 2011 he won the Writer's Guild Award for 'Troll' and was nominated for the Prix Europa for his play for BBC Radio 3: 'The Wall'. Fenella Woolgar won the Clarence Derwent Award for her role in 'Hedda Gabler' at the Old Vic and most recently played Margaret Thatcher in 'Handbagged' at the Vaudeville Theatre, London. Kate O'Flynn won the Critics Circle Award winner 2013 Most Promising Newcomer for 'Port' at the National Theatre, she also received an Evening Standard Nomination.

**THU 07:30 Meet David Sedaris (m0004sk5)**

Series 7

Episode 6

The globetrotting, trash-picking, aisle-rolling storyteller is back with more words of wit and wisdom. With his 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 him a master of satire and one of the most observant writers addressing the human condition today. Three short stories this week - CNN, Boo Hoey and a selection of David's Million Dollar Ideas. David Sedaris's first book, Barrel Fever (1994) which included The Santa Land Diaries, was a critical and commercial success, as were his follow-up efforts, Naked (1997), Holidays on Ice (1997) and Me Talk Pretty One Day (2000). He became known for his bitingly funny recollections of his youth, family life and travels, making semi-celebrities out of his parents and siblings. David has been nominated for three Grammy Awards for Best Spoken Word and Best Comedy Album. His latest international best-selling book is a collection of stories entitled Calypso. A feature film adaptation of his story C.O.G. was released after a premier at the Sundance Film Festival (2013). He is a regular contributor to The New Yorker and has been appearing on BBC Radio 4 since 1996. Producer: Steve Doherty. A Giddy Goat production for BBC Radio 4

**THU 08:00 Something to Shout About (m00054xk)**

Series 2

Episode 20

A dog owned by Janet's beatnik friend lands a role in an ad campaign for new savoury snacks. "A light-hearted exposé of the advertising world!". Set in a London ad agency called 'Apsley, Addis, Cohen, Barbican, Blythe, Giddy & Partners'. Starring Michael Medwin as Michael, Fenella Fielding as Janet, Joan Sims as Mavis, Eleanor Summerfield as Maggie and Nicholas Phipps as Adrian. Other parts by Warren Mitchell. Series two (of three) written by Myles Rudge with Ronnie Wolfe. Producer: Eric Miller. First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in May 1961.

**THU 08:30 The Goon Show (b007jxnb)**

Childe Harold Rewarde

Neddie Seagoon searches for Excalibur and ends up 'in the drink'. Stars Spike Milligan and Peter Sellers. From December 1958.

**THU 09:00 The Write Stuff (m00054xm)**

Series 2

Arthur Conan Doyle

James Walton traces the literary quiz with Sebastian Faulks, John Walsh, Tracey Macleod and Philippa Gregory. Author of the week: Arthur Conan Doyle. Reader: Becky Hindley. Producer: Dawn Ellis. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1999.

**THU 09:30 Rent (b062r9w7)**

Series 4

Episode 1

Paul and Ruby have moved out of the Reynolds' house, but not too far away. Stars Dave Lamb and Barbara Flynn. From May 1998.

**THU 10:00 Drama (b05rl3w4)**

Evelyn Waugh - Decline and Fall

Episode 1

Paul Pennyfeather, a quiet, earnest, scholarly young student at Oxford knows nothing of 1920's high-life until one night he encounters The Bollinger Club... Evelyn's Waugh's fast paced roller-coaster is set in the early jazz age, peopled by larger than life characters and a few grotesques. A real gem in the canon of British comic fiction dramatised by Jeremy Front. Paul Pennyfeather .... Kieran Hodgson. Dr Fagan .... Geoffrey Whitehead. Grimes .... John Sessions. Prendergast .... James Fleet. Philbrick .... Ben Crowe. Margot Beste-Chetwynde .... Emilia Fox. Peter Beste-Chetwynde .... Alex Lawther. Flossie .... Tilly Vosburgh. Lady Circumference/Dingy .... Felicity Montagu. Tangent .... Richard Linnell. Clutterbuck .... Mark Edel. Hunt. Cholmondley .... Jude Akuwudike. Mr Davies/Paul's Guardian .... Stephen Critchlow. Trumpington .... Sam Valentine. Sniggs .... Sam Dale. Postlethwaite .... David Acton. Levy .... Ian Cunningham. Jeremy Front won the Best Dramatisation in the BBC 2014 Drama Audio Awards for Evelyn Waugh's Sword of Honour. Producer: Marion Nancarrow. Director: Tracey Neale. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.

**THU 11:00 Wish You Weren't Here... (b05tpz74)**

No Mountain High Enough

Paula's romantic weekend break in the Lake District is derailed when she meets fellow hotel guest Graham. Written and read by Judy Flynn. Wish You Weren't Here is a series of three original short stories by award-winning writers about that awkward person you'd rather not meet... Director: Heather Larmour. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.

**THU 11:15 Margaret Wilkinson - Nocturne (b04d49r)**

Judith wants to get closer to her mother but is too frightened to open up and ask for the help she needs. Her mother, Anna, has a secret she's never shared with her daughter and time is running out. When Judith becomes her mother's carer, their lack of communication intensifies. Can these women, forced into intimate proximity hold onto their secrets? Margaret Wilkinson's moving and haunting drama about secrets and lies. Starring Julia McKenzie as Anna and Deborah McAndrew as Judith. Pianist... Emily Hooker. Director: Nadia Molinari. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

**THU 12:30 The Goon Show (b007jxnb)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

**THU 13:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b0499d13)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

**THU 13:30 A Handful of Keys - Liberate (m00054xh)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

**THU 14:00 William Trevor - The Story of Lucy Gault (m00054xp)**

Episode 4

Lucy Gault is growing up without her parents who are unaware she's still alive. Meanwhile a railway porter begins to be tormented by recurring nightmares... William Trevor's haunting masterpiece recurring by Sally Marmion. Read by Dermot Crowley. Producer: Di Spiers. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2002.

**THU 14:15 Foreign Bodies (b01mmz9h)**

Series 1

Norway - Harry Hole

Jo Nesbø's novels, featuring detective Harry Hole top best seller lists across the world - the latest example of the boom in Scandinavian crime fiction. Mark Lawson talks to Nesbø, Liza Marklund and Gunnar Staalesen about the impact of Norwegian oil on the economy, the divisions caused by the Second World War and the effect of random acts of violence in Sweden and

Norway with the assassination of politicians and the killing spree on Utøya island. Producer Robyn Read.

**THU 14:30 15 Minute Drama (b05nxzk4)**

Mike Bartlett - A Seal

Episode 4

From ordinary young woman to Robin Hood figure. Now everything is out in the open, Hannah feels she can really make a difference. Written by Mike Bartlett. Hanna ..... Laura Dos Santos. Rogers ..... David Acton. Gail ..... Jane Slavin. Director: Mary Peate. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2019.

**THU 14:45 Book of the Week (b0460p65)**

Curious: True Stories and Loose Connections

Normal

A celebration of idiosyncrasy where there's nothing odd about taking a pet rabbit for a walk on a lead. Rebecca Front reads from her collection of anecdotes and yarns exploring all that's remarkable about everyday life. Abridged by Sara Davies. Producer: Gemma Jenkins. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

**THU 16:30 Rent (b062r9w7)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

**THU 17:00 Dot (b055gcl6)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

**THU 17:30 Meet David Sedaris (m0004sk5)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

**THU 18:00 Charles Chilton - Journey into Space (b007jqj1)**

The Red Planet

Episode 14

As the crew of Discovery explore Mars, Captain Jet Morgan and Doc must rescue Lemmy - but what about Mitch? Charles Chilton's 1954 classic set in 1971. Andrew Faulds ..... Jet Morgan. David Kossoff ..... Lemmy. Guy Kingsley. Poynter ..... Doc. Bruce Beeby ..... Mitch. David Jacobs ..... Announcer. Various. Music composed and conducted by Van Phillips. Producer: Charles Chilton. First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in December 1954.

**THU 18:30 London Nights (b00sxgy9)**

London Talking

Writer Andrea Levy presents anthologies of short pieces for radio that capturing a certain off-beat spirit of London. Including tonight: London Talking - Steve Chandra Savale of the Asian Dub Foundation listens to the output of just two of London's hundreds of community and pirate radio stations that provide a public voice for the capital's many ethnic communities. Plus - out of town with The Other Londons... a trip to London Apprentice, two miles south of St Austell in Cornwall. And as usual, Jonathan Glancey sticks a pin randomly into the London streetmap to find out from his famous guests just what makes that corner of the city tick... in Pairs in Squares. Andrea Levy was born in London and holds the city close to her heart; her experience growing up here as a black Londoner pervades her novels and is the thread woven through this mix of the day-to-day and the nocturnal... of pieces taking a sidelong glance as well as a more direct approach. A blend of poetry and prose, of the factual and the fictional that together make up this diverse and diverting nightly series. Andrea Levy sadly died of cancer aged 62 in February 2019. Executive Producer: Simon Elmes. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2010.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]

**THU 22:00 Meet David Sedaris (m0004sk5)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

**THU 22:30 Britain Versus the World (b04v92d)**

Series 1

Episode 1

Comedy panel show which pits two British comedians against a team of comics from overseas to find out which side is superior. Joining the British captain, Hal Cruttenden, is Scottish comedian Susan Calman while the captain of the Rest of the World - Henning Wehn - is teamed with Malawian stand-up Daliso Chaponda. The contest is overseen by Irishman Ed Byrne who does his very best to stay impartial. Programme Associate: Bill Matthews. Devised and produced by Ashley Blaker. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2014.

**THU 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m00054xs)**

Anna Maxwell Martin 3/3

From 10.00pm until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Paul Garner chats to Anna Maxwell Martin.

**THU 23:00 Alan Parker's 59 Minutes of Truth (b00z64xq)**

Episode 5

Comedy, music and revolution, as the truth guerilla speaks to The People. In a Pub. Stars Simon Munnery. From March 1995.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Thursday]

**FRI 00:30 London Nights (b00sxgy9)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Thursday]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Thursday]

**FRI 01:30 A Handful of Keys - Liberate (m00054xh)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Thursday]

**FRI 02:00 William Trevor - The Story of Lucy Gault (m00054xp)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Thursday]

**FRI 02:15 Foreign Bodies (b01mmz9h)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Thursday]

**FRI 02:30 15 Minute Drama (b05nxzk4)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Thursday]

**FRI 02:45 Book of the Week (b0460p65)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:45 on Thursday]

**FRI 03:00 Drama (b05rl3w4)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Thursday]

**FRI 04:00 The Write Stuff (m00054xm)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Thursday]

**FRI 04:30 Rent (b062r9w7)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Thursday]

**FRI 05:00 Dot (b055gcl6)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Thursday]

**FRI 05:30 Meet David Sedaris (m0004sk5)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Thursday]

**FRI 06:00 EW Horning - Raffles (b007jncv)**

Series 3

No Sinecure

AJ Raffles is dead - and Bunny must face the world alone. Then comes an invitation to answer a newspaper advertisement... The stories of EW Horning in the continuing adventures of cricketer and gentleman thief, Arthur J Raffles, and his chronicler, Harry "Bunny" Manders. Starring Jeremy Clyde as AJ Raffles, Michael Cochrane as Bunny, Gordon Reid as Dr Theobald and John Hartley as Maturin. Dramatised by Olwen Wymark. Signature tune composed by Jim Parker. Director: Gordon House A BBC Radio 4/ BBC World Service production first broadcast in 1992.

**FRI 06:30 Stuart: A Face Backwards (b01k2df5)**

Stuart Freeborn's face launched a thousand space ships, his hands fashioned the Dawn of Man. Freeborn was the self-made genius of British make-up. A career that began in the Denham dream factory of Alexander Korda in the late 1930s culminated in the creation of Yoda for the original Star Wars Trilogy. Freeborn, desperate to escape the humdrum fate of City clerking, longed to emulate his hero Jack Pierce, the man who transformed Karloff into Frankenstein's monster. Despite the almost total lack of information available he devised increasingly elaborate make-up's in his bedroom. Testing them by leaping out to terrify unsuspecting neighbours. Dreaming and drifting from a succession of jobs just to pay for his materials, Freeborn's parents despaired. It took a moment of fate to finally enter professional film-making at Alexander Korda's new dream factory of Denham Studios. From the very beginning Freeborn was an innovator, experimenting with new plastics and later engineering and early radio control. He created the controversial Fagin makeup for Alec Guinness in Lean's Oliver Twist, the many faces of Peter Sellers in Kubrick's Dr Strangelove and the near impossible design of the ape families for the Dawn of Man sequence in 2001: A Space Odyssey. A career littered with achievements culminated in the creation of Yoda for George Lucas in 1979. The wizened Jedi master drew on all Freeborn's skill and experience and took make-up into a new age. Back in 1997, producer Mark Burman spent a week in Freeborn's company amidst a shed of delights since sold off to collectors around the world. What he got was the story of a make-up genius, the history of a face backwards. Presenter/Producer: Mark Burman. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2012.

**FRI 07:00 Reluctant Persuaders (b06d2l25)**

Series 1

The Best A Man Can Get

Things are getting desperate for the staff of Hardacre's, London's worst advertising agency. The work isn't coming in and accounts chief Amanda Brook finds herself reduced to pleading for the business of old friend/nemeses, India. Back at the office, hopeless creative team Joe and Teddy devise a campaign for an anti-aging cream for men. Worse, they must grapple with the most difficult and least glamorous form of advertising of all - radio work. They find themselves unexpectedly assisted by creative director Rupert Hardacre who descends from on high at Amanda's instruction to give the little people the benefit of his creative wisdom. The only trouble is, he seems to have forgotten most of it. Fortunately, he wrote it all down in a book entitled Hardacre on Advertising and he sets out to find a copy for Joe and Teddy. Rupert Hardacre ..... Nigel Havers. Amanda Brook ..... Josie Lawrence. Joe ..... Matthew Baynton. Teddy ..... Rasmus Hardiker. Director: Alan Nixon. Producer: Gordon Kennedy. An Absolutely production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in 2015.

**FRI 07:30 Stand-Up Specials (m00051k8)**

Suzi Ruffell: Postcards to Portsmouth

Stand-up special from Suzi Ruffell about growing up in Portsmouth and sending postcards to back home. Through sharp storytelling and real-life examples, Suzi introduces the audience

to her large and entertaining Portsmouth family. Postcards to Portsmouth was written and performed by Suzi Ruffell, with additions from Ann Ruffell. It was produced by Suzy Grant and is a BBC Studios production.

**FRI 08:00 The Burkiss Way (b007jlyw)**

Series 1

Peel Bananas the Burkiss Way

The groundbreaking sketch show with cult status. Stars Denise Coffey, Chris Emmett, Fred Harris and Nigel Rees. From June 1976.

**FRI 08:30 Steptoe and Son (b007jlnf)**

Series 3

TB or Not TB

Sixty years of smoking takes its toll on Albert Steptoe. Starring Wilfrid Brambell as Albert and Harry H Corbett as Harold. With Jo Manning Wilson as the Receptionist. Following the conclusion of their hugely successful association with Tony Hancock, writers Ray Galton and Alan Simpson wrote 10 pilots for the BBC TV's Comedy Playhouse in 1962. The Offer was set in a house with a yard full of junk, featuring the lives of rag and bone men Albert Steptoe and his son Harold and it was the spark for a run of 8 series for TV. Adapted for radio from Galton and Simpson's TV script by Gale Pedrick. Produced by Bobby Jaye. First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in April 1971.

**FRI 09:00 Hidden Treasures (b05p6jmr)**

Syon House

The antiques quiz visits Syon House in London. With Lars Tharp, John Bly and Christine Lalumia. From May 1998.

**FRI 09:30 Home Again (m000527p)**

Old Habits

Fulton Jones resumes his old ways in the family home after a 20-year unexplained absence. As suddenly as he disappeared, Fulton Jones returns to his family – wife Margaret and children Rosie and Martin. He went to the newsagent to buy matches 20 years before and, bold as brass, waltzes back assuming his role as father figure once more. Margaret is perplexed, whilst Rosie and Martin are furious with him. Robin Bailey ... Fulton Doreen Mantle ... Margaret Liz Goulding ... Rosie David Troughton ... Martin Christopher Benjamin ... Ernest Blackrock. Written by Peter Tinniswood. Producer: Griff Rhys Jones. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1980.

**FRI 10:00 Drama (b05sscme)**

Evelyn Waugh - Decline and Fall

Episode 2

Captain Grimes finding himself in 'the soup' again has disappeared and Margot has invited Paul to tutor her son Peter during the school holidays. There he meets the eccentric Otto. Conclusion of Evelyn's Waugh's fast paced roller-coaster set in the early jazz age dramatised by Jeremy Front. Paul ... Kieran Hodgson Margot ... Emilia Fox Otto ... Tom Hollander Peter ... Alex Lawther Grimes ... John Sessions Prendergast ... James Fleet Dr Fagan ... Geoffrey Whitehead Philbrick ... Ben Crowe Alastair ... Sam Valentine Sir Humphrey/Governor 2/Scout ... Sam Dale Inspector Bruce/Warder 1 ... Stephen Critchlow Lunatic/Warder 2 ... Ian Conningham Lucas-Dockerty/Chaplain ... David Acton Jane Grimes ... Jessica Turner Bessy ... Rhiannon Neads. Directed by Tracey Neale. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.

**FRI 11:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m000527t)**

Made for 4 Extra. Presenters recommend their favourite podcasts and speak to the people who make them.

**FRI 12:00 The Burkiss Way (b007jlyw)**

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**FRI 13:30 Stuart: A Face Backwards (b01k2df5)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

**FRI 14:00 William Trevor - The Story of Lucy Gault (m000527w)**

Episode 5

Taking his boss's car for a spin, a young man named Ralph spots a grand house into Lahardane he's never seen before - nor its beautiful occupant... William Trevor's haunting masterpiece abridged by Sally Marmion. Read by Dermot Crowley. Producer: Di Spiers. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2002.

**FRI 14:15 Foreign Bodies (b01mznb2)**

Series 1

Russia and Ukraine - Erast Fandorin

Boris Akunin sets his Erast Fandorin novels in nineteenth century Russia whilst Andrey Kurkov describes twenty first century Ukraine. Mark Lawson looks at the influence of Bulgakov and Dostoevsky on Russian crime fiction and compares the inside view with those created by outsiders including Martin Cruz Smith and Tom Rob Smith. Producer Robyn Read.

**FRI 14:30 15 Minute Drama (b05nxzpg)**

Mike Bartlett - A Steal

Episode 5

Hanna is really in trouble now, but at least she'll be able to make her case; tell the world why she has done what she's done. Hopefully. Written by Mike Bartlett. Hanna ... Laura Dos Santos Mark ... Shaun Mason Susise ... Samantha Robinson Reporter ... Jude Akuwudike Director ... Mary Peate. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.

**FRI 14:45 Book of the Week (b0460zm8)**

Curious: True Stories and Loose Connections

Lauren Bacall Stole My Husband's Chip

A tantalising glimpse into the strange world of celebrity, where normal rules no longer apply. Rebecca Front reads from collection of anecdotes and yarns exploring all that's remarkable about everyday life. Abridged by Sara Davies. Producer: Gemma Jenkins. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014.

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**FRI 18:00 Charles Chilton - Journey into Space (b007jqlg)**

The Red Planet

Episode 15

Cold-handed Maclean attacks Lemmy, but the plucky radio operator fights back... Charles Chilton's 1954 classic set in 1971. Andrew Faulds ... Jet Morgan David Kossoff ...

Lemmy Guy Kingsley Poynter ... Doc Bruce Beeby ...

Mitch David Jacobs ... Announcer/Various Music composed and conducted by Van Phillips. Producer: Charles Chilton. First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in November 1954.

**FRI 18:30 London Nights (b00sxgye)**

The Other Side of the River

Writer Andrea Levy presents anthologies of short pieces for radio capturing a certain off-beat spirit of London. In tonight's programme: The Other Side of the River - South Londoner Arthur Smith conducts musician Suggs round his manor in a vain attempt to convince the north Londoner that his is the better end of town. On Monday, Suggs returns the compliment. Also: writer Peter Blegvad rings a doorbell in Hammersmith and is ushered into the fantasy world of the Central London Hatcheries and Conditioning Centre - or is he? Plus, the regular feature Pairs in Squares, in which Jonathan Glancey randomly selects a section from the grid of London's famous streetmap and explores it in company with a well-known London companion. Andrea Levy was born in London and holds the city close to her heart; her experience growing up here as a black Londoner pervades her novels and is the thread woven through this mix of the day-to-day and the nocturnal... of pieces taking a sidelong glance as well as a more direct approach. A blend of poetry and prose, of the factual and the fictional that together make up this diverse and diverting nightly series. Andrea Levy sadly died of cancer aged 62 in February 2019. Executive Producer: Simon Elmes. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2010.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

**FRI 22:30 Andrew Lawrence: How Did We End Up Like This? (b01p0sbk)**

Violence

Sketches, stand-up and song in a comic exploration of violence. With Andrew Lawrence and Sara Pascoe. From November 2012.

**FRI 23:00 John Finnemore's Double Acts (b06nrzqw)**

Series 1

English for Pony-Lovers

In a small town in Germany, Lorna is about to give Elke an English lesson. Rebecca Front and Beth Mullen star in the fifth of six two-handers, written by Cabin Pressure's John Finnemore. Written by John Finnemore. Producer: David Tyler. A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4. First broadcast in 2015.

**FRI 23:30 Tim FitzHigham: The Gambler (b05r3z49)**

Series 2

Episode 4

Adventuring comedian Tim FitzHigham and his old nemesis Alex Horne recreate a 19th century bet; can Tim ride a horse from London to Dover and back before Alex makes 1 million dots on a piece of paper?"