

SATURDAY 27 FEBRUARY 2021**SAT 00:00 The Heart of Hark'un (b007jq83)**

Episode 1

The Great Wizard sends student sorcerer Arcos on a mission, little realising how perilous and menacing it will prove to be... A fantasy-adventure by Peter Thomson and Jamie Thomson in six parts.

Arcos Francis Thomson
 Kaddah Trevor Peacock
 Vanna Elizabeth Whiting
 Shazir Crawford Logan
 Bereneth Edward Kelsey
 Va Melanie Hudson
 Alviza Emma Fielding
 Zander Robert Portal
 Kishah John Church
 Rashiq Theresa Streatfeild

Producer: Peter Hutchings

First broadcast on BBC Radio 5 in September 1991.

SAT 00:30 Off the Page (b00kpzdd)

Welcome to the Real World

Dominic Arkwright is joined by clinical psychologist Oliver James, author of *The Selfish Capitalist* and *Britain on the Couch*; French journalist Agnes Poirier; and Annie Caulfield, creator of the Radio 4 series *Reasons to be Cheerful*, to discuss why people avoid confronting reality, and what happens when they do.

Produced by Miles Warde

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2009.

SAT 01:00 Shaun Prendergast - Only the Good Die Young (b007jzgw)

Episode 5

Acting on information from Seeta, Kim and DS Love follow the trail towards "Bird in Hand". But what secrets will their digging unearth?

Shaun Prendergast's techno thriller in six-parts.

CAST:

Kim Drake Sirioli Jenkins
 Todd Jack Klaff
 Stone Kenneth Cranham
 Charles Okon Jones
 DS Love Jonathan Tafler
 Jill Noone Alice Arnold
 John Maschler Terence Edmond
 Anne Kate Binchy
 Frank Shaun Prendergast
 Wilson Peter Gunn
 Nelson Kenneth McClellan
 Doctor Teresa Streatfield

Directed by Adrian Bean

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1992.

SAT 01:30 Mark Tavener - High Table, Lower Orders (b008x7tk)

Series 1

Episode 5

Losing the struggle to keep his job, Simon receives an intriguing offer.

Following the death of one of its most prominent Dons, celebrity TV historian Peter Devanti - everyone at a Cambridge College gathers to attend the funeral. Simon, an ex-student and now disillusioned health and safety officer, starts wondering whether his death was not as straightforward as it at first appeared.

CAST:

Gilbert Geoffrey Palmer
 Simon Samuel West
 Patricia Rebecca Front
 With Sharon Small, Michael Maloney, Jonathan Coy, Emily Wachter, Nicholas Boulton, Martin Hyder, Laurence Howarth and Beth Chalmers

Script Editor: Paul Schlesinger

Producer: Dawn Ellis

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2005.

SAT 02:00 Dirt Road by James Kelman (b07ks4md)

Episode 5

Booker prize-winner James Kelman's novel is a potent

exploration of love, grief and the power of music.

As the days settle into a routine in Alabama, Murdo is beginning to feel trapped at Uncle John and Aunt Maureen's house.

Read by Finn den Hertog

Abridged by David Jackson Young

Producer Eilidh McCreadie

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2016.

SAT 02:15 Kitchen Confidential by Anthony Bourdain (b08rfqb6)

Okay I Lied

Anthony Bourdain's no holds barred exposé of the restaurant trade. A high octane culinary adventure set in New York, dramatised by Marcy Kahan.

Kitchen Confidential was a sensation on publication in 2000, taking the reader right to the heart of a sweaty, noisy, fast and furious cooking station with a fiery, likeable anti-hero protagonist. This radio dramatisation is a full-on behind the scenes tour of a range of kitchens, which questions why anyone would want to lead the exhausting, adrenalin-fuelled, harsh and precarious life of a restaurant chef. Marcy Kahan's clever dramatisation brings out the tenderness and real passion of its

writer, as well as his high-octane roller coaster career.

Episode 5: Okay I Lied

Anthony makes his final confession - everything he has told us is untrue. Well, sort of. His love of chaos and the dark side means that his version of restaurant life is not the only one. As an example, we visit the kitchen of Scott Bryan, a fellow cook and the antithesis of Anthony - quiet, calm, always well mannered. Anthony brings us up to date with his own career as a jet setting cookery writer and presenter, whose love of food drives all his endeavours.

The dramatist Marcy Kahan is an award-winning radio and theatre playwright and screenwriter. Her plays include *20 Cigarettes* (Soho Theatre, 2007), a stage version of Nora Ephron's *When Harry Met Sally* (Theatre Royal, Haymarket, 2005) and *Intimate Memoirs of An Irish Taxidermist* (Perrier award, 1986 Edinburgh Festival). Marcy's screenplay *Antonia* and Jane was the first television film to be given cinematic distribution by Miramax and won a Gold Plaque award for best original screenplay at the 1991 Chicago Film Festival.

Anthony Bourdain Michael Esper

Dimitri Sargon Yelda

Mother Barbara Barnes

Scott Bryan Richard Laing

Dramatisation: Marcy Kahan

Sound Design: Eloise Whitmore

Producer: Polly Thomas

Executive Producer: Robert Abel

A Somethin' Else production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in May 2017.

SAT 02:30 The Vernons Girls (b0076wgg)

An all girl group from Liverpool rose to success in the male dominated popular music scene of 1950s and early 60s. Michael Angelis charts the girls rise to fame with songs such as 'We love the Beatles', 'Do the Bird' and 'Funny all over.' How did they fare when the rollercoaster ride was over and what are they doing now?

Produced in Manchester by Angela Sherwin

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 2006.

SAT 03:00 Keats - The Eve of St Agnes (m000skhj)

A gothic fantasy in which the heroine Madeline hopes to be visited on St Agnes' Eve, according to legend, by the vision of the man she is to marry. The story inspired the romantic poet John Keats to write his celebrated poem.

CAST:

Beadsman David Calder
 Keats Michael Maloney
 Porphyro Robert Glenister
 Madeline Emma Fielding
 Angela Tessa Worsley
 Baron Geoffrey Whitehead
 Hildebrand Stephen Critchlow
 Maurice Jonathan Keeble
 Music specially composed by Elizabeth Parker
 Director Cherry Cookson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1995

SAT 04:00 Say the Word (b00764zg)

Episode 5

Frank Delaney's panel game revolving around the English

language.

With Andrew Sachs, Felix Dexter, Helen Lederer and Kathy Lette.

Plus words of wit from the Nimmo Twins

Producer: Simon Elmes

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2001.

SAT 04:30 The Sit Crom (b00m5qlg)

A Draught of Malmsey

The household is in need of a steward, The captain undertakes a search and Lady Anne is desperate for a drink.

Sue Limb's six-part comedy set during the English Civil War.

Sir John Firebasket Joss Ackland

Lady Anne Firebasket Denise Coffey

Tobias Thynne Clive Merrison

Mercy, alias Melissa Miriam Margolyes

Father Francis Nickolas Grace

Slow Ned Chris Emmett

Gazebo Fogg Jack Klaff

Captain Arise Higgs Alun Armstrong

Counter Tenor Peter Hayward

Producer: Jonathan James-Moore

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1990.

SAT 05:00 Rudy's Rare Records (b00y8vkb)

Series 3

Rudy's Rare Record

Father and son comedy set in the finest old-school record shop in Birmingham.

With the discovery on one of the rarest records ever recorded on a dusty shelf at the back of the shop, Rudy, Adam and Richie each allow themselves to imagine what life would really be like if they were that rich. Turns out, their dreams are a bit premature...

Written by Paula Hines

Script Edited by Danny Robins

Produced by Lucy Armitage.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2011.

SAT 05:30 Stand-Up Specials (m000sgwf)

Eleanor Tiernan: Success Without a Sex Tape

Stand-up comedy from Eleanor Tiernan, arguing with herself on the merits of releasing a sextape.

So you still haven't made your most intimate sexual acts

available on pay per view? What?! Not even willing to tweet as much as a naked pic? How old school! In our click-bait, "no such thing as bad publicity" world, one woman dares to stand against the tide. How? By not releasing a sextape, obviously. Written and performed by Eleanor Tiernan

Produced by Daisy Knight

An Avalon production for BBC Radio 4

SAT 06:00 There are Crimes and Crimes (m000sq14)

Paris, 1899: On the cusp of literary success, will Maurice keep his promise to Jeanne, his mistress, and Marion, their daughter? Kenneth Griffith stars in Swedish playwright, August Strindberg's comedy.

Adapted by Max Faber from his English version.

Maurice Gerard, a playwright Kenneth Griffith

Jeanne Barbara Mitchell

Marion, her daughter Sheila Grant

Abbe Earle Grey

Emile, Jeanne's brother Anthony Vaccars

Madame Catherine Vivienne Chatterton

Henriette Mauclere Joan Greenwood

Adolphe, an artist Nigel Stock

Police Commissaire Hayden Jones

Detective Michael Spice

Producer: HB Fortuin

First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in February 1962

SAT 07:30 Great Lives (b079pr90)

Series 39

Richard the Lionheart

Richard the Lionheart has been portrayed on screen by Sean Connery, Anthony Hopkins and Patrick Stewart, quite a starry list. But what is the reality behind the legend of this famous king?

Richard's nominator is Timmy Mallett, a legend of children's TV but also unexpectedly a history graduate. Great historical characters, he says, have great stories attached to them, and Richard's life was not short of adventure, particularly on the Third Crusade.

Applying a cool head to Richard's life is the historian and broadcaster Helen Castor. She concedes that much of Timmy's enthusiasm is probably deserved.

Presenter Matthew Parris attempts to discover the truth about whether the Lionheart was in fact gay.

Producer: Miles Warde.

Produced in BBC Bristol and first broadcast on Radio 4 in May 2016.

SAT 08:00 The Motion Show (b0075x94)

Series 2

Episode 6

Dr Phil Hammond chairs the debating game with Stuart Maconie, Steve Punt, Chris Neill and Linda Smith. From February 2000.

SAT 08:30 Beachcomber... By the Way (b0081s34)

Series 1

Episode 3

Cads and Swine, The Giddy Girlhood of Mrs Wretch, plus a few problems with parrots.

Richard Ingrams, John Wells, John Sessions and Patricia

Routledge recreate the world of the JB Morton.

Running in the Daily Express from 1924 to 1975 - JB Morton's surreally comic 'Beachcomber' column paved the way for a great deal of modern humour.

Adapted by Michael Barfield with Richard Ingrams.

Announcer: Brian Perkins

Producer: Harry Thompson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1989.

SAT 09:00 Elizabeth Jane Howard Remembered (b04wjh11)

BBC Radio 4 Extra celebrates the life of the novelist, Elizabeth Jane Howard who died aged 90 on January 2nd 2014.

This 3 hour special features material from the BBC archive including two of Howard's short stories, and her choice of Desert Island Discs from 1995. But it also includes an extract from her first novel *The Beautiful Visit* (read by Juliet Stevenson), as well as new interviews with, among others, her step-son Martin Amis and her biographer Artemis Cooper, all recorded at the Cheltenham Literature Festival.

As well as being the author of 14 novels, and selling more than a million books, Howard lived a richly eventful life. She walked out of her first marriage to naturalist Peter Scott, taking with her just £10, a suitcase and half a novel. She subsequently went on to remove herself from two more marriages. As her life-long friend, Jacqui Graham, points out, it was enormously brave.

"Women just didn't do that."

Cathy Rentzenbrink, who presents the programme, says of Howard, 'What I find interesting is the way her life and fiction intertwines. I can't think of any other writer where the mistakes of life are transformed, reinterpreted, recycled into such brilliant novels.'

Producer: Sarah Wade

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 Extra in 2015.

SAT 12:00 People In Cars (b00qx1m7)

Getaway

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The first in a season of three Simon Brett comedies set in cars.

Gilly's fourteen year old son Ben complains that nothing exciting ever happens to them. Until a gangster on the run jumps into their car.

Gilly Samantha Bond

Ben Angus Imrie
Nigel Stephen Critchlow
Policewoman Tessa Nicholson
Writer: Simon Brett
Director: Peter Kavanagh
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2010.
SAT 12:30 Life, Death and Sex with Mike and Sue (b0075ng9)
Series 3
Episode 1
Sofa-bound TV presenters Mike and Sue take on party food and reading, plus therapy - could it have helped the Beatles and Henry VIII?
Series 2 of Bill Dare's sitcom stars Robert Duncan and Jan Ravens.
With Ronnie Ancona, Alistair McGowan, Roger Blake and Steve Punt.
Music by Mark Burton.
Producer: Aled Evans
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1998.
SAT 13:00 Archive on 4 (b07lf4gg)
The Norma Percy Tapes
Norma Percy draws on taped interview rushes and her own TV archive to reflect on her long career in documentary making, recalling her favourite encounters and the interviews she will never forget - as well as the role of television in making history. For decades television documentary maker Norma Percy and her team have interviewed Presidents and Prime Ministers, global leaders and heads of state. She has spoken to key players in some of the most monumental events in modern history - from the end of the Soviet Union and the break-up of Yugoslavia to the quest for peace in Northern Ireland; from Iran and its relationship with the West to the rise of Putin and the fall of Milosevic, the war in Iraq, elusive peace in the Middle East and decisions inside Obama's White House.
The list of interviewees for her TV series read like a Who's Who of modern history and international politics: Obama, Sharon, Clinton, Gorbachev, Milosevic, Putin, Blair, Carter, Bush, Yeltsin, Powell, Barak.
At the heart of her approach lies 'the method', devised by Norma. The starting point is that key political decisions take place between powerful people, behind closed doors, in private. Many of these meetings are secret. So, for a television series to tell these stories, the interviewer must first find out that the meetings occurred, then uncover in detail what happened, and then get the people who were actually there to tell their version of events.
This is what her programmes do, producing a body of work that is archived and cherished by historians as primary source material for students and scholars. But it's also exciting television, showing in incredible detail the human drama behind high politics.
Producer: Simon Hollis
A Brook Lapping production for BBC Radio 4
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2016.
SAT 14:00 Revolting People (b007jrj)
Series 1
Storm Clouds
The year is 1770 and Baltimore shopkeeper, Samuel Oliphant has much to worry about.
Historical sitcom written by Andy Hamilton and Jay Tarses. Stars Jay Tarses as Samuel Oliphant, Andy Hamilton as Sergeant McGurk, Sophie Thompson as Mary Oliphant, James Fleet as Captain Brimshaw, Hugh Dennis as Ezekiel Spriggs, Felicity Montagu as Cora Oliphant, Tony Maudsley as Joshua Oliphant, Susie Blake as Mrs Arbuthnot.
With Penelope Nice and Michael Fenton Stevens.
Producer: Paul Mayhew-Archer
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2000.
SAT 14:30 Pleased to Meet You (b007k2kz)
Series 1
Episode 1
90-something good-time girl Dora Dale spills the beans on her many celebrity friends. And how did the Rat Pack get its name? Betraying confidences and breaking unwritten rules galore, the friend of the stars reveals some surprising and salacious secrets. Written by and starring Martin Kelner and Jake Yapp. Made for BBC7 and first broadcast in July 2006.
SAT 15:00 Lee and Herring's Fist of Fun (b007zmb6)
Edinburgh
Stewart Lee berates Richard Herring for his lack of street cred, Peter Baynham shares some unusual recipes and is Radio 1 really the youth-friendly station it pretends to be?
Recorded at the Pleasance Theatre during the Edinburgh Fringe Festival. With Alistair McGowan and Rebecca Front.
Stewart Lee and Richard Herring's mix of sharp sketches and situations, stand up topical gags and banter.
Lee and Herring went to write and star in their successful TV transfer to BBC TWO in 1995.
The rest of the series comes from university venues, including Plymouth, Lancaster and Belfast.
Cult BBC Radio 1 series first broadcast in October 1993.
SAT 15:30 The Brig Society (b0832rjd)
Series 4
Scandal!
Marcus Brigstocke becomes a victim of his own newspaper as he gets caught up in a scandal and discovers that it's really, really difficult to doorstep yourself.
This week, there's sex, scandal and saucy secrets on Radio 4!

But enough about Moneybox Live. In this show, Marcus examines how the great British press combine the difficult jobs of both selling newspapers and ruining peoples' lives.
Helping him peek through the curtain will be Margaret Cabourn-Smith ("Miranda"), William Andrews ("Sorry I've Got No Head") and Colin Hault ("Derek")
Written by Marcus Brigstocke, Jeremy Salsby, Toby Davies, Nick Doody, Steve Punt and Dan Tetsell
Produced by David Tyler
A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4.
SAT 16:00 There are Crimes and Crimes (m000sq14)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
SAT 17:30 Great Lives (b079pr90)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
SAT 18:00 Red Moon (m000sq16)
Phase 4: Eclipse
Former agent Eddie Sloper 'disappears' for his own safety, then finds an ally.
An alternative-history, Cold War thriller, where American and Soviet Moon bases aim their nuclear missiles at targets across the planet.
Winner of Best Online Audio Drama at the BBC Audio Drama Awards, 2019.
CAST:
Eddie Sloper Philip Bulcock as Eddie Sloper
Dr Susan Madison Yasmine Holness-Dove
Mrs Jones Georgina Periam
Benji Richard Reed
SPACECOM Security Guard Greg Page
Music composed and performed by Francesco Quadraruopolo. Story by Jack Bowman and Robert Valentine.
Written, directed and produced by Robert Valentine.
A Wireless Theatre Production recorded at the RNIB Talking Book Studios.
SAT 18:20 The Fanthorpe Investigations (b038bfc)
The Moving Coffins of Barbados
The curious case of the moving coffins in a vault in a Barbados cemetery.
Priest and paranormal investigator Lionel Fanthorpe relates a story from the world of the strange and unexplained.
Producer: Paul Arnold
Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in 2013.
SAT 18:30 John Wyndham - Trouble with Lichen (b007k3r3)
Episode 4
Biochemist Diana Brackley's attempts to conceal the true source of the antigerone are finally overcome.
The scientific world, government, media and the beauty salon collide in John Wyndham's 1960 sci-fi novel.
Read by Joanna Tope.
Abridged by Scott Stainton Miller.
Producer: Eilidh McCreadie
Made for BBC Radio 7 by BBC Scotland and first broadcast in 2007
SAT 19:00 Elizabeth Jane Howard Remembered (b04wjh11)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
SAT 22:00 The Party Party (b007vwh3)
Episode 5
The town of Microcosm is set for revenge, greed and attempted murder. Stars Hugh Laurie and Clive Mantle. From June 1987.
SAT 22:30 Elastic Planet (b0089jhr)
The Shape
Drugged electricity and artificial icebergs.
Oliver Postgate narrates a stream of bizarre coincidences in Ben Moor's cosmic comedy of connections.
With Johnny Ball, Henry Cooper, Kerry Shale, Dan Strauss, Michael Troughton, Neil Mullarkey, Sriol Jenkins, Jamie Owen and Alan Dedicocat.
Producer: Jon Naismith
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1995
SAT 22:45 We Know Everything (b08461wq)
Episode 3
If all roads lead to Rome, how do you drive out again? Dan Gaster and Paul Powell tackle audience quirky questions. From July 1995.
SAT 23:00 Tina C (b06s0njv)
Tina C: Herstory
Episode 3
It's 2003 and Tina has geo-political aspirations, and a role promoting US values overseas.
Ritula Shah asks about her role as a special advisor to US President George W Bush.
Written & Performed by Christopher Green.
Additional voices: Debra Baker & Leo Wan.
The band: Duncan Walsh-Atkins, Mark Hardisty & Phil Wraith.
Guest Interviewer: Ritula Shah.
Produced by Victoria Lloyd.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.
SAT 23:30 Chain Reaction (b01lv7ys)
Series 8
Derren Brown interviews Tim Minchin
Last week's interviewee, Illusionist Derren Brown, dispenses with the trickery and gets inside the mind of Tim Minchin by cleverly asking him some questions then listening to the answers. They talk beliefs, magic, music and Minchin.
Producer Carl Cooper
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2012.

SUNDAY 28 FEBRUARY 2021

SUN 00:00 Red Moon (m000sq16)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Saturday]
SUN 00:20 The Fanthorpe Investigations (b038bfc)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:20 on Saturday]
SUN 00:30 John Wyndham - Trouble with Lichen (b007k3r3)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Saturday]
SUN 01:00 Archive on 4 (b07lf4gg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 13:00 on Saturday]
SUN 02:00 Revolting People (b007jrj)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Saturday]
SUN 02:30 Pleased to Meet You (b007k2kz)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Saturday]
SUN 03:00 Lee and Herring's Fist of Fun (b007zmb6)
[Repeat of broadcast at 15:00 on Saturday]
SUN 03:30 The Brig Society (b0832rjd)
[Repeat of broadcast at 15:30 on Saturday]
SUN 04:00 There are Crimes and Crimes (m000sq14)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Saturday]
SUN 05:30 Great Lives (b079pr90)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Saturday]
SUN 06:00 Dirt Road by James Kelman (Omnibus) (b07lpf3f)
Episode 1
Reeling from a family bereavement, young musician Murdo and his father prepare to leave Scotland for a road trip to the Southern States of America.
Booker prize-winner James Kelman's novel is a potent exploration of love, grief and the power of music.
Reader Finn den Hertog
Abridged by David Jackson Young
Produced Eilidh McCreadie.
SUN 07:10 Inheritance Tracks (m0001w10)
Brian Eno
4 Extra Debut. The musician Brian Eno chooses a player piano version of Jerusalem and a gospel choir rendition of Peace Be Still. From 2008.
SUN 07:20 Kitchen Confidential by Anthony Bourdain (Omnibus) (b08rzm5y)
Anthony Bourdain's exposé of the restaurant trade recalling his first encounter with cold soup and oysters. Stars Michael Esper.
SUN 08:30 Meet the Huggets (b00ns2m9)
What Unusual Wallpaper
The poor Huggett family are suffering in a summer heat wave. Stars Jack Warner as Joe, Kathleen Harrison as Ethel, George Howell as Bobby, Marion Collins as Jane, Charles Leno as Fred Stebbings and Kenneth Connor as Mr Cross/The Insurance Man/The Postman/The Decorator.
Popular working-class family, the Huggets first hit the cinema screen with a series of Gainsborough films between 1947 and 1949. Their subsequent BBC radio series ran from 1953 to 1962.
Scripted by Eddie Maguire.
Producer: Jacques Brown
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in September 1957.
SUN 09:00 Drop Me Here, Darling (m000sqwn)
An Unfortunate Position
It's not easy being chauffeur to your ex-wife. Especially when she's wealthy and you're broke. Comedy about a former property tycoon who has fallen on hard times. Leslie wants to impress Walter and tries to keep up the pretence that he is really in charge of his ex wife's business. However, the plan backfires.
Leslie: Leslie Phillips
Caroline: Jill Bennett
Clare: Norma Ronald
Walter: James Taylor
Coats: Kenneth Connor
Writer: Andrew Palmer
Producer: Edward Taylor
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in December 1982.
SUN 09:30 Ed Reardon's Week (b00jn2d7)
Series 3
The Name-check
A new commission gets the writer's literary juices flowing - unlike his finances. Stars Christopher Douglas. From December 2006.
SUN 10:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m000sqwt)
Castaway Novelists
Margaret Drabble
From Alan Price to Jean Sibelius. Novelist and biographer Margaret Drabble makes her castaway choices. With Sue Lawley.
Favourite track: I Know That My Redeemer Liveth - (from Messiah) by George Frideric Handel
Book: Old Wives Tale by Arnold Bennett
Luxury: Painting by Maurice Cockerill - Ariadne's Thread
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2001.
SUN 10:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b00mrzn0)
Series 1
Adam's Face
What are human eyebrows for? Possibly to allow communication without the use of words.
Testing the value of eyebrow communication came into its own when David Attenborough met the men of an aboriginal tribe in New Guinea where there was no other common language.

Series of talks by Sir David Attenborough on the natural histories of creatures and plants from around the world.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2009.

SUN 11:00 The Moth Radio Hour (m00083j7)

Series 9

Not for the Faint of Heart

True stories told live in the USA: Meg Bowles introduces stories of fear, from daily anxieties to moments of life-or-death terror.

The Moth is an acclaimed not-for-profit organisation dedicated to the art and craft of storytelling based in the USA. Since 1997, it has celebrated both the raconteur and the storytelling novice, who has lived through something extraordinary and yearns to share it. Originally formed by the writer George Dawes Green as an intimate gathering of friends on a porch in Georgia (where moths would flutter in through a hole in the screen), and then recreated in a New York City living room, The Moth quickly grew to produce immensely popular events at theatres and clubs around New York City and later around the USA, the UK and other parts of the world.

The Moth has presented more than 15,000 stories, told live and without notes, to standing-room-only crowds worldwide. The Moth podcast is downloaded over 27 million times a year.

Featuring true stories told live on stage without scripts, from the humorous to the heart-breaking.

The Moth Radio Hour is produced by Jay Allison and Atlantic Public Media in Woods Hole, Massachusetts and is distributed by the Public Radio Exchange.

First heard on PRX in June 2019.

SUN 11:50 Inheritance Tracks (m0001wl0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:10 today]

SUN 12:00 Poetry Extra (m000sqwv)

Mother Tongue - Tracks of Time

Poet Daljit Nagra visits the BBC's poetry archive and selects Mother Tongue the globe-trotting poetry series presented by Helen Mort.

Poet Helen Mort explores exciting voices from around the world. This week, she hears poems in Macedonian, Old Norse and Russian - and in translation. Reflecting on the phrase 'tracks of time', she discovers how memory and history play a part in the work of these three poets.

Helen travels to Berlin to meet the Macedonian poet Nikola Madzirov. Described as one of most powerful voices in contemporary European poetry, he writes with great lyrical depth, insight and originality. In his collection 'Remnants of Another Age', he reflects on the history of his Balkan homeland and on ideas of shelter and nomadism with a restless, timeless intelligence.

Heading up the North Sea coast to Aberdeen, we hear Scottish poet Ian Crockatt reading his fresh versions of the Old Norse verses of Rognvaldr, Earl of Orkney. The collection, 'Crimsoning the Eagle's Claw', is a treasure trove of vivid snapshots of the life of this twelfth century poet, lover, nobleman and sailor. Like meeting a Viking face-to-face.

Finally, Helen travels to Oxford to meet one of Russia's foremost contemporary poets, Maria Stepanova and her translator, Sasha Dugdale. Stepanova writes formally inventive and thoughtful poetry, teeming with references from her country's cultural memory and political history. Through her journalism and editorship of an independent, crowd-funded site, she is also an important liberal voice.

Producer: Caroline Hughes

A Whistledown production for BBC Radio 4.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2017.

SUN 12:30 Susan Calman - Keep Calman Carry On (b0717j1y)

Series 1

Cricket with Andy Zaltzman

Susan Calman is the least relaxed person she knows. She has no down time, no hobbies (unless you count dressing up your cats in silly outfits) and her idea of relaxation is to play Grand Theft Auto, an hour into which she is in a murderous rage with sky high blood pressure. Her wife had to threaten to divorce her to make her go on holiday last year. Her first for four years. But she's been told by the same long-suffering wife, that unless she finds a way to switch off, and soon, she's going to be unbearable.

So Susan is looking at her options to try and immerse herself in the pursuits that her friends find relaxing, to find her inner zen and outer tranquility. Can she ditch the old Susan Calman and attempt to find the new Susan Calm?

This time, in a typically British leisure pursuit; Susan goes to a cricket match with Andy Zaltzman.

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

Producer: Lyndsay Fenner.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2016.

SUN 13:00 Only in Naples by Katherine Wilson (Omnibus) (b07g75bj)

Katherine Wilson tells how she travelled to Naples in 1966, discovering love, food and family in a uniquely Neapolitan way. Read by Fenella Woolgar

Abridged by Libby Spurrier

A Pier production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in June 2016.

SUN 14:10 Inheritance Tracks (m000sspc)

Jools Holland

Musician and presenter Jools Holland chooses Up Above My Head by Sister Rosetta Tharpe and Love Made Them Do It by Ruby Turner.

SUN 14:20 A Small Town Murder (Omnibus) (b07fyqfk)

Series 8

Family liaison officer Jackie Hartwell comforts the mother of a boy who has just been injured in a hit and run.

CAST:

Jackie Hartwell Meera Syal

Peter Matthew Marsh

Rachel Monica Dolan

Rob John Light

John John Hollingworth

Simone Jasmine Hyde

Written by Scott Cherry

Produced and Directed by Clive Brill

A Brill production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in June 2016

SUN 15:30 David Bowie in New York (m0005j5z)

In 2002, as he prepared to release his latest album, David Bowie met BBC Radio 4's John Wilson in a rehearsal room in New York City.

Over the course of an extraordinarily candid conversation, Bowie revealed his creative processes and inspirations behind some of his best loved albums. He looked back at how he created alter-ego characters, including Ziggy Stardust, through which he explored recurring themes in his work. "It's all despondency, despair, fear, isolation, abandonment", Bowie admitted. And he explained how the spaceship motif that often travelled through his songs was "an interior dialogue manifested physically ... it's my own little space writ large". David Bowie, speaking just months after the 9/11 attacks on New York, also revealed how he had been seeking solace in spirituality as the prospect of death was weighing heavily on his mind.

Presented and produced by John Wilson
SUN 16:00 Marie Belloc Lowndes - The Lodger (b0076hh4)
1888: After multiple murders, Londoners are gripped by fear. When wealthy Mr Sleuth takes up residence in the Buntings' lodging house they think their troubles are over. But they're only just beginning...

Marie Belloc Lowndes' classic piece of suspense fiction, inspired by the Jack the Ripper murders.
Narrator Nigel Anthony
Mr Bunting ...David Ryall

Mrs Bunting ...Maggie McCarthy

Mr Sleuth Jon Glover

Joe Chandler ... Harry Myers

Daisy Alison Pettitt

Chief Insp Hopkins ... Paul Moriarty

Policeman ... Brett Fancy

Dramatised by Stephen Sheridan.

Producer: David Blount

Made by Pier Productions for BBC Radio 4 and first broadcast in 2003.

SUN 17:00 Poetry Extra (m000sqwv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 today]

SUN 17:30 Susan Calman - Keep Calman Carry On (b0717j1y)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 today]

SUN 18:00 Katie Hims - Listening to the Dead (b03mfwijs)
2. Four Sons

It's 1914, and Clara Tully, a Leeds baker's wife and the proud mother of four beautiful boys, knows the war won't be over by Christmas. And she knows a much darker secret besides.
Clara Michelle Terry

Eloise Georgie Fuller

Charlie Harry Jardine

Robin Joel MacCormick

George John Norton

Customer Priyanga Burford

Customer Sabina Arthur

Customer Carolyn Pickle

Lloyd George Sean Murray

Finley Will Featherstone

Joe Will Howard

Written by Katie Hims.

Directed by Jessica Dromgoole.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2013.

SUN 18:45 Charles Dickens (b0728dsn)

Tales of the Supernatural

Chips Bargains with the Devil

A ship's carpenter attempts to break his pact with the Devil.

Read by Adrian Scarborough.

Extracted from 'The Uncommercial Traveller', a collection of literary sketches and reminiscences, written by Dickens

between 1860 and 1869, and first published posthumously as a complete set in 1875.

One of five tales of the supernatural by Charles Dickens.

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra by Pier Productions.

SUN 19:00 The Moth Radio Hour (m00083j7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

SUN 19:50 Inheritance Tracks (m0001wl0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:10 today]

SUN 20:00 Marie Belloc Lowndes - The Lodger (b0076hh4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 today]

SUN 21:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m000sqwt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

SUN 21:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b00mrzn0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 today]

SUN 22:00 Susan Calman - Keep Calman Carry On (b0717j1y)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 today]

SUN 22:30 Dave Podmore (b007rkgl)

Dave Podmore's World of Cricket

Episode 1

Eat the Dream. Pod makes a bid to run the opening ceremony of the 2003 Cricket World Cup - on the cheap, of course.

Sitcom about the exploits of talentless, amateurish, smug, inept and self-deluding English cricketer Dave Podmore.
Starring Chris Douglas and Andrew Nickolds with Chris Pavlo and Nicola Sanderson.

Written by Chris Douglas, Andrew Nickolds and Nick Newman.

Producer: Richard Wilson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2002.

SUN 23:00 Newsjack (m000sjws)

Series 24

Episode 1

Newsjack returns for a brand new series. Host Kiri Pritchard-McLean is joined by George Fouracres, Nimesha Odedra, Jason Forbes and a virtual audience that make sense of this week in news.

This week, we find out how Matt Hancock's 'friends got their hands on lucrative contracts, the real details of WhatsApp's new terms of service and what throwbacks are being flogged by influencers on TikTok.

Written by - The British Public

Script Editors - Catherine Brinkworth and Laura Major

Producers - Gwyn Rhys Davies and Hayley Sterling

Newsjack is a BBC Studios Production

SUN 23:30 Pleased to Meet You (b007k2t5)

Series 1

Episode 2

90-something good-time girl Dora Dale spills the beans on her many celebrity friends - from Elvis to Jimmy Carr.

Betraying confidences and breaking unwritten rules galore, the friend of the stars reveals some surprising and salacious secrets. Written by and starring Martin Kelner and Jake Yapp.
Made for BBC7 and first broadcast in August 2006.

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MON 00:00 Katie Hims - Listening to the Dead (b03mfwijs)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Sunday]

MON 00:45 Charles Dickens (b0728dsn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:45 on Sunday]

MON 01:00 Only in Naples by Katherine Wilson (Omnibus) (b07g75bj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 13:00 on Sunday]

MON 02:10 Inheritance Tracks (m000sspc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:10 on Sunday]

MON 02:20 A Small Town Murder (Omnibus) (b07fyqfk)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:20 on Sunday]

MON 03:30 David Bowie in New York (m0005j5z)

[Repeat of broadcast at 15:30 on Sunday]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Sunday]

MON 05:00 Poetry Extra (m000sqwv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 on Sunday]

MON 05:30 Susan Calman - Keep Calman Carry On (b0717j1y)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 on Sunday]

MON 06:00 Shaun Prendergast - Only the Good Die Young (b007jn1q)

Episode 6

As Miss Gee persuades Kim to tell all about "Bird in Hand". Wilson plays an unexpected hand and Todd approaches his final hour. Will he take the world with him?

Shaun Prendergast's techno thriller in six-parts stars Siriol Jenkins as Kim Drake, Jack Klaff as Todd, Kenneth Cranham as Stone, Ann Davies as Miss Gee and Jonathan Tafler as DS Love.

Directed by Adrian Bean

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1992.

MON 06:30 Mark Tavener - High Table, Lower Orders (b008y4fg)

Series 1

Episode 6

Exams loom large. Simon Harrison delves into his Health and Safety background for one final ruse. Can he unveil the killer?

Mark Tavener's comedy thriller.

CAST:

Gilbert Geoffrey Palmer

Simon Samuel West

Patricia Rebecca Front

with Michael Maloney, Jonathan Coy, Sharon Small, Emily Wachter, Beth Chalmers and Nicholas Boulton.

Script Editor: Paul Schlesinger

Producer: Dawn Ellis

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2005.

MON 07:00 Boswell's Lives (b076bc7j)

Series 2

Boswell's Life of Bennett

Boswell attempts to locate the cream cracker under the settee of

Mr Alan Bennett.
Jon Canter's sitcom sees James Boswell, Dr Johnson's celebrated biographer, pursue other legends to immortalise. James Boswell Miles Jupp
Alan Bennett Alistair McGowan
Producer: Sally Avens
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2016.
MON 07:30 Just a Minute (m000sgsr)
Series 86
Episode 1
Paul Merton hosts the return of Radio 4's longest running panel show. In the first episode back since the death of Nicholas Parsons, who hosted for 50 years, Paul challenges guests Sheila Hancock, Gyles Brandreth, Tony Hawks and Pippa Evans to talk without hesitation, deviation, or repetition. JAM trivia - Sheila Hancock also appeared in the very first episode back in 1967. Caroline Barlow blows the whistle.
Devised by Ian Messiter
Produced by Victoria Lloyd
A BBC Studios Production
MON 08:00 Steptoe and Son (b013fj7r)
Series 2
The Wooden Overcoats
Trouble ensues when Harold brings home coffins on the cart, sparking a burst of manic superstition from Albert.
Starring Wilfrid Brambell as Albert and Harry H Corbett as Harold.
Following the conclusion of their hugely successful association with Tony Hancock, writers Ray Galton and Alan Simpson wrote 10 pilots for the BBC TV's Comedy Playhouse in 1962. The Offer was set in a house with a yard full of junk, featuring the lives of rag and bone men Albert Steptoe and his son Harold and it was the spark for a run of 8 series for TV.
Adapted for radio from Galton and Simpson's TV script by Gale Pedrick.
Produced by Bobby Jaye
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in June 1967.
MON 08:30 Life, Death and Sex with Mike and Sue (b00751f6)
Series 3
Episode 2
Sofa-bound TV presenters Mike and Sue tackle terrorism and gardening.
Starring Robert Duncan and Jan Ravens.
With Ronnie Ancona. Alistair McGowan, Roger Blake and Tracy-Ann Oberman.
Written by Ian Brown and James Hendrie from a format by Bill Dare.
Music by Mark Burton.
Producer: Aled Evans
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1998.
MON 09:00 Act Your Age (b00g3hr8)
Series 1
Episode 5
Simon Mayo discovers which generation is the funniest. With Jon Richardson, Lucy Porter and Roy Walker. From December 2008.
MON 09:30 Married (b00dbqws)
Series 3
Episode 2
With the two universes collided, Dirk sees an ideal opportunity to make money so opens 'Cafe Apocalypse'. This gives Robin ample opportunity to dole out some of his usual scathing criticism - especially as Lesley has decided to display her new artwork there too...
Hugh Bonneville stars in the third series of the comedy drama about a confirmed bachelor Robin Lightfoot dealing with life in a parallel universe where he has kids and an ex-wife who hates him.
With Josie Lawrence as Lesley, Stephen Frost as Dirk, Ann Gosling as Maxine, Sam Bradley as Ned and Arthur Smith as Arthur Smith.
Written by Tony Bagley.
Producer: Claire Jones
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2001.
MON 10:00 Heinrich Mann - Berlin (m000spm9)
Episode 1
"Berlin's the place for someone like me - where everybody is somebody or knows somebody who's somebody. I need only sit here, make myself agreeable, and by the end of summer everybody in the Cafe Hurrah will be shouting 'Hurrah' for me..."
First published in 1900, Heinrich Mann's novel dramatised in two parts by Patricia Hannah.
Originally titled "In The Land of Cockaigne", this is the story of the rise and fall of Andrew Zumsee, an innocent but self-confident young poet from the provinces, as he attempts to make a name for himself in Berlin society.
Andrew Zumsee John Kiely
Adelheid Turkheimer Joanna Tope
Louis Turkheimer John Shedden
Karl Kaflich Simon Tait
Dr Bedeiner Ralph Riach
Lizzi Laffe Vivienne Dixon
Diederich Klempner Gregor Poldwin
Friederich Kopf Simon Donaldson
Asta Turkheimer Lucy Paterson
Frau Moore.....Stella Forge
Clare Pinbush.....Hilary Neville

Blosch.....Mark McDonald
Heinrich Mann James Bryce
The older brother of Thomas Mann, Heinrich Mann is probably best remembered today as the author of the book which inspired the film "The Blue Angel".
Director: David Jackson Young
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2004
MON 11:00 TED Radio Hour (m000spmg)
Series 7
Teaching For Better Humans 2.0
A journey through fascinating ideas based on talks by riveting speakers on the TED (Technology, Entertainment, Design) stage.
Manoush Zomorodi explores how teaching is more than good grades. What do kids need for the future? This hour, TED speakers explore how to help children grow into better humans, both during and after this time of crisis.
First broadcast in the USA on National Public Radio in 2020.
MON 11:50 Inheritance Tracks (m000spnk)
YolanDa Brown
Saxophonist YolanDa Brown chooses 'What's Going On' by Marvin Gaye and 'Don't You Worry 'Bout A Thing' by Tori Kelly.
MON 12:00 Steptoe and Son (b013fj7r)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
MON 12:30 Life, Death and Sex with Mike and Sue (b00751f6)
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MON 13:00 Shaun Prendergast - Only the Good Die Young (b007jn1q)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
MON 13:30 Mark Tavener - High Table, Lower Orders (b008y4fg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
MON 14:00 Dirt Road by James Kelman (b071frt8)
Episode 6
As his family look forward to the Alabama Highland Gathering, Murdo starts to worry about the practicalities of joining Queen Monzee-ay for the Lafayette gig.
Read by Finn den Hertog
Booker prize-winner James Kelman's novel is a potent exploration of love, grief and the power of music.
Abridged by David Jackson Young
Producer Eilidh McCreadie
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2016.
MON 14:15 15 Minute Drama (b08z9pb0)
Henry James - Daisy Miller
Episode 1
Desire and propriety clash in Henry James' classic novella dramatised by Amanda Dalton.
Henry James is an extraordinary storyteller. His characters and their inner lives are vividly portrayed. The stories are compelling and the stakes are high. He writes about transformation through travel where innocence opens up to experience.
Frederick Winterbourne meets the beautiful and free spirited Daisy Miller and falls instantly in love but when his desire for her is met with disapproval from his aunt will he follow his heart?
CAST:
Henry James John Lynch
Frederick Winterbourne Jack Lowden
Daisy Miller Julianna Jennings
Mrs Costello Barbara Barnes
Randolph Haris Giannakopoulos
Directed by Nadia Molinari
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2017.
MON 14:30 The Protection Game (b00zsdj)
Bodyguards, or close-protection officers (CPOs), are the thing of Hollywood myth. But, in real life, do some bodyguards have to make the ultimate sacrifice and dive in front of the bullet? Broadcaster Yasmeen Khan meets, and trains with, some new recruits at a Task International training course in Kent. These men and women are training to be close-protection officers for corporate clients from around the world. Yasmeen learns more about the training, and the wider world of CPOs from the Task trainer. She also hears about the recent work Task CPOs have undertaken in Cairo, bringing out UK citizens and taking in much needed medical and food supplies.
In a secretive London location, Yasmeen meets up with security expert Will Geddes, and together they discuss the ethics of personal protection, of selling your body & skills to someone else with the possible ultimate outcome of your own death. Who are the clients and what is the stark reality of being a CPO in the modern age? Will discusses his recent experiences in Libya and Cairo.
Yasmeen also talks with Bill Butler, the Chief Executive of the Security Industry Authority. Under the SIA's leadership it has now become mandatory for security staff to be licensed in the UK. Yasmeen wants to know how the SIA manages to ensure that unlicensed protection services don't succeed.
As Yasmeen learns, many CPOs come from a military background, but then there are also those who have long experience in the Special Branch and Royal Protection Detail. She heads to an even more secretive location to meet Brian Isdale, a former Special Branch officer, now running his own security service and hiring many ex-police officers. Business is clearly good, and with the Olympics looming, it seems it will only get better.

Producers: Neil Gardner & Yasmeen Khan
A Ladbroke Production for BBC Radio 4
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MON 16:00 Act Your Age (b00g3hr8)
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MON 16:30 Married (b00dbqws)
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MON 17:00 Boswell's Lives (b076bc7j)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
MON 17:30 Just a Minute (m000sgsr)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
MON 18:00 The Heart of Hark'un (b007v25z)
Episode 2
Novice sorcerer Arcos is appalled by Kaddah's behaviour. Alviza is attacked mentally.
A fantasy-adventure by Peter Thomson and Jamie Thomson.
Arcos Francis Thomson
Kaddah Trevor Peacock
Vanna Elizabeth Whiting
Shazir Crawford Logan
Bereneth Edward Kelsey
Va Melanie Hudson
Alviza Emma Fielding
Zander Robert Portal
The General Clarence Smith
Producer: Peter Hutchings
First broadcast on BBC Radio 5 in September 1991.
MON 18:30 A Good Read (b016817f)
Christopher Frayling and Nikki Bedi
Christopher Frayling, Professor Emeritus at the Royal College of Art, and broadcaster Nikki Bedi talk to Harriett Gilbert about the books they love.
Christopher's recommendation is a passionate political polemic: Ill Fares The Land: A Treatise On Our Present Discontents, by Tony Judt.
Nikki picks The Namesake by Jhumpa Lahiri, the story of a boy growing up in an Indian family in America.
Harriett's choice is the first in the celebrated Tales of the City series by Armistead Maupin.
Producer: Beth O'Dea
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2011.
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MON 22:00 Just a Minute (m000sgsr)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
MON 22:30 Ivor Cutler - A Stuggy Pren (b00ctktw)
Episode 4
Poet and composer Ivor Cutler on bargain hunting, water flowers and 'Beelyploomkins'. From June 1994.
MON 22:45 Can't Tell Nathan Caton Nothing (b01snbm8)
Series 2
About Animals
The story of young, up-and-coming comedian Nathan Caton, who after becoming the first in his family to graduate from University, opted not to use his architecture degree but instead to try his hand at being a full-time stand-up comedian, much to his family's annoyance who desperately want him to get a 'proper job.'
Each episode illustrates the criticism, interference and rollercoaster ride that Nathan endures from his disapproving family as he tries to pursue his chosen career.
The series is a mix of Nathan's stand-up intercut with scenes from his family life.
Janet a.k.a. Mum is probably the kindest and most lenient of the disappointed family members. She loves Nathan, but she ain't looking embarrassed for nobody!
Martin a.k.a. Dad works in the construction industry and was looking forward to his son getting a degree so the two of them could work together in the same field. But now Nathan has blown that dream out of the window.
Shirley a.k.a. Grandma cannot believe Nathan turned down architecture for comedy. How can her grandson go on stage and use foul language and filthy material... it's not the good Christian way!
So with all this going on in the household what will Nathan do? Will he be able to persist and follow his dreams? Or will he give in to his family's interference?
About Animals
It turns out Grandma's Achilles heel is a mouse! Nathan can't believe he's lost his fearless Grandma because of a mouse and is determined to catch the mouse and restore his Grandma to feisty normality.
Written by Nathan Caton and James Kettle
Additional Material by Ola and Maff Brown
Producer: Katie Tyrrell.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2013.

MON 23:00 The Now Show (m000skdv)

Series 58

Episode 1

Steve Punt and Hugh Dennis present the week via topical stand-up and sketches in front of a remote audience - and all from their own home!

In the first show of the new series, they are joined by Jessica Fostekew who relays her time volunteering in a vaccination centre. Ken Cheng talks about his experiences as a Chinese Briton plus music from Beardyman...

Voice Actors: Luke Kempner and Gemma Arrowsmith

Producer: Adnan Ahmed

Production Co-Ordinator: Carina Andrews

Editor/Engineer: David Thomas

BBC Studios Production

MON 23:30 The Jason Byrne Show (b01g7nry)

Series 2

Holidays

Award-winning comedian Jason Byrne tackles the stress of going on holiday.

Stand up and sketches with Laurence Howarth and Daisy Haggard.

Producer: Julia McKenzie

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2009.

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TUE 06:00 Roy Clarke - The Events at Black Tor (b08898tk)

Such as Sit in Darkness

PC Jamie has been posted, with his wife Pam, to the Yorkshire Moors.

But far from the quiet life they're expecting - the arrival of a mysterious letter sparks a terrifying chain of events and their first encounter with the powers of evil...

Roy Clarke's six-part serial directed by Alan Ayckbourn.

Stars Juliet Cooke as Pam, Brian Peck as Jamie, James Beck as Sergeant, Bob Grant as Probert and Heather Stoney as the Radio Voice.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1968.

TUE 06:30 Trueman and Riley (b00j1w35)

Series 1

1. Vanished

A man mysteriously disappears en route from London to start a new secret new job in Leeds. But when detectives Trueman and Riley start to probe, they uncover a deeper mystery...

Brian B. Thompson's detective series about the ill-matched duo is set in Leeds.

CAST:

D.I. Trueman Robert Daws

D.S. Riley Duncan Preston

Janie Tully Amy Robbins

Nick Tully John Dougal

The Barmaid Rachel Bavidge

The duo began life on BBC Radio 4 in 2002, with Detective

Inspector Trueman called back to work after a nervous breakdown in order to solve a high profile murder case, backed up by Detective Superintendent Riley. This was followed by three new plays in 2005.

Director: Toby Swift

Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in 2007.

TUE 07:00 The Break (b0b6httg)

Series 2

The Last Farewell

The death of Frank's rival, Frank, causes Frank mixed emotions - glee and joy. Starring Philip Jackson, Tom Palmer, Alison Steadman, Mark Benton, Shobna Gulati and Rasmus Hardiker.

An Absolutely production for BBC Radio 4.

TUE 07:30 Henry Normal: A Normal... (m000sj8s)

Communication

"Shove up National Treasures. We need to make room for

Henry Normal"

Simon O'Hagan - Radio Times

The seventh instalment in this acclaimed, occasional series in which acclaimed, occasional writer Henry Normal tackles those subjects so big only radio can possibly contain them. So far Henry has covered 'Family', 'Life', 'Love', 'Imagination', 'Nature' and 'The Universe'; in this new episode he explores 'Communication', recorded with a virtual audience. Through poetry, stories, jokes and quotes Henry will be looking at the way 'how' we communicate colours 'what' we communicate and exploring 'why' we communicate in the first place.

Henry Normal is a multi-award winning writer, producer and poet. Co-writer of award winning TV programmes such as The Royle Family, The Mrs Merton Show, Coogan's Run and Paul Calf, and producer of, amongst many others, Oscar-Nominated Philomena, Gavin and Stacey and Alan Partridge. He's published eight collections of poetry including his most recent 'The Beauty Within Shadow'. Plus his memoir written with Angela Pell 'A Normal Family' everyday adventure with our autistic son.

Praise for previous episodes in this series:

"It's a rare and lovely thing: half an hour of radio that stops you short, gently demands your attention and then wipes your tears away while you have to have a little sit down"

"It's a real treat to hear a seasoned professional like Henry taking command of this evening comedy spot to deliver a show that's idiosyncratic and effortlessly funny"

"Not heard anything that jumps from hilariously to moving in such an intelligent, subtle way as Henry Normal's show"

Written and performed by Henry Normal

Production Coordinator - Beverly Tagg

Produced by Carl Cooper

This was a BBC Studios production.

TUE 08:00 The Goon Show (b00d7jxr)

The Plasticine Man

Neddie Seagoon poses as a 6,000-year-old man to resurrect his rock 'n' roll career. Stars Spike Milligan. From December 1957.

TUE 08:30 Rent (b062r9w7)

Series 4

Episode 1

Paul and Ruby have moved out of the Reynolds' house, but they're not far away.

Maria and Richard, meanwhile, are getting to grips with a new arrival.

Lucy Flannery's award-winning sitcom about Maria and Richard Reynolds and their lodgers.

Stars Barbara Flynn as Maria, Patrick Barlow as Richard, Vivienne Rochester as Ruby, Dave Lamb as Paul and Sally Grace as the Barrister. With Sarah Parkinson.

Producer: Liz Anstee.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1998.

TUE 09:00 The Now Show (m000skdv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 23:00 on Monday]

TUE 09:30 Like They've Never Been Gone (b00c149j)

Series 4

Episode 2

Tommy and Sheila's devious agent opens his own train company - on the cheap naturally - and needs his top talent to help him launch it.

But will there be anything worth launching?

Ageing showbiz couple Tommy Franklin and Sheila Parr battle on with their second stab at fame.

Series 4 of Mike Coleman's six-part sitcom starring June

Whitfield and Roy Hudd.

With Pat Coombs, Julian Eardley, Edward Halstead and Emma

Kennedy.

Music by Frido Ruth.

Producer: Steve Doherty

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2002.

TUE 10:00 Heinrich Mann - Berlin (m000t0ds)

Episode 2

Aspiring young poet Andrew Zumsee has come from the provinces to make his name in Berlin society in the 1890s. With the wealthy Turkheimer as his patrons - and Adelheid Turkheimer as his lover - a glittering artistic career looks assured.

Conclusion of Heinrich Mann's novel dramatised by Patricia Hannah.

Andrew Zumsee John Kiely

Adelheid Turkheimer Joanna Tope

Louis Turkheimer John Shedden

Karl Kaflich Simon Tait

Dr Bedeiner Ralph Riach

Lizzi Laffe Vivienne Dixon

Diederich Klemperer Gregor Powrie

Friederich Kopf Simon Donaldson

Asta Turkheimer Lucy Paterson

Bienaimée Matzke ... Gayanne Potter

Frau Moore.....Stella Forge

Clare Pinbush.....Hilary Neville

Blosch.....Mark McDonald

Heinrich Mann James Bryce

Director: David Jackson Young

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2004.

TUE 11:00 Archive on 4 (b09lvy6f)

Frankenstein Lives!

Mary Shelley's extraordinary, ground-breaking novel about the creation of a living being who becomes a monster. Cultural

historian and writer Christopher Fraying considers how the story of Victor Frankenstein and his creature has become a creation myth for our age.

Frankenstein is one of a handful of works whose title has passed into the language of everyday life and has been adapted countless times for cinema, radio, television and theatre - with each new generation discovering the unique power of the original.

In the overwhelmingly Christian society of 1818, the notion of man creating life was both unthinkable and blasphemous. Two centuries later, the moral dilemmas of the original story continue to challenge and perplex us. After Dr Christiaan Barnard performed the first heart transplant in 1967, he proclaimed "I am the new Frankenstein". Since then we have truly entered an age of genetically and surgically modified nature - from cloned sheep to disease-resistant crop strains. Inevitably these developments are met with newspaper headlines that scream Frankenstein!

Christopher Fraying uses his expert knowledge to lead us through the rich and unsettling history of the Frankenstein myth, amidst a host of chilling archive recordings and insightful contributions from filmmakers, writers and scientists. He explores how and why, 200 years after it was born, Mary Shelley's nightmare creation is still very much alive and kicking.

Interviewees:

Kim Newman, critic and horror writer

John Landis, film director

Sara Karloff, daughter of Boris Karloff who played The

Creature in the 1931 film

Madeline Smith, Hammer Studios actress

Miranda Seymour, biographer of Mary Shelley

Professor Sharon Ruston, science and literature expert

Stephen Hebron, Curator of Special Projects, Bodleian Library

Producer: Jane Long

A Hidden Flack production for BBC Radio 4.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2018.

TUE 12:00 The Goon Show (b00d7jxr)

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TUE 13:00 Roy Clarke - The Events at Black Tor (b08898tk)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

TUE 13:30 Trueman and Riley (b00j1w35)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

TUE 14:00 Dirt Road by James Kelman (b07lg6k0)

Episode 7

Murdo is feeling out of place amongst the kilts and Saltires of the Alabama Highland Gathering - until the live music session begins.

Read by Finn den Hertog

Booker prize-winner James Kelman's novel is a potent exploration of love, grief and the power of music.

Abridged by David Jackson Young

Producer Eilidh McCreadie

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2016.

TUE 14:15 15 Minute Drama (b08zc0qz)

Henry James - Daisy Miller

Episode 2

Henry James' classic novella dramatised by Amanda Dalton. When Winterbourne meets the free spirited Daisy Miller again in Rome he finds himself torn between his desire for Daisy and his need to uphold the values and rules of conduct of his society. If he is to follow his heart he must ignore the disapproval and harsh judgement of those around him.

CAST:

Frederick Winterbourne Jack Lowden

Daisy Miller Julianna Jennings

Mrs Miller Laurel Lefkow

Eugenio Cesare Taurasi

Directed by Nadia Molinari

TUE 14:30 Be My Guest (m000sr7n)

Alfred Marks

Alfred Marks says Be My Guest and invites you to join him in recalling his early visits to London's Variety Theatres and Musical Shows; memories of wartime films, and records he likes to share with his family.

Producer Phyllis Robinson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in 1977.

TUE 15:00 Heinrich Mann - Berlin (m000t0ds)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

TUE 16:00 Dilemma (b05rnz1n)

Series 4

Episode 4

Sue Perkins presents another edition of the show that puts the big moral and ethical questions to a mixed panel to see the direction in their moral compasses point. This week, it's the turn of comedians Iain Stirling and Shappi Khorsandi, journalist Suzanne Moore, and writer and actor Dan Tetsell. Collectively they rate the merits of getting the money or the credit for something's success, as well as quickly resolving issues such as inheritance, racism, childhood dreams and Beyoncé. Episode four of six.

Dilemma is presented by Sue Perkins.

Devised by ... Danielle Ward

Producer ... Ed Morrish.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2015.

TUE 16:30 Like They've Never Been Gone (b00c149j)

CAST:

D.I. Trueman Robert Daws
 D.S. Riley Duncan Preston
 Frank Butters Sam Dale
 Melanie Christine Kavanagh
 Eric Simonelli John Dougal
 Inez Miranda Keeling
 Svetlana Jasmine Callan
 The duo began life on BBC Radio 4 in 2002, with Detective Inspector Trueman called back to work after a nervous breakdown in order to solve a high profile murder case, backed up by Detective Superintendent Riley. This was followed by three new plays in 2005.
 Director: Toby Swift
 Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in 2007.
FRI 07:00 Rudy's Rare Records (b00yj2hq)
 Series 3
 Lights Out
 Father and son comedy set in the finest old-school record shop in Birmingham.
 Rudy is determined to prove to his girlfriend Doreen that she's finally met her match. He's even persuaded Adam to keep out of the way while he cooks Doreen a romantic meal for her birthday. The power supply across the West Midlands, however, has even more surprising treats in store.
 Written by Danny Robins
 Produced by Lucy Armitage.
FRI 07:30 Stand-Up Specials (m000sq6m)
 Anna Morris: Kid-Life Crisis
 Anna Morris hit forty, was single, childless and living back with her parents. Success! She hit a kid-life crisis – like a mid-life crisis but with the added pressure of diminishing fertility. In this half-hour stand-up show, recorded in front of a remote audience, she looks at all the different ways in which women deal with ageing, dating and being childless – or child free. There's a difference in approach evident in just those two ways of describing women who don't have kids.
 From an 'incompetent cervix' diagnosis to proud but patronising new mothers, Anna recounts her journey through the travails of a woman without children.
 Written and performed by Anna Morris.
 With Jess Robinson and Sam Underwood
 Producer: Alison Vernon-Smith
 A Pier production for BBC Radio 4
FRI 08:00 The Men from the Ministry (b007jnrc)
 Bill Stickers Is Innocent
 The bumbling civil servants scale new heights for grumpy Sir Gregory's latest poster campaign.
 A weekly tribute to all those who work in government departments.
 Stars Richard Murdoch and Deryck Guyler. With Norma Ronald, Ronald Baddiley and Jo Manning Wilson.
 Written by Edward Taylor and John Graham.
 'The Men from the Ministry' ran for 14 series between 1962 and 1977. Deryck Guyler replaced Wilfrid Hyde-White from 1966. Sadly many episodes didn't survive in the archive, however the BBC's Transcription Service re-recorded 14 shows in 1980 - never broadcast in the UK, until the arrival of BBC Radio 4 Extra.
 Producer: Edward Taylor
 First broadcast on the BBC Radio 4 in September 1970.
FRI 08:30 The Alan Davies Show (b007js69)
 Episode 1
 The struggling actor and his friends find themselves locked in - a lot! With Ronnie Ancona and Alan Francis. From May 1998.
FRI 09:00 Say the Word (b007652k)
 Episode 6
 Frank Delaney's language game with Hunter Davies, Sheila Steafel, Roger McGough and Helen Atkinson Wood. From 2001.
FRI 09:30 The Sit Crom (b00mbc2k)
 Night Exercises
 With the sovereign set for a visit, confusion reigns in Lady Anne's bedchamber.
 Sue Limb's six-part comedy set during the English Civil War.
 Sir John Firebasket Joss Ackland
 Lady Anne Firebasket Denise Coffey
 Tobias Thynne Clive Merrison
 Mercy, alias Melissa Miriam Margolyes
 Father Francis Nickolas Grace
 Slow Ned Chris Emmett
 Gazebo Fogg Jack Klaff
 Posthumous Nicky Henson
 Counter Tenor Peter Hayward
 Producer: Jonathan James-Moore
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1990.
FRI 10:00 Drama (b08ymx5q)
 D H Lawrence's The Gypsy
 Drama inspired by D H Lawrence's The Virgin and the Gypsy.
 Handsome gypsy Joe and his family arrive in the small countryside village of Papplewick one summer looking for work. It isn't long before Joe is drawn to the local Rector's daughter. A tale of desire and repression set during interwar England.
 CAST:
 Joe Samuel Edward-Cook
 Vina Candis Nergaard
 Yvette Verity Henry
 Lucille Harriet Chandler Judd

Granny Christine Cox
 Rector Paul Stonehouse
 Sergeant Eastwood Toby Hadoke
 Written by Dan Allum
 Directed by Charlotte Riches
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2017.
FRI 11:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m000ss23)
 New Listening
 Amanda Litherland and Scott Bryan review new podcast releases. Psychologist Kimberley Wilson and Dr Xand van Tulleken discuss Made Of Stronger Stuff, a show about the human body.
FRI 12:00 The Men from the Ministry (b007jnrc)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
FRI 12:30 The Alan Davies Show (b007js69)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
FRI 13:00 Roy Clarke - The Events at Black Tor (b08919pf)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
FRI 13:30 Trueman and Riley (b00j272j)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
FRI 14:00 Dirt Road by James Kelman (b07lj6yr)
 Episode 10
 Murdo is on stage with Queen Monzee-ay and feels at home for the first time since the death of his mum.
 Booker prize-winner James Kelman's novel is a potent exploration of love, grief and the power of music.
 Read by Finn den Hertog
 Abridged by David Jackson Young
 Producer Eilidh McCreadie
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2016.
FRI 14:15 15 Minute Drama (b08zdm6)
 Henry James - Daisy Miller
 Episode 5
 Henry James' classic novella dramatised by Amanda Dalton.
 Winterbourne struggles to accept that Daisy's close friendship with the handsome Mr Giovanelli is innocent. When he discovers Daisy alone with Giovanelli one night at the Colosseum, consumed by jealousy, he confronts her.
 CAST:
 Henry James John Lynch
 Frederick Winterbourne Jack Lowden
 Daisy Miller Julianna Jennings
 Mrs Miller Laurel Lefkow
 Mrs Costello Barbara Barnes
 Randolph Haris Giannakopoulos
 Giovanelli Cesare Taurasi
 Directed by Nadia Molinari
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2017.
FRI 14:30 Piano Pilgrimage (b03q4mlx)
 Episode 3
 In the final part of his pilgrimage, Jamie finds out what the piano means to its biggest fans. Starting outside York Minster, he comes across two fellow jazz pianists whose passion keeps them coming out on to the streets to busk on a specially modified upright.
 Next, Jamie heads to a retirement village in Sheffield where he performs with musicians from a charity, Lost Chord, that uses the piano to help people living with dementia.
 Jamie hears from Guardian editor Alan Rusbridger about the piano playing challenge he set himself, before learning about left hand alone repertoire from one-handed pianist Nicholas McCarthy.
 In Northern Ireland, Jamie meets the talented young piano players being mentored by Adele's piano player, Neil Cowley.
 Over a pint at Bennigan's Bar, Jamie finds out from the pub's legendary landlord Joe, how a piano turned the place into the heart of Derry's music scene. Jamie then tests the ivories for a moving final performance together with Joe and local musician Pól.
 Produced by Andrea Rangelcroft.
 A Folded Wing production for BBC Radio 4.
FRI 15:00 Drama (b08ymx5q)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
FRI 16:00 Say the Word (b007652k)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
FRI 16:30 The Sit Crom (b00mbc2k)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
FRI 17:00 Rudy's Rare Records (b00yj2hq)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
FRI 17:30 Stand-Up Specials (m000sq6m)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
FRI 18:00 The Heart of Hark'un (b007jqbs)
 Episode 6
 Is Shazir the real enemy? Can Arcos and his hero friends escape the Palace of Memory?
 Conclusion of the fantasy-adventure by Peter Thomson and Jamie Thomson.
 Arcos Francis Thomson
 Kaddah Trevor Peacock
 Vanna Liz Whiting
 Shazir Crawford Logan
 Bereneth Edward Kelsey
 Va Melanie Hudson
 Alviza Emma Fielding
 Rashiq Theresa Streatfeild
 Xander Robert Portal
 Producer: Peter Hutchings
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 5 in October 1991.
FRI 18:30 Off the Page (b00ktprr)

Stripping Off

Dominic Arkwright, Zoe Simon, Catherine Blyth and Phil Hilton discuss whether being revealing is art or obscenity? From 2009.
FRI 19:00 The Men from the Ministry (b007jnrc)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
FRI 19:30 The Alan Davies Show (b007js69)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
FRI 20:00 Roy Clarke - The Events at Black Tor (b08919pf)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
FRI 20:30 Trueman and Riley (b00j272j)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
FRI 21:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m000ss23)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
FRI 22:00 Stand-Up Specials (m000sq6m)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
FRI 22:30 Alan Parker's 59 Minutes of Truth (b00yz8v4)
 Episode 4
 The urban warrior asks do you rave or rock?
 More undeniable truths to a nation crying out for direction and guidance.
 Comedy-music mix written by and starring Simon Munnery.
 With Peter Serafinowicz.
 Producer: Aled Evans
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 1 in March 1995.
FRI 23:30 I Think I've Got a Problem (b00cc4g)
 Series 2
 Episode 1
 In an attempt to rid him of the band that lives in his head, Tom's been sent to a special centre for the entertainingly afflicted. The treatment's going well - until the band can't take any more and make Tom burst into song.
 Reunited once more, Tom and the band decide they've missed each other and hatch an escape plan...
 Andrew McGibbon and Nick Romero's everyday story about a man who can't stop himself from breaking into song.
 Suggs Tom Caine
 Bob Monkhouse Dr Boone
 Phil Cornwell Bouche
 Andrew McGibbon Jake
 Nick Romero Monty De Vere
 Bill Nighy Malc
 Julia Deakin Phelia
 Toby Longworth Clammy
 Tracy-Ann Oberman
 Songs: Andrew McGibbon, Nick Romero and Suggs
 Producers: Andrew McGibbon and Dawn Ellis.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2003.