

SATURDAY 05 OCTOBER 2019

SAT 00:00 Wally K Daly (b007nfs5)

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Episode 2

Scientist Kate Brown's attempt to bring her dramatic new gene discovery into the public domain doesn't go to plan...Conclusion of Wally K Daly intriguing sci-fi drama. Kate Brown Amanda RootProducer: Slingsby Geoffrey WhiteheadJoe Barnard Jon StricklandReporter Elizabeth ConboyPrime Minister Chris TranchellMinister of Defence Ian MastersMajor Peters Brett UsherDanny Flowers Stuart MilliganLab Technician Harry MyersMinister of Health Sandra ClarkDirector: Gordon House.First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1999.

SAT 00:30 Off the Page (b0076n30)

Redemption

Matthew Parris knows what he did, and so do Gillian Slovo, Dannie Abse and Paul Burke. They all discuss atonement. From September 2004.

SAT 01:00 Wimsey (b007jvmb)

Unnatural Death

7. Miss Climpson Investigates

Lord Peter Wimsey enlists help to try and solve the puzzling murder mystery.Ian Carmichael stars as the aristocratic sleuth.British gentleman detective Lord Peter Wimsey features in a number of detective novels and short stories by English crime writer, Dorothy L Sayers. Have Unnatural Death was first published in 1927.Classy and sharp-witted, aristocratic amateur sleuth Lord Peter Bredon Wimsey was born in 1890 and educated at Eton and Oxford, before serving in the military during the First World War.Ian Carmichael appeared as Lord Peter Wimsey for BBC Radio from 1973 to 1983, in addition to the BBC TV adaptations that were broadcast between 1972 and 1975.Conclusion of Chris Miller's radio adaptation.Lord Peter Wimsey Ian CarmichaelInspector Parker Gabriel WoolfMiss Climpson Ambrosine PhillipsMrs Forrest Bridget McConnellMr Treggold John ForrestDr Faulkner John DunbarSacristan Mark PenfoldBunter Peter JonesProducer: Simon Brett.First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1975.

SAT 01:30 Fela Kuti Comes Home (b011j8zj)

Fela Kuti is Africa's most famous musician. Before his death in 1997 he recorded nearly 50 albums and invented his own genre of music: Afrobeat. In the 70s and 80s his legendary club in Lagos was famed for housing the best live band on Earth. As witnessed by James Brown, Stevie Wonder and Paul McCartney.But there was more to Fela Kuti than ground-breaking music. He was also a political revolutionary who spent his life strongly criticising successive military regimes in his native Nigeria. While his contemporaries would sing in more general terms of oppression, Fela singled out his targets, personally naming them in songs which became popular all over Africa. It wasn't long before he was a hero to many working class Nigerians.But his taunts didn't go down so well with the authorities. Nor did his controversial lifestyle: he openly smoked marijuana, declared his home an independent state of Nigeria and married 27 women on the same day. The story goes he was the most arrested person in Nigerian history. He appeared in court hundreds of times, had spells in prison and permanently suffered from his injuries after regular beatings at the hands of the military and police. Fela believed they were also responsible for the death of his mother, who was thrown from an upstairs window when his home was stormed by 1000 soldiers.In 2009 his incredible story was turned in to a successful Broadway musical and it was performed in Lagos for the first time in 2011. Fela Kuti was coming home. But while the rest of the world is finally paying attention to this musical and political revolutionary why will you struggle to hear any of his music on Nigerian radio? Have they forgotten Fela? Or do the powers that be still find his music offensive? Radio 4 visited Lagos to find the answers.First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2011.

SAT 02:00 Book of the Week (b0b490rv)

Feel Free

Episode 5

Some thoughts on the Alte Frau, an enigmatic painting of a woman by the German painter Balthasar Denner.Zadie Smith reads from her essay collection where she offers sharp, and sometimes funny, insights and observations on high culture, pop culture, social change, political debate and the personal.Zadie Smith is the award winning author of the novels, White Teeth, The Autograph Man, On Beauty, NW and Swing Time. Feel Free is her second essay collection. She was listed as one of Granta's 20 Best Young Novelists in 2003 and again in 2013. Her 2000 debut White Teeth, won numerous literary awards, including the James Tait Black Memorial Prize, the Whitbread First Novel Award and the Guardian First Book Award. Zadie Smith is a professor of fiction at New York University.Abridged and produced by Elizabeth Allard.First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2018.

SAT 02:15 Five Hundred Years of Friendship (b03zdkkc)

A Battalion of Pals

Dr Thomas Dixon presents a timely history of the changing meaning and experience of friendship over the centuriesTwo contrasting stories for this examination of the impact of World War One on male friendship.Dixon begins and ends with the pacifist Bloomsbury Group, focusing on EM Forster and his famous remark, "If I had to choose between betraying my

country and betraying my friend, I hope I should have the guts to betray my country". Dr Matt Cook places this remark - shocking at the time - in the context of Forster's hidden sexual orientation.Forster began his masterpiece, A Passage to India, before the war, in optimism about the possibility of friendships and love across the nations. As Dr Santanu Das explains, he completed it, after the War, in a far bleaker mood.Meanwhile, amongst the less highly educated classes, groups of work-mates were being conscripted into the army. Thomas Dixon explores this new role for friendship - as a recruiting sergeant - and its tragic consequences.Producer: Beaty RubensFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2014.

SAT 02:30 15 Minute Drama (b06q5xqh)

Early One Morning

Episode 5

Italy 1943. Sisters Chiara and Cecilia are now installed in their grandmother's farmhouse in the mountains, where they shelter passing army deserters and Daniele, the small Jewish boy Chiara saved from the Nazis' clearance of the Rome ghetto.Thirty years later, in 1973, Chiara has lost touch with her troubled, junkie adoptive son, but is now preparing for a visit from Maria, the Welsh teenager who claims to be Daniele's daughter.Greta Scacchi, Juliet Aubrey and Sophie Melville star in Virginia Baily's powerful novel of love, loss and learning to be a mother.Narrator.....Greta ScacchiChiara.....Juliet AubreyMaria.....Sophie MelvilleCecilia.....Alex TregearDaniele.....Adam Thomas WrightGennaro/ Adult Daniele.....Cesare TaurasiSimone/ Nonna.....Jessica TurnerAntonio.....David HounslowGabriele.....David ActonTommaso/ Nazi officer/ Brian.....Felix AuerEdna.....Amelia LowdellBarry/ Goffredo.....Chris PavloGianni.....Sam DaleDramatised by Miranda Emerson.Director: Emma HardingFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2015.

SAT 02:45 Book of the Week (b04xs49r)

Reaching down the Rabbit Hole

Episode 5

Emphasising the importance of neurology - Dr Allan H Ropper and his co-writer Brian D Burrell conclude their behind the scenes look at the Harvard Medical School's neurology unit."In Alice's Adventures in Wonderland," says Ropper, "Alice jumps into a rabbit hole and finds herself in a bizarre realm where everything bears little relation to the outside world. It is a place where, as the Red Queen mentions to Alice, it helps to believe six impossible things before breakfast. I have no need to believe six impossible things before breakfast because I know that on any given day I will be confronted with six improbable things before lunch..."Concluded by Colin Stinton.Written by Dr Allan H Ropper and Brian D BurrellAbridged by Pete NicholsProducer: Karen RoseA Sweet Talk production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in January 2015.

SAT 03:00 Melissa Murray - The Inheritance (b0075gsn)

Simone has been exiled from her family since her appearance in a TV programme revealing that she is gay.Now she's seriously ill with leukaemia and her only hope is a bone marrow transplant from a close relative. But will anyone of her estranged family help?Written by Melissa Murray.Simone Kate BufferyClaire ... Stella GonetMeldia ... Carolyn PicklesPeter ... Roger AllamDerek Charles SimpsonNurse/Laura ...Priyanga AlanDoctor/MarkDavid AllisterJoan Amelia TaylorGary/Waiter ... Ben CroweDirector: Cheryl CooksonFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1999.

SAT 04:00 It's Not What You Know (b036v9hd)

Series 2

Episode 2

Frank Skinner, Grace Dent and Jonathan Agnew each nominate someone they know well to answer a series of questions and they then have to second guess how they answered.Host Miles Jupp tests Frank on how well he knows his friend and radio co-host Emily Dean, Grace her best friend, the Times columnist Caitlin Moran, and Jonathan his wife's best friend Anne Davies.What is Frank's favourite drink? Who is Grace's favourite writer? And what would Jonathan do if he wasn't a cricket commentator?All answers and more will be revealed.Producer: Sam Michell.First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2013.

SAT 04:30 Mark Tavener - In the Red (b007k0qh)

Episode 6

Reporter George is due in court - while BBC controllers keep on plotting to axe the Director General.London is plagued by a series of bizarre murders of bank managers. Hot on the trail of the killer are an old-style Chief Police Inspector and BBC Radio's crime correspondent, George Cragge.A blackly humorous murder mystery set in the world of City finance, the BBC and political parties. Dramatised in seven-parts by Mark Tavener and Peter Baynham from Mark Tavener's novel.George Cragge Michael WilliamsFrank Jefferson Barry FosterGeoffrey Crichton-Potter Stephen MooreHenry Julian Rhind-TuttMax Peter WoodthorpeController Radio 2 Stephen FryController Radio 4 John BirdDominic De'ath Benjamin WhitrowHercules Fortescue Nicholas Le PrevostAndrew James Peter SerafinowiczLaetitia Victoria CarlingController BBC 1 Ian McNieceProsecution Geoffrey WhiteheadFortescue's PA Jane SlavinWith Alice Arnold, Eva Stuart, Gavin Muir, Annabel Mullion and Richard Turner. Comed by Paul MottramProducer: Paul SchlesingerFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1995.

SAT 05:00 Babblewick Hall (b01nchms)

Series 1

Episode 4

With a General Election on the horizon, Fenton Babblewick has the chance to represent his constituents in Parliament, as Babblewicks have been doing for centuries.Only the rakish Thomas Berridge - confirmed gambler and general desperado - stands between Fenton and a glamorous political career...Starring Nicholas Le Prevost as Fenton Babblewick and Forbes Masson as Augustus Snipe.Scott Cherry's six-part sitcom set in the 18th-century.Fenton Babblewick Nick Le PrevostAugustus Snipe Forbes MassonBarney David AntrobusJack Sam KellyMolly Gillian BevanBerridge Jeremy ClydeDribb John BaddeleyMusic by Paul Mottram.Producer: Paul SchlesingerFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1996.

SAT 05:30 Cooking in a Bedsitter (b09jrkr2)

Series 2

Bolognese Cutlets

Beattie Edmondson and Nikesh Patel star in Sue Teddern's romantic comedy, inspired by Katharine Whitehorn's cookery classic. Trisha is definitely over Deepak. She really, truly is. Extracts from Cooking in a Bedsitter are read by Eleanor Bron.Directed by Emma Harding.

SAT 06:00 Rosemary Timperley - Where Are You, Juliet? (b0816310)

Rowena moves into a flat which is strangely haunted by the presence of its previous owner, Juliet. Where is she? What is the mystery surrounding her disappearance?Rowena's life becomes dominated by the missing girl - the haunting presence of Juliet in the flat driving her to find the answers.Written by Jill Hyem based on the novel Juliet by Rosemary Timperley.Starring Julie Berry as Rowena/Juliet.Bernard Carter Frank MooreyMaggie Linda GardnerTwist Jonathan TaflerRichard Malengry Edward de SouzaLeo Bartlett/Hari Patel Sean BarrettSerinder Patel Seeta IndraniRalph Gordon Graeme KirkMandy Hannah LavenderMrs Smith Sheila GrantMiss Wright/Nurse Joan CampionHenry James QuinnDirected at BBC Manchester by Kay PatrickFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1987.

SAT 07:30 Mabey in the Wild (b0367sqd)

Series 2

Elm, Beech And Holly

Richard Mabey is that rare species - a gifted writer who can talk about the natural world in a way that interweaves botany, personal insights, intellectual history, art, memoir, poetry and an account of man's relationship with Nature.Here he turns his attention to three favourite trees in the British landscape - the much-battered Elm, the festive Holly and his own 'personal' tree, the Beech.Recorded on location in the New Forest his guests include the naturalist Clive Chatters and founder of Common Ground, Susan Clifford.Producer: Susan MarlingA Just Radio production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in July 2013.

SAT 08:00 The Archive Hour (b007777j)

Auntie Beeb and Religion

Jean Seaton explores how the BBC has faced the task of trying to accommodate, explain and negotiate religious beliefs.From director general Lord Reith's reading of Blake's poem Jerusalem on the day the General Strike ended in 1926 to the controversy surrounding the decision to screen Jerry Springer: The Opera, the British Broadcasting Corporation has always had to tread carefully with regard to the nation's religious sensitivities.Producer: Bob DickinsonFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2007.

SAT 09:00 Pam Ayres - The Radio Years (b09w3762)

In a special show recorded at The Storyhouse Theatre in Chester, as part of the City's literary festival, broadcaster Paul Blezard meets with Pam Ayres to celebrate the author and poet's remarkable life and BBC radio career.Pam Ayres has been a writer, broadcaster, and entertainer for over 40 years, and is one of the few authors who has had books in the Sunday Times bestseller charts in almost every decade since the 1970s. In front of an enthusiastic audience she reflects on the radio years that have encompassed many programmes including Open Road, Ayres On The Air, That Reminds Me, Just A Minute, With Great Pleasure, Desert Island Discs and many more.As Paul Blezard charts the highs and lows of her life we hear radio footage including an early appearance with Frankie Howerd and with her unique brand of humour Ayres recalls her love of working on radio and introduces a new poem exclusive to 4 Extra. ** With Great Pleasure (1979). Pam Ayres presents her personal choice of poetry & prose with Martin Jarvis providing the readings.** That Reminds Me (2002) Poet, writer and broadcaster Pam Ayres entertains an audience with stories, poems and anecdotes about her life and career.** Ayres on the Air (2014) A classic episode from series 5 with Geoffrey Whitehead and Felicity Montagu. Producer: Stephen GarnerFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 Extra in March 2018.

SAT 12:00 Act Your Age (b00zm0mc)

Series 3

Episode 1

Simon Mayo hosts the three-way battle between the comedy generations to find out which is the funniest.Will it be the Up-and-Comers, the Current Crop or the Old Guard who will be crowned, for one week at least, as the Golden Age of Comedy.Holly Walsh is joined by Henry Paker, Lucy Porter by Miles Jupp and Tom O'Connor teams up with Duggie Brown.Devised and Produced by Ashley Blaker and Bill

Matthews. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2011.

SAT 12:30 Sisters (b065xthh)

Series 1

No Wi-Fi

Susan has hidden Fiona's work phone, in a bid to encourage a healthier work-life balance. But Fiona declares Susan a hypocrite due to her own constant internet use and online gaming. Each sister thinks the other is completely addicted so they set themselves a challenge to go without their devices for 24 hours. In the empty hours that lie ahead, the pair try to find ways to occupy themselves but inevitably end up getting increasingly irate with one another. As they try to stave off the building frustration, Susan makes a rash decision, while Blake's attempts to hijack the neighbours' Wi-Fi don't end well. Written by Susan Calman. Starring Susan Calman, Ashley Jensen and Nick Helm. Producer: Mollie Freedman Berthoud. Executive Producer: Paul Schlesinger. A Hat Trick production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in August 2015.

SAT 13:00 Cry Babies (Omnibus) (m00093m8)

Sally and Bea are best friends in their late 30s - which means it's crunch time. The decisions they make now will affect them forever. They meet whenever they can for coffee, but life - work, money, family - is in danger of pushing them apart. Montserrat Lombard and Ophelia Lovibond star in EV Crowe's frank and funny exploration of female friendship in all its gruesome glory. Sally Montserrat Lombard Bea Ophelia Lovibond Dave Shaun Mason Omnibus of five episodes. Director Abigail le Fleming THE WRITEREV Crowe is a graduate of the Royal Court Young Writers Programme Super Group. Her first play 'Kin' was nominated for the Most Promising Playwright at the Evening Standard Awards, her second Royal Court play, 'Hero' was part of the Olivier Award winning Season in the Theatre Upstairs. Her third play for the Royal Court The Sewing Group was performed in the JTU in November 2017. She is currently under commission to Manhattan Theatre Club, The Royal Court, The Unicorn Theatre, The Coterie, Manchester International Festival and Chichester Festival Theatre. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2019.

SAT 14:10 Inheritance Tracks (m00093mb)

Susan Hill

Writer Susan Hill chooses 'The Sea Interludes' from Benjamin Britten's 'Peter Grimes' and Mozart's Oboe Concerto 3rd movement.

SAT 14:15 With Great Pleasure (m00093md)

Martha Kearney

Martha Kearney chooses pieces of writing which have a special meaning for her, either personally or in her work as a broadcaster. Writers chosen include: Lewis Carroll, Muriel Spark, Dorothy Parker, John L. Stevens, Arundhati Roy, Paul Muldoon, Seamus Heaney, WB Yeats, James Lasdun and Horace. Readers: Niamh Cusack and David Morrissey. Producer: Christine Hall. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2008.

SAT 14:45 Uncle Mort's North Country (b007j4w)

Series 1

Par for the Course

Carter Brandon gets a week off work, so he decides to go on day-trips in his car, with his Uncle Mort, 'where the fancy takes them'. Peter Tinniswood's continuing tales of Carter Brandon and his curmudgeonly uncle. Uncle Mort and his Yorkshire based family first appeared in Tinniswood's novel 'A Touch of Daniel' which earned them a run of four series of 'I Didn't Know You Cared' on BBC TV from 1975 to 1979. Uncle Mort Stephen Thorne Carter Brandon Peter Skellern The Landlord John Samson Ambulance Man Steve Hodson Narrator Christian Rodska Producer: Pete Atkin. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1987.

SAT 15:00 The Archive Hour (b00777j)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

SAT 16:00 Rosemary Timperley - Where Are You, Juliet? (b0816310)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SAT 17:30 Mabey in the Wild (b0367sqd)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

SAT 18:00 Doctor Who (b08wx032)

The Lost Stories: Point of Entry

Episode 2

With The Blood Moon imminent, can the Sixth Doctor thwart the deadly arrival of the Omnim? An adventure originally written for the BBC's Doctor Who TV series but never made. Colin Baker stars as the Sixth Doctor. Peri Nicola Bryant Kit Marlowe Matt Addis Velez Luis Solofguano Sean Connolly Tom Tam Williams Alys Gemma Wardle Sir Francis Walsingham Ian Brooker Written by Barbara Clegg and Marc Platt. Director: John Ainsworth. Producer: David Richardson. Made by Big Finish and reversioned for broadcast by BBC Radio 4 Extra.

SAT 19:00 Pam Ayres - The Radio Years (b09w3762)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SAT 22:00 Comedy Club Extra (m00093mg)

Monty Python at 18.262 Days

On the 50th anniversary of Monty Python's Flying Circus BBC Radio 4 Extra's Comedy Club raises a toast to celebrate the work of Messrs Cleese, Chapman, Gilliam, Idle, Jones and Palin. Angela Barnes chats to the 'seventh' Python Carol Cleveland about her experiences of performing alongside the team on TV, film, stage and record, as they introduce an intriguing archive of programmes covering various aspects of

the world of Python. Over the course of two hours we'll hear such delights as... CAMBRIDGE CIRCUS: In a programme which has not been heard since its original airing, John Cleese and Graham Chapman make what we believe are their radio debuts in a recording of the 1963 Cambridge Footlights Revue. MICHAEL PALIN DIARIES - THE PYTHON YEARS: In a 2006 reading Michael Palin recalls the group's huge success in the 1970s and making the film Monty Python and the Holy Grail. INHERITANCE TRACKS: Eric Idle reflects on the Python anthem Always Look on the Bright Side of Life. MONTY PYTHON'S FLIEGENDER ZIRKUS!: The comic Henning Wehn tells the story of how the team made two programmes for German television. TERRY JONES'S FAIRY TALES - THE FLY-BY-NIGHT: Terry Jones reads the enchanting tale of a little girl who goes on a magical adventure in a programme originally broadcast on BBC Radio Wales in 2013. Produced by Stuart Ross.

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SUN 00:00 Doctor Who (b08wx032)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Saturday]

SUN 01:00 Cry Babies (Omnibus) (m00093m8)

[Repeat of broadcast at 13:00 on Saturday]

SUN 02:10 Inheritance Tracks (m00093mb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:10 on Saturday]

SUN 02:15 With Great Pleasure (m00093md)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Saturday]

SUN 02:45 Uncle Mort's North Country (b007j4w)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:45 on Saturday]

SUN 03:00 The Archive Hour (b00777j)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 on Saturday]

SUN 04:00 Rosemary Timperley - Where Are You, Juliet? (b0816310)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Saturday]

SUN 05:30 Mabey in the Wild (b0367sqd)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Saturday]

SUN 06:00 Virginia Bailey - Early One Morning (Omnibus) (b06knj7b)

Episode 1

Rome 1943. A split-second decision is about to change Chiara's life forever. Cardiff 1973. Welsh teenager Maria learns some shocking news about her past. Greta Scacchi, Juliet Aubrey and Sophie Melville star in Miranda Emmerson's dramatisation of Virginia Baily's powerful novel of love, loss and learning to be a mother. Omnibus of the first five of ten parts. The action moves between Nazi-occupied Rome and 1973. Narrator: Greta Scacchi Chiara: Juliet Aubrey Maria: Sophie Melville Cecilia: Alex Tregear Daniele: Adam Thomas Wright Gennaro/ Adult Daniele: Cesare Taurasi Simone/ Nonna: Jessica Turner Antonio: David Hounslow Gabriele: David Acton Tommaso/ Nazi officer/ Brian: Felix Auer Edna: Amelia Lowell Barry/ Goffredo: Chris Pavlo Gianni: Sam Dale Director: Emma Harding First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2015.

SUN 07:15 If I Only Had... (b04cfw3k)

If I Only Had A Brain by Ian Sansom

Stories inspired by the iconic MGM film adaptation of L. Frank Baum's classic novel The Wizard of Oz. The Tin Man, Scarecrow, and Cowardly Lion's quest to find Brains, Heart and Courage have sparked three stories from Ian Sansom, Morwenna Banks and Colin Carberry. You'll hear about people in unexpected situations, challenged to display qualities they never realized they had all along, or which find them looking at their lives in a new light in their own personal quests for a brain, a heart, and the nerve. If I Only Had a Brain: In the opening story, novelist and broadcaster Ian Sansom takes us into the daily routine of a scientist who in his quest for new discoveries rarely tells the people he meets exactly what his job entails. Read by Mark Heap. Producer: Heather Larmour. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014.

SUN 07:30 Ed Reardon's Week (b07z44b)

Series 11

Generation Why Bother

Ed Reardon leads us through the ups and downs of his University Week. Escaping a 'Wealth Protection Day' being held at the university Ed, armed with a carrier bag, cushion and sleep mask, heads up to the Oval for a relaxing day at the cricket where he meets a surprisingly interesting accountant who informs him he may be owed money by the HMRC. His agent, Ping, has no intention of helping him pursue this though as she's far too busy flirting with the chap with a 'man-bun' in the office across the road. Written by Andrew Nickolds and Christopher Douglas. Ed Reardon Christopher Douglas Olive Stephanie Cole Pearl Brigit Forsyth Antonia Sylvestra Le Touzel Graeme Dan Mersh Ping Barunka O'Shaughnessy Inspector Dan Tetsell Stan Geoffrey Whitehead Producer: Dawn Ellis. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2016.

SUN 08:00 The Arthur Haynes Show (m000945t)

From 04/08/1963

Arthur is taken to court for disturbing the peace and then offers to sell his organs. The comic characters of popular comedian Arthur Haynes in Johnny Speight's sketches. After originally working with Charlie Chester on a number of series for BBC Radio, Arthur Haynes (1914-1966) became a big star on ITV in the late 1950s/early 1960s with Nicholas Parsons, Leslie Noyes, Dorothy Dampier and Graham Stark. Music by Peter Crawford

& His Trio. Producer: Richard Dingley. First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in August 1963.

SUN 08:30 A Life of Bliss (m000945w)

Pleasure As Usual

David is roped in when his father and Tony decide not to wear fancy dress at a costume ball. Godfrey Harrison's sitcom about shy, bumbling bachelor David Alexander Bliss starring George Cole. David Bliss George Cole Anne Fellows Diana Churchill Tony Fellows Colin Gordon Zoe Hunter Sheila Sweet 'Psyche' the Dog Percy Edwards Mrs Bliss Gladys Young Mr Bliss Carleton Hobbs Griselda Saltmarsh Sheila Manahan Brimsley Tavistock Tony Vickers Quentin Massingham Rolf Lefebvre Beginning in 1953, it ran for six series of 118 episodes concluding in 1969 - but few survive in the BBC archive. (A TV series was made in 1969). For the first 7 episodes, David Tomlinson played David, but the rest starred the future star of The St Trinian's films - destined to find great fame as the dodgy Arthur Daley in ITV's Minder - George Cole. Producer: Leslie Bridgmont. First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in April 1959.

SUN 09:00 Margaret Thatcher: Herself Alone (Omnibus) (m000945y)

How did Margaret Thatcher both change and divide Britain? How did her model of combative female leadership help shape the way we live now? How did the woman who won the Cold War and three general elections in succession find herself pushed out by her own MPs? Charles Moore's full account, based on unique access to Margaret Thatcher herself, her papers, and her closest associates, tells the story of her last period in office, her combative retirement, and the controversy that surrounded her even in death. It includes the fall of the Berlin Wall, which she had fought for, and the rise of the modern EU that she feared. It lays bare her growing quarrels with colleagues and reveals the truth about her political assassination. Moore's three-part biography of one of Britain's most important peacetime prime ministers paints an intimate political and personal portrait of the victories and defeats, and the iron will but surprising vulnerability of the woman who dominated in an age of male power. Omnibus reader: Haydn Gwynne. Abridger: Polly Coles. Producer: Clive Brill. Brill production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in five parts in 2019.

SUN 10:10 The Listening Project (b065xk1x)

Joanna and Jenny - Living Where We Work

Fi Glover with a conversation between friends and colleagues from a charity in London's East End who find that it helps to live in the same world as the young people they work with, recorded in the mobile Booth in Tower Hamlets - another in the series that proves it's surprising what you hear when you listen. Fi Glover presents another conversation 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. Producer: Marya Burgess

SUN 10:15 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m0009460)

Nobel Prize Winners

Sir Aaron Klug

From Mozart to Elgar. Nobel Prize-winning scientist Sir Aaron Klug shares his castaway choices with Sue Lawley. From May 2002.

SUN 11:00 Radiolab (b095vh40)

Series 2

The Good Show

Radiolab asks is 'survival of the fittest' compatible with animals helping each other out? With Jad Abumrad and Robert Krulwich. Radiolab is a Peabody-award winning show about curiosity. Where sound illuminates ideas, and the boundaries blur between science, philosophy, and the human experience. First broadcast on public radio in the USA.

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SUN 14:15 If I Only Had... (b04cfw3k)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:15 today]

SUN 14:30 Margaret Atwood - The Testaments (Omnibus) (m0009463)

Episode 3

In this brilliant and long-awaited sequel to The Handmaid's Tale, Margaret Atwood answers the questions that have tantalised readers for decades. The Testaments picks up the story 15 years after Offred stepped into the unknown, with the explosive testaments of three female narrators from Gilead. Dear Readers: Everything you've ever asked me about

Gilead and its inner workings is the inspiration for this book. Well, almost everything! The other inspiration is the world we've been living in.' Margaret Atwood'The literary event of the year.' Guardian'Terrifying and exhilarating.' Peter Florence, chair of the Booker 2019 judges.Episodes 11 to 15 of fifteen episodes.Writer: Margaret Atwood is the author of more than fifty books, including novels such as Cat's Eye, The Robber Bride, Alias Grace, The Blind Assassin and the MaddAddam trilogy. Her 1985 classic, The Handmaid's Tale, went back into the bestseller charts with the election of Donald Trump, when he Handmaids became a symbol of resistance against the disenfranchisement of women, and with the 2017 release of the award-winning Channel 4 TV series.Reader: Sara Kestelman, Katherine Press and Samantha Dakin.Abridger: Katrin WilliamsProducer: Justine WillettFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2019.

SUN 15:45 Diplomatic Dinners (m0009465)

High Spirits

Chris Bowlby hears what it's like to eat for Britain from such wine-and-dined luminaries as Chris Patten and Christopher Meyer.In this episode, he hears about the perils of alcoholic customs and vodka-soaked diplomacy. Tasked with standing up for their country what do diplomats do when all they are only capable of is falling down? From Churchill and Stalin through to the Cold War, the toasting rituals at diplomatic gatherings remained warm, but what was the real reason behind this cordiality?Producer: Mark SavageFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2006.

SUN 16:00 David Greig - Dr Korczak's Example

(m0009467)

Based on the true story of Janusz Korczak, best-selling children's novelist, paediatrician and social experimenter, who set up a Jewish Orphanage in Warsaw and ran it as a children's democracy.When the Nazis close in on Warsaw, Korczak and his children are forced to move into the ghetto stretching Korczak's pacifist ideals to the limit. But the Dr's. values are threatened not only by Nazi regime but by the arrival of a young Jewish boy who believes in fighting back.Written by David Greig.Dr Korczak.....ALEXANDER MORTONStephanie.....VICKI LIDDELLEAdzio.....SIMON DONALDSONCerniakow.....SANDY NEILSONStepanANTHONY HUTCHESONPriest.....MATTHEW ZAJACAbraza.....EWAN MacLEODTadeusz.....FERGUS HITCHCOCKBruno.....FINN HITCHCOCKMiriam/Zelda.....KATIE NEVILLE Coco.....SARAH-BETH NEVILLEViolinist: Daphne Godson Director: Lu KempFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2004.

SUN 17:00 Poetry Extra (m0009469)

The Poetic Spark

Poet Daljit Nagra revisits the BBC's radio poetry archive and chooses The Poetic Spark featuring the novelist and poet Muriel Spark. Presented by AL Kennedy.The inscription on Muriel Spark's tombstone in Tuscany reads 'Muriel Spark. Poeta'.Surprising perhaps: because, despite the fact that Spark always referred to herself as a poet, it's her reputation as a novelist, and the creator of the charismatic Jean Brodie, for which she's better known.Before Muriel was anywhere near her prime, she'd established a reputation as a poet. Aged just fourteen, she won a prestigious poetry competition celebrating the centenary of Walter Scott. Later, she published several collections to glowing reviews and completed a controversial stint as Editor of the Poetry Review, during which time she gathered as many enemies as her fictional alter-ego, Jean Brodie (notably Marie Stopes about whom she famously quipped: 'I used to think it a pity that her mother rather than she had not thought of birth control!')Muriel Spark kept writing poetry throughout her life. 10 years after her death, AL Kennedy, a long term admirer of her novels and short stories, wonders what new insights the poems might lend to her writing and character.Produced by Lynsey Moyes.First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2016.

SUN 17:30 Ed Reardon's Week (b07z44bl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

SUN 18:00 Night Terrace (m000946c)

Series 2

The Retirement of Horatio Gray

Eddie finds himself in a terrace house owned by Horatio Gray - a house that unexpectedly travels randomly through time.But have Eddie's travels with Anastasia prepared him to be the adult in this time travelling house?Sci-fi comedy starring Neighbours' Jackie Woodburne as Anastasia Black.Andrew Hansen..... Horatio GrayBen McKenzie Eddie JonesJackie Woodburne Anastasia BlackPetra Elliott Sue DenholmFrancisco de Cuellar / Sir Francis Drake Stephen HallAdditional voices:Lee McKenzie, Sam Streeter, Daniel Sullivan, Dave Lamb, Richard Schipper, Kevin Powe and Troy Larkin.Written by Lee ZachariahMusic by David AshtonProduced by Ben McKenzie and John RichardsA Splendid Chaps Production.

SUN 18:30 John Wyndham - The Midwich Cuckoos

(b007jmg5)

Episode 2

There are moral and security issues when all the women of child-bearing age in the village of Midwich simultaneously become pregnant by an alien force.The classic 1957 sci-fi novel by John

Wyndam dramatised by William Ingram.Bernard Westcott Charles KayGordon Zellyba Manning WilsonAngela Zellyba Pauline YatesRichard Gayford William GauntJanet Gayford/Secretary Rosalind AdamsFerrelryn Zellyba Jenny QuayleAlan Hughes Gordon DulieuVicar Leebody William IngramDoctor Willers Hugh DicksonMusic specially composed by Roger Limb of the BBC Radiophonic Workshop.Producer: GoProducer: Gordon House.First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1982.

SUN 19:00 Radiolab (b095vh40)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

SUN 20:00 Archive on 4 (m00016fp)

The Black Footballer's Dilemma

Forty years ago this month, Viv Anderson made his debut for England against Czechoslovakia - the first black player to play for his country.Former footballer Clark Carlisle looks back at the challenges black players faced at a time when racist abuse from the terraces - often from their own fans - and insults within the dressing room were a regular occurrence.Some, like Cyrille Regis, chose to respond by ignoring the insults and death threats and by "putting the ball in the back of the net". But should he and others have done more to stand up against the abuse?Through archive and new interviews with those who lived through it - including former players like Garth Crooks, Paul Davis, Paul Mortimer and Paul Canoville - as well as his own personal experiences, Clark Carlisle examines the difficult choices black players faced and asks whether the issue of racism in football is really a thing of the past.A Whistledown production for BBC Radio 4First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2018.

SUN 21:00 Diplomatic Dinners (m0009465)

[Repeat of broadcast at 15:45 today]

SUN 21:15 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m0009460)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:15 today]

SUN 22:00 Ed Reardon's Week (b07z44bl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

SUN 22:30 Chain Reaction (b055gcbk)

Series 10

Olivia Colman talks to Sharon Horgan

The star of Broadchurch, Twenty Twelve and Peep Show Olivia Colman, talks to creator, writer and star of BBC's BAFTA nominated sitcom Pulling, and winner of the British Comedy Award for best actress, Sharon Horgan.Chain Reaction is the long running hostess chat show where last week's interviewee becomes this week's interviewer.Producer: Charlie PerkinsFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2015.

SUN 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m0009cgs)

Carol Cleveland

From 10.00pm until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Carol Cleveland talks to Angela Barnes about the infamous Mr. Creosote sketch in Monty Python's The Meaning of Life.

SUN 23:00 Newsjack (m0008yhj)

Series 21

Episode 4

Newsjack is a scrapbook sketch show written entirely by the Great British public. Hosted by Kiri Pritchard-McLean.

SUN 23:30 A Short Gentleman (b019fxjh)

Episode 3

When dealing with his wife's lover, Robert employs his deadliest weapon: being a gentleman.Hugh Bonneville stars as Robert Purcell, QC, a perfect specimen of the British Establishment, who applies faultless legal logic to his disastrous personal life.Jon Canter's comic novel 'A Short Gentleman' adapted by Robin Brooks.Elizabeth Lyndsey MarshalMax Ted Allpressobel Lauren MoteMona/Ticky Katherine JakewaysGeoffrey Paul MoriartyAnthony Carl PrekoppPenelope Tracy WilesWith Adjoa Andoh, Ewan Bailey, Adam Billington and James Hayes.Producer: Jonquil PaintingFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2012.

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MON 00:00 Night Terrace (m000946c)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Sunday]

MON 00:30 John Wyndham - The Midwich Cuckoos

(b007jmg5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Sunday]

MON 01:00 Virginia Bailey - Early One Morning

(Omnibus) (b06knj7b)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Sunday]

MON 02:15 If I Only Had... (b04cfw3k)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:15 on Sunday]

MON 02:30 Margaret Atwood - The Testaments (Omnibus)

(m0009463)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Sunday]

MON 03:45 Diplomatic Dinners (m0009465)

[Repeat of broadcast at 15:45 on Sunday]

MON 04:00 David Greig - Dr Korczak's Example

(m0009467)

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Sunday]

MON 05:00 Poetry Extra (m0009469)

[Repeat of broadcast at 17:00 on Sunday]

MON 05:30 Ed Reardon's Week (b07z44bl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Sunday]

MON 06:00 Sherlock Holmes (b04nhm9d)

Sherlock Holmes with Carleton Hobbs - Series 5

The Solitary Cyclist

Who is the strange man following Violet Smith as she cycles to see her mother?Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's great detective investigates.Starring Carleton Hobbs as Sherlock Holmes and Norman Shelley as Dr Watson.Violet Smith Jane WenhamCarruthers: Norman CarlidgeMrs Smith: Gladys SpencerWoodley Malcolm HayesMrs Hudson Janet MorrisonLandlord Peter O'ShaughnessyWilliamson George MerrittAdapted for radio by Michael Hardwick.Producer Graham GauldFirst broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in August 1964.

MON 06:30 Richard Wagner - Power, Sex and Revolution

(b01s4g74)

Episode 1

Mention his name and images flicker of dwarves, flying maidens, magic swords and bronze breast-plates, all of it served in vast portions to test stamina of audience and singers alike. But what's really going on in Wagner?200 years after the composer's birth, Paul Mason takes a fresh look at the man whose music has gripped him for as long as he can remember. The megalithic 15 hours of The Ring cycle dominate our view of Wagner, but behind it lies a man whose complex personality leaves us still struggling to understand him. He was a revolutionary, not just in music but also in politics, even finding himself a wanted man in exile. He was determined to transform drama into something which would be a powerful force in society, and a man driven by ambition to revitalise a Germany which he saw as critically unwell. And there were the darker instincts, not least an attitude to racial purity which leaves deep questions about his validity as an artist.In the first of two programmes, Mason peers into the murky depths of a tale of desire and obsession. 'Tristan and Isolde' takes us deep into the mind of its composer, a man with powerful sexual urges of his own, and whose approach to life was totally reshaped by his discovery of one of the greatest philosophers of his age.We hear from those who have sung and studied the work, and also a man so captivated by the power of opera, and Wagner in particular, that he built his own opera house in which to stage these giant and ever-challenging works.First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2013.

MON 07:00 Sisters (b0670039)

Series 1

Lazy Susan

Fiona is offered a slot on a local radio show as the resident legal adviser. But as the nerves kick in, Susan coaches her on how to have confidence and behave like a real celebrity.As Fiona's inner diva begins to surface, Blake is hauled in to be her security guard and Susan is put to work as her PR team.All the attention goes to Fiona's head and soon she is expanding the range of legal advice she offers to completely inappropriate areas including distinctly dodgy advice on affairs of the heart. Even Blake's body-guarding skills can't save her from herself.Written by Susan Calman.Starring Susan Calman, Ashley Jensen and Nick Helm.Producer: Mollie Freedman BerthoudExecutive Producer: Paul SchlesingerA Hat Trick production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in August 2015.

MON 07:30 The Museum of Curiosity (m0008wtt)

Series 14

Episode 1

Professor of Ignorance John Lloyd and his curator Bridget Christie welcome comedian Jessica Fostekeew, engineer Dr Shini Somara and TV producer Linda Agran.This week, the Museum's Guest Committee donate a slotted screw, Test Match Cricket and a sign telling people to Live, Love, Laugh.The Museum's exhibits were catalogued by Mike Shepherd, Mike Turner and Emily Jupitus of QI.The Producers were Anne Miller and Victoria Lloyd.

MON 08:00 Marriage Lines (b04pnhxq)

Series 1

There's No Place Like a New Place

George and Kate get itchy feet when their neighbours hint at moving.A series based on the mutual love and mistrust of two newly-weds. Starring Richard Briers as George Starling and Prunella Scales as Kate Starling.This 1960's newlyweds sitcom brought Richard Briers and Prunella Scales to prominence.

Originating on BBC TV, it was adapted for radio due to its popularity. A decade later, Richard Briers went on to play Tom Good in The Good Life and Prunella Scales went on to star as Sybil in Fawlty Towers.George Richard BriersKate Prunella ScalesNora Heather ChasenPier Geoffrey MatthewsGeorge's Father Geoffrey SummerKate's Mother Joan SandersonMr Cartwright Wallace EatonWritten by Richard Waring.Producer: Charles MaxwellFirst broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in July 1965.

MON 08:30 Dad's Army (b007jnjc)

Series 2

Mum's Army

When Captain Mainwaring decides to open up his Home Guard unit to women, Mrs Gray catches his eye.Adapted for radio from Jimmy Perry and David Croft's TV scripts by Harold Snood and Michael Knowles.Captain Mainwaring Arthur LoweSergeant Wilson John Le MesurierCorporal Jones Clive DunnPrivate Fraser John LauriePrivate Pike Ian LavenderPrivate Godfrey Arnold RidleyPrivate Walker Larry MartynMrs Fox Mollie SugdenMrs Gray Carmen SilveraEdith Parish Wendy RichardAnnouncer John SnageProducer: John DyasFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1975.

MON 09:00 Whispers (b007k356)

Series 1

Episode 4

The great and the good are torn from their pedestals in glee in this edition in the panel show that proves there's no smoke without fire. Two teams, led by biographer Anthony Holden and actress Stella Duffy, are joined by writer Jenny Colgan and broadcaster Rosie Millard, attempting to dish the dirt on the bad boys and girls in history. Gyles Brandreth is your host. Producer: Elizabeth Freestone. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2003.

MON 09:30 Semi Circles (b007jxlw)

Series 1

A Matter of Life and Death

Following a school reunion, Ben is cajoled to sign up for life insurance. Subterfuge is called for. The improving story of life and improving times in an improving neighbourhood. Starring Paula Wilcox as Helen and David Wood as Ben. Written by Simon Brett. Helen Paula Wilcox. Ben David Wood. Mrs Kelly Pay Heywood. Alastair Bruce Alexander. Willy Robert Longden. Blythe Bryan Coleman. Producer: Pete Atkin. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1982

MON 10:00 Saturday Drama (b00pb8x1)

L Frank Baum - The Wonderful Wizard of Oz

The story made famous by the iconic 1939 musical film is given a distinctly different treatment in Linda Marshall Griffiths' dramatisation which reinstates some of the events and characters of L Frank Baum's classic book. When a tornado strikes Dorothy's farmhouse in Kansas, she is lifted to the magical world of Oz where she embarks upon a terrifying and perilous journey to find her way back home. Immediately she makes some powerful enemies by accidentally killing the Wicked Witch of the East and claiming her silver shoes. Desperate to return home her adventure takes her to the City of Emeralds to meet the Wizard of Oz. On the way she makes some new friends, a Scarecrow, a Tin Woodman and a Lion who have their own reasons for wanting to see the Wizard. Pursued by the frightening Kalidah beasts, the violent Flying Monkeys and the all seeing Wicked Witch of the West will they make it to the Emerald City and have what they most desire? DOROTHY Amelia Clarkson. WIZARD OF OZ / KALIDAH / UNCLE HENRY Jonathan Keeble. SCARECROW Kevin Eldon. TINMAN Burn Gorman. LION Zubin Varla. WITCH OF THE NORTH / SOUTH / WEST / AUNT EM Emma Fielding. KING MONKEY / MINER Andrew Westfield. MUNCHKIN / GATEKEEPER Graeme Hawley. Original Music by Oily Fox. Sound Design by Steve Brooke. Director: Nadia Molinari. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2009.

MON 11:00 The TED Interview (m0009484)

Susan Cain

Founded in 1984 in the USA, TED stands for Technology, Entertainment, Design. The first TED Talks were first posted online in 2006 and since then TED Talks have had many millions of views. In The TED Interview, hosted by Chris Anderson, audiences can immerse themselves more deeply in some of the most compelling ideas heard on the TED stage. Susan Cain takes us into the mind of an introvert. Self-confessed introvert Susan Cain delves deep into this complex personality trait, offering ideas for better offices, better schools and better relationships. A TED original podcast.

MON 11:45 Multi Story Shorts (m0009486)

Teaching with Tourette's

Natalie Pearson, from Birmingham, is thought to be the only teacher in the world with a form of Tourette's syndrome which causes involuntary swearing. She shares some of her experiences of strangers reacting negatively to her tics, in public places, and suggests an alternative: education and compassion. This story originally appeared in the BBC podcast, Multi Story - presented and produced by Becca Bryers.

MON 12:00 Marriage Lines (b04phxq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

MON 12:30 Dad's Army (b007jncq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

MON 13:00 Sherlock Holmes (b04nhm9d)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

MON 13:30 Richard Wagner - Power, Sex and Revolution (b01s4g74)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

MON 14:00 Book at Bedtime (b08ff18j)

The Underground Railroad

Episode 1

"What if the underground railroad was a literal railroad? And what if each state, as a runaway slave was going north, was a different state of American possibility, an alternative America?" Colson Whitehead's inventive novel follows Cora and Caesar as they escape from a Georgia slave plantation and run north in pursuit of freedom, aided by the stationmasters and conductors of the Underground Railroad. This brilliant and at times brutal novel about the history of slavery and racism in America, which won the US National Book Award for Fiction in 2016. Read by Clarke Peters (The Wire, Treme). Abridged in ten parts by Sara Davies. Producer: Mair Bosworth. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2017.

MON 14:15 Five Hundred Years of Friendship (b03zy1c0)

Testaments of Friendship

Dr Thomas Dixon brings his timely fresh history of the changing face of friendship into the era immediately after the

First World War, when the international friendship movement flourished. At the centre of this episode is the story of Vera Brittain, author of the ever-popular memoirs, *Testament of Youth* and *Testament of Friendship*. Thomas Dixon traces Brittain's life through her pre-war loves, the heart-breaking wartime losses of her brother, her two closest male friends and her fiancée, and her post-war friendship with the writer, Winifred Holtby. Thomas Dixon hears from Brittain's daughter, Baroness Shirley Williams, about her mother's passionate belief in the ability of women to sustain profound friendships even during a period when they were frequently depicted in films, books and newspaper articles as being hostile to one another. He also speaks with Professor Seth Koven about Muriel Lester, whose friendships both with a poor East End girl, Nellie Dowell, and with Mahatma Gandhi, represented a drive for international peace and reconciliation after the horrors of the First World War. Producer: Beaty Rubens. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2014.

MON 14:30 15 Minute Drama (b06j13r9)

Early One Morning

Episode 6

Italy 1943. Chiara and Cecilia are living with their grandmother in a remote farmhouse, where they shelter passing deserters and Daniele, the small Jewish boy Chiara saved from the Nazis. Thirty years later, in 1973, Chiara has lost touch with her troubled, junkie adoptive son, but she must now decide how to deal with the young Welsh teenager who keep phoning her and who claims to be Daniele's daughter. Greta Scacchi, Juliet Aubrey and Sophie Melville star in Virginia Baily's powerful novel of love, loss and learning to be a mother.

Narrator: Greta Scacchi. Chiara: Juliet

Aubrey: Sophie Melville. Cecilia: Alex

Tregear: Adam Thomas. Wright: Gennaro / Adult

Daniele: Cesare Taurasi. Simone / Nonna: Jessica

Turner: Antonio. David: Hounslow. Gabriele: David

Acton: Tommaso / Nazi officer / Brian: Felix

Auer: Edna. Amelia: Lowdell. Barry / Goffredo: Chris

Pavlo: Gianni. Sam Dale: Dramatised by Miranda

Emmerson. Director: Emma Harding. First broadcast on BBC

Radio 4 in October 2015.

MON 14:45 Book of the Week (b04yb0f5)

Epilogue: A Memoir

Prologue

Jamie Parker reads Will Boast's extraordinary family story. A moving account of loss, confronting long-held secrets and finding a way of facing the future. Following the tragic deaths, in quick succession, of his mother, younger brother and father, American author, Will Boast, at the age of 24, finds himself absolutely alone. It's while he's putting his father's papers in order that he discovers a family secret which takes him back to England and compels him to question everything he thought he knew about his parents. Read by Jamie Parker. Abridged by Miranda Emmerson. Producer: Gemma Jenkins. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2015.

MON 15:00 Saturday Drama (b00pb8x1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

MON 16:00 Whispers (b007k356)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

MON 16:30 Semi Circles (b007jxlw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

MON 17:00 Sisters (b0670039)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

MON 17:30 The Museum of Curiosity (m0008wtt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

MON 18:00 Colin Swash - Paradise Lost in Space (b007jnlh)

Episode 1

Space travel throws the most unlikely people together. Norman is an idealist with a hand grenade. Max is a cheerful bore who won't stop talking. Together, they're set to ruin the lives of some decidedly friendly aliens. Forever. Six-part black-hole sci-fi comedy by Colin Swash. Norman Tony Robinson. Max David Haig. Stella Louise Lombard. Macari Michael Troughton. Captain Rossiter Dan Strauss. Jane Carla Mendonca. Tony Geoff McGivern. Producer: Richard Wilson. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1995.

MON 18:30 A Good Read (b00fgszz)

Caroline Charles and Josie d'Arby

Sue MacGregor and her guests - fashion writer, Caroline Charles and TV presenter, Josie d'Arby - discuss books by Maggie O'Farrell, Horatio Clare and Viktor E Frankl. Truant by Horatio Clare. Publisher: John Murray. Man's Search for Meaning by Viktor E Frankl. Publisher: Beacon Press. The Vanishing Act of Esme Lennox by Maggie O'Farrell. Publisher: Headline Review. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2008.

MON 19:00 Marriage Lines (b04phxq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

MON 19:30 Dad's Army (b007jncq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

MON 20:00 Sherlock Holmes (b04nhm9d)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

MON 20:30 Richard Wagner - Power, Sex and Revolution (b01s4g74)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

MON 21:00 The TED Interview (m0009484)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

MON 21:45 Multi Story Shorts (m0009486)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:45 today]

MON 22:00 The Museum of Curiosity (m0008wtt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

MON 22:30 Bleak Expectations (b00d7b5x)

Series 2

An Already Bad Life Made Worse but Sort of on Purpose. The comic Victorian epic sees Pip reach his lowest ebb in the worst place in the world, the East End of London in the first half of the 19th century. Full of self-loathing Pip drinks some very strong gin, finds he is really quite keen on opium, and falls in with a gang of thieving boys. But is their leader, Mr Abraham Bagel, a Roman Catholic or 'er-do-well, all he seems? Mark Evans's epic comedy in the style of Charles Dickens. Volume Two, Chapter the Fifth: An Already Bad Life Made Worse But Sort Of On Purpose. Sir Philip Richard Johnson. Mr Benevolent Anthony Head. Young Pip Tom Allen. Harry Biscuit James

Bachman Sternbeater Geoffrey Whitehead. Ripely

Feund Sarah Hadland. Mr

Parsimonious Laurence

Howarth. Pippa Susy Kane. Mr

Scrunge Mark Evans. Producer: Gareth

Edwards. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2008.

MON 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m0009db1)

Aberystwyth Comedy Festival 1/4

From 10.00pm until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. And Jake Yapp brings us the best of the Aberystwyth Comedy Festival - tonight, he's joined by the sketch group Tarot.

MON 23:00 The News Quiz Extra (m0009489)

Series 27

Episode 6

A satirical review of the week's news

MON 23:45 Life on Egg (b09m1008)

Series 1

Whale

When a rare pair of whales start ramming The Egg as part of their mating ritual, Harry and the team are forced to take evasive action to save the prison. But their efforts are soon hindered by the arrival of ardent conservationist Jo-Jo Peebles, hell-bent on protecting the whales at any cost. Who will crack first? Harry? Jo-Jo? Or The Egg? Governor Harry Harry Hill. Ann Karen Bartke. Peter Marek Larwood. The Minister Tanya Moodie. Jo-Jo Peebles Tanya Moodie. Tim the Helicopter Pilot Dan Maier. Warner Leo Hatchet Dan Maier. Prisoner Gyles Brandreth Gyles Brandreth. Written by Dan Maier. Producer: Sam Michell. A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in January 2018.

TUESDAY 08 OCTOBER 2019**TUE 00:00 Colin Swash - Paradise Lost in Space (b007jnlh)**

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TUE 00:30 A Good Read (b00fgszz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Monday]

TUE 01:00 Sherlock Holmes (b04nhm9d)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Monday]

TUE 01:30 Richard Wagner - Power, Sex and Revolution (b01s4g74)

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TUE 02:00 Book at Bedtime (b08ff18j)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Monday]

TUE 02:15 Five Hundred Years of Friendship (b03zy1c0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Monday]

TUE 02:30 15 Minute Drama (b06j13r9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Monday]

TUE 02:45 Book of the Week (b04yb0f5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:45 on Monday]

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TUE 05:00 Sisters (b0670039)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Monday]

TUE 05:30 The Museum of Curiosity (m0008wtt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Monday]

TUE 06:00 Sherlock Holmes (m00094nh)

Sherlock Holmes with Carleton Hobbs - Series 5

The Bruce Partington Plans

Secret documents are found on the body of a Woolwich Arsenal clerk. Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's great detective investigates. Stars Carleton Hobbs as Sherlock Holmes and Norman Shelley as Dr Watson. Mrs Hudson Janet Morrison. Mycroft Holmes Felix Felton. Inspector Lestrade Humphrey Morton. Colonel Walter Philip Cunningham. Violet Westbury Mary Chester. Sidney Johnson John Boxer. Adapted for radio by Michael Hardwick. Producer Graham Gauld. First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in August 1964.

TUE 06:30 Richard Wagner - Power, Sex and Revolution (b01s4g74)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

Episode 2

Mention his name and images flicker of dwarves, flying maidens, magic swords and bronze breast-plates, all of it served in vast portions to test stamina of audience and singers alike. But what's really going on in Wagner? In the second and final part of his journey through Wagner's music, Paul Mason turns to the seemingly conventional world of a singing competition in 16th-century Nuremberg. But Die Meistersinger von Nürnberg

reveals dark seams beneath its surface: complex human relationships and an attitude to nationalism and race which raise fundamental questions about the validity of Wagner's very artistic mission. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2013.

TUE 07:00 Smelling of Roses (b00fh6w1)

Series 4

Episode 6

For Rosie Burns, life offers a fashion show, a potential romantic interest...and a parting of the ways. A final assignment for Rosie Burns and the event management company, where the clients are only part of the problem...Rosie Burns Prunella ScalesJo Rebecca CallardBob Duncan PrestonTess Annette BadlandBrad Colin StintonHenry Benjamin WhitrowReggie Rowland DaviesWritten and produced by Simon Brett. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2003.

TUE 07:30 Clare in the Community (m0008y51)

Series 12

I Predict A Riot

Clare's found herself in the middle of a riot at the women's prison. It's categorically not her fault, and she is not their leader. OK? Back in the Sparrowhawk office, Joan is convinced there's something strange going on. Starring Sally Phillips as Clare Barker, the social worker who has all the right jargon but never a practical solution. A control freak, Clare likes nothing better than interfering in other people's lives on both a professional and personal basis. Clare is in her thirties, white, middle class and heterosexual, all of which are occasional causes of discomfort to her. We join Clare in her continued struggle to control both her professional and private life. In today's Big Society there are plenty of challenges out there for an involved, caring social worker. Or even Clare. Written by Harry Venning and David Ramsden. Producer Alexandra Smith. A BBC Studios production. Clare.....SALLY PHILLIPSBrian.....ALEX LOWEQueen Pin.....NINA CONTISimon.....ANDREW WINCOTTLibby.....SARAH KENDALLJoan SARAH THOMCilla.....GBEMISOLA IKUMELOGinger.....EMMA SIDI

TUE 08:00 Lines From My Grandfather's Forehead (b00h4lmm)

From 05/04/1971

An odd romantic tryst and the life of a great Englishman. A sequential entertainment for radio starring Ronnie Barker. With Terence Brady and Pauline Yates. Pianist: Gordon Langford. Written by John Graham, David Nobbs, David McKellar and Peter Vincent, Donald Monat and June Dixon, Miles Rudge and Ted Dicks, Pete Spence, Alan Scott and Chris Bryant, and Gerald Wiley. Producer John Fawcett-Wilson. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1971.

TUE 08:30 Beyond Our Ken (m00094nl)

Series 3

Episode 9

Kenneth Horne entertains the Poetry Circle - and 'Homerama' probes city money-makers. With Kenneth Williams, Hugh Paddick, Betty Marsden and Bill Pertwee. Written by Eric Merriman and Barry Took. The precursor to 'Round The Horne' - series 3 has been fully restored using both home and overseas (BBC Transcription Service) recordings. A madcap mix of sketches and songs. Beyond Our Ken hit the airwaves in 1958 and ran to 1964 - featuring regulars like Arthur Fallowfield, Cecil Snaith and Rodney and Charles. Music from Pat Lancaster, The Fraser Hayes Four and the BBC Variety Orchestra conducted by Paul Fenouillet. Incidental music by Edwin Braden. Announcer: Douglas Smith. Producer: Jacques Brown. First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in June 1960.

TUE 09:00 The News Quiz Extra (m0009489)

[Repeat of broadcast at 23:00 on Monday]

TUE 09:45 Life on Egg (b09m1008)

[Repeat of broadcast at 23:45 on Monday]

TUE 10:00 Wilkie Collins - No Name (b007jrhz)

March 1846

A mysterious letter from New Orleans arrives to disturb the untroubled existence of Combe Raven House in West Somersetshire. What is the secret being kept by Mr and Mrs Vanstone from their devoted daughters, Magdalen and Norah? Published in 1862, Wilkie Collins novel dramatised in six parts by Ray Jenkins. Magdalen Vanstone Sophie ThompsonCaptain Wragge Jack MayNorah Vanstone Elizabeth MansfieldMiss Garth Kathleen Helme Mrs Vanstone Jo KendallMr Vanstone Michael Graham CoxMr Clare Peter WoodthorpeFrank Clare Paul Downing Manager Christopher GoodMiss Marable Susan SheridanMrs Marable Joanna MackieMr Pendril John MoffattNarrator Philip SullyMusic by Peter Brewis and played by Maurice Cambridge. Director: Janet Whitaker. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1989.

TUE 11:00 Short Cuts (b07hfwrf)

Series 9

The Stranger

An innocent encounter tips from flirtation to danger, the professional stranger you never want to see on your door step and a partner whose revelation turns him in an instant into a stranger. Josie Long delves into stories of brushes with the unknown - flirtations, deceptions and the kindness of strangers. Series Producer: Eleanor McDowall. A Falling Tree Production for BBC Radio 4

TUE 11:30 After Eden (m00094nn)

Visions of Angels

When the Rev Elaine Metcalfe becomes involved in a community theatre production she meets Adam, who may or who may not be hearing angels. Is Adam a real visionary? Alison Leonard's warm-hearted six-part drama about the life of a woman priest. Rev Elaine Metcalfe Christine PritchardSian Sue Jones DaviesFrida Sharon MorganTom Oliver SentonAdam Simon LuddersEllis Dafydd Wyn RobertsPuck Nia DaviesDirector: Alison Hindell. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1995.

TUE 12:00 Lines From My Grandfather's Forehead (b00h4lmm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

TUE 12:30 Beyond Our Ken (m00094nl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

TUE 13:00 Sherlock Holmes (m00094nh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

TUE 13:30 Richard Wagner - Power, Sex and Revolution (b01s8bby)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

TUE 14:00 Book at Bedtime (b08fvr)

The Underground Railroad

Episode 2

Cora and Caesar encounter the underground railroad for the first time. Colson Whitehead's inventive novel follows Cora and Caesar as they escape from a Georgia slave plantation and run north in pursuit of freedom, aided by the stationmasters and conductors of the Underground Railroad. This brilliant and at times brutal novel about the history of slavery and racism in America, which won the US National Book Award for Fiction in 2016. Read by Clarke Peters. Abridged by Sara Davies. Producer: Mair Bosworth. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2017.

TUE 14:15 Five Hundred Years of Friendship (b03yz24b)

The Suburbs of the Heart

Continuing his history of friendship over the last 500 years, Dr Thomas Dixon explores how friendship was changed by a new form of technology and a new type of science in the early years of the twentieth century. Just as the internet has been seen as an enemy of friendship, so the new technology of the early twentieth century - the telephone - was initially viewed with mistrust. Magazines and newspaper articles listed it along with the telegram and the motor car as potentially detrimental to the art of friendship. One author wrote: "we live, alas in the suburbs of each other's hearts". Meanwhile, as the real suburbs were extended, the new science of psychology began to advise lonely city-dwellers on how to form new alliances and friendships. Dr Thomas Dixon hears from Professor Mark Peel about the impact of urbanisation on friendship, and is won over by his surprisingly passionate defence of Dale Carnegie's often mocked best-seller. How to Make Friends and Influence People. Producer: Beaty Rubens. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2014.

TUE 14:30 15 Minute Drama (b06j1qv7)

Early One Morning

Episode 7

Italy 1943. A Nazi officer arrives at the remote farmhouse where Chiara is hiding her young Jewish charge, Daniele. Thirty years later, in 1973, Chiara has lost touch with her troubled, junkie adoptive son, but she must now decide how to deal with the young Welsh teenager who keeps phoning her and who claims to be Daniele's daughter. Greta Scacchi, Juliet Aubrey and Sophie Melville star in Virginia Bailey's powerful novel of love, loss and learning to be a mother. Narrator.....Greta ScacchiChiara.....Juliet AubreyMaria.....Sophie MelvilleCecilia.....Alex TregearDaniele.....Adam Thomas WrightGennaro/ Adult Daniele.....Cesare TaurasiSimone/ Nonna.....Jessica TurnerAntonio.....David HounslowGabriele.....David ActonTommaso/ Nazi officer/ Brian.....Felix AuerEdna.....Amelia LowdellBarry/ Goffredo.....Chris PavloGianni.....Sam DaleDramatised by Miranda Emmerson. Director: Emma Harding. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2015.

TUE 14:45 Book of the Week (b04yftkr)

Epilogue: A Memoir

Divorce

The death of author Will's father brings a long-held family secret out into the open. Jamie Parker continues reading from Will Boast's moving account of loss and coming to terms with the past. Abridged by Miranda Emmerson. Producer: Gemma Jenkins. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2015.

TUE 15:00 Wilkie Collins - No Name (b007jrhz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

TUE 16:00 Act Your Age (b00zsjz7)

Series 3

Episode 2

Simon Mayo hosts the three-way battle between the comedy generations to find out which is the funniest. Will it be the Up-and-Comers, the Current Crop or the Old Guard who will be crowned, for one week at least, as the Golden Age of Comedy? Jon Richardson is joined by Andi Osho, Rufus Hound teams up with Andrew Maxwell and Ted Robbins is paired with both Roger De Courcy and Nookie Bear. Devised and produced by Ashley Blaker and Bill Matthews. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2011.

TUE 16:30 The Break (b07ct0z)

Series 1

The Key

Welcome to Flamford, the setting for this sitcom starring Philip Jackson, Tom Palmer and Alison Steadman. Andy Chambers -

edgy, sharp-tongued City burn-out - has fled London for his Uncle Jeff's seaside home. When we meet him, all Andy wants to do is sleep, but Jeff is having none of it. Jeff gets Andy out of bed and gives him breakfast with the promise of an interesting surprise which is safely stowed in the shed. He suddenly realises his keys are missing - his friend Fat Sid borrowed the keys three years ago and hasn't given them back. Jeff leads Andy on a quest around Flamford for Fat Sid and the missing keys. On their Odyssey they encounter Fish Shop Frank and his outré selection of fish. Pest Control Officer Corinne with whom Jeff has an "understanding", and finally Fat Sid himself in an unexpected new role. Andy Chambers Tom PalmerJeff Philip JacksonFish Shop Frank Mark BentonPest Control Officer Corinne Alison SteadmanWriters: Ian Brown and James HendrieDirector: Gordon KennedyAn Absolutely production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in May 2016.

TUE 17:00 Smelling of Roses (b00fh6w1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

TUE 17:30 Clare in the Community (m0008y51)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

TUE 18:00 Colin Swash - Paradise Lost in Space (b007jnpj)

Episode 2

Norman and Max are welcomed by the incurably friendly Oblivions and soon they're offering priceless gifts - the secret of fire, contemplation and baked potatoes. Six-part black-hole sci-fi comedy by Colin Swash. Norman Tony RobinsonMax David HaigStella Louise LombardMacari Michael TroughtonTera Carla MendoncaTony Geoff McGivern Ken Tom HollanderInspector Albermarle Andy RashleighProducer: Richard Wilson. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1995.

TUE 18:30 Musical Games (b00f5b1x)

Series 1

Lorna Luft

Tom Morton meets Lorna Luft, daughter of Judy Garland, to get the true story of life as the offspring of a legend. Series searching for the true story behind some of our best loved musicians. Producer: Deirdre Waldie. First broadcast on BBC Radio Scotland in October 2008.

TUE 19:00 Lines From My Grandfather's Forehead (b00h4lmm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

TUE 19:30 Beyond Our Ken (m00094nl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

TUE 20:00 Sherlock Holmes (m00094nh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

TUE 20:30 Richard Wagner - Power, Sex and Revolution (b01s8bby)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

TUE 21:00 Short Cuts (b07hfwrf)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

TUE 21:30 How to Burn a Million Quid (m00094nq)

Rule 4

Rule 4: Go it alone. At the height of their success the KLF can do no wrong. But they really want to. News of their forthcoming BRIT Award confirms their status as music industry establishment - exactly the thing they're fighting against - and so they go in search of an idea so outrageous, so disgusting, that they would succeed in becoming outcast from the industry. At the BRIT Awards ceremony of 1992 they try out their idea...Part four of the outrageous comedy drama telling the true story of the chart-topping pop duo known as KLF, who, in 1994, burned £1 million in cash on a remote Scottish island. It was their mission to cause chaos. And they did. How to Burn a Million Quid features Paul Higgins (The Thick of It, Line of Duty) as Bill Drummond, Nicholas Burns (Nathan Barley, The World's End) as Jimmy Cauty, with Kevin Eldon as Gimpo, Jeremy Stockwell as Ken Campbell and an outstanding cast of multi voice comedy performers. Bill Drummond: Paul HigginsJimmy Cauty: Nicholas BurnsGimpo: Kevin EldonKen Campbell: Jeremy StockwellEveryone else: Kate O'Sullivan, Polly Kemp, Ronnie Juttie and Niall AshdownOriginal music by Somerset & LewinOriginal music by MZYLYKPOP (Mick Somerset, David Lewin, Simon Lewinski, Rachel E, Flip Clegg and Thom Foote)Sound Design by Carl ScheeleShti JohnsonProduced and Directed by Boz Temple-MorrisWritten by Sam Grundy and Cara JenningsA HOLY MOUNTAIN production for BBC Radio 4.

TUE 21:55 Inheritance Tracks (m0009dd4)

Roisin Conaty

Comedian Roisin Conaty chooses 'Crazy' performed by Patsy Cline and 'My Foolish Heart' performed by Sam Cooke.

TUE 22:00 Clare in the Community (m0008y51)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

TUE 22:30 Sarah Kendall: Australian Trilogy (b08hmpms)

Series 1

Shaken

"This show is a story, and it's a big story. But it actually starts in one of my therapy sessions..." In 1989, 13 and unpopular, Sarah misses the school bus. This prompts her to tell a lie and suddenly she finds herself the focal point of the entire community. This show is as much about the art of storytelling as it is about a teenager's want to be popular. Sarah examines why stories are so important to her and she leaves us with a message from Ferris Bueller: "Life moves pretty fast. If you don't stop and move around once in a while, you could miss it." Multi-award winning storyteller Sarah Kendall, continues her critically acclaimed trilogy of funny and moving, live shows to BBC

Radio.Taking her audience on a trip, Sarah gives a unique snapshot of small-town life in Australia in the early 90s. At a time when most people were seeing Australians through the filter of 'Home and Away' and 'Neighbours', Sarah's shows present a darker underbelly to the stereotype of the sun-loving, happy-go-lucky Aussie teenager. Comedic and tragic in equal measure, Sarah's tales of her teenage life blend intricate narratives with a cast of memorable characters, bringing events to life in front of your very ears. Written and performed by Sarah Kendall. Producer: Carl Cooper. Production Coordinator: Emily Hallett. A BBC Studios Production for Radio 4 first broadcast in March 2017.

TUE 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m0009dd6)

Aberystwyth Comedy Festival 2/4

From **10.00pm** until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. And Jake Yapp brings us the best of the Aberystwyth Comedy Festival - tonight, he's joined by the comedian Eleanor Tiernan on Aberystwyth's Royal Pier.

TUE 23:00 Seekers (b05y13tx)

Series 2

I Kissed A Bear, and I Liked It

Stuart needs to bond with Vanessa's parents, and Joe and Terry raise an egg. Matthew Horne, Daniel Mays, Tony Way and Zahra Ahmadi star in Steve Burge's sitcom set in a jobcentre. Stuart ----- Matthew Horne/Joseph ----- Daniel Mays/Terry ----- Tony Way/Nicola ----- Zahra Ahmadi/Vanessa ----- Natalie Walter/Gary Probert ----- Steve Oram. Producer: Victoria Lloyd. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2015.

TUE 23:30 Think the Unthinkable (b007jm43)

Series 1

Utiliton

Unthinkable Solutions are hired to transform Utiliton's call centre, where customer complaints have reached record levels. Daisy and Sophie bring in Owen, an IT expert of low hygiene and low morals. James Cary's award-winning sitcom about management consultants. Ryan Packer ----- Marcus Brigstocke/Sophie Stott ----- Emma Kennedy/Daisy ----- Catherine Shepherd/Pam ----- Olivia Colman/Simon ----- Kim Wall/Peter ----- Chris Pavlo/Owen ----- David Mitchell. Script associates: Paul Mayhew-Archer and Ed Drew. Music by John Whitehall. Producer: Adam Bromley. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2001.

WEDNESDAY 09 OCTOBER 2019

WED 00:00 Colin Swash - Paradise Lost in Space (b007jnpj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Tuesday]

WED 00:30 Musical Genes (b00f5b1x)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Tuesday]

WED 01:00 Sherlock Holmes (m00094nh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Tuesday]

WED 01:30 Richard Wagner - Power, Sex and Revolution (b01s8byy)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Tuesday]

WED 02:00 Book at Bedtime (b08ffvrx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Tuesday]

WED 02:15 Five Hundred Years of Friendship (b03zy24b)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Tuesday]

WED 02:30 15 Minute Drama (b06j1qv7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Tuesday]

WED 02:45 Book of the Week (b04yftkr)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:45 on Tuesday]

WED 03:00 Wilkie Collins - No Name (b007jrhz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Tuesday]

WED 04:00 Act Your Age (b00zsjz7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Tuesday]

WED 04:30 The Break (b07ctt0z)

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:30 on Tuesday]

WED 05:00 Smelling of Roses (b00fh6w1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Tuesday]

WED 05:30 Clare in the Community (m00085y1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Tuesday]

WED 06:00 Sherlock Holmes (m00094ml)

Sherlock Holmes with Carleton Hobbs - Series 5

The Three Garridebs

To inherit a fortune, an American asks the sleuth to find two men with his surname. Another case for Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's great detective. Stars Carleton Hobbs as Sherlock Holmes and Norman Shelley as Dr Watson. Mrs Hudson ----- Janet Morrison/Inspector Lestrade ----- Humphrey Morton/John Garrideb ----- Eric Anderson/Nathan Garrideb ----- Charles E Stickill/Holloway ----- Harold Reese. Adapted for radio by Michael Hardwick. Producer Graham Gault. First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in September 1964.

WED 06:30 Let's Go To Misterland (b00qm467)

Created in 1971 by Roger Hargreaves, the Mr Men books have been an inherent part of so many childhoods. Inspired by the author's son Adam, who one day inquired, "what does a tickle look like?", and the first character was born. The Little Miss books followed ten years later, worldwide sales have exceeded 100 million, and today the brand is flourishing under its new owners. Stephanie Flanders takes a look at the Mr Men business and its growth over the years. She speaks to Adam Hargreaves who tells us the story behind the books and what inspired his father to create such a simplistic, yet hugely influential brand. Created in the humble surroundings of a small home office, the characters have reached a global audience, and they appeal to

today's children as much as their 1970s counterparts. Despite his death in 1988, Roger Hargreaves was the third best-selling author of the past decade, outstripping such feted writers as Jacqueline Wilson, Terry Pratchett and John Grisham. Stephanie Flanders, daughter of the actor and singer Michael Flanders, examines the appeal of the Mr Men and how these hold, colourful drawings and simple stories continue to capture children's hearts. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2010.

WED 07:00 Potting On (b0011pkh)

Curse of the Pharaoh

Gordon gets so addicted to a computer game that Pam has to get a dog for company. Sitcom about a couple at odds over running a garden centre and growing older... Written by Chris Thompson and Peter Reynolds. Starring Pam Ayres as Pam and Geoffrey Whitehead as Gordon. With Trevor Bannister, Karl Theobald and Alex Tregear. Sitcom by Chris Thompson and Peter Reynolds. Producer Claire Jones. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2008.

WED 07:30 The Quanderhorn Xperimentations (b0b9wbfo)

Series 1

The Splattered Remains of Unidentifiable Organs Incident All Over Again

It's still 1952. It's always 1952. The Quanderhorn crew find themselves on Advanced Lunar Station Q, with no means of returning to Earth and limited oxygen supplies. Splitting into two teams after a game of Martian Closey-Eyesie, Guuurrk (Kevin Eldon) and Troy (Freddie Fox) fall prey to a ravenous Lunar Man Trap, while Brian (Ryan Sampson) and Gemma (Cassie Layton) stumble upon an intact space craft. But there are two problems. Gemma's ear is unwinding, rendering her emotionally unstable, and there's no apparent entrance to the craft. Having rather astonishingly escaped their various dilemmas, the crew encounter yet another conundrum - how exactly is the ship powered? Jenkins (John Sessions), the professor's factotum, detects a spacecraft approaching Earth which Quanderhorn (James Fleet) orders him to blast out of the sky, apparently unaware his own crew is aboard. The Quanderhorn Xperimentations - an adventure beyond human understanding. Cast: Professor Quanderhorn - James Fleet/Brian Nylon - Ryan Sampson/Dr Gemini Janussen - Cassie Layton/Guuurrk - Kevin Eldon/Troy Quanderhorn - Freddie Fox/Winston Churchill/Jenkins - John Sessions/Synthetic Voice Rachel Atkins/Created and written by Rob Grant and Andrew Marshall/Directed by Andrew Marshall/Music by Peter Brewis/Engineered, Edited and Sound designed by Alistair McGregor/Production Manager: Sarah Tombling/Produced by Rob Grant and Gordon Kennedy/Recorded at The Soundhouse Studios/An Absolutely production for BBC Radio 4

WED 08:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jzps)

Series 1

A House on the Cliff

The lad's after a new home, but is it really the best idea to get Sid to build it? Starring Tony Hancock. With Moira Lister, Bill Kerr and Sidney James. Written by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson. Theme and incidental music composed by Wally Stott. Recorded by the BBC Revue Orchestra conducted by Harry Rabinowitz. Producer: Dennis Main. Wilson. First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in January 1955.

WED 08:30 Listen to Les (b00ttfnd)

From 28/12/1980

Les Dawson presents mafia mayhem, randy Cosmo Smallpiece plus another piano sing-along. With Daphne Oxenford and Colin Edwynn. Music by Brian Fitzgerald. Scripted and produced by James Casey. First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in December 1980.

WED 09:00 The 3rd Degree (b0b86r8n)

Series 8

University of Hertfordshire

A funny and dynamic quiz show hosted by Steve Punt - this week from the University of Hertfordshire. Specialist subjects include Aerospace Engineering, English Language and Communication and Computer Sciences, and questions ranging from DOS Commands and derivatives to Captain Hook and why eating detergent is wrong. Recorded on location at a different University each week, and it pits three Undergraduates against three of their Professors in an original and fresh take on an academic quiz. The rounds vary between Specialist Subjects and General Knowledge, quickfire bell-and-buzzer rounds and the Highbrow and Lowbrow round cunningly devised to test not only the students' knowledge of current affairs, history, languages and science, but also their Professors' awareness of television, sport, and quite possibly Justin Bieber. In addition, the Head-to-Head rounds see students take on their Professors in their own subjects, offering plenty of scope for mild embarrassment on both sides. Producer: David Tyler. A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in July 2018.

WED 09:30 An Actor's Life for Me (b007szmj)

Series 1

Separate Troubles

Robert and Sue have fallen out and she's chucked him out. What could possibly bring them together again? John Gordon Sinclair stars in Paul Mayhew-Archer's sitcom. Robert Wilson ----- John Gordon Sinclair/Desmond Shaw ----- Gary Waldhorn/Sue ----- Caroline Quentin/With: Sally Grace/Rosemary Martin/Jean Campbell-Dallas/Christopher Scott/Jonathan Kydd/John Baddeley. Producer: Paul Spencer. First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in February 1989.

WED 10:00 Wilkie Collins - No Name (b007jrlw)

July 1846

Suddenly orphaned with no name and no inheritance - what next for Magdalen and Norah Vanstone? Wilkie Collins' novel dramatised by Ray Jenkins. Magdalen Vanstone ----- Sophie Thompson/Captain Wragge ----- Jack May/Norah Vanstone ----- Elizabeth Mansfield/Miss Garth ----- Kathleen Helme/Mr Clare ----- Peter Woodthorpe/Frank Clare ----- Paul Downing/Mr Pendril ----- John Moffatt/Mrs Wragge ----- Vivian Pickles/Bulmer ----- John Bull/Narrator ----- Philip Sully/Music by Peter Brewis and played by Maurice Cambridge. Director: Janet Whitaker. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1989.

WED 11:00 Growing Pains (m00094nm)

2. I Capture The Castle

Grace Dent locks herself in her teenage bedroom and rifles through the BBC Radio archives to celebrate the awkward, emotional, and unfortunately inevitable adolescent experience. She reminisces about the heartbreak and arguments that were an everyday part of her own teenage years growing up in Carlisle in the 1970s. In this edition, Grace dips into the BBC Archives and come up with one of her favourite depictions of adolescence: 'I Capture The Castle' Part one of Jane Rodgers' adaptation of Dodie Smith's classic novel, starring Holliday Grainger as Cassandra Mortmain. Presenter: Grace Dent. Producer: Jessica Trean. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 Extra in October 2017.

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WED 13:30 Let's Go To Misterland (b00qm467)

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WED 14:00 Book at Bedtime (b08fgwyq)

The Underground Railroad

Episode 3

The runaways take on new identities and begin a new life across the state line. Colson Whitehead's inventive novel follows Cora and Caesar as they escape from a Georgia slave plantation and run north in pursuit of freedom, aided by stellationmasters and conductors of the Underground Railroad. This brilliant and at times brutal novel about the history of slavery and racism in America, which won the US National Book Award for Fiction in 2016. Read by Clarke Peters (The Wire, Treme). Abridged by Sara Davies. Producer: Mair Bosworth. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2017.

WED 14:15 Five Hundred Years of Friendship (b040014g)

In Need, In Deed, By Post

Dr Thomas Dixon continues to trace the changing meaning of friendship over the last five hundred years. Mass Observation and the archive of the Co-Operative Correspondence Club provide intimate evidence for friendship during the Second World War. Dr Clare Langhamer discusses how, in 1935, one lonely mother in County Wicklow began a correspondence network that continued through to the 1990s, long preceding today's MumsNet and NetMums. She also shares some revealing evidence from the vast Mass Observation archive at the University of Sussex about how women's friendships were affected by their war-work. Thomas Dixon also considers how men on active service formed new bonds across the class divide, and, in one extraordinary case from the BBC Sound Archive, not only with other human beings: "I have a passion for tanks," begins Captain Michael Halstead's account of life on the front line. Producer: Beaty Rubens. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2014.

WED 14:30 15 Minute Drama (b06j2fpj)

Early One Morning

Episode 8

Italy 1944. Chiara and her young Jewish charge, Daniele, are back in Rome, where food supplies are scarce. Thirty years later, in 1973, Chiara has lost touch with her troubled, junkie adoptive son, but she must now decide how to deal with the young Welsh teenager who keep phoning her and who claims to be Daniele's daughter. Greta Scacchi, Juliet Aubrey and Sophie Melville star in Virginia Baily's powerful novel of love, loss and learning to be a mother. Narrator: Greta Scacchi/Chiara ----- Juliet Aubrey/Maria ----- Sophie Melville/Cecilia ----- Alex Tregear/Daniele ----- Adam Thomas Wright/Gennaro/Adult Daniele ----- Cesare Taurasi/Simone/Nonna ----- Jessica Turner/Antonio ----- David Hounslow/Gabriele ----- David Acton/Tommaso/Nazi officer/Brian ----- Felix Auer/Edna ----- Amelia Lowdell/Barry/Goffredo ----- Chris Pavlo/Gianni ----- Sam Dale/Dramatised by Miranda Emmerson. Director: Emma Harding. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2015.

WED 14:45 Book of the Week (b04ykbjm)

Epilogue: A Memoir

Stranger

Will is apprehensive about meeting his half-brother for the first time. Jamie Parker continues reading from Will Boast's moving account of loss and coming to terms with the past. Abridged by Miranda Emmerson. Producer: Gemma Jenkins. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2015.

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WED 16:30 An Actor's Life for Me (b007szmj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

WED 17:00 Potting On (b001pkk)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

WED 17:30 The Quanderhorn Xperimentations (b0b9wbf0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

WED 18:00 Colin Swash - Paradise Lost in Space (b007jnt5)

Episode 3

As the Oblivions have so much time on their hands, it couldn't possibly hurt to introduce them to the gentle game of tennis, could it? Sci-fi comedy by Colin Swash about two space-age humans stranded on a friendly alien planet. Norman Tony RobinsonMax David HaigStella Louise LombardMacari Michael TroughtonTeraiz Carla MendoncaKen Tom HollanderProducer: Richard WilsonFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1995.

WED 18:30 That Reminds Me (b01n1tvs)

Series 5

Dudley Sutton

Best remembered as 'Tinker Dill' in 1990s BBC TV hit 'Lovejoy', actor Dudley Sutton reminisces about his film and TV career. Series showcasing the reminiscences of celebrated raconteurs before a live audience. Producer: Claire JonesFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2003.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

WED 19:30 Listen to Les (b00tptnd)

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[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

WED 20:30 Let's Go To Misterland (b00qm467)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

WED 21:00 Growing Pains (m00094mm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

WED 22:00 The Quanderhorn Xperimentations (b0b9wbf0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

WED 22:30 Warhorses of Letters (b01p0s13)

Series 2

Episode 1

The romantic correspondence between two of history's most important horses: Napoleon's mount Marengo and the Duke of Wellington's own Copenhagen. This second series picks up the story of the two lovers sundered by fate as Napoleon returns from Elba. Their letters speak eloquently of love, loss, jealousy and nuts. Marengo Stephen FryCopenhagen Daniel RigbyNarrator TamsinBy Marie Phillips and Robbie HudsonProducer: Gareth Edwards. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2012.

WED 22:45 The John Moloney Show (b05d13kb)

Series 1

Bank Robbers and Cats

John Moloney has been headlining comedy clubs all over the world. We've captured him at his very best performing in front of an appreciative audience at The Stand Comedy Club in Edinburgh. Listen out for a joke about a bank robber and a story about John's cat named Edward. Written and performed by John MoloneyFeaturing Julia Sutherland, Gareth Waugh and Fred MacAulayProducer: Alan LorraineA Dabster production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in May 2015.

WED 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m00099mb)

Aberystwyth Comedy Festival 3/4

From 10.00pm until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. And Jake Yapp brings us the best of the Aberystwyth Comedy Festival - tonight, he's joined by the comedian Ahir Shah.

WED 23:00 The Jason Byrne Show (b01pfrfm4)

Series 3

Use Your Imagination to Have the Best Fun

Jason Byrne looks at the subject of technology - getting all nostalgic over the novelty of 24 hour photos. Amongst the audience, he discovers a human wheelbarrow; an advertiser who struggles to give a name to things and everything he needs to recreate the sounds of a Clangers' convention. Themed audience comedy show with high-energy stand-up and sketches featuring Laurence Howarth and Margaret Cabourn-Smith. Producer: Julia McKenzieFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2010.

WED 23:30 I Think I've Got a Problem (b00cm91h)

Series 2

Episode 4

After falling over and knocking himself out, Tom - and the band in his head - awakes to find himself in a strange world where castrati singers are all the rage..... Andrew McGibbon and Nick Romero's everyday story about a man who can't stop himself from breaking into song. Suggests Tom CaineBob Monkhouse Dr BoonePhil Cornwell BoucheAndrew McGibbon JakeNick Romero Monty De VereBill Nighy MalcJulia Deakin PheliaToby Longworth ClammyPi Debra StephensonSongs: Andrew McGibbon, Nick Romero and SuggestsProducers: Andrew McGibbon and Dawn Ellis. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2003.

THURSDAY 10 OCTOBER 2019

THU 00:00 Colin Swash - Paradise Lost in Space (b007jnt5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Wednesday]

THU 00:30 That Reminds Me (b01n1tvs)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Wednesday]

THU 01:00 Sherlock Holmes (m00094ml)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Wednesday]

THU 01:30 Let's Go To Misterland (b00qm467)

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[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Wednesday]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Wednesday]

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THU 02:45 Book of the Week (b04ykbjm)

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THU 04:00 The 3rd Degree (b0b86r8n)

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THU 04:30 An Actor's Life for Me (b007szmj)

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THU 05:00 Potting On (b001pkk)

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THU 05:30 The Quanderhorn Xperimentations (b0b9wbf0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Wednesday]

THU 06:00 Sherlock Holmes (m0009568)

Sherlock Holmes with Carleton Hobbs - Series 5

The Norwood Builder

A young solicitor is accused of murder and arson. Another case for Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's great detective. Starring Carleton Hobbs as Sherlock Holmes and Norman Shelley as Dr Watson. Mrs Hudson Janet MorrisonInspector Lestrade Humphrey MortonMcFarlane Henry StamperMrs Lexington Eva StuartJonas Oldacre Hamlyn BensonMrs McFarlane Molly WeirPoliceman 1 Alaric CotterPoliceman 2 Fraser KerrAdapted for radio by Michael Hardwick. Producer Graham GauldFirst broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in September 1964.

THU 06:30 3D In Perspective (b00wdgmq)

Bringing together the science of 3D TV with a wide-ranging history of art and entertainment, Andrew Collins examines our centuries-old fascination with representing the world that exists in three visual dimensions. In modern 3D entertainment, today's technologists are fighting the same battles with geometry, depth of field, light and texture as 15th Century painters. Award-winning visual effects supervisor, Paddy Eason discusses the debt that 3D imaging owes to its painterly predecessors. At The National Gallery, art historian Professor David Ekserdjian explains how, from the changing shape of a canvas to the arrival of oil paint, the architects and artists of the Renaissance, challenged our notions of reality. Andrew enters a world of optical illusion, trawling piles of perspective pictures and stereo photographs at The Bill Douglas Centre for The History of Cinema and Popular Culture. Lecturer in Victorian Studies, John Plunkett explains, the appeal of 18th and 19th century optical or 'philosophical' toys, made possible by good lenses and mirrors. Often dismissed as novelty, they emerged from groundbreaking research on the physiology of vision. The history of 3D is littered with failed technologies, including 3D films that predate cinema sound. Professor Neil Dodgson from The Computer Laboratory in Cambridge is a 3D expert. He outlines the obstacles, in particular the poorly paid projectionist and ultimately the limitations of human vision. Neuroscientist Dr Sue Barry, understands the visceral appeal of 3D. Aged 50, she experienced her first thrilling sense of 3D immersion after years of being 'stereoblind' and suggests why we are so preoccupied with experiencing virtual 3D space. Producer: Tamsin HughesA Testbed production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in December 2010.

THU 07:00 Fat Chance (b01bn4qm)

Secrets and Lies

Will Graham be the next Blue Peter presenter and why did Tina's husband leave her? Jenny McDade's high-fat bittersweet comedy for those believing there's a thin person inside them begging to get out. Graham Pitscottie Gareth CorkeWendy Bottomley Janine DuvitskiClive Bottomley Michael TroughtonSoo Pitscottie Anne ReidTina Tattersall Julia DeakinKelly Chambers Tilly GauntLee Dubs Harry MyersMrs Enright Frances JeaterProducer: Sally AvensFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1999.

THU 07:30 Alexei Sayle's Imaginary Sandwich Bar (m0008wm0)

Series 3

Kings of Comedy

Alexei outlines his problem Morecambe and Wise, discusses his issues with the Trade Unions and offers a fable taught by the Zen Master Wudang mountains in China. Written by Alexei SaylePerformed by Alexei SayleProduced by Joe NunneryA BBC Studios Production.

THU 08:00 Brothers in Law (b007k268)

Series 1

Counsel for the Prosecution

Rookie barrister Roger Thursty confronts a fearsome judge. Starring Richard Briers as Roger Thursty and Richard Waring as Henry Blagrove. Judge Duncannon Andrew CruickshankSpicer Roy KinnearGrimes John Glyn-JonesSally Mannering Ann DaviesMrs Thursty Jean AndersonHindmuth John BakerOther parts Alan Barry, Hector Ross and Frederick TrevesAdapted for radio by Richard Waring from the BBC TV scripts. Restored from BBC Transcription Service tapes - originally edited for sale abroad. Published in 1955, Henry Cecil's comic legal novel

Brothers in Law was adapted first for TV in 1962 by Frank Muir and Denis Norden. It provided the first regular starring role for Richard Briers, who later reprised his role of the idealistic young lawyer Roger Thursty for BBC Radio between 1970 and 1972. Producer: David Hatch. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1970.

THU 08:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00q9y63)

Series 2

Episode 3

Astronaut space capers, a whodunit? - and the Knitting Song. More quick-fire sketches, terrible puns, humorous songs plus TV and cinema parodies. Stars Tim Brooke-Taylor, Graeme Garden, David Hatch, Jo Kendall and Bill Oddie. Written by John Esmonde & Bob Larbey, Graeme Garden, Bill Oddie, Peter Vincent and David McKellar. Originating from the Cambridge University Footlights revue 'Cambridge Circus', ISIRTA ran for 8 years on BBC Radio and quickly developed a cult following. Songs by Bill Oddie with music by Dave Lee. Producer: Humphrey BarclayFirst broadcast on the BBC Home Service in October 1965.

THU 09:00 The Write Stuff (m000956b)

Series 3

3. Geoffrey Chaucer

James Walton tests Sebastian Faulks, John Walsh, Imogen Stubbs and Louise Doughty in the game of literary correctness. Author of the week: ChaucerReader: Beth Chalmers. Producer: Jon RolphFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2000.

THU 09:30 For Better or for Worse (b00g43w6)

Series 1

Episode 2

A trip to the cinema turns into a disaster off-screen for sweethearts Bernard and Iris and his dad Wilf. Dithering Bernard tries to get engaged to his flighty partner Iris. Will she manage to persuade Bernard to buy her an engagement ring at last? Gorden Kaye and Su Pollard star in Vince Powell's sitcom about the turbulent relationship of an odd couple. Iris Su PollardBernard Gorden KayeWilf David RossDaisy Paula TilbrookMr Foley Peter WheelerMyrtle Julie HigginsonWriter Vince Powell (1928-2009) scripted a number of popular TV sitcoms including Love Thy Neighbour, For the Love of Ada and Never Mind the Quality, Feel the Width. Produced in Manchester by Mike Craig. First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in February 1993.

THU 10:00 Wilkie Collins - No Name (b007jrpm)

June 1847

Magdalen, with the aid of the swindler Captain Wragge, is determined to get back her inheritance from her cousin Noel. Wilkie Collins' novel dramatised by Ray Jenkins. Magdalen Vanstone Sophie ThompsonCaptain Wragge Jack MayNorah Vanstone Elizabeth MansfieldFrank Clare Paul DowningMrs Wragge Vivian PicklesLandlady Susan SheridanVicar Joe DunlopLizzie Alice ArnoldMrs Lecount Eleanor BronNoel Vanstone Nigel AnthonyCaptain Kirke Robin EllisNarrator Philip SullyMusic by Peter Brewis and played by Maurice Cambridge. Director: Janet WhitakerFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1989.

THU 11:00 Opening Lines (b065s85x)

Series 17

Pieces of Mars Have Fallen to Earth, by Cherise Saywell Man's first Mars mission comes at a price. An astronaut's mother reflects on her place in history. Read by Juliet Stevenson.

THU 11:15 Drama (b04pvp7v)

Maxine Peake - My Dad Keith

Maxine Peake writes and stars in this tale of teenage angst, mid-life crisis and drumming. The play debuts Mike Joyce the drummer from The Smiths in his first acting role. Reaching her 40th birthday and with her grandad in hospital, Steph begins to reflect on her life, loves and the quest to find out who her dad was. As a teenager a fractious relationship with her mother pushes Steph towards her grandad and together they set out to piece together the clues to the identity of her dad. They come to a startling conclusion about him. Steph loves drumming - on anything. She's not got a drum kit but taps out her life using kitchen utensils and releases her tensions and worries on any surface available. Steph Maxine PeakeCarole Siobhan FinneranJeff Mike JoyceYoung Jeff Nico MirallegroYoung Steph Rebecca RyanLily Rachel AustinGrandad Roger MorlidgeDirector: Michelle ChoudhryFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2014.

THU 12:00 Brothers in Law (b007k268)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

THU 12:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00q9y63)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

THU 13:00 Sherlock Holmes (m0009568)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

THU 13:30 3D In Perspective (b00wdgmq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

THU 14:00 Book at Bedtime (b08fh59s)

The Underground Railroad

Episode 4

Cora takes on a job in the Museum of Natural Wonders. Colson Whitehead's inventive novel follows Cora and Caesar as they escape from a Georgia slave plantation and run north in pursuit of freedom, aided by the stationmasters and conductors of the Underground Railroad. This brilliant and at times brutal novel

about the history of slavery and racism in America, which won the US National Book Award for Fiction in 2016. Read by Clarke Peters (The Wire, Treme) Abridged by Sara Davies. Producer: Mair Bosworth. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2017.

THU 14:15 Five Hundred Years of Friendship (b04009c6)
Families of Choice

Dr Thomas Dixon brings his major history of friendship up to the 1970s, when gender politics began to change friendships once again, and considers how popular culture both reflected and influenced this change. Professor Barbara Taylor shares her personal memories of how the second-wave feminist movement of the 1970s altered women's friendships in the way that Mary Wolstonecraft had discussed right back in the eighteenth century. Thomas Dixon also explores the growing freedom of gay men and lesbian women to establish their own "families of choice". And - somewhat excitedly - he debates with the cultural critic Matthew Sweet how television reflected friendships between men. While Thomas confesses to an erstwhile love of the phenomenally successful American sit-com, Friends, Matthew Sweet makes an expansive claim for British television's The Likely Lads, comparing the depth of Terry and Bob's friendship to that of Tennyson and Hallam. Meanwhile, slightly extending a quotation of the 17th Century poet, George Herbert, Thomas declares: "David had his Jonathan, Christ his John, Eric had his little Ern, Ant his Dec." Producer: Beaty Rubens. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2014.

THU 14:30 15 Minute Drama (b06j5nd2)

Early One Morning

Episode 9

1944. As American soldiers parade through Rome, Chiara receives some devastating news. 1973. Chiara confides in her oldest friend about her dilemma over Daniele's teenage daughter, Maria, who doesn't yet know anything about her father's past. Greta Scacchi, Juliet Aubrey and Sophie Melville star in Virginia Bailey's powerful novel of love, loss and learning to be a mother. Narrator: Greta Scacchi. Chiara: Juliet Aubrey. Maria: Sophie Melville. Cecelia: Alex Tregear. Daniele: Adam Thomas. Wright Gennaro/Adult Daniele: Cesare Taurasi. Simone/Nonna: Jessica Turner. Antonio: David Hounslow. Gabriele: David Acton. Tommaso/ Nazi officer/ Brian: Felix Auer. Eudna: Amelia Lowdell Barry/ Goffredo: Chris Pavlo. Gianni: Sam Dale. Dramatised by Miranda Emmerson. Director: Emma Harding. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2015.

THU 14:45 Book of the Week (b04ykk4p)

Epilogue: A Memoir

A Balancing Act

Will struggles to adapt to his new family circumstances and starts to question his understanding of events. Jamie Parker continues reading from Will Boast's moving account of loss and coming to terms with the past. Abridged by Miranda Emmerson. Producer: Gemma Jenkins. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2015

THU 15:00 Wilkie Collins - No Name (b007jrpm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

THU 16:00 The Write Stuff (m000956b)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

THU 16:30 For Better or for Worse (b00g43w6)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

THU 17:00 Fat Chance (b01bn4qm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

THU 17:30 Alexei Sayle's Imaginary Sandwich Bar (m0008wm0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

THU 18:00 Colin Swash - Paradise Lost in Space (b007jnx2)

Episode 4

The dangers of tennis are now apparent to the Oblivions - but Martinis? What could possibly go wrong with Martinis? Sci-fi comedy by Colin Swash about two space-age humans stranded on a friendly alien planet. Norman: Tony Robinson. Max: David Haig. Stella: Louise Lombard. Macari: Michael Troughton. Teraz: Ken Hollander. Tony: Geoff McGovern. Clive: Guy Witcher. Jonathan: Ross Alistair McGowan. Producer: Richard Wilson. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1995.

THU 18:30 Great Lives (b03b0ydy)

Series 31

Konnie Huq on Ada Lovelace

TV presenter Konnie Huq chooses the mathematician and daughter of Lord Byron, Ada Lovelace. With Matthew Parris. From Banking, to air traffic control systems and to controlling the United States defence department there's a computer language called 'Ada' - it's named after Ada Lovelace - a 19th century mathematician and daughter of Lord Byron. Ada Lovelace is this week's Great Life. She's been called many things - but perhaps most poetically by Charles Babbage whom she worked with on a steam-driven calculating machine called the Difference Engine an 'enchantress of numbers', as her similarly mathematical mother had been called by Lord Byron a "princess of parallelograms". Augusta 'Ada' Byron was born in 1815 but her parents marriage was short and unhappy; they separated when Ada was one month old and she never saw her father, he died when she was eight years old. Her mother, Annabella concerned Ada might inherit Byron's "poetic tendencies" had her schooled her in maths and science to try to combat any madness inherited from her father. She's

championed by TV presenter and writer - Konnie Huq, most well known for presenting the BBC's children's programme - 'Blue Peter' and together with expert - Suw Charman-Anderson, a Social technologist, they lift the lid on the life of this mathematician, now regarded as the first computer programmer with presenter Matthew Parris. Producer: Perminder Khatkar. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2013.

THU 19:00 Brothers in Law (b007k268)

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THU 19:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00q9y63)

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THU 20:00 Sherlock Holmes (m0009568)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

THU 20:30 3D In Perspective (b00wdgmq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

THU 21:00 Opening Lines (b065s85x)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

THU 21:15 Drama (b04pvp7v)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]

THU 22:00 Alexei Sayle's Imaginary Sandwich Bar (m0008wm0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

THU 22:30 Newsjack (m00099mj)

Series 21

Episode 5

The week's news stories lovingly moulded into sketches and one-liners by the public.

THU 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m00099pb)

Aberystwyth Comedy Festival 4/4

From 10.00pm until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. And Jake Yapp brings us the best of the Aberystwyth Comedy Festival.

THU 23:00 Little Lifetimes by Jenny Eclair (b09bz18l)

Series 4

The Nannas

Dawn spends her life cleaning for the middle classes and fancies she could uncover a few secrets behind the Farrow and Ball doors. But when she does, it comes at a cost she couldn't imagine... Another in the series of Jenny Eclair's comic monologues where four women reach a crisis in their lives. Tilly Vosburgh has appeared in numerous TV series including EastEnders, Tipping The Velvet, and The Smoking Room and films such as Atonement, Vera Drake and Boy A. Producer: Sally Aven. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2011.

THU 23:15 The Lach Chronicles (b04v4xsl)

Series 2

Teenage Alcoholics

Lach was the King of Manhattan's East Village and host of the longest running open mic night in New York. He now lives in Scotland and finds himself back at square one, playing in a dive bar on the wrong side of Edinburgh. His acclaimed night, held in various venues around New York, was called the Antihoot. Never quite fitting in and lost somewhere lonely between folk and punk music, Lach started the Antifolk movement. He played host to Suzanne Vega, Jeff Buckley and many others. He discovered and nurtured lots of talent including Beck, Regina Spektor and the Moldy Peaches - but nobody discovered him. In 1982, the "Village" was the centre of all worldly excitement. Iggy Pop played small venues to those in the know, style was everybody's own, your heroes drank in the local bars, and anointment was just a few chords away. Producer: Richard Melvin A Dabster production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in December 2014.

THU 23:30 Mark Watson Talks a Bit About Life (b07pgw3h)

Series 2

Work and Play

Mark Watson considers work and play. How can we find the right balance between them? Do we get more out of life from flogging ourselves at the coalface, or messing about at the coalface, or do we not even have to go to the coalface at all? Multi-award winning Mark Watson is assisted and impeded in equal measure by henchmen Sam Simmons and Will Adamsdale, as he revives his quest to make some sort of sense of life against the backdrop of a world that, in recent times, has come to seem even more peculiar than usual. The tenacious trio take on some of human life's central topics - family, spirituality, Scandinavia. Watson peddles his unique, high-octane stand-up while Simmons and Adamsdale chip in with interjections which include (but are not limited to) music, shopping lists, life advice, stunts, avant-garde offerings and divvy interactions. Expect big laughs, controlled chaos and an attempt to answer the one question none of us can quite escape from - what exactly is going on? Producer: Lianne Coop. An Impatient production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in August 2016.

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FRI 01:00 Sherlock Holmes (m0009568)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Thursday]

FRI 01:30 3D In Perspective (b00wdgmq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Thursday]

FRI 02:00 Book at Bedtime (b08fh5s9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Thursday]

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FRI 06:00 Sherlock Holmes (m00094zr)

Sherlock Holmes with Carleton Hobbs - Series 5

The Sussex Vampire

A Peruvian woman is accused of sucking her children's blood. Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's great detective investigates. Stars Carleton Hobbs as Sherlock Holmes and Norman Shelley as Dr Watson. Ferguson: Stephen Jack. Dolores: Gladys Spencer. Mrs Ferguson: Josefine Ray. Mrs Mason: Margaret Welfit. Jack: Peter Bartlett. Adapted for radio by Michael Hardwick. Producer: Graham Gauld. First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in September 1964.

FRI 06:30 Am I Tone Deaf? (b014641m)

If you are 'tone-deaf' can your brain be 're-tuned' by singing lessons? Author and journalist Sathnam Sanghera has spent his life miming to songs. Like one in 15 of us, he believes he is tone deaf. But is he? In this programme, he braves both scientific testing and singing lessons in the hope of finding his voice. Vocal coach Heather Mair Thomas believes that whatever the diagnosis, she has ways of making him sing. But will doctors who argue that congenital tone deafness cannot be cured by training alone eclipse her optimism? As Sathnam navigates his way between science and song, he will meet key experts who are dedicated to exploring the scientific highs and lows of tone deafness. For the past decade, neurologists have developed a number of techniques aimed at identifying the root cause of 'amusia' known more commonly as tone deafness. If they can understand more about this relatively common condition it will help them to understand more complex neurological disorders that can affect speech or sound perception. Sathnam will also take on board the 'sound advice' that fellow sufferers have to offer. Retired Reverend Jim Cross was occupationally obliged to lead his church in song, however, his congregation gave him special dispensation to simply say the lines aloud following his diagnosis of 'amusia'. Producer: Nicola Humphries. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2011.

FRI 07:00 Babbewick Hall (b01nh8zv)

Series 1

Episode 5

A future as a distinguished Parliamentarian beckons Fenton to London. However, putting the finishing touches to his maiden speech, Fenton Babbewick is unaware of the tortuous journey which lies ahead - and his travelling companions who'll be the source of much irritation. Is this the moment Augustus has been waiting for? An escape to London, free at last from the horrors of Yorkshire. Starring Nicholas Le Prevost as Fenton Babbewick and Forbes Masson as Augustus Snipe. Scott Cherry's six-part sitcom set in the 18th-century. Fenton Babbewick: Nick Le Prevost. Augustus Snipe: Forbes Masson. Barney: David Antrobus. Jack: Sam Kelly. Mrs Maddison: Sara Coward. Maddison: John Baddeley. Highwayman: Stephen Critchlow. Music by Paul Mottram. Producer: Paul Schlesinger. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1996.

FRI 07:30 Stand-Up Specials (m00092xg)

Ashley Blaker's Goyish Guide to Judaism - 2

Ashley Blaker, Britain's only ultra-Orthodox stand up comedian, returns with an insider's view of his religion.

Following the success of his first guide, this is another a whistle-tour of Jewish life and, in particular, a very rare glimpse into the normally inaccessible world of strict Orthodox Judaism. Ashley is already a well-known name in the Jewish community, having undertaken a number of critically acclaimed UK tours as well as performing sell-out shows in Israel, South Africa, Canada and very recently in New York. The Jewish press has described him as "the haredi Michael McIntyre". As well as being a popular and experienced live performer, Ashley is also a comedy writer and producer for radio and TV. He was responsible for unleashing Little Britain on an unsuspecting nation on Radio 4. But, being a strict orthodox Jew, he is surely the only person who works in TV without actually owning one. The Jerusalem Post recently described Ashley as "a walking contradiction". The Times of Israel pointed out the astonishment his appearance can provoke: "The astonishment, of course, is that with Blaker, what you see is what you get: a skinny bearded man wearing a black suit and kippah, and sporting peyot and tzitzit of the strictly Orthodox community to which he now belongs. But this is not a uniform which he dons only for his interfaces with Jewish audiences. No, he wears this in his day job too." Written and Presented by Ashley Blaker. Special appearance: Jon Culshaw as Jeremy Corbyn. Producer: Steve

DohertyA Giddy Goat production for BBC Radio 4

FRI 08:00 The Burkiss Way (b007jqzc)

Series 3

One Hour to Burkiss Way

Don't panic! It's the War of the Worlds - with some emergency rewrites.Starring Fred Harris, Jo Kendall, Nigel Rees and Chris Emmett .Cult sketch comedy series which originally ran from 1976 to 1980.Written by Andrew Marshall and David Renwick.Producer: John Lloyd First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1977.

FRI 08:30 Steptoe and Son (b007jinqv)

Series 6

Live Now, Paye Later

The tax inspector catches up with Albert Steptoe and son Harold is not impressed.Starring Wilfrid Brambell as Albert and Harry H Corbett as Harold.Written for TV and adapted for radio by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.Albert Wilfrid BrambellHarold Harry H CorbettMr Greenwood George A CooperWith Michael Shannon and Peter Williams.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 man Albert Steptoe and his son Harold and it was the spark for a run of 8 series for TV.Produced by Bobby JayeFirst broadcast on the BBC Radio 2 in February 1976.

FRI 09:00 It's Not What You Know (b0375sfk)

Series 2

Episode 3

Justin Moorhouse, Bridget Christie and Ainsley Harriott each nominate someone they know well to answer a series of questions and they than have to second guess how they answered.Host Miles Jupp tests Bridget on how well she knows her best friend Rebecca Sewell, Ainsley his best friend, pitch doctor Paul Boross, and Justin his former radio producer Sean Gibson.What is the one thing that DJ Justin does not like talking about? What is Bridget's worst fear? And who is Ainsley's worst habit?All answers and more will be revealed.Producer: Sam MitchellFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2013.

FRI 09:30 Mark Tavener - In the Red (b007js7t)

Episode 7

Plotting at the BBC reaches a climax, while reporter George edges closer to nailing the serial killer.London is plagued by a series of bizarre murders of bank managers. Hot on the trail of the killer are an old-styler Chief Police Inspector and BBC Radio's crime correspondent, George Cragge.A blackly humorous murder mystery set in the world of City finance, the BBC and political parties. Dramatised in seven-parts by Mark Tavener and Peter Baynham from Mark Tavener's novel.George Cragge Michael WilliamsFrank Jefferson Barry FosterGeoffrey Crichton-Potter Stephen MooreHenry Julian Rhind-TuttMax Peter WoodthorpeController Radio 2 Stephen FryController Radio 4 John BirdDominic De'ath Benjamin WhitrowHercules Fortescue Nicholas Le PrevostAndrew James Peter SerafinowiczLaetitia Victoria CarlingController BBC 1 Ian McNieceCarstairs Jeffrey HollandCaroline Susie BrannJemma Alice ArnoldWith Geoffrey Whitehead, Paul Shearer and Tim Hope.Music by Paul MottramProducer: Paul SchlesingerFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1995.

FRI 10:00 Wilkie Collins - No Name (b007jrs9)

July 1847

In her attempt to regain her inheritance from her cousin Noel, Magdalen has disguised herself as Susan Bygrave and gone to stay near Noel in Aldeburgh.But Mrs Lecount suspects her true identity...Wilkie Collins' novel dramatised by Ray Jenkins.Magdalen Vanstone Sophie ThompsonCaptain Wragge Jack MayMiss Garth Kathleen Helme Noel Vanstone Nigel AnthonyMrs Wragge Vivian PicklesLittle Boy Susan SheridanMrs Lecount Eleanor BronChemist Christopher GoodPostmaster Simon BullockServant Jo KendallNarrator Philip SullyMusic by Peter Brewis and played by Maurice Cambridge. Director: Janet WhitakerFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1989.

FRI 11:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m00099mv)

Music Podcasts with Phil Taggart

Radio 1 DJ Phil Taggart joins Ali Gardiner for a rapid rundown of music podcasts.There will be podcasts about musicians, featuring musicians and music-lovers, as well as musical soundscapes that really enhance the speech.The pick of the podcasts will include Digging Deep with Robert Plant, Stay Free: The Story Of The Clash, Pops! The Louis Armstrong Story, and an entertaining roundtable show from the BBC, Blood On The Tracks.We'll hear from BBC 6 Music's Matt Everitt, Rob Fitzpatrick at Spotify, as well as Axel Kacoutié, a poet, composer and the sound designer of the Guardian's Today in Focus podcast. He shares a few insights into creative possibilities waiting for podcasters in music libraries.

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Cora flees, but where will the railroad take her on this occasion?Colson Whitehead's inventive novel follows Cora and Caesar as they escape from a Georgia slave plantation and run north in pursuit of freedom, aided by the stationmasters and conductors of the Underground Railroad.This brilliant and at times brutal novel about the history of slavery and racism in America, which won the US National Book Award for Fiction in 2016.Read by Clarke Peters (The Wire, Treme)Abridged by Sara Davies.Producer: Mair BosworthFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2017.

FRI 14:15 Five Hundred Years of Friendship (b0400mh3)

The Lonely Cyborg

Dr Thomas Dixon brings his major series on the changing face of friendship to a close with a look at how the old and the young are navigating their friendships today through technologies old and new, and at how friendship might look in the future.A group of Birmingham schoolgirls prove themselves thoughtful and self-aware about how to conduct their friendships online and about the differences between online and face-to-face friendships. Professor Deborah Chambers, an authority on social media and personal relationships from the University of Newcastle, confirms that fears about children's online friendships with strangers have been exaggerated.At the other end of the life-span, Thomas Dixon speaks with the writer Penelope Lively about friendship in her ninth decade, and about why she likes to consider herself part of "the landline generation".Closing the series, Thomas Dixon emphasizes the importance of physical touch and presence for friendship, and presents a final montage of the voices which have featured throughout the series, sharing stories of their own friendships.Producer: Beaty RubensFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2014.

FRI 14:30 15 Minute Drama (b06j5ycg)

Early One Morning

Episode 10

Rome 1973. With Simone's encouragement, Chiara determines to tell Maria the truth about Daniele and confront her own past. Greta Scacchi, Juliet Aubrey and Sophie Melville star in Virginia Baily's powerful novel of love, loss and learning to be a mother.Narrator.....Greta ScacchiChiara.....Juliet AubreyMaria.....Sophie MelvilleCecilia.....Alex TreegarDaniele.....Adam Thomas WrightGennaro/ Adult Daniele.....Cesare TaurasiSimone/ Nonna.....Jessica TurnerAntonio.....David HounslowGabriele.....David ActonTommaso/ Nazi officer/ Brian.....Felix AuerEdna.....Amelia LowdellBarry/ Goffredo.....Chris PavloGianni.....Sam DaleDramatised by Miranda Emmerson.Director: Emma HardingFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2015.

FRI 14:45 Book of the Week (b04yjtjj)

Epilogue: A Memoir

Ambrosia

A thoughtful gesture breaks down barriers between Will and his new-found family.Jamie Parker concludes Will Boast's moving account of loss and coming to terms with the past.Abridged by Miranda Emmerson.Producer: Gemma JenkinsFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2015.

FRI 15:00 Wilkie Collins - No Name (b007jrs9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

FRI 16:00 It's Not What You Know (b0375sfk)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

FRI 16:30 Mark Tavener - In the Red (b007js7t)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

FRI 17:00 Babblewick Hall (b01nh8zv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

FRI 17:30 Stand-Up Specials (m00092xg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 18:00 Colin Swash - Paradise Lost in Space (b007jp0g)

Episode 5

When Norman introduces the Oblivions to the pleasures of the flesh, one thing leads to another...Sci-fi comedy by Colin Swash about two space-age humans stranded on a friendly alien planet. Norman Tony RobinsonMax David HaigStella Louise LombardMacari Michael TroughtonTerayz Carla MendoncaClive Guy WitcherBuzz Peter SerafinowiczProducer: Richard WilsonFirst broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1995.

FRI 18:30 Off the Page (b0076mzw)

Competitiveness

Matthew Parris struggles to cross the finish line ahead of Amanda Brookfield, Hugh Rycroft and Hannah McDonald. From August 2004.

FRI 19:00 The Burkiss Way (b007jqzc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

FRI 19:30 Steptoe and Son (b007jinqv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

FRI 20:00 Sherlock Holmes (m00094zr)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

FRI 20:30 Am I Tone Deaf? (b014641m)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

FRI 21:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m00099mv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

FRI 22:00 Stand-Up Specials (m00092xg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 22:30 Goodness Gracious Me (b01nwbhk)

Series 3

Episode 1

The Kapoors visit a stately home, food for thought from Smeeta Smitten, Showbiz Kitten and why the royal family are Indian...Stars Sanjeev Bhaskar, Kulvinder Ghir, Meera Syal and Nina Wadia.Gold Winner of the Sony Radio Academy Awards. The sketch comedy show originally ran on BBC Radio 4 from 1996 to 1998, later transferring to TV on BBC TWO from 1998 to 2001.Scripited by Richard Pinto, Sharat Sardana, Meera Syal, Sanjeev Bhaskar and Sanjeev Kohli.Script Editor: Sharat SardanaProducer: Anil Gupta.First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1998.

FRI 23:00 Talking to Strangers (b070hrqj)

Episode 3

Comic monologues in which a range of characters find themselves engaging in that most un-British of activities: talking to a stranger.Each piece is a character study: funny, frank, absurd, moving... Characters include a sex councillor who loves to draw, a spy who loves to share, a woman who likes to help too much ('I'm a serial helpist...'), a frustrated falconer, and a cheater who has to call her cheat the morning after. And in this show, the listener themselves 'plays' the silent stranger in the piece...Written and performed by Sally Phillips and Lily Bevan.With guest stars including Emma Thompson, Olivia Colman, Jessica Hynes, Steve Evets, Sinead Matthews and Joel Fry.A BBC Comedy Production first broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2016.

FRI 23:30 Irish Micks and Legends (b01nl8gr)

Series 1

The Salmon of Knowledge

Aisling Bea and Yasmine Akram become Ais and Yaz and are the very best pals. They take their role as Ireland's freshest story-tellers to the British nation very seriously indeed but haven't had the time to do much research, learn their lines or work out who is doing which parts.The girls' unconventional way of telling stories involves a concoction of thoroughly inappropriate modern-day metaphors and references to the ancient Irish stories.With a natural knack for both comedy and character voices Yasmine Akram and Aisling Bea will bring you warm, modern re-workings of popular ancient Irish stories.Today it's the Salmon of Knowledge.Written and performed by Aisling Bea and Yasmine Akram.Producer: Raymond Lau.First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2012.

FRI 23:45 Terry Alderton's All Crazy Now (b0639zzw)

The Buzzing of the Honey Bee

Terry Alderton sings every song and plays every character in this one man comedy and musical explosion.Meet Mr Trenchcoat, Victor, Street Kid, Morgan the Free Man and many others and let Terry take you on a sonic journey through comedy and possible madness.Prepare to be surprised, shocked and delighted. No monkeys were harmed in the making of this show and, of course, he didn't actually shoot a sparrow.Written by and starring Terry Alderton.Additional material from Johnny Spurling, Boothby Grafoe, Richard Melvin, Julia Sutherland and Owen Parker.Sound designed by Sean KerwinProducer: Richard MelvinA Dabster production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in July 2015..