

**SATURDAY 12 JUNE 2021**

**SAT 00:00 Haunted (b01qyntg)**

Which One? by R Chetwynd-Hayes  
1940: A fire warden team are put to the severest test during a bombing raid. Will they all survive?  
R Chetwynd-Hayes's creepy tale dramatised by Patricia Mays.  
Drayton ..... Reginald Marsh  
Hughes ..... Garrard Green  
Raymond ..... Robert Glenister  
Smithers ..... Adrian Egan  
Jackson ..... Nigel Graham  
David ..... Graham Conway.  
Director: Derek Hoddinott  
First broadcast on the BBC World Service in July 1984.  
**SAT 00:30 Off the Page (b00sq1vx)**  
Poetry Schometry  
'Poetry Schometry'. More provocative and thoughtful new writing and discussion with Dominic Arkwright  
With ex-Poet Laureate, Andrew Motion, writer Guy Browning and performance poet, Rachel Pantechnicon.  
Andrew talks about the elemental power of poetry; 'Poetry is for the most humane, as well as the most humanising aspect of the self.'  
Guy describes poetry as a 'tattered umbrella between you and the sun', and Rachel tells of her doomed attempt to retrace the wanderings of the Ancient Mariner.  
Andrew also indulges us with a reading from a contender for the 'worst poem ever written' award.  
Producer: Sarah Langan  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2010.

**SAT 01:00 Detective (b01s8pyv)**

Series 3  
8. Death at the Weekend  
A trio of tragic deaths is overshadowed when an escaped prisoner strikes closer to home.  
Starring Ray Brooks and Stephen Garlick.  
Last in the series of tough stories of crime and detection in London by Robert Barr  
DS Brook ..... Ray Brooks  
DC Tully ..... Stephen Garlick  
DS Harrison ..... Peter Cleall  
Chief Inspector Roach ..... Stephen Yardley  
Kathy ..... Lesley Manville  
Alan Waters ..... Clive Panto  
John Sullivan ..... Henry Stampler  
Mr Percival ..... John Hollis  
Steve Gray/Doctor ..... Peter Acre  
Mrs Walters ..... Stella Tanner  
Producer: Martin Fisher  
First broadcast weekly on BBC Radio 2 in August 1984.

**SAT 01:30 Falco (b00811cb)**

Shadows in Bronze  
5. Surprise  
Roman sleuth Falco closes in on his man, but gets more than he bargained for from Helena's old school friend...  
Starring Anton Lesser.  
Lindsey Davis's witty detective, Marcus Didius Falco patrols the streets of 1st-century Rome.  
Falco ..... Anton Lesser  
Helena Justina ..... Anna Madeley  
Atius Pertinax ..... Sean Connolly  
Larius ..... Christopher Kelham  
Silvia ..... Sara Poyzer  
Marcellus..... Paul Webster  
Aufidius Crispus ..... Bertie Carvel  
Aemilius Rufus ..... Timothy Watson  
Gordianus ..... Christian Rodska  
Aenelia ..... Jaimi Barbakoff  
Dramatised by Mary Cutler.  
Directed at BBC Birmingham by Peter Leslie Wild.  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2005.

**SAT 02:00 Crime Down Under: The Dry by Jane Harper (b092rckg)**

Episode 5  
Policeman Aaron Falk has become embroiled in the mysterious brutal deaths of the Hadler family.  
But Falk is not the only one who's kept a secret for 20 years...  
Richard Goulding reads Jane Harper's Australian crime thriller. Abridged and produced by Sara Davies.  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2017.  
**SAT 02:15 Gudrun (m000t031)**  
Series 7  
Episode 10  
The final series in Lucy Catherine's Viking epic of love, revenge and faith inspired by the Icelandic sagas.  
Gudrun comes face to face with her destiny.  
Stars Kate Phillips.  
The conclusion of Lucy Catherine's Viking epic of love, revenge and faith inspired by the Icelandic sagas.  
Gudrun ..... Kate Phillips  
Freija ..... Samantha Dakin  
Truda ..... Charlotte East  
Kjartan ..... Ian Dunnett Jnr  
Pope ..... Roger Ringrose  
Jesson at 7 ..... Harry Clarke  
Director: Gemma Jenkins  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2021.  
**SAT 02:30 The School on the Moor (b092k9jp)**

Revealing 1948 portrait of Bolventor School in Cornwall.  
Just 24 pupils aged five to 15, in two classrooms with two teachers, plus headmaster Reginald Bennetts and his wife.  
In this experimental programme, BBC engineers had set-up microphones around this tiny remote village school in the middle of Bodmin Moor in the Autumn of 1947.  
Microphones and cables were left to allow children to get used to them.  
This programme was recorded over a week with the head as presenter, plus the stories of two former pupils, who attended the school when it opened in 1877.  
(The school closed in 1994).  
Producer: Brandon Acton-Bond  
First broadcast on the BBC West of England Home Service.  
It evoked so many vivid memories for listeners and sparked a wider broadcast on the BBC Home Service in December 1948 (except for Scotland and Wales).  
**SAT 03:00 Jeremy Front - The Long Weekend (b0076cwj)**  
Former school chums Sophie and Gemma re-unite after 20 years at Sophie's country estate.  
But the idyllic sounding long weekend takes a turn for the unexpected.  
Starring Emma Fielding and Jane Slavin.  
Black comedy written by Jeremy Front.  
Gemma ..... Emma Fielding  
Sophie ..... Jane Slavin  
Toby ..... Stephen Tompkinson  
Inspector Fenton ..... Clive Merrison  
Dodo ..... Clare Corbett  
Freddie ..... Robert Portal  
Ivor ..... Ben Crowe  
Director: Sally Avens  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2003.

**SAT 04:00 Counterpoint (b00sfwmk)**

Series 24  
2010 Semi-final 1  
Paul Gambaccini chairs the first semi-final of 2010's search to find the nation's musical mastermind.  
Paul has plenty of musical clues and anecdotes, and, as always, the competitors will have to choose from an eclectic selection of 'special subjects' on which to answer individual questions.  
The three returning contestants are from the south of England:  
Martin Hoskins  
Edward McDermott  
Judy Woolf  
Producer Paul Bajoria  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2010.  
**SAT 04:30 Bristow (b007w5jb)**  
Series 3  
Repaying Mr Piper  
Why is Bristow surrounded by incompetents? He has a theory - and determines to bumble toward the proof.  
Michael Williams stars as Bristow.  
Frank Dickens' sitcom is based on his famous long-running newspaper cartoon strip about the Chester-Perry buying clerk.  
Bristow ..... Michael Williams  
Jones ..... Rodney Bewes  
Mrs Purdy ..... Dora Bryan  
Hewitt ..... Owen Brennan  
Perkins ..... Leslie Phillips  
Gert ..... Liz Fraser  
Daisy ..... Joan Sims  
Miss Sunman ..... Katy Odey  
Fudge ..... Jon Glover  
Postboy ..... Simon Schatzberger  
Stokes ..... David Battley  
Miss Pleasant ..... Jackie Neglia  
Music: John Whitehall  
Producer: Neil Cargill  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2000.

**SAT 05:00 Fags, Mags and Bags (b0bf64gh)**

Series 8  
A Song for Lenzie  
The return of more shop based shenanigans and over the counter philosophy, courtesy of Ramesh Mahju and his trusty sidekick Dave.  
Set in a Scots-Asian corner shop, the award winning series returns with all the shop regular characters, and guest appearances along the way, from the likes of Sean Biggerstaff, Mina Anwar, Greg McHugh and Simon Greenall.  
In this opening episode, Ramesh discovers to his horror than Sanjay hasn't been entirely truthful about his college education after The Bish spots him busking in East Kilbride.  
Join the staff of Fags, Mags and Bags in their tireless quest to bring nice-price custard creams and cans of coke with Arabic writing on them to an ungrateful nation. Ramesh Mahju has built it up over the course of over 30 years and is a firmly entrenched, friendly presence in the local area. He is joined by his shop sidekick, Dave.  
Then of course there are Ramesh's sons Sanjay and Alok, both shirty and not particularly keen on the old school approach to shop-keeping, but natural successors to the business. Ramesh is keen to pass all his worldly wisdom onto them - whether they like it or not!  
Written by and starring Donald McLeary and Sanjeev Kohli.  
Ramesh ..... Sanjeev Kohli  
Dave ..... Donald McLeary  
Sanjay ..... Omar Raza  
Alok ..... Susheel Kumar

Mrs Birkett ..... Stewart Cairns  
Bishop Briggs ..... Michael Redmond  
Songs of Praise Presenter ..... Effie Summers  
Producer: Gus Beattie for Gusman Productions.  
A Comedy Unit production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in August 2018.  
**SAT 05:30 The Confessional (m000wjsj)**  
Series 1  
The Confession of Lucy Porter  
Actor, comedian and broadcaster Stephen Mangan presents a comedy chat show about shame and guilt.  
Each week Stephen invites a different eminent guest into his virtual confessional box to make three 'confessions'. This is a cue for some remarkable storytelling, and surprising insights. We're used to hearing celebrity interviews, where stars are persuaded to show off about their achievements and talk about their proudest moments. Stephen isn't interested in that. He doesn't want to know what his guests are proud of, he wants to know what they're ashamed of. That's surely the way to find out what really makes a person tick. Stephen and his guest reflect with empathy and humour on why we get embarrassed, where our shame thresholds should be, and the value of guilt.  
This week, comedian Lucy Porter apologises for a youthful indiscretion, discusses the disadvantages of PVC and reveals a secret as yet untold.  
Other guests in this series include Ciarad Lloyd, Dr Phil Hammond, Clarke Peters, Suzi Ruffell, Marian Keyes, Phil Wang, Joan Bakewell, Nigel Planer and Alastair Campbell.  
Written and presented by Stephen Mangan  
With extra material by Nick Doody.  
Devised with Dave Anderson  
Produced by Frank Stirling  
A 7digital production for BBC Radio 4

**SAT 06:00 Len Deighton - The Ipcress File (b01697h2)**

An unnamed agent is ensnared in a sinister plot to brainwash scientists and trade them across the Iron Curtain.  
Len Deighton's gripping Cold War thriller was first published in 1962.  
Ian Hart stars in Mike Walker's taut dramatisation.  
The Agent ..... Ian Hart  
Colonel Ross ..... James Laurenson  
Major Dalby ..... Jonathan Coy  
Chico ..... Jamie Bamber  
Jean ..... Fenella Woolgar  
Alice ..... Rachel Atkins  
Jay ..... Peter Marinker  
Skip ..... Kerry Shale  
Keightley ..... Adam Tedder  
Adem ..... Raad Rawi  
Battersby ..... John Sharian  
Producer: Toby Swift  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2004.  
**SAT 07:30 Great Lives (b08587nx)**  
Series 41  
Orlando Murrin on Dinu Lipatti

For many piano music lovers, Dinu Lipatti [1917-1950], the Romanian concert pianist, stands head and shoulders above others.  
Dinu lived during a time of great turbulence, leaving his native Romania for Switzerland at the outbreak of the Second World War. He left behind a wealthy family but they subsequently lost everything under communism.  
Food writer and former chef, Orlando Murrin explains his love for Lipatti's music and his fascination with his life. It has led him to spending time trying to save Lipatti's family home from demolition in Bucharest.  
He joins Matthew Parris and the London based Romanian concert pianist Alexandra Dariescu to champion the life and work of one of classical music's greatest 20th century talents.  
Producer: Maggie Ayre  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2016.  
**SAT 08:00 Whispers (b007k356)**  
Series 1  
Episode 4  
The great and the good are torn from their pedestals in glee in the panel show that proves there's no smoke without fire.  
Gyles Brandreth is your host.  
The regular team captains are writer and critic, Anthony Holden and actor and writer, Stella Duffy.  
Writer Jenny Colgan and broadcaster Rosie Millard join them as they attempt to dish the dirt on the bad boys and girls in history.  
Producer: Elizabeth Freestone  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2003.  
**SAT 08:30 Snap (b00tqqjc)**  
Series 2  
Episode 2  
Kaz is having problems at school and wants her dad to have a firm talk with her PE teacher from hell.  
Meanwhile, Molly's concerned about Dawn who's concerned about Raymond. Is he having an affair?  
Paul Mendelson's sitcom about life for a couple after they've split.  
Molly ..... Rebecca Lacey  
Doug ..... Paul Venables  
Kaz ..... Soumaya Keynes  
Ryan ..... Jessie Sullivan  
Annie ..... Marlene Sidaway  
Raymond ..... Jonathan Tafler

Dawn ... Samantha Spiro  
 Producer: David Ian Neville  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2004.  
**SAT 09:00 The Changing Sound of Radio (b0bn22mh)**  
 Since he was first given a tape recorder in 1967, wildlife sound recordist Chris Watson has been fascinated by the possibilities of sound.  
 In this three-hour showcase, he revisits that first machine – and demonstrates cutting edge recording and editing equipment. Chris tells the story of technological advances in radio from the first outside broadcast, through the BBC Radiophonic Workshop to the latest explosion in podcasting.  
 We hear from some of Chris's favourite broadcasters, dip into his collection of sound recordings, and hear programmes via podcasting and Sound Art Radio, as well as classics from the BBC Archive:  
 \* Orchestra Under The Waves  
 A unique musical compilation made of sounds recorded under water. Evelyn Glennie presents.  
 \* The Ditch  
 2010 BBC Radio 4 drama by Paul Evans about a wildlife sound recordist who goes missing, leaving some intriguing recordings behind... Stars Jimmy Yuill.  
 \* Fifteen Inches Per Second  
 2004 documentary celebrating quarter-inch magnetic tape which revolutionised the recording of sound.  
 \* Six House Parties  
 An episode of the podcast 'Imaginary Advice', created by poet and performer Ross Sutherland.  
 \* The Iron Speaks - When The Far Becomes Near  
 Creative documentary about radio broadcasting in the United Arab Emirates. Contributors include Dr Zaki Nussaibeh, Salim Obaid Al Alelee, Dr Yousef Aydabi and Dr. Arif Al Sheikh.  
 Voiceovers by Frank Key, William English and Bijan Daneshmand. Producers: Christopher John Weaver and Fari Bradley. (Originally aired as part of Six Pillars, on Resonance FM <https://www.resonancefm.com/>)  
 Producer: Jessica Treen  
 Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in October 2018.  
**SAT 12:00 Quote... Unquote (b07vnglv)**  
 Cressida Cowell, Ruth Dudley Edwards, Helen Zaltzman & Michael Billington  
 Quote ... Unquote, the popular quotations quiz, returns with its 40th anniversary series.  
 Nigel Rees quizzes his guests on the origins of sayings and well-known quotes, and they share their favourite anecdotes.  
 \* Children's author, Cressida Cowell  
 \* Journalist, biographer and crime novelist, Ruth Dudley Edwards  
 \* Podcaster, broadcaster and writer, Helen Zaltzman  
 \* Author and arts critic, Michael Billington  
 Reader: Sally Grace  
 Producer: Carl Cooper  
 A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in September 2016.  
**SAT 12:30 The 27-Year Itch (b0b1txr3)**  
 All Play and No Work Makes Jill an Unemployment Statistic  
 Dorothy and Edward Atkinson are Sidcup's premier wedding couple with a marriage to challenge even the most determined of counsellors.  
 Dorothy is keen to land a job, but what about cooking Edward's dinner?  
 Hugh Paddick and Betty Marsden star in Barry Pilton's marital mayhem sitcom.  
 Edward ..... Hugh Paddick  
 Dorothy ..... Betty Marsden  
 With Alison Steadman and Bill Wallis.  
 After notching up multiple BBC radio series together of 'Beyond Our Ken' and 'Round The Home' - most memorably as ageing juvenile Binkie Huckaback and Dame Celia Molestrangler - Hugh and Betty were reunited on-air, almost a decade later in 'The 27 Year Itch'.  
 Producer: Geoffrey Perkins  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1978.  
**SAT 13:00 Archive on 4 (b09y6wg3)**  
 The Ultimate Trip: Stanley Kubrick's Space Odyssey  
 Christopher Frayling explores the lasting influence of Stanley Kubrick and Arthur C Clarke's 1968 sci-fi masterpiece.  
 2001: A Space Odyssey was released into the world in April 1968. Puzzling, infuriating, inspiring and thrilling, it captivated audiences at the time and, 50 years on, continues to exert a powerful effect on our thinking about the present and the future.  
 This remarkable movie was the result of a synthesis of two very different visions.  
 Based on his own short story The Sentinel, it was written by British author Arthur C Clarke - a futurist of uncanny ability.  
 The film director was Stanley Kubrick - an American working in the UK, whose previous works included gladiator epic, Spartacus and savage nuclear satire, Dr Strangelove.  
 Marketed as The Ultimate Trip, 2001 became an essential experience for younger audiences - many of whom saw it multiple times, and sometimes in an enhanced state of consciousness. But alongside its wildly psychedelic visions, 2001 also presented an extraordinarily convincing and intricate vision of future space travel.  
 Cultural historian and writer, Christopher Frayling travels back in time to the creation of 2001, hearing how organisations like

NASA and IBM were enlisted to help Kubrick craft his vision. And he speaks to scientists, critics and filmmakers to examine the film's enduring influence on science, design and popular culture.  
 Interviewees:  
 \* Maggie Aderin-Pocock, space scientist  
 \* Piers Bizony, science journalist  
 \* Victoria Broackes, Senior Curator, V&A Museum  
 \* Catherine Constable, Professor of Film Studies, Warwick University  
 \* John Landis, film director  
 \* Christopher Nolan, film director  
 \* Georgina Orgill, Stanley Kubrick Archivist, University of the Arts London.  
 Producer: Jane Long  
 A Hidden Flack production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in April 2018.  
**SAT 14:00 Elvenquest (b01616lj)**  
 Series 3  
 Episode 1  
 When Sam is left behind to "guard the stuff" whilst the others are off killing the Man-munching Giant of Rankor he is accosted by a beautiful maiden, Eirwen, who has been kept captive in the giant's castle and takes Sam to be her rescuer. She promptly proposes, throwing the future of the Questers' Fellowship into jeopardy.  
 Meanwhile, Lord Darkness' attempts to conquer Lower Earth take a new turn when Kreech discovers an ancient prophesy enabling Lord Darkness to create the "UnChosen One", an evil spirit that is the only being that can defeat the Chosen One. Problem is, it means Lord Darkness has to impregnate a hideous, mishpang creature. If only there was one of those close to hand...  
 Fantasy-based sitcom set in Lower Earth written by Anil Gupta and Richard Pinto.  
 Sam ..... Stephen Mangan  
 Lord Darkness ..... Alistair McGowan  
 Dean/Kreech ..... Kevin Eldon  
 Vidar ..... Darren Boyd  
 Eirwen/Martha Howe-Douglas  
 Amis 'The Chosen One' ..... Dave Lamb  
 Penthiselea ..... Sophie Winkleman  
 Producer: Sam Michell  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2011.  
**SAT 14:30 Helen Keen's It Is Rocket Science (b00z5hrv)**  
 Series 1  
 Episode 1  
 Funny, off-beat but factually accurate account of the science of rockets and the brilliant but occasionally warped brains behind it all.  
 Helen Keen, Peter Serafinowicz and Susy Kane look at the three fathers of modern rocket science:  
 \* 19th Century self-taught Russian visionary Eduardovich Tsiolkovsky and his dreams of orbiting space stations and Martian colonies;  
 \* American Robert H Goddard, derided in The New York Times in the 1920s for his prediction of a lunar landing (A retraction was printed after the Apollo 11 launch);  
 \* Transylvanian-German Hermann Oberth with his brilliant theories about space travel and his horrifying theories about racial supremacy.  
 Plus Helen reveals the surprising connection between space travel and a coach tour of the Jewels of the Rhineland.  
 Written by Helen Keen and Miriam Underhill.  
 Producer: Gareth Edwards  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2011.  
**SAT 14:45 Gus Murdoch's Sacred Cows (b00fcbgm)**  
 1. Pubs  
 Is the concept of the pub is dead?  
 Incisive reporter Gus Murdoch investigates Britain's public houses.  
 Written by and starring Stephen Carlin.  
 With:  
 Rachel Atkins  
 Christopher Douglas  
 Chris Pavlo  
 Renton Skinner  
 Dan Tetsall  
 Producer: Tilusha Ghelani  
 Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in November 2008.  
**SAT 15:00 Tom Wrigglesworth's Hang-Ups (b06pbwzh)**  
 Series 3  
 Broadband on the Run  
 Tom and his Dad fret about some potentially uncomfortable brushes with the law while Mum prepares for the arrival of a new lodger.  
 Series 3 of the sitcom where Tom Wrigglesworth phones home for his weekly check-in with his Mum, Dad and Gran - giving us a glimpse into his background and influences shaping his temperament, opinions and hang-ups.  
 Tom ..... Tom Wrigglesworth  
 Granny ..... Elizabeth Bennett  
 Dad ..... Paul Copley  
 Mum ..... Kate Anthony  
 With Chris Pavlo.  
 Written by Tom Wrigglesworth and James Kettle. With Miles Jupp.  
 Producer: Richard Morris  
 A BBC Radio Comedy production for BBC Radio 4 first

broadcast in November 2015.  
**SAT 15:30 Isy Suttie's Love Letters (b041y1n3)**  
 Series 2  
 Eleanor and Mr Woodfield  
 Isy Suttie returns to her Derbyshire home town of Matlock and observes the unfolding romance between dinner lady, Eleanor, and teacher, Mr Woodfield.  
 Both are unhappily married, but find solace in their workplace friendship.  
 Isy's Sony Award winning show, recounts a series of love stories affecting people she's known throughout her life, told partly through song.  
 Sometimes Isy has merely observed other people's love lives; quite often she's intervened, changing the action dramatically - for better or worse. Intertwined within these stories are related real life anecdotes from Isy's own, often disastrous, love life. With her multi-character and vocal skills, and accompanied by her guitar, Isy creates a hilarious and deeply moving world, sharing with us her lessons in life and love.  
 "A voice you want to swim in" The Independent  
 Producer: Lyndsay Fenner  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2014.  
**SAT 16:00 Len Deighton - The Ipress File (b01697h2)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]  
**SAT 17:30 Great Lives (b08587nx)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]  
**SAT 18:00 Dan Dare (b0bj6qq8)**  
 Series 1  
 6. Marooned on Mercury 2/2  
 Dan Dare and the Anastasia crew assist allies old and new to thwart the evil Mekon, who plots revenge on Venus.  
 Adventures based on the Eagle comic strip 'Dan Dare' created in 1950 by the Reverend Marcus Morris and Frank Hampson. Conclusion of a two-part adventure starring Ed Stoppard.  
 Dramatised by Marc Platt.  
 Dan Dare ..... Ed Stoppard  
 Digby ..... Geoff McGivern  
 Professor Peabody ..... Heida Reed  
 The Mekon ..... Raad Rawi  
 Sondar ..... Bijan Daneshmand  
 Ergolux ..... Kelly Burke  
 On-board Computer ..... Dianne Weller  
 Garlock ..... Nicholas Briggs  
 Crewman Galloway ..... Alistair Lock  
 Director: Andrew Mark Sewell.  
 Made by B7 Media in 2016.  
**SAT 18:35 HG Wells (m000wy4p)**  
 The Treasure in the Forest  
 Three men from different backgrounds come together for one purpose - gold.  
 Motivated by greed and a growing hatred of each other - the experience turns these desperate men into mad dogs.  
 And you know what happens to mad dogs?  
 Stars Joss Ackland, Michael Bryant and Christopher Cazenove.  
 HG Wells's short story was first published in 1894.  
 Dramatised by Michael Robson.  
 De Witt ..... Joss Ackland  
 Hooker ..... Christopher Cazenove  
 Evans ..... Michael Bryant  
 Director: Derek Hoddinott  
 First broadcast on the BBC World Service in April 1976.  
**SAT 19:00 The Changing Sound of Radio (b0bn22mh)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]  
**SAT 22:00 Welcome to Wherever You Are (b09h6k1g)**  
 Series 1  
 Episode 2  
 Andrew Maxwell hosts a truly global stand-up show, in which comedians perform from wherever on the planet they happen to be, to an audience in the BBC Radio Theatre, London.  
 With:  
 Tats Nzonzo  
 Sharul Channa  
 Ari Eldjárn  
 Tats Nzonzo reveals how the Rainbow Nation is doing; Andrew finds out if Singapore has changed since he was last there with Sharul Channa; And get up to speed with Iceland/Denmark rivalry with Reykjavik's own Ari Eldjárn.  
 Photo credit: Matt Stronge  
 Producer: Ed Morrish  
 A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in November 2017.  
**SAT 22:30 Elvenquest (b016c8y5)**  
 Series 3  
 Episode 2  
 As they continue their search for the Sword of Asnagar, the noble Questers are lead to a quiet countryside town, which they've heard may hold their prize.  
 But it's been razed to the ground by ruthless barbarians, lead by blood-thirsty Ragnar Half-tooth, who's taken the Sword taken as booty. In order to get it back, the Questers decide to masquerade as barbarians and enter Ragnar's camp...  
 Meanwhile, Kreech tells Lord Darkness that his annual regeneration is coming up and that he needs to get some sleep in order to avoid meeting the new Dawn which will send his body crumbling into dust.  
 Problem is, getting to sleep when it really matters is easier said than done. And Lord Darkness is suddenly overcome by a nasty bout of insomnia...





(Senior Curator, Diptera, Natural History Museum) and comedian Felicity Ward.  
 Written by: Catherine Brinkworth, Kat Sadler & Jon Hunter  
 Researcher: Catherine Beazley  
 Music by Ben Mirin. Additional sounds were provided by The Macaulay Library at the Cornell Lab of Ornithology.  
 Produced by: Simon Nicholls  
 A BBC Studios Production  
**MON 08:00 Steptoe and Son (b007jmhk)**  
 Series 4  
 A Box in Town  
 Albert hinders son Harold's romantic endeavours.  
 Starring Wilfrid Brambell and Harry H Corbett.  
 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 featured the lives of rag and bone men Albert Steptoe and son Harold - and was the spark for a run of eight series on TV.  
 Albert ..... Wilfrid Brambell  
 Harold ..... Harry H Corbett  
 With Yootha Joyce, Katherine Parr and Sheila Grant.  
 Written for TV and adapted for radio by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.  
 Producer: Bobby Jaje  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in February 1972.  
**MON 08:30 Life, Death and Sex with Mike and Sue (b007511h)**  
 Series 4  
 Episode 5  
 Sofa-bound TV presenters Mike and Sue share some eyebrow-raising revelations about their pasts...  
 Starring Robert Duncan and Jan Ravens.  
 With Roger Blake, Alistair McGowan and Ronnie Ancona.  
 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 October 1999.  
**MON 09:00 Quote... Unquote (b07w9jg3)**  
 Arnold Brown, Lissa Evans, Christopher Frayling & Erica Wagner  
 Nigel Rees quizzes his guests on the origins of sayings and well-known quotes, and they share their favourite anecdotes.  
 \* Comedian and writer, Arnold Brown  
 \* Director, producer and author, Lissa Evans  
 \* Educationalist and writer, Christopher Frayling  
 \* Author and critic, Erica Wagner  
 Reader: Sally Grace  
 Producer: Carl Cooper  
 A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in September 2016.  
**MON 09:30 The Elephant Man (b04tkv7m)**  
 All Features Great and Small  
 As Valentine's Day approaches, some of the staff at the zoo are keen to find romance.  
 Peter Serafinowicz stars in Debbie Barham's sitcom about the life of an elephant zoo keeper.  
 Terry Lyon .... Peter Serafinowicz  
 Leonard .... Chris Emmet  
 Adam .... Richard Pearce  
 Stephanie .... Joanna Monro  
 Morse .... Wayne Forester  
 Sammy .... Nicola Walker  
 Elsa .... Jane Dolamore  
 Barry Norman / David Attenborough .... Alistair McGowan  
 Producer: Richard Wilson.  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in September 1996.  
**MON 10:00 Sheridan Le Fanu - Uncle Silas (b007jtsj)**  
 Knowl, 1864  
 Maud Knollys is the daughter and heiress of a rich, eccentric recluse. After he dies, young Maud is placed in the guardianship of her Uncle Silas.  
 This is intended to be a public declaration of one man's confidence in his brother, for Silas was disgraced years before...  
 Starring Teresa Gallagher.  
 Sheridan le Fanu's Victorian gothic horror novel.  
 Dramatised in three parts by Alan Drury.  
 Maud ... Teresa Gallagher  
 Austin.... Graham Crowden  
 Madame de la Rougierre ... Dorothy Tutin  
 Lady Monica Knollys ... Joan Sims  
 Mary Quince ... Kathleen Byron  
 Mrs Rusk ... Tessa Worsley  
 Dr Bryerley .... John Hartley  
 Dudley ... Jonathan Keeble  
 Tom Brice.... Roger May  
 Mr Grimston .... Geoffrey Whitehead  
 The Rough Fellow ....Stephen Critchlow  
 Pianist: Michael Haslam  
 Director: Enyd Williams  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1995.  
**MON 11:00 TED Radio Hour (m000wyc2)**  
 Series 8  
 Episode 7  
 A journey through fascinating ideas based on talks by riveting speakers on the TED (Technology, Entertainment, Design) stage.  
 Manoush Zomorodi explores how we can protect ourselves

from future pandemic outbreaks – from anthropology to ecology.  
 First broadcast in the USA on National Public Radio in 2020.  
**MON 11:50 Inheritance Tracks (m000wyc4)**  
 Steve Davis  
 Snooker player Steve Davis shares Sea Song by Robert Wyatt and Swimming with the Snake by Tim Smith.  
**MON 12:00 Steptoe and Son (b007jmhk)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]  
**MON 12:30 Life, Death and Sex with Mike and Sue (b007511h)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]  
**MON 13:00 Agatha Christie (b01qm7p4)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]  
**MON 13:30 Falco (b008m17q)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]  
**MON 14:00 Crime Down Under: The Dry by Jane Harper (b0938k97)**  
 Episode 6  
 A family has been brutally killed on their farm outside the small Australian country town of Kiewarra. It hasn't rained for two years, farms are failing and tensions in the community are running unbearably high. It seems that Luke Hadler reached snapping point, killed his wife and child and then committed suicide.  
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 In this episode, lies, alibis and a confrontation muddy the investigation.  
 Crime Down Under showcases some of the best crime fiction from contemporary Australia  
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 Read by Richard Goulding  
 Abridged and produced by Sara Davies.  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2017.  
**MON 14:15 Gregory Evans - Blood and Milk (b09cy7hy)**  
 Series 3  
 Episode 1  
 Young Welsh woman, Megan Evans, is growing her dairy business with considerable success. But this success has bred some powerful enemies and they will stop at nothing to ruin her.  
 Meg ....Bettrys Jones  
 Samuel ..... David Horovitch  
 Dora Lipski .... Chetna Pandya  
 Iolo Jones .... Philip Fox  
 Bren Evans ..... David Sturzaker  
 Customer ..... Julie Teal  
 by Gregory Evans  
 Directed by Marc Beeby  
 In 1900 over half London's milk came from Welsh dairies. One of those dairies, on the Commercial Road, was owned and run by the writer's family.  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2017.  
**MON 14:30 Doing It In The Street (b011cfff)**  
 Actor and academic Martin Reeve occasionally takes to the streets under the performance name of Mr Lucky, the Man with the Raining Umbrella.  
 It's an act he's been doing for the last twenty-five years or so, since he first teamed up with street theatre company Avanti Display. He's fascinated by the way that street theatre, or outdoor performance which is free and accessible to anyone passing by, affects our perceptions of the spaces around us: shopping centres, streets and squares, buildings, parks and public places.  
 For him, it's a more radical and dangerous art form than might be imagined, with its roots in the political turbulence of the 1960s when companies like Welfare State International decided to take art and performance out of theatres and galleries onto the streets as a deliberate counter-cultural tactic. Although it may now feel less radical, often confined to festivals, civic celebrations and corporate entertainment, he believes street theatre can still make us see the world differently, and stop traffic momentarily to make the familiar seem, just for a moment, unfamiliar and extraordinary.  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2011.  
**MON 15:00 Sheridan Le Fanu - Uncle Silas (b007jtsj)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]  
**MON 16:00 Quote... Unquote (b07w9jg3)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]  
**MON 16:30 The Elephant Man (b04tkv7m)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]  
**MON 17:00 Tim FitzHigham: The Gambler (b040h6xq)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]  
**MON 17:30 Nature Table (m000wrnq)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]  
**MON 18:00 James Follett - Earthsearch (b007j9p)**

Earthsearch 1  
 1. Planetfall  
 The starship Challenger has been on a 115-year-long mission exploring other galaxies for suitable Earth-like planets to colonise.  
 The present four crew members were born on the Challenger and have never left it. From birth they've been looked after by two 'Angels' - voices surrounding and guiding their every move. They follow their advice without question. A dangerous situation, perhaps, if the Angels aren't that angelic after all...  
 James Follett's ten-part adventure serial in time and space.  
 CAST:  
 Commander Telson .... Sean Arnold  
 Sharna .... Amanda Murray  
 Astra .... Kathryn Hurlbutt  
 Darv .... Haydn Wood  
 Angel One .... Sonia Fraser  
 Angel Two .... Gordon Reid  
 Christopher Scott .... Sinclair  
 Director: Glyn Dearman  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1981.  
**MON 18:30 A Good Read (b01jqsyy)**  
 Michele Hanson and Roger Highfield  
 Columnist and author Michele Hanson and Director of External Affairs at the Science Museum Group Roger Highfield discuss their favourite books with Harriett Gilbert.  
 Michele Hanson's choice: 'Humphry Clinker' by Tobias Smollett  
 Roger Highfield's choice: 'The Emperor of All Maladies' by Siddhartha Mukherjee  
 Harriett Gilbert's choice: 'A Murder of Quality' by John le Carré  
 Producer: Toby Field  
 First broadcast on Radio 4 in 2012.  
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 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]  
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**MON 20:30 Falco (b008m17q)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]  
**MON 21:00 TED Radio Hour (m000wyc2)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]  
**MON 21:50 Inheritance Tracks (m000wyc4)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:50 today]  
**MON 22:00 Nature Table (m000wrnq)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]  
**MON 22:30 Tom Wrighlesworth's Hang-Ups (b06pxm45)**  
 Series 3  
 The Madman in the Attic  
 With Tom's Dad advocating some rather drastic "rationalizing", Tom realises that it might be time for him to have a clear-out himself.  
 Series 3 of the sitcom where Tom Wrighlesworth phones home for his weekly check-in with his Mum, Dad and Gran, giving listeners a glimpse into his family background and the influences that have shaped his temperament, opinions and hang-ups.  
 Tom ..... Tom Wrighlesworth  
 Dad ..... Paul Copley  
 Mum ..... Kate Anthony  
 Granny ..... Elizabeth Bennett  
 Written by Tom Wrighlesworth and James Kettle. With Miles Jupp.  
 Producer: Richard Morris  
 A BBC Radio Comedy production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in November 2015.  
**MON 23:00 Dead Ringers (m000wtsz)**  
 Series 21  
 Episode 1  
 Will England come out of lockdown on the 21st of June, how should the last series of Line of Duty have ended, and will Tom Cruise ever finish Mission Impossible 7?  
 The writing squad for the series: Tom Jamieson and Nev Fountain, Laurence Howarth, Tom Coles & Ed Amsden, Jeffrey Aidoo, Simon Alcock, James Bugg, Sarah Campbell, Nastassia Dhanraj , Athena Kugblenu, Sophie Dickson, Rajiv Karia, Vivienne Riddoch & Jane Mccutcheon , Edward Tew.  
 Producer: Bill Dare  
 Production Coordinator: Sarah Sharpe  
 A BBC Studios Production for Radio 4.  
**MON 23:30 The Jason Byrne Show (b01pfrn4)**  
 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 McKenzie  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2010.  
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Big Jim .... Norman Rossington  
 Harold Perkins .... Roland Curram  
 Old Ned .... Harold Goodwin  
 Nimrod .... David John  
 Turps ... Sylvester McCoy  
 Chick .... David Beckett  
 The Farmer .... Douglas Blackwell  
 The Farmer's Daughter .... Karen Ascoe  
 Narrator .... Bernard Cribbins.  
 Written by Ted Walker.  
 Producer: Martin Fisher  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1987.  
**WED 09:00 Whispers (b007k3br)**  
 Series 1  
 Episode 5  
 The ins and outs of the abdication crisis in the quiz show that loves scandals.  
 Biographer Anthony Holden and actress Stella Duffy are joined by writer Lynne Truss and journalist Rowan Pelling.  
 Hosted by the least discreet man in Britain, Gyles Brandreth.  
 Producer: Elizabeth Freestone  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2003.  
**WED 09:30 Snap (b00ttmvf)**  
 Series 2  
 Episode 3  
 Trying to be mature and adult after their separation, Doug and Molly attempt to bury their differences to find out what's wrong with their son Ryan  
 Paul Mendelson's sitcom stars Rebecca Lacey as Molly, Paul Venables as Doug, Soumaya Keynes as Kaz, Jessie Sullivan as Ryan, Marlene Sidaway as Annie, Samantha Spiro as Dawn and Richard Firth as Ansel.  
 Producer: David Ian Neville  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2004.  
**WED 10:00 Sheridan Le Fanu - Uncle Silas (b007jst)**  
 Revelations  
 Heiress Maud Knollys increasingly believes her life is in danger...  
 Conclusion of Sheridan le Fanu's Victorian gothic horror novel dramatised by Alan Drury.  
 Maud .... Teresa Gallagher  
 Silas ... George Cole  
 Madame de la Rougierre .... Dorothy Tutin  
 Lady Monica Knollys ... Joan Sims  
 Mary Quince .... Kathleen Byron  
 Milly ... Jane Whittenshaw  
 Dudley .... Jonathan Keeble  
 Zamiel .... George A Cooper  
 Beauty .... Becky Hindley  
 Sarah Mangles ...Linda Regan  
 Wyatt .... Pauline Letts  
 Tom Brice .... Roger May  
 The Coachman .... Stephen Critchlow  
 Mrs Sewell .... Joan Littlewood  
 Dr Bryerly ....John Hartley  
 Pianist: Michael Haslam  
 Director: Enyd Williams  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1995.  
**WED 11:00 Laura Barton's American Road Trip (m000c54q)**  
 2. The Southern States  
 Using BBC Archives, writer Laura Barton takes to the road for an audio adventure across the USA - from New York to California. In this episode:  
 'World Roots: An Appalachian Road Trip' [2009]  
 'Conversations with the Blues' [1961]  
 'French Men Desire Good Children' [1992]  
 'South and West' [2017]  
 Producer: Luke Doran.  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 Extra in 2018.  
**WED 12:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007k0xt)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]  
**WED 12:30 Big Jim and the Figaro Club (b008g6v4)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]  
**WED 13:00 Agatha Christie (b01r0gpc)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]  
**WED 13:30 Paul Temple (b00rlwgt)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]  
**WED 14:00 Crime Down Under: The Dry by Jane Harper (b0939hpy)**  
 Episode 8  
 A family has been brutally killed on their farm outside the small Australian country town of Kiewarra. It hasn't rained for two years, farms are failing and tensions in the community are running unbearably high. It seems that Luke Hadler reached snapping point, killed his wife and child and then committed suicide.  
 When policeman Aaron Falk returns to his hometown for his old friend's funeral he wants to get away again as soon as possible. He certainly doesn't want to be reminded of the secret he and Luke shared twenty years earlier. But as he's unwillingly drawn into the investigation into the Hadler deaths, the past keeps getting in the way. Questions mount and suspicion spreads through the town, and Falk must face what's hidden in his own past to help him solve the secrets of the present.  
 In this episode, Falk's assumptions are shaken, about the past and the present  
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 Read by Richard Goulding  
 Abridged and produced by Sara Davies.  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2017.  
**WED 14:15 Gregory Evans - Blood and Milk (b09czn81)**  
 Series 3  
 Episode 3  
 Samuel has disappeared and Meg is frantic. But the stakes are raised when a body is discovered in the Thames mud that threatens to ruin Meg, her business and her ally Dora Lipski.  
 Meg .... Bettrys Jones  
 Samuel ..... David Horovitch  
 Dora Lipski ..... Chetna Pandya  
 Fred Wensley ..... Samuel James  
 Brenig Evans ..... David Sturzaker  
 Iolo Jones ..... Philip Fox  
 Police Surgeon ..... Emilio Doorgasingh  
 Asher ..... Simon Ludders  
 Customer ..... Julie Teal  
 by Gregory Evans  
 Directed by Marc Beeby  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2017.  
**WED 14:30 Tim Key Delves Into Daniil Kharms And That's All (b072n5xc)**  
 Daniil Kharms (1905-1942) is one of Russia's great lost absurdists – a writer whose world still alarms, shocks and bewitches more than half a century after he died in prison during the siege of Leningrad.  
 In his short, almost vignette-like writings, nothing is sacred or as it seems. His narrators dip in and out of moments, describing curious, often disturbing events before getting bored and leaving his characters to their fates. Old ladies plummet from windows, townsfolk are bludgeoned to death with cucumbers, others wander around in search of glue, sausages or nothing. By turns pointless and harrowing, they are funny. Very funny. And they are funny now.  
 Comedian, Russophile and crumpled polymath Tim Key has been entranced by Kharms' beautiful, horrible, hilarious world for years. But is there more to Kharms than a series of curious happenings cooked up by an eccentric mind in a troublesome world? Key suspects there is. And he's prepared to delve.  
 As he delves, he encounters Noel Fielding, Alice Nakhimovskaya, Matvei Yankelevich, Peter Scotto, Tony Anemone and Daniil Kharms.  
 Produced by Steven Rajam.  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2016.  
**WED 15:00 Sheridan Le Fanu - Uncle Silas (b007jst)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]  
**WED 16:00 Whispers (b007k3br)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]  
**WED 16:30 Snap (b00ttmvf)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]  
**WED 17:00 Hobby Bobbies (b04pshk4)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]  
**WED 17:30 Shush! (b08r1wd8)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]  
**WED 18:00 James Follett - Earthsearch (b007jibf)**  
 Earthsearch I  
 3. Sands of Kyros  
 The Challenger's crew has returned to its solar system to discover that a million years has passed on Earth while only 115 years had passed on their starship.  
 After their devastating news, the four-strong crew face peril from a once benign force...  
 James Follett's ten-part adventure serial in time and space.  
 CAST:  
 Commander Telson .... Sean Arnold  
 Sharma .... Amanda Murray  
 Astra .... Kathryn Hurlbutt  
 Darv .... Haydn Wood  
 Angel One .... Sonia Fraser  
 Angel Two .... Gordon Reid  
 Sentinel .... Alexander John  
 George .... John McAndrew  
 Director: Glyn Dearman  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1981.  
**WED 18:30 Short Cuts (m000678y)**  
 Series 19  
 Press Record  
 The sounds of an empty apartment, the last tape of a loved one, the bootleg VHS tapes that helped inspire a musical movement and an erotic audio audition are at the heart of this edition of Short Cuts. Josie Long presents short documentaries and adventures in sound about significant recordings that have impacted people's lives.  
 That DAT  
 Produced by Natalie Kestecher  
 The Stains  
 Featuring Diane Lane and Allison Wolfe  
 Produced by Allyson McCabe  
 Sound Portrait of a Flat  
 Produced by Jessica Gordon Braye  
 A Place for Us

Featuring Tricia Davies Nearn  
 Produced by Alan Hall  
 Production Team: Andrea Rangecroft and Alia Cassam  
 Series Producer: Eleanor McDowall  
 A Falling Tree production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in June 2019.  
**WED 19:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007k0xt)**  
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 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]  
**WED 22:00 Shush! (b08r1wd8)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]  
**WED 22:30 Isy Suttie's Love Letters (b042i78d)**  
 Series 2  
 Rosa and Matthew  
 Isy Suttie returns to BBC Radio 4 with a brand new series of her Sony Award Winning show, recounting a series of love stories affecting people she's known throughout her life, told partly through song.  
 Sometimes Isy has merely observed other people's love lives; quite often she's intervened, changing the action dramatically - for better or worse. Intertwined within these stories are related real life anecdotes from Isy's own, often disastrous, love life.  
 In this episode, Isy recounts the tale of Rosa and Matthew, a hypnotherapist and an osteopath who work a few doors apart and find it difficult to express their feelings for each other. With her multi-character and vocal skills, and accompanied by her guitar, Isy creates a hilarious and deeply moving world, sharing with us her lessons in life and love.  
**WED 23:00 Radio Active (b008s3jb)**  
 Series 4  
 The Martin Brown Show  
 A big break for "Mr Hospital Radio" himself, as Martin Brown gets his very own show on Radio Active.  
 Radio Active is the one and only local national radio station. Starring Helen Atkinson-Wood, Angus Deayton, Geoffrey Perkins, Philip Pope and Michael Fenton-Stevens.  
 Music by Philip Pope and Steve Brown.  
 Written by Angus Deayton and Geoffrey Perkins. With Jon Canter.  
 Producer: Jamie Rix  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1984.  
**WED 23:30 Vent (b01flqm7)**  
 Series 3  
 Victoria  
 Ben begins to resent being pushed around, and imagines a different life back in Victorian times when he might have got things his own way a bit more often - until he gets into an argument with Benjamin Disraeli...  
 Dark sitcom about a man in a coma, travelling through the distinctly odd landscape of his own unconscious mind.  
 Written by Nigel Smith.  
 Ben ..... Neil Pearson  
 Mary ..... Fiona Allen  
 Mum ..... Josie Lawrence  
 Blitz ..... Leslie Ash  
 Nurse ..... Jo Martin  
 Derek ..... Stephen Frost  
 Marley ..... Spencer Brown  
 Disraeli ..... Matthew Kelly  
 Bea ..... Scarlett Milburn-Smith  
 Grocer ..... Nigel Hastings  
 Director: Nigel Smith  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2009.

**THURSDAY 17 JUNE 2021**

**THU 00:00 James Follett - Earthsearch (b007jibf)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Wednesday]  
**THU 00:30 Short Cuts (m000678y)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Wednesday]  
**THU 01:00 Agatha Christie (b01r0gpc)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Wednesday]  
**THU 01:30 Paul Temple (b00rlwgt)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Wednesday]  
**THU 02:00 Crime Down Under: The Dry by Jane Harper (b0939hpy)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Wednesday]  
**THU 02:15 Gregory Evans - Blood and Milk (b09czn81)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Wednesday]  
**THU 02:30 Tim Key Delves Into Daniil Kharms And That's All (b072n5xc)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Wednesday]  
**THU 03:00 Sheridan Le Fanu - Uncle Silas (b007jst)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Wednesday]  
**THU 04:00 Whispers (b007k3br)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Wednesday]  
**THU 04:30 Snap (b00ttmvf)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Wednesday]  
**THU 05:00 Hobby Bobbies (b04pshk4)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Wednesday]



**THU 05:30 Shush! (b08r1wd8)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Wednesday]

**THU 06:00 Father Brown Stories (b007jp1b)**  
Series 1  
The Blue Cross  
The cream of London's police force in association with France's finest detective fail to apprehend arch villain Flambeau, the master of disguise.  
Their suspicions fall on a tall Roman Catholic priest and they set off in vain pursuit. However it's the little English priest who seems to be behaving oddly.  
Series of GK Chesterton's stories about the insightful clerical sleuth dramatised by John Scotney.  
Starring Andrew Sachs as Father Brown and Olivier Pierre as Flambeau.  
With Bill Wallis as Bagshaw, Alan Thompson as the Sergeant, Ellen McIntosh as the Shopkeeper, Trader Faulkner as the Restaurateur, John Abineri as Valentine, Trevor Nichols as the Constable, Graham Blokey as the Porter and Robin Summers as the Waiter.  
Directed at BBC Bristol by Alec Reid.  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1984.

**THU 06:30 Paul Temple (b00rm20y)**  
Paul Temple and the Gilbert Case  
3. Peter Galino  
After the discovery of the body of key witness, Mary Talbot, there's drama back at her flat - and suave sleuth Paul worries that wife Steve is in danger.  
Another intriguing case for BBC Radio's smoothest investigator and his glamorous wife written by Francis Durbridge.  
CAST:  
Paul Temple .... Peter Coke  
Steve .... Marjorie Westwood  
Charlie .... James Beattie  
Wilfred Stirling .... Charles Leno  
Detective Inspector Kingston .... Duncan McIntyre  
Lance Reynolds .... Richard Williams  
Betty Wayne .... Grizelda Harvey  
Peter Galino .... Robert Rietty  
From 1938 to 1969 the fictional crime novelist and detective Paul Temple, together with his Fleet Street journalist Steve, solved case-after-case in one of BBC radio's most popular series. They inhabited a sophisticated world of chilled cocktails and fast cars, where the women were chic and the men wore cravats - a world where Sir Graham Forbes, of Scotland Yard, usually needed Paul's help with his latest tricky case.  
Producer: Martyn C. Webster  
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in 1954.

**THU 07:00 Cleaning Up (b054t173)**  
4. Surprise  
Every night, as time is called and people are spat out onto the streets and squeezed into rides home to dream -tossed beds - others are hard at work. Teams of cleaners are in office spaces scrubbing, vaccuming and cleaning up. And right at the bottom of the food chain we find our gang - Spit n' Polish tackling the floors of a plush tower block in Manchester city centre.  
Written by Ian Kershaw and with a top hole Northern cast this is a funny, sometimes dark comedy about people who always get the fuzzy end of the lollipop. This four part series is about a group of people who are thrown together by their work and who take as much solace as they can from this.  
Julie treats Nita to a little surprise.  
Julie ..... Julie Hesmondhalgh  
Nobby ..... Paul Barber  
Dave ..... John Thompson  
Shiv ..... Lauren Socha  
Nita ..... Bhavna Limbachia  
Our Bri ..... Jack Deam  
Alex... Justin Moorhouse  
Written by Ian Kershaw  
Produced in Salford by Alison Vernon-Smith  
First broadcast on Radio 4 in 2015.

**THU 07:30 John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme (m000wsyb)**  
Series 9  
Episode 6  
The ninth series of John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme is very different to the previous eight. It's still written by John Finnemore, "one of our best sketch writers", (The Observer), and performed by him with "a great supporting cast of Margaret Cabourn-Smith, Simon Kane, Lawry Lewin and Carrie Quinlan" (The Telegraph), and there are still sketches and songs. But, with no live studio audience this year, John has taken the opportunity to try something completely new.  
John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme started in 2011 and quickly established itself as "One of the most consistently funny sketch shows for quite some time" (The Guardian), and "One of the funniest and most inventive new radio comedy shows of recent years" (The Daily Mail).  
Written by ... John Finnemore  
Newt ... John Finnemore  
Russ ... Lawry Lewin  
Deborah ... Margaret Cabourn-Smith  
Jerry ... Simon Kane  
Vanessa ... Carrie Quinlan  
Other parts played by the cast.  
Original music composed by ... Susannah Pearse  
Original music performed by ... Susannah Pearse and Sally Stares

Recorded and edited by ... Rich Evans at Synbox Post  
Production coordinator ... Beverly Tagg  
Producer ... Ed Morrish  
A BBC Studios Production  
**THU 08:00 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b011c1kn4)**  
Series 7  
Episode 8  
Fifth Division football - and Professor Prune goes on a Victorian adventure.  
Starring Tim Brooke-Taylor, John Cleese, Graeme Garden, David Hatch, Jo Kendall and Bill Oddie.  
Sketches written by Graeme Garden and Bill Oddie  
Originating from the Cambridge University Footlights revue 'Cambridge Circus', ISIRTA ran for 8 years on BBC Radio and quickly developed a cult following.  
Music and songs by Bill Oddie, Liam Cohen and Dave Lee.  
Producer: David Hatch/Peter Titheradge  
First broadcast on the BBC Radio 2 in March 1969.

**THU 08:30 The 27-Year Itch (b0b2ndmd)**  
You're Never Too Old to Stay at Home  
Dorothy and Edward visit Clacton to try and pep up their marriage.  
Dorothy and Edward Atkinson are Sidcup's premier warring couple with a marriage to challenge even the most determined of counsellors.  
Barry Pilton's marital mayhem sitcom stars Hugh Paddick as Edward and Betty Marsden as Dorothy.  
With Aubrey Woods and Nigel Lambert.  
After notching up multiple BBC radio series together of 'Beyond Our Ken' and 'Round the Home' - most memorably as aging juvenile Binkie Huckaback and Dame Celia Molestrangler - Hugh and Betty were reunited on-air, almost a decade later in 'The 27 Year Itch'.  
Producer: Geoffrey Perkins  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1978.

**THU 09:00 Who Goes There? (b064cy21)**  
Series 6  
Episode 4  
Martin Young presents the biographical quiz show.  
Team captains Francis Wheen and Fred Housego are joined by novelist Lynne Truss and biographer Anthony Holden.  
Producer: Elizabeth Freestone  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2002.

**THU 09:30 An Actor's Life for Me (b007r42w)**  
Series 1  
A Stiff Audition  
Young actor Robert Wilson is desperately seeking work.  
At last an audition comes up. He doesn't need to rigidly stick to the script - just be rigid.  
Sitcom by Paul Mayhew-Archer.  
Robert Wilson .... John Gordon Sinclair  
Desmond Shaw .... Gary Waldhorn  
Sue .... Caroline Quentin  
with Ron Pember, Jo Kendall, Joanna Mackie, Jonathan Kydd, Michael Graham Cox and Melinda Walker  
Producer: Paul Spencer  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in January 1989.

**THU 10:00 Abdication (b084d8cq)**  
1. The King's Matter  
Stanley Baldwin and Cosmo Lang are determined that Edward VIII will not turn back the clock and impose his will on the governance of England by marrying the American divorcee Wallis Simpson.  
If Edward and Mrs Simpson were to have their way, the Church of England would suffer disestablishment and the national government would collapse.  
In essence, this is the story of two men determined to persuade the King from a marriage they feel is not only unsuitable, but also wrong.  
Jim Broadbent stars as Stanley Baldwin, Hugh Ross as Cosmo Lang and Anthony Calf plays Edward VIII.  
Tomorrow, the story is told from the point of view of Wallis Simpson, as imagined from the memoirs of those based with her in the south of France at that time.  
Written by Christopher Lee  
Directed by Celia de Wolff  
A Pier production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in December 2016.

**THU 10:45 RK Narayan Stories (b01dbfnc)**  
Trail of the Green Blazer  
Over the cacophony of a bustling Indian market, pickpocket Raju is drawn to a man wearing a distinctive jacket.  
Taken from R.K. Narayan's short story collection 'Malgudi Day's', published in 1943.  
Read by Sam Dastor.  
Producer: Duncan Minshull  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1991.

**THU 11:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b08ltmty)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Sunday]

**THU 11:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b010y0r7)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 on Sunday]

**THU 12:00 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b011c1kn4)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

**THU 12:30 The 27-Year Itch (b0b2ndmd)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

**THU 13:00 Father Brown Stories (b007jp1b)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

**THU 13:30 Paul Temple (b00rm20y)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

**THU 14:00 Crime Down Under: The Dry by Jane Harper (b093blx2)**  
Episode 9  
A family has been brutally killed on their farm outside the small Australian country town of Kiewarra. It hasn't rained for two years, farms are failing and tensions in the community are running unbearably high. It seems that Luke Hadler reached snapping point, killed his wife and child and then committed suicide.  
When policeman Aaron Falk returns to his hometown for his old friend's funeral he wants to get away again as soon as possible. He certainly doesn't want to be reminded of the secret he and Luke shared twenty years earlier. But as he's unwillingly drawn into the investigation into the Hadler deaths, the past keeps getting in the way. Questions mount and suspicion spreads through the town, and Falk must face what's hidden in his own past to help him solve the secrets of the present.  
In this episode, a chance remark sets Falk onto the trail of the killer.  
Jane Harper is a journalist who moved from the UK to Australia in 2008. She lives in Melbourne and currently writes for the Herald Sun. She won the Victorian Premier's Literary Award for an Unpublished Manuscript in 2015, and The Dry is her first novel. It was named the Australian Book Industry Association's Book of the Year, and the Australian Independent Bookseller 2017 Indie Book of the Year.  
Read by Richard Goulding  
Abridged and produced by Sara Davies.  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2017.

**THU 14:15 Gregory Evans - Blood and Milk (b09d3r7v)**  
Series 3  
Episode 4  
Meg must take drastic action when her self-proclaimed half-brother, Bren Evans, increases his demands. Meanwhile the police suspect Meg may be involved in the murder of gangster Moses Lipski.  
Meg ..... Bettrys Jones  
Samuel ..... David Horovitch  
Dora Lipski ..... Chetna Pandya  
Fred Wensley ..... Samuel James  
Brenig Evans ..... David Sturzaker  
Iolo Jones ..... Philip Fox  
Asher ..... Simon Ludders  
by Gregory Evans  
Directed by Marc Beeby  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2017.

**THU 14:30 The Best of Everything (b011j156)**  
The Best of Everything was written by Rona Jaffe in 1958 and became an instant best seller. It was a novel about the travails of four working girls in the early 50s.  
The book was devoured by the Mad Men generation of women entering the world of work for the first time. They worked in publishing houses and for advertising agencies. They dreamed of leaving the typing pool behind and rising to the rank of copyist or editor. Jaffe crystallized the contradictions of this generation: ambitious and independent, yet constrained by their own traditional notions of femininity - desperate to marry, not to be left on the shelf, yet yearning for opportunity and independence.  
Jaffe's heroines reflected the real lives of these proto feminist American women.  
This programme looks at the importance of the 'Best of Everything' - reissued after Mad Men's lotharia Don Draper was spotted reading it in bed. Why did it speak so clearly to this generation? What of Jaffe herself - she never married - rejecting the road that so repulsed, yet beguiled her heroines.  
The Best of Everything is presented by the writer Vivien Goldman, who read the book as a girl in England.  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2012.

**THU 15:00 Abdication (b084d8cq)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

**THU 15:45 RK Narayan Stories (b01dbfnc)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 today]

**THU 16:00 Who Goes There? (b064cy21)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

**THU 16:30 An Actor's Life for Me (b007r42w)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

**THU 17:00 Cleaning Up (b054t173)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

**THU 17:30 John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme (m000wsyb)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

**THU 18:00 James Follett - Earthsearch (b007j1bs)**  
Earthsearch 1  
4. The Solaric Empire  
Searching for Earth - which has mysteriously vanished from the solar system - two of the crew of the starship Challenger have landed on neighbouring planet, Kyros.  
At first it appears to be uninhabited, but Astra and Darv soon discover otherwise...  
James Follett's ten-part adventure serial in time and space.  
CAST:  
Commander Telson .... Sean Arnold  
Sharna .... Amanda Murray  
Astra .... Kathryn Hurlbutt  
Darv .... Haydn Wood  
Angel One .... Sonia Fraser  
Angel Two .... Gordon Reid  
Thale .... Graham Faulkner

Helan .... Judy Franklin  
 Thorden .... John Bott  
 Spegal .... Stephen Garrick  
 Director: Glyn Dearman  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1981.  
**THU 18:30 Great Lives (b085ttcd)**  
 Series 41  
 Ruth Holdaway on Helen Rollason  
 Ruth Holdaway, the Chief Executive of Women in Sport picks the sports broadcaster Helen Rollason who in 1990 became the first woman to present Grandstand.  
 Helen Rollason trained as a teacher, but after stints in community and local radio moved to the BBC to report for and later present the children's News programme 'Newsround'. She kept her hand in with sport and made history in 1990 when she was appointed as the first female presenter of the BBC's flagship sports programme 'Grandstand'. Sport was largely a male-dominated world at the time and there were plenty both inside and outside the Corporation who would have happily have seen her fail.  
 John Caunt who helped Helen write her autobiography joins the discussion, and there are contributions from Clare Balding, James Pearce and Deb Crook.  
 Producer: Toby Field  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2016.  
**THU 19:00 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b011ckn4)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]  
**THU 19:30 The 27-Year Itch (b0b2ndmd)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]  
**THU 20:00 Father Brown Stories (b007jp1b)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]  
**THU 20:30 Paul Temple (b00rm20y)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]  
**THU 21:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b08lmtyt)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Sunday]  
**THU 21:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b010y0r7)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 on Sunday]  
**THU 22:00 John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme (m000wsyb)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]  
**THU 22:30 Political Animals (b011v38q)**  
 Series 1  
 Wilberforce  
 Wilberforce, Chief Mouser to the Cabinet Office 1973-1987, reflects on his life with Margaret Thatcher.  
 The first in a series of four scurrilous talks given by well-known, if unreliable, Downing Street cats, who relate their trials and tribulations under four different Prime Ministers.  
 Starring Clive Swift.  
 Written by Tony Bagley.  
 Director: Marc Beaby  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2012.  
**THU 22:45 Brian Appleton's History of Rock 'n' Roll (b00fw3yp)**  
 My Turn to Be Poorly  
 The Brummie musicologist reveals the impact of so many rock legends dying at the age of 27. Stars Graham Fellows. From October 2001.  
**THU 23:00 The In Crowd (b06ds1y8)**  
 Series 4  
 Episode 4  
 Memory issues and is Mary really Mary? Manchester sketch show with Kate Ward, Smug Roberts and Robin Ince. From June 2004.  
**THU 23:30 Absolute Power (b007xwmc)**  
 Series 3  
 Episode 2  
 Can Prentiss and McCabe's medicine help the government sort out the NHS?  
 A swipe at the cults of celebrity and spin, Absolute Power centres around the PR agency, Prentiss McCabe, a company set up by a couple of ex-BBC, long-term staffers. The partners spin news stories to benefit their invariably loathsome clients.  
 CAST:  
 Charles Prentiss .... Stephen Fry  
 Martin McCabe .... John Bird  
 Sir Archibald Sullivan .... Tony Gardner  
 Sandy .... Siobhan Hayes  
 Clive .... Tom George  
 Maurice .... David Timson  
 Written by Mark Tavener.  
 Producer: Dawn Ellis  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2002.

## FRIDAY 18 JUNE 2021

**FRI 00:00 James Follett - Earthsearch (b007jibs)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Thursday]  
**FRI 00:30 Great Lives (b085ttcd)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Thursday]  
**FRI 01:00 Father Brown Stories (b007jp1b)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Thursday]  
**FRI 01:30 Paul Temple (b00rm20y)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Thursday]  
**FRI 02:00 Crime Down Under: The Dry by Jane Harper (b093b1x2)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Thursday]  
**FRI 02:15 Gregory Evans - Blood and Milk (b09d3r7v)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Thursday]  
**FRI 02:30 The Best of Everything (b011j56)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Thursday]  
**FRI 03:00 Abdication (b084d8cq)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Thursday]  
**FRI 03:45 RK Narayan Stories (b01dbfnc)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 on Thursday]  
**FRI 04:00 Who Goes There? (b064cy21)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Thursday]  
**FRI 04:30 An Actor's Life for Me (b007r42w)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Thursday]  
**FRI 05:00 Cleaning Up (b054t173)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Thursday]  
**FRI 05:30 John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme (m000wsyb)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Thursday]  
**FRI 06:00 Father Brown Stories (b00y25xk)**  
 Series 1  
 2. The Queer Feet  
 Death in a small hotel. Who stole the silver fish service? How many waiters are there? And how did all this lead to a glimmer of repentance?  
 Series of GK Chesterton's stories about the insightful clerical sleuth dramatised by John Scotney.  
 Starring Andrew Sachs as Father Brown and Olivier Pierre as Flambeau.  
 With Matt Brenner as the Colonel, Christopher Scott as Duke, Kerry Shale as Hector, David Graeme as Lever, Arnold Diamond as Giovanni, Robin Summers as Jean-Pierre, David Sinclair as the Doctor and Alan Thompson as Audley.  
 Directed at BBC Bristol by Alec Reid.  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1984  
**FRI 06:30 Paul Temple (b00rm4xk)**  
 Paul Temple and the Gilbert Case  
 4. La Mortella  
 Hot on the heels of a tip from Peter Galino, the debonair sleuth and wife Steve head to London's La Mortella club to hunt down clues.  
 Another intriguing case for BBC Radio's smoothest investigator and his glamorous wife written by Francis Durbridge.  
 CAST:  
 Paul Temple .... Peter Coke  
 Steve .... Marjorie Westwood  
 Charlie .... James Beattie  
 Sir Graham Forbes .... Lester Mudditt  
 Lynne Ferguson .... Peggy Hassard  
 Lance Reynolds .... Richard Williams  
 Louis Fabian .... Olaf Olsen  
 Waiter .... Arthur Lawrence  
 From 1938 to 1969 the fictional crime novelist and detective Paul Temple, together with his Fleet Street journalist Steve, solved case-after-case in one of BBC radio's most popular series. They inhabited a sophisticated world of chilled cocktails and fast cars, where the women were chic and the men wore cravats - a world where Sir Graham Forbes, of Scotland Yard, usually needed Paul's help with his latest tricky case.  
 Producer: Martyn C. Webster  
 First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in 1954.  
**FRI 07:00 Fags, Mags and Bags (b0bfywp)**  
 Series 8  
 The Rubington's Doobrey 9000  
 The hit series returns for an eighth series with more shop based shenanigans and over the counter philosophy, courtesy of Ramesh Mahju and his trusty sidekick Dave. Written by and starring Donald Mcleary and Sanjeev Kohli.  
 Set in a Scots-Asian corner shop, the award winning Fags, Mags and Bags sees a return of all the shop regular characters, and some guest appearances along the way, from the likes of Moray Hunter, Lorraine McIntosh & Mina Amwar.  
 In this episode, Ramesh gets his fiancé Malcolm jealous when it's revealed that the Cash and Carry promotions manager, Helena (played by Lorraine McIntosh), fancies him.  
 Join the staff of Fags, Mags and Bags in their tireless quest to bring nice-price custard creams and cans of coke with Arabic writing on them to an ungrateful nation. Ramesh Mahju has built it up over the course of over 30 years and is a firmly entrenched, friendly presence in the local area. He is joined by his shop sidekick, Dave.  
 Then of course there are Ramesh's sons Sanjay and Alok, both surly and not particularly keen on the old school approach to shopkeeping, but natural successors to the business. Ramesh is keen to pass all his worldly wisdom onto them - whether they like it or not!  
 Producer: Gus Beattie for Gusman Productions.  
 A Comedy Unit production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in August 2018.  
**FRI 07:30 The Confessional (m000wxy7)**  
 Series 1  
 The Confession of Nigel Planer  
 Actor and broadcaster Stephen Mangan presents a comedy chat show about shame and guilt.  
 Each week Stephen invites a different eminent guest into his virtual confessional box to make three 'confessions'. This is a cue for some remarkable storytelling, and surprising insights.  
 We're used to hearing celebrity interviews, where stars are persuaded to show off about their achievements and talk about their proudest moments. Stephen's not interested in that. He doesn't want to know what his guests are proud of, he wants to know what they're ashamed of. That's surely the way to find out

what really makes a person tick. Stephen and his guest reflect with empathy and humour on why we get embarrassed, where our shame thresholds should be, and the value of guilt.  
 In this edition, Nigel Planer - writer, actor and one of the original 'alternative comedians', co-founder of The Comic Strip - wrestles with three episodes from his life that have been plaguing his conscience for decades.  
 Other guests in this series include Ciarad Lloyd, Dr Phil Hammond, Clarke Peters, Suzi Ruffell, Marian Keyes, Phil Wang, Joan Bakewell, Lucy Porter and Alastair Campbell.  
 Written and presented by Stephen Mangan  
 With extra material by Nick Doody  
 Devised with Dave Anderson  
 Produced by Frank Stirling  
 A 7digital production for BBC Radio 4  
**FRI 08:00 Dad's Army (b007jm92)**  
 Series 1  
 Sorry Wrong Number  
 A downed German plane sees the Home Guard platoon attempting to employ Captain Mainwaring's phone box drill... Six years after legendary sitcom Dad's Army started on BBC TV, these specially adapted radio versions began recording with the original cast.  
 Starring Arthur Lowe as Captain Mainwaring, John Le Mesurier as Sergeant Wilson, Clive Dunn as Corporal Jones, Ian Lavender as Private Pike, John Laurie as Private Frazer, Graham Stark as Private Walker, Bill Pertwee as the ARP Warden, Pearl Hackney as Mrs Pike, Avril Angers as the Telephoneist and John Forrest as the Lieutenant. With John Snagge as the announcer.  
 Adapted from Jimmy Perry and David Croft's original BBC TV scripts by Michael Knowles and Harold Snoad.  
 Producer: John Dyas  
 First broadcast on the BBC Radio 4 in May 1974.  
**FRI 08:30 Semi Circles (b0962xzw)**  
 Series 1  
 A Bit on the Side  
 What is the connection between Bagpuss as Beethoven's Fifth and what does it have to do with the Controller of BBC1?  
 Ben and Helen wonder if they're missing out on adventures beyond the marital bed.  
 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  
 Nigel ..... James Griffiths  
 Blythe ..... Bryan Coleman  
 Linda ..... Jill Lidstone  
 Producer: Pete Atkin  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1982.  
**FRI 09:00 Counterpoint (b00sj69z)**  
 Series 24  
 2010 Semi-final 2  
 Three contestants who have won their respective heats return to face Paul Gambaccini's questions on all aspects of music, in the second semi-final of the 2010 competition.  
 As ever, there'll be a wide selection of musical extracts to suit all tastes. One contestant will win a place in the Final in a fortnight's time.  
 Producer Paul Bajoria  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2010.  
**FRI 09:30 To the Manor Born (b007jpwz)**  
 The Rhythms of the Earth  
 Audrey fforbes-Hamilton must educate the new squire into the ways of the Lord of the Manor.  
 CAST:  
 Audrey fforbes-Hamilton .... Penelope Keith  
 Richard DeVere .... Keith Barron  
 Marjory Frobisher .... Angela Thorne  
 Brabinger .... Nicholas McArdle  
 Mrs Polouovicka .... Margery Withers  
 Ned .... Frank Middlemass  
 The tale of lady of the manor Audrey fforbes-Hamilton, forced to sell her beloved Grantleigh Estate when her husband's death leaves her financially strapped. With butler Brabinger in tow, they've decamped to the tiny Old Lodge cottage.  
 From this vantage point, Audrey keeps a close and disapproving eye on the estate's new owner, the nouveau-riche Richard DeVere, a wholesale foods magnate of Czech descent.  
 First piloted on radio and then whisked off to TV before it ever appeared, before finally arriving home in 1997.  
 Adapted for radio by Peter Spence from his TV script.  
 Producer: Jane Berthoud  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in January 1997.  
**FRI 10:00 Abdication (b085g2tq)**  
 2. The Crisis of Wallis Simpson  
 Another take on a well known piece of British history, Wallis Simpson's view of the abdication crisis as imagined from memoirs of those involved between December 4th and December 12th 1936 and based with her in the south of France at that time.  
 With a clearer mind, having fled to France to escape the publicity and press intrusion surrounding her impending marriage to Edward VIII, Wallis Simpson tries to persuade the King not to abdicate and convince him they can continue their

relationship without the need to marry.

Written by Nicola Baldwin

Directed by Celia de Wolff

A Pier production for Radio 4, first broadcast in December 2016.

**FRI 10:45 RK Narayan Stories (b01dbqjv)**

Father's Help

Swami is the pupil. Samuel is the teacher. A classroom battle is about to start. Read by Zia Moheyeddin.

**FRI 11:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m0008jwm)**

Plant podcasts with Frances Tophill

From September 2019, Frances Tophill of Gardeners' World and producer Clara Nissen get out into the garden to dig up some fascinating - and surprising - podcasts about plants. Plus, Charlotte Petts on her award-winning show 'Growing Wild', and Jane Perrone on her indoor gardening podcast 'On the Ledge'.

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**FRI 13:00 Father Brown Stories (b00y25xk)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

**FRI 13:30 Paul Temple (b00rm4xk)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

**FRI 14:00 Crime Down Under: The Dry by Jane Harper (b093hf97)**

Episode 10

A family has been brutally killed on their farm outside the small Australian country town of Kiewarra. It hasn't rained for two years, farms are failing and tensions in the community are running unbearably high. It seems that Luke Hadler reached snapping point, killed his wife and child and then committed suicide.

When policeman Aaron Falk returns to his hometown for his old friend's funeral he wants to get away again as soon as possible. He certainly doesn't want to be reminded of the secret he and Luke shared twenty years earlier. But as he's unwillingly drawn into the investigation into the Hadler deaths, the past keeps getting in the way. Questions mount and suspicion spreads through the town, and Falk must face what's hidden in his own past to help him solve the secrets of the present. 10/10: Falk and Raco confront the killer, and the threat of tragedy.

Crime Down Under showcases some of the best crime fiction from contemporary Australia.

Jane Harper is a journalist who moved from the UK to Australia in 2008. She lives in Melbourne and currently writes for the Herald Sun. She won the Victorian Premier's Literary Award for an Unpublished Manuscript in 2015, and The Dry is her first novel. It was named the Australian Book Industry Association's Book of the Year, and the Australian Independent Bookseller 2017 Indie Book of the Year.

Read by Richard Goulding

Abridged and produced by Sara Davies.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2017.

**FRI 14:15 Gregory Evans - Blood and Milk (b09d43ws)**

Series 3

Episode 5

Having revealed Bren Evans to be a fraud, Megan must now tackle her real enemy. Samuel, meanwhile, is forced to reveal some surprising secrets of his own.

Meg ..... Bettrys Jones

Samuel ..... David Horovitch

Dora Lipski ..... Chetna Pandya

Fred Wensley ..... Samuel James

Iolo Jones ..... Philip Fox

Asher ..... Simon Ludders

Hettie Goldstein ..... Julie Teal

by Gregory Evans

Directed by Marc Beeby

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2017.

**FRI 14:30 Melencolia (b044gp6c)**

Albrecht Durer was the Steve Jobs of his day. Master engraver, painter and unafraid of mixing creativity with a keen eye for business. He was well regarded in his own lifetime and acknowledged as the most important artist of the Northern Renaissance. Among his many works, it's his master print Melencolia I which is the most written about and which continues to intrigue those who look at it. Created in 1514, it has perplexed and inspired some of the greatest minds in history. The print adorned the studies of both Sigmund Freud and Albert Einstein.

Art historian Dr. Janina Ramirez is fascinated by this work and the secrets it contains from the brooding angel to the magic square. In this programme she's on a quest to find out if it's possible to decode this intricate engraving. She sees a couple of prints at the British Museum with Giulia Bartrum and Dora Thornton. We hear how the work inspired composer, Sir Harrison Birtwistle to compose his Melencolia I for his friend, the clarinettist, Alan Hacker. Janina lectures her students on the work and hears their initial response to the symbols and she meets former art student, David Lol Perry who had the print on his wall and became mesmerised by it.

Writer and art historian, Patrick Doory, author of The Truth about Art sheds light on the print and suggests that in order to truly understand it, you also need to know your Plato.

Join Janina on her quest to decode Durer.

Producer: Sarah Taylor

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014.

**FRI 15:00 Abdication (b085g2tq)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

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**FRI 17:30 The Confessional (m000wyx7)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

**FRI 18:00 James Follett - Earthsearch (b007s19b)**

Earthsearch I

5. The Pools of Time

Darv and Astra, two of the starship's crew, are in grave danger after being taken prisoner by the inhabitants of Zeldia 5. Their crewmates Telson and Sharma are in hot pursuit aboard the Challenger...

James Follett's ten-part adventure serial in time and space.

CAST:

Commander Telson .... Sean Arnold

Sharna .... Amanda Murray

Astra .... Kathryn Hurlbutt

Darv .... Haydn Wood

Angel One .... Sonia Fraser

Angel Two .... Gordon Reid

Helan .... Judy Franklin

Thorden .... John Bott

Spegal .... Stephen Garlick

Custodian of the Past .... Eve Karpf

Old Man .... Godfrey Kenton

Director: Glyn Dearman

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1981.

**FRI 18:30 Off the Page (b00svndm)**

Lost

Provocative and thoughtful new writing and discussion, presented by Dominic Arkwright.

British backpacker, Jamie Neale, was given up for dead when he was lost for two weeks in the Australian bush last year. He joins Louise Doughty and Hugh Thomson as all three write about and share their experiences of being Lost.

Produced by Beatrice Fenton.

**FRI 19:00 Dad's Army (b007jm92)**

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[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

**FRI 21:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m0008jwm)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

**FRI 22:00 The Confessional (m000wyx7)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

**FRI 22:30 Seekers (b05wyrqg)**

Series 2

So What Did I Miss?

Stuart is back from America, and there's been big changes at the Essex job centre while he's been away.

Series 2 of the job seeking sitcom starring Mathew Horne,

Daniel Mays, Tony Way and Zahra Ahmadi.

Stuart ----- Mathew Horne

Joseph ----- Daniel Mays

Terry ----- Tony Way

Nicola ----- Zahra Ahmadi

Vanessa ----- Natalie Walter

Gary Probert ----- Steve Oram

Ralph ----- Ian Conningham

Mr Thompson ----- Sam Dale

Written by Steve Burge.

Producer: Victoria Lloyd

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2015.

**FRI 23:00 Sounding Off with McGough (b007jlbw)**

Episode 1

Roger McGough looks at life, love, happiness, heroes, villains and embarrassing relations.

Poetic reflections on the business of poetry, to the accompaniment of long-time musical collaborator Andy Roberts.

Recorded in Bath.

Producer: Sara Davies

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2000.

**FRI 23:15 The Shuttleworths (b01mrf0)**

Series 4

Cough in the Loft

Singer/songwriter John Shuttleworth complete with an electronic keyboard.

Episode 1: A Cough in the Loft

Mary is busy having a clear-out and asks John to put some things in the loft for storage. Whilst up there he hears an old digital watch beeping and so, armed with cheese and piccalilli sandwiches for fortification, he decides to sit in and wait until it bleeps once more in a quest to find it.

Written and performed by Graham Fellows

Produced by Dawn Ellis

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2003.

**FRI 23:30 Party (b011vg9k)**

Series 2

Prison Ain't All That Bad

The student politicians of the new political Party use prison-based TV shows as inspiration for forming their policy on crime and punishment.

Second series of Tom Basden's satirical comedy.

Simon ..... Tom Basden

Duncan ..... Tim Key

Jared ..... Jonny Sweet

Mel ..... Ann Crilly

Phoebe ..... Katy Wix

Producer: Julia McKenzie

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2011.