

SATURDAY 14 JANUARY 2023

SAT 00:00 Doctor Who (m001gx3)

The War Doctor

5. A Thing of Guile

The Daleks are developing a secret weapon on Asteroid Theta 12. It is imperative that their plans are uncovered.

Cardinal Ollistra has her hands full studying the range of ancient and mysterious armaments the universe has to offer, but she makes it a personal mission to investigate the Dalek project.

On this dangerous assignment, there is one particular Time Lord she wants at her side - and he will be accompanying her whether he wants to or not.

John Hurt stars as The War Doctor.

Written by Phil Mulryne.

The War Doctor John Hurt

Cardinal Ollistra Jacqueline Pearce

Co-ordinator Jarad Jamie Newall

Captain Solex Robert Hands

Commander Trelon Oliver Dimsdale

Navigator Valis Laura Harding

The Daleks voiced by Nicholas Briggs

Original music written by Howard Carter.

Artwork by Tom Webster

Director: Nicholas Briggs

A Big Finish production.

SAT 01:00 There Are Such Things (m001gxdq)

Darkly imaginative exploration of the life and career of Bela

Lugosi, one of the cinema's great 'Kings of Horror'.

A war veteran and an established classical stage actor in his

native Hungary before he came to Hollywood to be chewed up

and spat out by the movie moguls, Lugosi spent his troubled life

fleeing his most famous creation, Count Dracula.

Written by Mark McDonnell and Steven McNicoll.

Performed by:

Mark McDonnell

Steven McNicoll

Julia Duncanson

Gavin Mitchell

Director Patrick Rayner

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2001.

SAT 02:00 The Rivals (b03c482b)

Series 2

4. Max Carrados: The Game Played in the Dark

Inspector Lestrade was made to look a fool in the Sherlock

Holmes stories.

Now he has a chance to get his own back, with more tales of

Holmes' rivals.

He concludes this series with the blind detective Max Carrados

who tries to stop international master criminal Fane from selling

compromising letters which could derail an upcoming royal

wedding.

Starring Tim Pigott-Smith and Charles Edwards.

Written by Ernest Bramah.

Dramatised By Chris Harrald.

Lestrade Tim Pigott-Smith

Max Carrados Charles Edwards

Fane John Sessions

Parkinson Michael Bertenshaw

Maria Joanna Brookes

Carver Ben Crowe

Producer: Liz Webb.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2013.

SAT 02:30 Inspector Grant - The Singing Sands (b009hp59)

4. The Holiday Ends

Inspector Alan Grant returns to London determined to clear up

the mystery over the death of Bill Kenrick.

Josephine Tey's detective mystery.

Abridged by Sian Preece.

Concluded by Paul Young.

Producer: Eilidh McCreadie

Made by BBC Scotland for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in

March 2008.

SAT 03:00 Machines Like Me by Ian McEwan (m0004sdn)

Episode 10

Despite revelations concerning Miranda's case and Charlie's

moments of anguish, love conquers all and they will marry.

They also hope to care for young Mark. And Adam the

synthetic human has been 'dealt with' too, and put to rest in a

safe place.

Ian McEwan's novel reimagines life and times in the 1980s.

Concluded by Anton Lesser.

Abridged by Penny Leicester.

Producer: Duncan Minshull

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2019.

SAT 03:15 Talking About Jane Austen in Baghdad (b013ptf6)

5. A House in Chawton

May's name has appeared on a terrorist death list. She and her

husband Ali are desperate to escape from Iraq.

Bee, a British journalist, has managed to arrange a university

place for May, but to get to Britain they must first get to Jordan.

At the last moment Ali's Jordanian visa is refused.

May resolves to go by herself to Jordan and sort out the

problem.

The story of BBC journalist Bee Rowlatt's email friendship

with Iraq-based academic, May Witwit.

Dramatised by John Fletcher.

May Souad Faress

Bee Fenella Woolgar

Ali Zubin Varla

Justin Stephen Hogan

Eva/Ayasha Deeviya Meir

Militia Man/Official/Minister Peter Polycarpou

Newsnight director Jonathan Forbes

Lawyer/Octavia Elaine Claxton

Director: Peter Kavanagh

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2011

SAT 03:30 Ellie Taylor's Safe Space (m000ynbb)

Series 2

Exercise

Ellie Taylor welcomes you to "Safe Space", a place where

anyone can offload their controversial opinions without fear of

judgment.

She talks to members of the public about their gripes and

dislikes.

She's never liked exercise and sets out to convince her studio

audience they should avoid it too.

Joining Ella to prove her point is regular sidekick Robin

Morgan

With special guest: TV's Mr Motivator, fitness fan and bumbag

aficionado - we hear his views on the virtues of moving about a

bit.

Written by Ellie Taylor and Robin Morgan

Produced by Sam Michell

A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in

August 2021.

SAT 04:00 Parsley Sidings (b01pcz6r)

Series 1

Cricket, Lovely Cricket

Station Master Horace Hepplewhite steps up to the crease in his

battle to save his station from closure.

Starring Arthur Lowe and Ian Lavender.

Jim Eldridge's eponymous series is set in a sleepy railway

station.

Horace Hepplewhite ... Arthur Lowe

Bert Hepplewhite Ian Lavender

Percy Valentine Kenneth Connor

Gloria Simpkins Liz Fraser

Mr Bun the Inspector Ronald Baddiley

Re-created Announcements by Keith Skues.

Producer: Edward Taylor

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in January 1972.

SAT 04:30 Bristow (b007vgv7)

Series 3

Chapter and Verse

As the Chester-Perry clerk writes for the house journal, he

learns the meaning of poetic justice.

Starring Michael Williams.

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 Brenman

Miss Sunman Katy Odey

Fudge Jon Glover

Postboy Simon Schatzberger

Hickford Roger Lloyd Pack

Liftboy Ian Kelland

Music: John Whitehall

Producer: Neil Cargill

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2000.

SAT 05:00 The Museum of Curiosity (m000mbly)

Series 15

Episode 1

Professor of Ignorance John Lloyd and his curator Alice Levine

welcome:

* Writer and presenter Danny Wallace

* Broadcaster and tech expert Georgia Lewis Anderson

* Agatha Christie's great-grandson and CEO of Agatha Christie

Ltd James Prichard

The Museum's Guest Committee donate a giant balloon, a

mobile phone inside a crystal ball and Agatha Christie's

favourite mug.

Researchers: Mike Turner and Anne Miller of QI.

Producers: Victoria Lloyd and Anne Miller.

A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in

September 2020.

SAT 05:30 Millport (b0076bfv)

Series 3

Wild Rover

The Cumbrae Club is up and running and the islanders are

already arguing over how it should be run.

Meanwhile back at Bruce House, Moira is in hysterics over her

missing pet pooch.

But will Irene risk missing the ferry and losing her job to help

her unhappy sister?

Bittersweet comedy written by and starring Lynn Ferguson.

Barmaid Irene Bruce is 30-something and hankering after a

better life on the mainland.

Irene Lynn Ferguson

Moira/Agnes Janet Brown

Alberto/Dr Hume/Ferryman/Robert the Dog /Morris Lewis

McLeod

Ena/Bunty Gabriel Quigley

Minister/Bob Robert Patterson

Dougie Kenneth Bryans

Producer: Lucy Bacon

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2002.

SAT 06:00 Peter Tinniswood (b01bl25p)

A Touch of Daniel

Young Carter Brandon struggles for love in a world preoccupied

with Cheshire cheese, individual trifles, dominoes, outbreaks of

wireworm and vests.

Strong women fight grimly to maintain their hold on a

traditionally matriarchal society and where the only person who

really understands Carter is his cousin - the baby Daniel.

Peter Tinniswood's Northern drama about the Brandon family.

Carter Brandon Christian Rodska

Pat Stephanie Turner

Mrs Brandon Liz Smith

Mr Brandon Graham Roberts

Uncle Mort George A Cooper

Auntie Lil Eileen Derbyshire

Mrs Partington Daphne Oxenford

Uncle Stavelly Geoffrey Banks

Jessie Lewis Fiona Walker

Linda Preston Sharon Duce

Daniel Judy Bennett

Sid Skelhorn Peter Wheeler

Directed at BBC Manchester by Tony Cliff.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1977.

SAT 07:30 The Mirror and the Light by Hilary Mantel (m000h0qn)

Episode 3

After Henry's disastrous decision to surprise his new bride,

Anne of Cleves, relations are delicate. Henry wants rid of Anne.

But Cromwell fears this will mean the end of the alliance with

Germany...

Anton Lesser concludes the long-awaited finale to Hilary

Mantel's Booker-winning Thomas Cromwell series.

Last of three omnibuses of five episodes abridged by Katrin

Williams.

Producer: Justine Willett

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2020.

SAT 08:45 Uncle Mort's North Country (b007jl4w)

Series 1

Par for the Course

Carter Brandon gets a week off work, so he decides to go on

day-trips in his car, with his Uncle Mort, 'where the fancy takes

them'.

Peter Tinniswood's continuing tales of Carter Brandon and his

curmudgeonly uncle.

Uncle Mort and his Yorkshire based family first appeared in

Tinniswood's novel 'A Touch Of Daniel'.

In addition to radio adaptations, this earned them a run of four

BBC TV series of 'I Didn't Know You Cared' from 1975 to

1979.

Uncle Mort Stephen Thorne

Carter Brandon Peter Skellern

The Landlord John Samson

Ambulance Man Steve Hodson

Narrator Christian Rodska

Producer: Pete Atkin.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1987.

SAT 09:00 Life With The Lyons (m001h41h)

An Oliver Twist

Young Barbara has finally found love, but what will her parents

think?

Sitcom with a real-life American family - starring Bebe Daniels

and Ben Lyon.

Joined by their children Barbara and Richard, the series ran for

260 episodes from 1950 to 1961.

With

Barbara Lyon

Richard Lyon

Horace Percival

Doris Rogers

Molly Weir

Hugh Morton

David Oxley

And Vic Oliver

Written by Bebe Daniels, Bob Block and Ronnie Hanbury.

Incidental music by Arthur Wilkinson. The BBC Variety

Orchestra are conducted by Paul Fenoulhet.

Producer: Tom Ronald

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in March 1954.

SAT 09:30 Stiff Upper Lip, Jeeves (b007jqnr)

Game, Set and Match to Jeeves

Bertie Wooster's in a mess - can his valet Jeeves save his bacon?

PG Wodehouse romp starring Michael Hordern and Richard

Briers.

Adapted by Richard Osborne.

Jeeves Michael Hordern

Bertie Wooster Richard Briers

Lord Sidcup.....Paul Edlington

Sir Watkyn Basset.....John Le Mesurier

Stiff Bing.....Denise Coffey

Major Plank.....Ronald Fraser

Madeline Basset.....Aimi MacDonald

Reverend Harold Pinker Douglas Blackwell

Constable.....Graham Faulkner

Producer: David Hatch

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1981.

SAT 10:00 Archive on 4 (b0381jzt)

Ivor Cutler at 90

The deceptively quiet wordsmith was born on 15th January 1923 near the Rangers ground at Ibrox Park in Glasgow.

"I have a harmonium and it's going to explode in two minutes", were the opening words spoken on BBC Radio 1's Andy Kershaw Show in 1980 by a gentle voiced Scotsman called Ivor Cutler.

Championed by everyone from the Beatles to Billy Connolly, Ivor Cutler was a poet, humourist and absurdist whose appearances on BBC radio and TV span over 5 decades. As well as producing a vast body of records, books and plays, Ivor was a notable eccentric, often seen cycling around London in plus fours, handing out homemade stickers and badges to strangers. To mark what would have been Ivor's 90th birthday in 2013, BBC Radio 4 held a 'party', to celebrate his life and BBC archive in particular, with a full house, with performers, fans, collaborators and even his long-term partner, Phyllis King, introducing their favourite poems, songs and memories of Ivor. Weirdness from the archives, pleasure for fans, and a singular introduction to those encountering him for the very first time. Highlights include Bramwell and King re-enacting a morse code performance of "The Little Black Buzzer".

Presenter David Bramwell is a writer and musician. He is the founder of the "Catalyst Club"; a place for enthusiasts to speak on any subject close to their heart. Ivor Cutler is a subject close to his, having kept correspondence with him in the 1980's. Ivor died aged 83 in 2006.

Producer: Sara Jane Hall

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2013.

SAT 11:00 Peter Tinniswood (b01bl25p)
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SAT 14:30 Stiff Upper Lip, Jeeves (b007jqnr)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

SAT 15:00 Archive on 4 (b0381jzt)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

SAT 16:00 Doctor Who (m001gxf3)
[Repeat of broadcast at 00:00 today]

SAT 17:00 Peter Tinniswood (b01bl25p)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SAT 18:30 The Mirror and the Light by Hilary Mantel (Omnibus) (m000h0qn)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

SAT 19:45 Uncle Mort's North Country (b007j14w)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 today]

SAT 20:00 Life With The Lyons (m001h41h)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SAT 20:30 Stiff Upper Lip, Jeeves (b007jqnr)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

SAT 21:00 Archive on 4 (b0381jzt)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

SAT 22:00 John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme (b01nbrjc)

Series 2
Episode 6

John Finnemore with another sketch-packed show. This episode starts by going to the dogs and ends with what is surely the oldest hymn in the world.

Written by and starring John Finnemore.

With:
Margaret Cabourn-Smith
Carrie Quinlan
Lawry Lewin
Simon Kane
Producer: Ed Morrish
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2012.

SAT 22:30 Britain in Bits with Ross Noble (m00017p)

Series 1
Episode 4

Ross Noble's surreal magazine show featuring celebrity guests and stories from around Britain - the best bits, the worst bits, the fascinating bits and the downright strange bits.

Journalist and broadcaster Kirsty Wark joins Ross in the studio. Piers meets a protest singer who's found a niche for himself and the team investigates the take of the Sinister Stuffer of Manchester.

Written by and starring Ross Noble.

With:
Hadley Fraser
George Fournaces
Emma Sidi
Producer: Matt Stronge

A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in November 2018.

SAT 23:00 Vent (b00sy275)

Series 1
Don't Bet on It

As Ben lies on a ventilator in hospital, Mary and Mum put the racing on to try to bring him out of his coma.

It doesn't work, but Ben does somehow seem to have developed a knack for predicting the winners, if only he could think of a way of telling anyone.

Meanwhile John Dee, Queen Elizabeth I's own fortune teller, appears in Ben's brain, with some unhelpful observations about

what the future might hold.

Starring Neil Pearson.

Nigel Smith's dark sitcom about a man in a coma, travelling through the distinctly odd landscape of his own unconscious mind.

Ben Neil Pearson
Mary Fiona Allen
Mum Josie Lawrence
Blitzkrieg Leslie Ash

With:
Mark Perry
Dave Lamb
Jo Martin
Giles New
Hils Barker
David Mitchell

Producer: Gareth Edwards

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2006.

SAT 23:30 Old Harry's Game (b00b9nzb)

Series 4
Knowledge and Ignorance

Satan thinks humans can't handle knowledge, but the professor thinks they can.

Andy Hamilton's devilishly funny sitcom set in Hell.

Satan Andy Hamilton
The Professor James Grout
Thomas Jimmy Mulville
Scumspawn Robert Duncan

Other characters played by:
Felicity Montagu
Philip Pope
Nigel Pegram
Michael Fenton Stevens

Producer: Paul Mayhew-Archer

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2001.

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SUN 00:00 Simon Bovey - Hive Mind (b00t1wcn)
Spring in 2019 is not the riot of colour it used to be. The honeybee is now officially extinct.

Farmer Sam Clark struggles to raise a crop worth a damn. But man has adapted.

Every spring an army of migrant workers, led by foreman Amra Walczak, descends on Sam's farm to pollinate by hand. It is a laborious process but it works. This spring, however, science offers a new solution, Honeybots, tiny robots that are effectively crawling bees, and Sam's put his farm forward for a trial.

Once released, thousands of Honeybots course through the fields, pollinating the flowers in a fraction of the time it takes Amra and her team.

Their job done they return automatically to their hive chest. They are quick and efficient.

That evening, however, dead birds and mice are found in the fields the Honeybots have worked...

Simon Bovey's sci-fi thriller from 2010 - but set in 2019.

Sam Tony Bell
Amra Ania Sowinski
Jackson Michael Shelford
Olivia Alison Pettitt
Patek David Seddon
Jan Lloyd Thomas

Director: Marc Beeby

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2010.

SUN 00:45 Edgar Allan Poe (b00grsvq)

The Tell-Tale Heart

The perfect murder, planned and executed with unerring precision.

Unless a rhythmic beating gives it away...

Edgar Allan Poe's short-story read by Brian Gear.

Producer: Pamela Howe

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1987.

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SUN 04:30 Stiff Upper Lip, Jeeves (b007jqnr)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Saturday]

SUN 05:00 Archive on 4 (b0381jzt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Saturday]

SUN 06:00 Poetry Extra (m001h3wg)

Sonnets for Albert

Daljit Nagra revisits the BBC's poetry archive and selects

Sonnets for Albert with Anthony Joseph reflecting on fatherhood, in his own work and that of fellow artists.

The poet Anthony Joseph has been writing a new collection that addresses a key relationship in his life. His father was many things - a sharp dresser, an orator, a builder but he was only an intermittent figure in Anthony's childhood. And it is this absence which made him powerfully present in Joseph's imagination.

Anthony reveals some of his writing process and his form of 'calypso sonnet', a politically invested line length that, he says, "enforces a melodic rhythm which reminds me of my father" and favours a decidedly Afro-Caribbean approach.

Anthony explores ideas around fatherhood, masculinity, absence and loss, as he talks to other artists whose art has become a space for interrogating the memory of their father.

We hear from fellow poet Raymond Antrobus, the singer Gregory Porter and the Trinidadian film-maker Mariel Brown. (Including audio material from 'Unfinished Sentences', 2019 - courtesy of Mariel Brown.)

Producer: Hannah Dean

Additional production by Zakia Sewell.

A Falling Tree production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in 2021.

SUN 06:30 Machines Like Me by Ian McEwan (Omnibus) (m00054w9)

Episode 2

Adam the synthetic human belonging to Charlie, has prompted his master to further investigate the Gorrige rape case, and even Miranda has opened up about it now.

Also, a surprise request for Charlie to visit a man of profound influence. His name is Sir Alan Turing.

Ian McEwan's novel reimagines life and times in the 1980s.

Omnibus of the last five of ten parts abridged by Penny Leicester.

Read by Anton Lesser.

Producer: Duncan Minshull.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2019.

SUN 07:40 Inheritance Tracks (m0002zlk)

Brian Conley

Comedian Brian Conley chooses 'Jailhouse Rock' by Elvis Presley and 'Who Loves You' by Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons.

SUN 07:50 Talking About Jane Austen in Baghdad (Omnibus) (b01466gs)

2005. Bee, a London journalist, contacts May, an Iraqi academic, about life in her battle-scarred country.

Neither foresees the dramatic events that will change their lives.

The story of BBC journalist Bee Rowlett's email friendship with Iraq-based academic, May Witwit.

Omnibus in five parts dramatised by John Fletcher.

May Souad Fares

Bee Fenella Woolgar

Ali Zubin Varla

Justin Stephen Hogan

Eva/Ayasha Deeviya Meir

Militia Man/Official/Minister Peter Polycarpou

Newsnight director Jonathan Forbes

Lawyer/Octavia Elaine Claxton

Director: Peter Kavanagh

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2011

SUN 09:00 The Betty Witherpoon Show (b011v5zm)

From 11/05/1974

Police intelligence and making merry at the court of King Henry VIII.

Kenneth Williams and Ted Ray cross their comedy swords.

Characters, songs and sketches galore.

Starring Ted Ray and Kenneth Williams.

With:

Miriam Margolyes

Nigel Rees

Music by Neil Innes.

Written by Michael Wale and Joe Steeples.

Producer: Simon Brett

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in May 1974.

SUN 09:30 Something to Shout About (m00021x5)

Series 2

Episode 9

Janet starts dating a BBC announcer, resulting in Michael become insanely jealous.

"A light-hearted exposé of the advertising world!"

Set in a London ad agency called Apsley, Addis, Cohen, Barbican, Blythe, Giddy & Partners.

Written by Myles Rudge with Ronnie Wolfe.

Michael Michael Medwin

Janet Fenella Fielding

Mavis Joan Sims

Maggie Eleanor Summerfield

Adrian Nicholas Phipps

Other parts played by:

Warren Mitchell

Producer: Eric Miller

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in February 1961.

SUN 10:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b0138xw1)

Longplay

Martin Sheen

Hollywood actor Martin Sheen shares his castaway choices with Kirsty Young.

In a specially extended edition for BBC Radio 4 Extra, the

Hollywood actor shares his life story and explains his musical,

book and luxury choices.
 Martin has won great acclaim and a Golden Globe for playing the leader of the free world in the hugely successful political drama *The West Wing*.
 He's made more than 100 movies, including *Apocalypse Now*, *Badlands* and *The Departed*. For him, work is often a family affair, in *Wall Street* he acted alongside his son Charlie Sheen and in his latest movie, *The Way* he was directed by another of his children - Emilio Estevez.
 But away from the film set, he's an activist and campaigner - he's been arrested around 70 times and is motivated, he says, by faith and conscience above politics.
 DISC ONE: Subterranean Homesick Blues - Bob Dylan
 DISC TWO: How Can I Keep From Singing? - Enya
 DISC THREE: Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's Piano Concerto No. 21 in C major, 2nd movement - Daniel Barenboim with the English Chamber Orchestra
 DISC FOUR: Antonio Vivaldi's *The Four Seasons*: Spring - Pinchas Zukerman
 DISC FIVE: Ludwig van Beethoven's Symphony No. 9 in D minor "Choral": Ode to Joy - The Netherlands Radio Chorus with the Concertgebouw Orchestra conducted by Bernard Haitink
 DISC SIX: How Great Thou Art - The London Emmanuel Choir
 DISC SEVEN: Knockin' on Heaven's Door - Bob Dylan
 DISC EIGHT: Johann Pachelbel's Canon in D Major - The Berlin Philharmonic conducted by Herbert von Karajan
 BOOK CHOICE - *The Brothers Karamazov* by Fyodor Dostoyevsky
 LUXURY CHOICE - Golf clubs
 CASTAWAY'S FAVOURITE - Knockin' on Heaven's Door - Bob Dylan
 Desert Island Discs was created by Roy Plomley.
 Producer: Leanne Buckle
 Extended edition first broadcast on BBC Radio 4 Extra in August 2011.
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SUN 22:00 Electric Ink (b01kkqc9)
 Series 2
 Episode 6
 Maddox's future is uncertain as a rather shady character plans to buy the newspaper.
 Starring John Sessions and Alex Jennings.
 Old hacks meet new media in this satire set in the changing world of the struggling newspaper industry.
 Written by Alistair Beaton and Tom Mitchelson.
 Maddox John Sessions
 Oliver Alex Jennings
 Freddy Stephen Wright
 Carol Polly Frame
 Masha Debbie Chazen
 Andrei Zinoviev Ewan Bailey
 Steward Adeel Akhtar
 Producer: Sally Avens
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2011.
SUN 22:30 Party (b011vg9k)
 Series 2
 Prison Ain't All That Bad
 The student politicians of the new political Party use prison-based TV shows as the inspiration to formulate their policy on crime and punishment.
 Tom Basden's satirical comedy about a political party run by young idealists.

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.
SUN 23:00 The Skivers (b00d8pgd)
 Series 1
 Lewis Collins
 Secrets of Michael Fish are revealed, and East 17 move house.
 Nick Golson and Tim de Jongh's skilful sketch show.
 Special guest: Lewis Collins. Will he share any tips from TV's *The Professionals*?
 Written and performed by Nick Golson and Tim de Jongh.
 With:
 Mel Giedroyc
 Peter Bradshaw
 Producer: Jon Naismith
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1994.
SUN 23:30 4 at the Store (b00ddx9h)
 Series 2
 Episode 4
 More stand-up from London's Comedy Store.
 Hosted by Simon Bligh.
 With:
 Andrew Maxwell
 Pierre Hollins
 Simon Evans
 Producer: Helen Williams
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2002.

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MON 05:00 Sir Walter Scott - Rob Roy (b007jq2p)
 1. Moving Northwards
 Sir Walter Scott's thrilling tale of adventure, heroism and love, set during the Jacobite rising of 1715.
 Francis Osbaldistone, the son of a rich London merchant, is banished to his family seat in the north of England.
 He meets and is befriended by the enigmatic Scot, Robert Campbell, and first encounters the beautiful and high-spirited Diana Vernon and also his malignant cousin Rashleigh.
 Starring Liam Brennan, Sean Chapman and Tom George.
 Dramatised in three parts by Judith Adams.
 Rob Roy Liam Brennan
 Rashleigh Sean Chapman
 Francis Tom George
 Andrew/Taxman Alec Heggie
 Diana Vicki Liddelle
 Owen/Landlord Michael Perceval-Maxwell
 Morris/Thornie Simon Tart
 Sir Hildebrande/Barber/Servant Gareth Thomas
 Mr Osbaldistone/Squire Inglewood Paul Young
 Director Gaynor MacFarlane
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2002.
MON 06:00 VI Warshawski (b007jl4z)
 Bitter Medicine
 1. Friendship
 Private eye V.I. Warshawski suspects all is not well at a hospital after the death of a young girl who was pregnant.
 Starring Sharon Gless.
 V.I. Warshawski is Sara Paretsky's tough, smart and likeable female private investigator.
 Thriller dramatised in six parts by Michelene Wandor.
 V.I. Warshawski Sharon Gless
 Fabiano Robert Harper
 Bobby Mallory Bill Hootkins
 Alan Humphries Chris Scott
 Malcolm Tregiere Colin McFarlane
 Lottie Herschel Eleanor Bron
 Carol Joanna Monro
 Mrs Alvarado Shirley Dixon
 Consuela Teresa Gallagher
 Peter Burgoyne William Dufres
 Producer: Janet Whitaker
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1996.
MON 06:30 Find The Lady (m000f00m)
 1. In Which Andrew Marsh Loses a Cheque Book
 "Cheque books should be regarded as valuable and the bank should be promptly advised in a case of loss."
 After second-hand car dealer Andrew Marsh loses a cheque

book, it sparks a dramatic chain of highly suspicious events.
 Starring Noel Johnson.
 Seven-part murder mystery thriller serial written by David Ellis.
 Andrew Marsh Noel Johnson
 Roger Sherwin Douglas Blackwell
 Detective Sergeant Rankin Henry Stamper
 Joyce Marsh Madi Hedd
 George John Baddeley
 Peter Lloyd Michael Deacon
 Carol Ransome Jenny McCracken
 Doctor David Brierley
 Constable Peter Baldwin
 Noel Johnson is best remembered as the voice of BBC Radio's Dick Barton Special Agent.
 David Ellis also wrote for BBC TV's *Dixon of Dock Green* and *Z-Cars*.
 Producer: Betty Davies.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in January 1969.
MON 07:00 Unsheltered by Barbara Kingsolver (m0001d8v)
 1. Threatened
 2016: Willa discovers that most of what she has founded her life upon is under threat.
 There is bad news about her family home but tragedy is just around the corner.
 Barbara Kingsolver's novel interweaves the past and the present to explore the human capacity for resilience and compassion in times of great upheaval.
 It is a portrait of life in precarious times - when characters discover that the past has failed to prepare them for the future.
 Alternating between two centuries, Kingsolver examines the personal and social shocks that ensue when people's assumptions about the world and their place in it are shaken to their foundations.
 Abridged in fifteen parts by Sian Preece.
 Read by Laurel Lefkow.
 Barbara Kingsolver is the bestselling author of *The Poisonwood Bible*, *The Lacuna* and *Flight Behaviour*.
 Producer: Gaynor MacFarlane
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2018.
MON 07:15 Unsuitable Men with Familiar Smiles (b07ffb25)
 1. Kidnap
 Christine has hidden her past from her family.
 But now she must reveal her extraordinary history of relationships with unsuitable men and their adventures together.
 Today, the coronation and the kidnapping of a very important horse.
 Christine Eleanor Bron
 Sally Tracy Wiles
 Written by Caroline and David Stafford
 Director: Marc Beeby
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2016.
MON 07:30 In and Out of the Kitchen (b065vsdx)
 Series 4
 The Birthday
 Damien rents a narrowboat for a weekend cruising around the heart of England with Anthony, his producer friend Marion Duffett, his parents Janet and Dennis, his agent Ian, and his builder Mr Mullaney.
 He hopes to relax but also ease tensions between Mr Mullaney and Anthony who aren't getting on well following an Anthony-induced hiccup in their newly formed property business.
 But canalling isn't always as easy as it looks...
 Sitcom charting the life of cookery writer Damien Trench, who lives in London's Queen's Park with his partner Anthony Damien Trench Miles Jupp
 Anthony Justin Edwards
 Ian Frobisher Philip Fox
 Mr Mullaney Brendan Dempsey
 The Auctioneer/Ivan Mark Edel-Hunt
 Livi Hollinshead Alex Tregear
 Gavin Colthorpe Stephen Critchlow
 Written by Nick Revell.
 Producer: Sam Michell
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2011.
MON 08:00 Brothers in Law (b0552vxc)
 Series 1
 Separation Order
 Can Roger overcome a conflict of interests when his girlfriend asks for legal advice?
 Henry Cecil's comic legal novel *Brothers in Law* was first published in 1955.
 Adapted for radio from Frank Muir & Denis Norden's BBC TV scripts by Richard Waring.
 Roger Thursby Richard Briers
 Henry Blagrove Richard Waring
 Sally Mannerling Ann Davies
 Grimes John Glyn Jones
 Fred Tanner James Beck
 Mr Trench Blake Butler
 Mrs Trench Liz Fraser
 The Magistrate Frank Thornton
 Other parts played by:
 Malcolm Hayes
 Alan Barry
 Restored from BBC Transcription Service tapes - originally edited for sale abroad.
 Producer: David Hatch.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1970.

MON 08:30 Legal, Decent, Honest and Truthful (b00cc0qv)
Series 1
Episode 6
Will an angry Ken Handley quit the ad agency?
Starring Martin Jarvis.
Guy Jenkin and Jon Canter's satire set in the competitive world of advertising.
Ken Handley Martin Jarvis
John 'Sandy' Beach Christopher Godwin
Freddie Lockwood West
June Wendy Richard
Ravi Ahmed Kahlil
The Director ... David Gooderson
Other parts played by:
John Baddeley
Norma Ronald
David Tate
Michael Jayston
Bill Mitchell
Producer: Geoffrey Perkins
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1982.

MON 09:00 All the Way from Memphis (b00jnlsm)
Series 1
Episode 6
James Walton chairs the show that tests and tickles the knowledge of industry pundits and people passionate about pop. Regulars Tracey MacLeod and Andrew Collins are joined by: Writer, Richard Curtis
Broadcaster, Anthony Wilson.
Reader: Beth Chalmers
Written and researched by James Walton
Producer: Dawn Ellis
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2005.

MON 09:30 Monica Dickens - My Turn To Make The Tea (m001h3wl)
The Anarchist in the Basement
Early 1950s: Poppy is the junior reporter on the Downingham Post, where it's always her turn to make the tea.
Neil Casubon, the anarchist in the basement of Poppy's boarding house, throws a wild party and landlady Mrs. Goff is not amused.
Novice reporter Poppy's trip to a civic banquet with Downingham Post Editor Mr. Pellet finds them letting their hair down.
Semi-autobiographical story by Monica Dickens, first published in 1951.
Starring Alice Hart and Keith Barron.
Adapted by Sheila Goff.
Poppy Alice Hart
Mr Pellet ... Keith Barron
Maimie ... Annabelle Dowler
Mrs Goff ... Marlene Sidaway
Margaret ... Alex Kelly
William ... Ashley Cook
Casubon ... Nicholas Boulton
John ... Robert Hastie
Bunch ... Jemma Elder
Betty ... Kezia Burrows
Speaker ... John Rowe
Director: David Hunter
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2004.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

MON 19:00 Jake Yapp's Unwinding (m001h3wv)
Series 1
Episode 11
Comedian and broadcaster Jake Yapp with a new live show for January evenings; three hours of comedy, guests and games.

MON 22:00 Just a Minute (m001gx5m)
Series 90
Bicycle Stabilisers, French New Wave and The Shining
Sue Perkins challenges Paul Merton, Zoe Lyons, Alan Davies and Holly Walsh to speak for 60 seconds without repetition, deviation or hesitation.
The long-running Radio 4 national treasure of a parlour game is back for a new series with subjects this week ranging from French New Wave to Bicycle Stabilisers.
Production co-ordinator: Caroline Barlow
Sound editor: Marc Willcox
Producer: Rajiv Karia
A BBC Studios Production

MON 22:30 Lucy Montgomery's Variety Pack (b00wlg3h)
Series 1
Episode 4
Posh privately educated teenagers Daisy and Maisie show prospective parents around their school.
Joanna Lumley visits her mother with a Christmas present and the Mona Lisa lets us into a secret.
Multi-paced, one woman Fast Show showcasing the exceptional talent of Lucy Montgomery.
With Philip Pope, Sally Grace, Waen Shepherd and Natalie Walter.
Written by Lucy Montgomery with additional material by Steven Burge, Jon Hunter and Joe Wilkinson.
Music by Philip Pope
Producer: Katie Tyrrell.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2010.

MON 23:00 The News Quiz (m001gxg5)
Series 110
Episode 3
Andy Zaltzman is joined by Lucy Porter, Mark Steel, Ayesha Hazarika and Ian Smith. This week they discuss ongoing strike action, the Labour Party's political transactions and a royal family fraction.
Hosted and written by Andy Zaltzman with additional material from Alice Fraser, Mike Shephard, Aidan Fitzmaurice and Jade Gebbie.
Producer: Georgia Keating
Executive Producer: Pete Strauss
Production Co-ordinator: Becky Carewe-Jeffries
Sound Editor: Marc Willcox
A BBC Studios Production

MON 23:30 As Told To Craig Brown (b00bfp2j)
Episode 6
In the crosshairs of satire are hysterical media and busty starlets.
Craig Brown introduces a mixture of satire, social observation and nonsense.
Narrated by Juliet Stevenson and Steve Wright.
With:
John Humphrys
Ronni Ancona
Jon Culshaw
Lewis MacLeod
Sally Grace
Ewan Bailey
Margaret Cabourn-Smith
Producer: Victoria Lloyd
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2008

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TUE 05:00 Sir Walter Scott - Rob Roy (b007jq2p)
2. Over the Border
Francis Osbaldistone has quarrelled with his cousin Rashleigh. However, he has no assurance that the mysterious Robert Campbell can save the day again...
Sir Walter Scott's thrilling tale of adventure, heroism and love,

set during the Jacobite rising of 1715.
Starring Liam Brennan, Sean Chapman and Tom George.
Dramatised by Judith Adams.
Rob Roy Liam Brennan
Rashleigh Sean Chapman
Francis Tom George
Captain Thornton Richard Greenwood
Andrew Alec Heggie
Dougal Tony Kearney
Baillie Jarvie Gary Lewis
Diana Vicki Liddell
Owen Michael Perceval-Maxwell
Preacher/Mr Vernon Robert Trotter
Child/Highlander/Soldier James Weir
Galbraith Paul Young
Director Gaynor MacFarlane
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2002.

TUE 06:00 VI Warshawski (b007j15g)
Bitter Medicine
2. The Lion's Den
Probing the mysterious death of a girl, V.I. Warshawski must venture into gangland.
Starring Sharon Gless.
V.I. Warshawski is Sara Paretsky's tough, smart and likeable female private investigator.
Dramatised by Michelene Wandor.
V.I. Warshawski Sharon Gless
Lottie Herschel Eleanor Bron
Bobby Mallory Bill Hootkins
Mr Contreras Kerry Shale
Mrs Rodriguez/Nurse Ann Beach
Sergio Chris Pavlo
Bartender Ioan Meredith
Carol Joanna Monro
Fabiano Robert Harper
Peter Burgoyne William Dufris
Producer: Janet Whitaker
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in n December 1996.

TUE 06:30 Find The Lady (m000dz0w)
2. In Which Andrew Marsh Loses a Car
Andrew Marsh is reeling from the shock news about his friend Roger.
With growing police suspicions over his role in the loss of his cheque book, Andrew decides to start his own fraud investigation
Starring Noel Johnson.
Murder mystery thriller serial by David Ellis.
Andrew Marsh Noel Johnson
Joyce Marsh Madi Hedd
Detective Sergeant Rankin Henry Stamper
Constable Peter Baldwin
Harry Yates Leonard Fenton
Salesman Rolf Lefebvre
Constable Peter Baldwin
Margaret Everard Eva Haddon
Producer: Betty Davies.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in February 1969.

TUE 07:00 Unsheltered by Barbara Kingsolver (m0001f0h)
2. Intrigue
1874: Thatcher Greenwood has to break the news to his wife that their house is in a perilous state.
Meanwhile the curious behaviour their neighbour, the scientist Mary Treat, displays becomes fascinating to them.
Barbara Kingsolver's novel interweaves the past and the present to explore the human capacity for resilience and compassion in times of great upheaval.
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Abridged by Sian Preece.
Read by Laurel Lefkow.
Producer: Gaynor MacFarlane
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2018.

TUE 07:15 Unsuitable Men with Familiar Smiles (b07ffxsk)
2. Blues
Christine continues to tell her daughter extraordinary stories from her past.
She's set to relive her time in the folk and jazz clubs of London and her unsuitable relationship with blues giant Chicago Slim.
Christine Eleanor Bron
Sally Tracy Wiles
Written by Caroline and David Stafford
Directed by Marc Beeby
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2016.

TUE 07:30 The Architects (b050zpxh)
Series 2
Airport
Architects Sarah and Matt journey north in pursuit of an airport contract that will put Sir Lucien and Partners back on the map. Meanwhile Tim tries to buddy up with a TV chef who's fond of the sauce.
Arch-Brutalist Sir Lucien founded his architectural practice on a commitment to concrete in all its forms. Fashion has been a cruel mistress and four decades later things are not going well for Sir Lucien and his team of loyal-ish employees.
Comedy set in a struggling architectural practice.

Written by Jim Poyser with Neil Griffiths.

Sir Lucien Geoffrey Whitehead

Sarah Anna Crilly

Matt Dominic Coleman

Tim Alex Carter

Murray Peter Forbes

Noel David Hounslow

Ella Rhiannon Neads

Director: Toby Swift

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2015.

TUE 08:00 The Goon Show (b007jtqc)

Series 7

Six Charlies in Search of an Author

Through pages and chapters, the fate of Neddie Seagoon is in the hands of the writer.

Groundbreaking, surreal BBC radio comedy written by Spike Milligan and Larry Stephens.

Starring:

Peter Sellers

Harry Secombe

Spike Milligan

First billed as Crazy People, ten series of The Goon Show were recorded between 1951 and 1960, but sadly many of the earliest shows weren't kept in the archive.

With the Ray Ellington Quartet and Max Geldray.

Orchestra conducted by Wally Stott.

Announcer: Wallace Greenslade

Producer: Pat Dixon

First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in December 1956.

TUE 08:30 Little Blighty on the Down (b00tv7wv)

Series 4

Episode 4

As the council launches a new charter, the opposition needs a new initiative.

'80s political satirical soap opera set in the strangely familiar village of Little Blighty.

Life here is pretty uneventful, though the humdrum happenings include social turmoil, economic upheaval and vicious political squabbles.

Written by Mark Burton, John O'Farrell and Mike Coleman.

Starring:

Jo Kendall

Michael Troughton

John Baddeley

Bernadine Corrigan

Jonathan Kydd

Daniel Strauss

Producer: Lissa Evans

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1991.

TUE 09:00 The Motion Show (b0075rbl)

Series 1

Episode 1

City or countryside? – and does the World need more cookery shows?

Dr Phil Hammond watches over proceedings in the quirky debating game.

With:

Clive Coleman

Richard Morton

Pete Sinclair

Mark Steel

Producer: Helen Williams

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1998.

TUE 09:30 North East of Eden (b01flnpj)

Cod Comfort

With submarine manoeuvres offshore and troubles with EEC fish quotas for the fishermen, Marcia tries to adjust to a quieter lifestyle.

And a man from the ministry man is snooping about...

Rebecca Front and Joan Sims stars in Peter Kerry's sitcom about a GP living on Paradise Island off the coast of Northumbria.

Doctor Marcia Hulme Rebecca Front

Auntie Annie Joan Sims

Hjorst Niall Ashdown

Joseph Gates James Garbutt

Mrs Peevis Jean Southern

William Sammy Johnson

Ralph Gates Stephen Thirkeld

Other Roles Peter Kerry

Producer: Kathy Smith

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1997.

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TUE 19:00 Jake Yapp's Unwinding (m001h3qz)

Series 1

Episode 12

Comedian and broadcaster Jake Yapp with a new live show for January evenings; three hours of comedy, guests and games.

TUE 22:00 The Cold Swedish Winter (m000qx0f)

Series 5

Vasaloppet

Geoff (Adam Riches) is enjoying the glory of Sweden in the snow. Out with the kids in the hills, he bumps unexpectedly into his nemesis Johan (Thomas Eriksson), an ex-boyfriend of Linda's, who issues a challenge Geoff can't turn down. Meanwhile Linda (Sissela Benn) is struggling to deal with a difficult work/life balance and yearns for the days when she could lose herself in her beloved cross-country ski-ing. And little John (Harry Nicolau) discovers the joys of being caught short in the snow.

Danny Robins' series is partly recorded on location in Sweden and features some of Sweden's best loved comedy actors.

Cast

Geoff: Adam Riches

Linda: Sissela Benn

Sten: Thomas Oredsson

Gunilla: Anna-Lena Bergelin

Johan: Thomas Eriksson

John: Harry Nicolau

Ian: Danny Robins

Written by Danny Robins

Produced and directed by Frank Stirling

A 7digital production for BBC Radio 4

TUE 22:30 Cabin Pressure (b001xh3r)

Series 2

Johannesburg

When Carolyn makes a daring bet with her pilots, what better place for a race against time than a sleepy Spanish airfield...?

Carolyn Knapp-Shapley Stephanie Cole

1st Officer Douglas Richardson Roger Allam

Capt. Martin Crieff Benedict Cumberbatch

Arthur Shapley John Finnemore

Senor Quintanilla Michael Fenton-Stevens

Diego Javier Marzan

Produced by David Tyler.

A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in August 2009.

TUE 23:00 The Consultants (b05z6gle)

Series 4

Episode 1

The lighthouse tour and the old-fashioned parents.

Cerebral sketch show written by and starring Neil Edmond,

Justin Edwards and James Rawlings.

Producer: Will Saunders

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2005.

TUE 23:30 The Mark Steel Solution (b00f6vv1)

Series 4

The Media

The radical comedian proposes a new way to rescue radio and telly from an all-time low. Chris Evans beware!

Comedian Mark Steel provides alternative solutions to our everyday problems

Written by Mark Steel and Pete Sinclair.

With

Maria McErlane

Kim Wall

Producer: Phil Clarke

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1996.

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WED 05:00 Sir Walter Scott - Rob Roy (b007jq7m)

3. Helen McGregor

Francis and Jarvie reach the Highland Line, heading for McGregor country. Stars Liam Brennan. Sean Chapman and Tom George.

The final episode of Judith Adams' adaptation of Sir Walter Scott's thrilling tale of adventure, heroism and love, set during the Jacobite rising of 1715.

CAST:

Rashleigh Sean Chapman

Francis Tom George

Captain Thornton Richard Greenwood

Andrew Alec Heggle

Dougal Tony Kearney

Baillie Jarvie Gary Lewis

Diana Vicki Uddelle

Rob Roy Liam Brennan

Helen Wendy Seager

Morris Simon Tart

Duke Gareth Thomas

Corporal Gareth Thomas

Mr Vernon Robert Trotter

Ewan Robert Trotter

Robert James Weir

Galbraith/Mr Osbaldistone Paul Young

Adapted by Judith Adams

Director Gaynor MacFarlane

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2002.

WED 06:00 VI Warshawski (b007jl5y)

Bitter Medicine

3. The Monkfish Files

An anti-abortion riot breaks out as the private eye's murder probe continues.

Sharon Gless stars in Sara Paretsky's thriller as private

investigator V.I. Warshawski.

Dramatised by Micheline Wandor.

V.I. Warshawski Sharon Gless

Lottie Herschel Eleanor Bron

Bobby Mallory Bill Hootkins

Peter Burgoyne William Duffris

Rioter Alice Arnold

Diaz Chris Pavlo

Pedro/Judge Ioan Meredith

Carol/Rioter Joanna Monro

Dick John Sharian

Rioter Jonathan Adams

Mr Contreras Kerry Shale

Fabiano Robert Harper

Dieter Monkfish Sean Baker

Producer: Janet Whitaker

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1997.

WED 06:30 Find The Lady (m000f0fx)

3. In Which Andrew Marsh Loses a Lady

Suspected of both murder and cheque book fraud, Andrew Marsh's own investigations leads him to the shady Excelsior Club...

Starring Noel Johnson.

Murder mystery thriller serial by David Ellis.

Andrew Marsh Noel Johnson

Joyce Marsh Madi Held

Margaret Everard Eva Haddon

Peter Lloyd Michael Deacon

Carol Ransome Jenny McCracken

Bill Rodney Wilfrid Carter

Producer: Betty Davies.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in February 1969.

WED 07:00 Unsheltered by Barbara Kingsolver (m0001fd2)

3. Clashing

A novel from Barbara Kingsolver, bestselling author of The Poisonwood Bible, The Lacuna and Flight Behaviour, interweaves the past and the present to explore the human capacity for resilience and compassion in times of great upheaval. It is a portrait of life in precarious times - when characters discover that the past has failed to prepare them for the future.

Alternating between two centuries, Kingsolver examines the personal and social shocks that ensue when people's assumptions about the world and their place in it are shaken to their foundations.

2016: The roof of Willa's house is being patched together and over dinner her daughter and son clash in a fundamental disagreement about politics and the shape of the future.

Abridged by Sian Prece

Read by Laurel Lefkow

Produced by Gaynor MacFarlane

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2018.

WED 07:15 Unsuitable Men with Familiar Smiles (b07fg1x8)

3. Profumo

While Sally worries about her daughter in Mexico, Christine reveals her unlikely involvement in the Profumo Affair. But is she telling the truth?

Christine Eleanor Bron

Sally Tracy Wiles

By Caroline and David Stafford

Directed by Marc Beeby

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2016.

WED 07:30 Women Talking About Cars (b083pchj)

Series 1

Dawn French

Victoria Coren Mitchell interviews Dawn French in the first of a new series in which famous women look at their lives from the perspective of the cars they have known, the journeys they've been on and the things they keep in their boot for emergencies.

Hear what Dawn wrote on the back of her first car; find out which comedian totalled her beloved Cortina; and discover the advantages of the refrigerated glove compartment.

Produced by Gareth Edwards.

A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in November 2016.

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

Series 1

A House on the Cliff

The Lad's after a new home, but is it really the best idea to get Sid to build it?

Starring Tony Hancock.

With Moira Lister, Bill Kerr and Sidney James.

Written by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.

Theme and incidental music composed by Wally Stott.

Recorded by the BBC Revue Orchestra conducted by Harry Rabinowitz.

Producer: Dennis Main Wilson

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in January 1955.

WED 08:30 Flying the Flag (b00br86w)

Series 3

Whose Rubbish Is It Anyway?

"Lights going up, walls coming down - the West is starting to look a bit lost without someone to blame for all its troubles". Her Majesty's Ambassador Mackenzie continues to dispense his own blend of British Foreign Policy, despite the arrival of Glastnost, Perestroika - and a container ship of toxic waste...

Starring Dinsdale Landen.

Eastern Bloc embassy sitcom written by Alex Shearer.

H.M. Ambassador Mackenzie Dinsdale Landen

Helen Moir Leslie

Spiro Stephen Greif

Christopher Benjamin Colonel Surikov

William Frost Peter Acre

Written by Alex Shearer

Producer: Neil Cargill

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1990.

WED 09:00 The Write Stuff (b0156mth)

Series 14

Edgar Allan Poe

James Walton and team captains, John Walsh and Sebastian

Faulks delve into the troubled life of Edgar Allan Poe who is

this week's "Author of the Week".

The teams set about attempting to solve the usual book-based brain-teasers they also pastiche Poe's work by imagining what it would have been like had Poe attempted to write romantic comedy.

Guest panellists are novelists, Sue Limb and Philip Kerr.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2010.

WED 09:30 Tales from the Tower (b00jjq7l)

Complete With Wipeable Cover

Bob Braithwaite is caretaker at the top of Blackpool Tower.

He's also a 'watcher' who sees everything through his high-powered binoculars - the 'magic knockers of destiny' as he calls them.

In this episode, he observes a businesswoman being hounded by the press.

Written by and starring David Holt.

Producer: Dawn Ellis

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2001.

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WED 19:00 Jake Yapp's Unwinding (m001h48y)

Series 1

Episode 13

Comedian and broadcaster Jake Yapp with a new live show for January evenings; three hours of comedy, guests and games.

WED 22:00 Conversations from a Long Marriage (m000qx1b)

Series 2

It's Just Work

Conversations from a Long Marriage is a two-hander, starring Joanna Lumley and Roger Allam, as a long-married couple who met in the Summer of Love and are still passionate about life, music and each other. We listen to – and empathise with – their dangling 'conversations' covering everything from health scares, jealousy and confessions, to TV incompatibility and sourdough bread.

In Episode two, Joanna gets distracted by a work project, which happens to be with a man who just happens to be much younger and rather more exciting than Roger. When Roger complains about being pushed out of her life, he's told, in no uncertain terms, 'it's just work'. But is it?

Written by Jan Etherington. Produced and directed by Claire Jones. Production co-ordinator Beverly Tagg. A BBC Studios Production.

WED 22:30 Mark Watson Makes the World Substantially Better (b00kfx3c)

Series 1

Pride

Mark Watson investigates pride as he continues his quest to free us from the seven deadly sins via stand-up comedy.

Tim Key and Tim Minchin provide sketches, songs and distractions.

Producer: Katie Marsden

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2007.

WED 23:00 Prince Ivor (b072969m)

Ivor is invited by the BBC's Piers Plowright to write a twenty minute opera, 'Prince Ivor'. However, from contract to the debut performance, nothing goes to plan.

Written by Ivor Cutler.

With Julianne Mason and John Fletcher.

Producer: Piers Plowright

First broadcast on BBC Radio 3 in March 1983.

WED 23:20 Ivor Meets Craig (b07296j8)

"An artist is a sick person." Scottish musician and humorist Ivor Cutler talks to the New Zealand-born sculptor Craig Murray-Orr about neighbours, art and English inhibitions.

Produced by Claire Randall.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1993.

WED 23:30 Cutler On Education (b07296fg)

Poet and humourist Ivor Cutler tries to put his finger on the

button of the education debate.

He talks with a small crowd, an attractive woman, and a petrol pump attendant.

With Jennifer Piercey.

Producer: Piers Plowright

First broadcast on BBC Radio 3 in 1989.

WED 23:45 Ivor Cutler - Cutler the Lax (b03vczgx)

Episode 1

Legendary Scottish surrealist Ivor Cutler provides disappointment for cavemen and a cheap alternative to liquor.

With Fiona MacDonald.

Producer: Mark Savage

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1991.

THURSDAY 19 JANUARY 2023

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THU 05:00 One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich (m0005sy3)

Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn's classic tale, published in 1962 and the first book to give a true insight into life in a 1950s Soviet labour camp. It was specifically mentioned in the presentation speech when Solzhenitsyn was awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature.

Ivan Denisovich Shukhov has been sentenced to a camp in the Soviet gulag system. He was accused of becoming a spy after being captured briefly by the Germans as a prisoner of war during the Second World War.

He is innocent, but is sentenced to ten years in a forced labour camp. This is what happens during one day of his sentence.

Ivan John Hollingworth

Buinovsky Nigel Cooke

Tsezar Joseph Kloska

Alyosha Joshua Akehurst

Tiurin Nick Murchie

Pavlo Pat Marlowe

Kolya Christopher Buckley

Volkovoi David John

Fetiukov Sam Donnelly

The Narrator Olivia Darnley

Adapted for Radio by Robin Brooks

Produced and Directed By Clive Brill

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

2019.

THU 06:00 VI Warshawski (b007jl6c)

Bitter Medicine

4. Family Ties

Stepping up her murder hunt, the private eye 'borrows' some

files from the Monkfish charity.

Sharon Gless stars in Sara Paretsky's thriller as private

investigator V.I. Warshawski.

Dramatised by Michelene Wandor.

V.I. Warshawski Sharon Gless

Lottie Herschel Eleanor Bron

Mr Contreras/Murray Ryerson Kerry Shale

Peter Burgoyne William Dufres

Woman 1 and 2 Alice Arnold

Ann Beach Ann Beach

Bobby Mallory Bill Hookins

Wino 1 Chris Pavlo

Wino 2 Ioan Meredith

Dick John Sharian

Producer: Janet Whitaker

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1997.

THU 06:30 Find The Lady (m000dz4c)

4. In Which Andrew Marsh Finds his Car

Andrew Marsh is on the run - suspected of both murder and

cheque book fraud.

News arrives about the whereabouts of Sheila Ramsey.

Starring Noel Johnson.

Murder mystery thriller serial by David Ellis.

Andrew Marsh Noel Johnson

Margaret Everard Eva Haddon

Detective Sergeant Rankin Henry Stamper

Peter Lloyd Michael Deacon

Joe Antony Vaccars

Max Freeman Francis de Wolff

Shirley Kathleen Helme

Alf Jenkins Brian Haines

Sheila Ramsey Jan Edwards

Written by David Ellis.

Producer: Betty Davies.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in February 1969.

THU 07:00 Unsheltered by Barbara Kingsolver (m0001fvj)

4. Neighbour

A novel from Barbara Kingsolver, bestselling author of The Poisonwood Bible, The Lacuna and Flight Behaviour, interweaves the past and the present to explore the human

capacity for resilience and compassion in times of great upheaval. It is a portrait of life in precarious times - when characters discover that the past has failed to prepare them for the future.

Alternating between two centuries, Kingsolver examines the personal and social shocks that ensue when people's assumptions about the world and their place in it are shaken to their foundations.

1874: Thatcher Greenwood visits his intriguing neighbour, a scientist in correspondence with Charles Darwin, undertaking unusual scientific experiments in her home.

Abridged by Sian Preece

Read by Patrick Kennedy

Produced by Gaynor Macfarlane

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2018.

THU 07:15 Unsuitable Men with Familiar Smiles (b07fl5bm)

4. Rome

When Sally unearths a set of old rosary beads, Christine tells

her daughter about her time in Rome - an adventure with life-

changing results.

Christine Eleanor Bron

Sally Tracy Wiles

By Caroline and David Stafford

Directed by Marc Beeby

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2016.

THU 07:30 To Hull and Back (b09tcm7)

Series 3

Fourth in Show

When Sophie's new boyfriend Imran tells her he doesn't like her glasses, Sophie becomes desperate for a new pair of designer Givenchy spectacles. But the salon's client list is still worryingly short and she can't get the money together.

So when she hears a dog show is coming to town with big cash prizes to be won for well groomed pets, Sophie realises how she might be able to make her designer glasses dream become a reality.

Meanwhile, Sheila makes a worrying discovery and Jean meets a potential girlfriend...

Starring Lucy Beaumont and Maureen Lipman.

Lucy Beaumont's warm-hearted sitcom set in Hull where a daughter tries to escape her overbearing mother.

Sophie Lucy Beaumont

Sheila Maureen Lipman

Jean Kerrie Marsh

Ernie Norman Lovett

Baker Debra Baker

Dotty Annie Sawle

Producer: Sam Michell

A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in March 2018.

THU 08:00 The Men from the Ministry (b0124y9s)

How Now Brown Cow

The bumbling bureaucrats spark a right royal mix-up when they act on the hoof.

A weekly tribute to all those who work in government departments. Written by Edward Taylor and John Graham.

CAST:

Lennox-Brown Deryck Guyler

Lamb Richard Murdoch

Mildred Murfin/Marjorie Droops Norma Ronald

Sir Gregory Pitkin Ronald Baddiley

Grummitt 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 July 1972.

THU 08:30 Simon's Bug (b04hgsms)

Episode 3

Simon feels sure he knows what his family are doing behind his back. The centre of the family cannot hold things together.

Things are falling apart

Simon Webb Hywel Bennett

Joanna Webb Alison Steadman

Kate Agnew Rosemary Leach

Dorothy Grisewood Carole Hayman

Michael Webb John Glover

Frank John Clive

Fern Webb Cathy Murphy

Kit Jonathan Tafler

Dustin David Goudge

Sharon Susan Sheridan

Ken Christopher Scott

Mona Eva Stuart

Computer Voice Joanna Mackie

Written and adapted by Richard Quick

Produced by Paul Spencer

First broadcast in BBC Radio 4 in March 1989.

THU 09:00 The Unbelievable Truth (m0004sgx)

Series 22

Episode 6

David Mitchell hosts the panel game in which four comedians are encouraged to tell lies and compete against one another to see how many items of truth they're able to smuggle past their opponents.

Lou Sanders, Frankie Boyle, Henning Wehn and Lucy Porter are the panellists obliged to talk with deliberate inaccuracy on subjects as varied as time, driving, The Spice Girls and Scotland.

Produced by Jon Naismith

A Random Entertainment production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in May 2019.

THU 09:30 Mary Wesley - The Vacillations of Poppy Carew (m001h4f8)

2. Furnival's Fun Funeral

Furnival's Fun Funerals was the firm requested by Poppy's father just before he died, and it turned out that it can offer Poppy more than the usual amount of comfort.

Poppy Carew Beatie Edney

Dad David Sinclair

Vicar Peter Whitman

Venetia Elaine Claxton

Calypso Grant Mary Wimbush

Willy Guthrie Kim Wall

Mrs Edwardes Tina Gray

Mary Kate Maravan

Fergus Furnival Andrew Wincott

Julia Vivienne Rochester

Victor James Fleet

Sean Connor Gareth Armstrong

Anthony Green Neville Jason

Director Jane Morgan

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1994.

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Series 1

Episode 14

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THU 22:00 Fags, Mags and Bags (m0014gte)

Series 10

3. Full Five Pencil Belter

Fags, Mags & Bags returns in a landmark 10th series, with 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, and written by and starring Donald Mcleary and Sanjeev Kohli, the award winning Fags, Mags & Bags has proved a huge hit with the Radio 4 audience.

This brand-new series sees a return of all the show's regular characters, with some guest appearances along the way.

In this episode, Jemima Rocking-Horse, the new curator of the Lenzie House of Wax, is angry that Fags, Mags & Bags is taking their trade away.

Cast:

Ramesh: Sanjeev Kohli

Dave: Donald Mcleary

Sanjay: Omar Raza

Alok: Susheel Kumar

Malcolm: Mina Anwar

Bishop Briggs: Michael Redmond

Jemima Rocking-Horse: Julie Wilson-Nimmo

Hilly: Kate Brailsford

BA Robertson: Gavin Mitchell

Producer: Gus Beattie for Gusman Productions

A Comedy Unit production for BBC Radio 4

THU 22:30 The Remains of Foley and McColl (b007jrrn)

Snuff Radio

Sean and Hamish compete in a European Radio Drama competition.

Surreal comedy starring award-winning double act Sean Foley and Hamish McColl, the Right Size.

With:

Rose English

Count Arthur Strong

Chris Larner

Mark Stevens

Producer: Lissa Evans

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2000.

THU 23:00 Crème de la Crime (b008756y)

Series 3

The Quiller Killer

Michael Feydeau - TV's much loved Inspector Niblett - and crime expert, ponders the murder of Christopher Marlowe.

It's a powerful mix of theft, illegality, murder, murder and a bit more murder...

Tales from the vaults of villainy written by and starring Steve

Punt and Hugh Dennis.

With:

Emma Kennedy

Ewan Bailey

Steven Kynman

Director: Adam Bromley

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2003.

THU 23:15 Sir Henry at Rawlinson End (b00scw61)

Diplodocus v Concreton

The surreal saga of a dynasty delicately balanced on the edge of sanity.

Written by and starring Viv Stanshall.

Contains an edit of an original John Peel session as first heard on BBC Radio 1.

Music composed and performed by Viv Stanshall using additional musicians.

Producer: John Walters

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1996.

THU 23:30 Liam Williams: Ladhood (b097c99y)

Series 2

Episode 2

Comedian Liam Williams recounts his youthful misadventures in this autobiographical sitcom.

Searching for hedonism, Liam is torn between the laddish drinking societies and the artsy intelligentsia of Cambridge University.

Written and performed by Liam Williams.

With:

Al Roberts

Emma Sidi

Freya Parker

Kieran Hodgson

Paul G Raymond

Producer: Joe Nunnery

A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in October 2017.

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FRI 05:00 Peter Terson - Tales My Father Taught Me (b09rwhgn)

Sir George Sitwell is an autocratic recluse running the family estate at Renishaw - ahead of the First World War.

His other preoccupations are research into medieval pig-keeping - and making sure his son, Osbert isn't allowed to do what he wants to do...

Sir John Gielgud stars in Peter Terson's drama.

Sir George Sitwell Sir John Gielgud

Lady Ida Sitwell Renee Asherson

Osbert Sitwell Richard Pearce

Henry Moat Christopher Good

Producer: Shaun MacLoughlin

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1990.

FRI 06:00 VI Warshawski (b007j16q)

Bitter Medicine

5. A Matter of Records

Private eye V.I. Warshawski suspects a case of hospital malpractice, as she probes a suspicious death.

Sharon Gless stars in Sara Paretsky's thriller as private investigator V.I. Warshawski.

Dramatised by Michelene Wandor

V.I. Warshawski Sharon Gless

Lottie Herschel Eleanor Bron

Bobby Mallory Bill Hootkins

Peter Burgoyne William Dufres

Sal/Nurse Alice Arnold

Woman Ann Beach

Dick John Sharian

Max Jonathan Adams

Mr Contreras/Murray Ryerson Kerry Shale

Producer: Janet Whitaker

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1997.

FRI 06:30 Find The Lady (m000dyks)

5. In Which Andrew Marsh Loses a Witness

Andrew discovers there's more to Sheila Ramsey and Margaret Everard than meets the eye - and that his life is in jeopardy...

Starring Noel Johnson.

Murder mystery thriller serial by David Ellis.

Andrew Marsh Noel Johnson
Sheila Ramsey Jan Edwards
Margaret Everard Eva Haddon
Peter Lloyd Michael Deacon
Alf Jenkins Brian Haines
Joe Antony Viccars
Bill Rodney Wilfred Carter
Shirley Kathleen Helme
Detective Inspector Adams John Bentley
Detective Sergeant Rankin Henry Stamper
Dr Fergus Malcolm Hayes

Producer: Betty Davies.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in February 1969.

FRI 07:00 Unsheltered by Barbara Kingsolver (m0001g92)
5. Appointment

A novel from Barbara Kingsolver, bestselling author of *The Poisonwood Bible*, *The Lacuna* and *Flight Behaviour*, interweaves the past and the present to explore the human capacity for resilience and compassion in times of great upheaval. It is a portrait of life in precarious times - when characters discover that the past has failed to prepare them for the future.

Alternating between two centuries, Kingsolver examines the personal and social shocks that ensue when people's assumptions about the world and their place in it are shaken to their foundations.

2016: Willa clashes with her father-in-law when she takes him to a medical appointment.

Abridged by Sian Preece

Read by Laurel Lefkow

Produced by Gaynor Macfarlane

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2018.

FRI 07:15 Unsuitable Men with Familiar Smiles (b07flbsn)
5. Secret

With Sally frantic with worry about her daughter in Mexico,

Christine reveals her biggest - and most surprising - secret.

Christine Eleanor Bron

Sally Tracy Wiles

By Caroline and David Stafford

Directed by Marc Beeby

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2016.

FRI 07:30 Ellie Taylor's Safe Space (m000yv92)

Series 2

The News

Ellie Taylor welcomes you to "Safe Space", a place where anyone can offload their controversial opinions without fear of judgment.

She talks to members of the public about their gripes and dislikes. In this episode, too much news. It's on all the time on a million different channels. Enough is enough! It's not good for our health, and should be banned.

Joining her to prove her point are regular sidekick Robin Morgan (*Mock The Week*) and special guest Isabel Hardman, political journalist and assistant editor of *The Spectator* - to hear her views on the logic of getting rid of the news entirely.

Written by Ellie Taylor and Robin Morgan

Produced by Sam Michell

A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in August 2021.

FRI 08:00 Parsley Sidings (b01pjzvb)

Series 1

Who'll Be Mother

Station Master Horace Hepplewhite reveals a surprising talent for child minding.

CAST:

Horace Arthur Lowe

Bert Ian Lavender

Gloria Liz Fraser

Percy/Bradshaw Kenneth Connor

Maud Pat Coombs

Jim Eldridge's eponymous series is set in a sleepy railway station. The Hepplewhites have run 'Parsley Sidings' station for generations and the current Station Master, Horace, hopes that his son Bert will continue the line. Mild-mannered Ticket Clerk Bert wants to work anywhere but on the railways. His colleague, Station Announcer Gloria Simpkins, secretly loves him. Porter Percy Valentine is an archetypal wheeler-dealer and the ancient Signalman, Bradshaw, causes havoc and dispenses home-made remedies in equal measure. The 'Parsley Sidings' nemesis is Phineas Perkins, the station master of Potwhistle Halt, one stop down the line.

Re-created Announcements by Keith Skues.

Producer: Edward Taylor

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in January 1972.

FRI 08:30 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 Brenman

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.

FRI 09:00 The Museum of Curiosity (m000mkj7)

Series 15

Episode 2

Professor of Ignorance John Lloyd and his curator Alice Levine welcome:

* Comedian and podcaster Suzi Ruffell

* Chef and presenter Ainsley Harriott

* Writer and creator of *Bridget Jones*, Helen Fielding

The Museum's Guest Committee donate a Dutch upright bicycle, the welwitschia mirabilis plant and the Victoria Falls.

Researched by QI, Mike Shephard and Mike Turner.

Producers: Victoria Lloyd and Anne Miller.

A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in September 2020.

FRI 09:30 Millport (b0076bk4)

Series 3

The Siege

Millport's under siege by the neighbouring islands, furious that this little insignificant town has its own independent public house.

Amidst the madness Irene and Moira find romance where they least expect it - and Alberto unveils an unusual secret defence system.

Bittersweet comedy written by and starring Lynn Ferguson as 30-something barmaid Irene Bruce, who hankers after a better life on the mainland.

Irene Lynn Ferguson

Moira/Agnes Janet Brown

Alberto/Dr Hume/Robert the Dog/Mr Shetland /Mr Sky Lewis McLeod

Ena/Bunty Gabriel Quigley

Minister/Bob/Mr Dunoan/Mr Orkney Robert Patterson

Dougie/Mr Arran Kenneth Bryans

Producer: Lucy Bacon

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FRI 12:30 Ellie Taylor's Safe Space (m000yv92)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 13:00 Parsley Sidings (b01pjzvb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

FRI 13:30 Bristow (b007w5jb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

FRI 14:00 The Museum of Curiosity (m000mkj7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

FRI 14:30 Millport (b0076bk4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

FRI 15:00 Peter Terson - Tales My Father Taught Me (b09rwhgn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:00 today]

FRI 16:00 VI Warshawski (b007j16q)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

FRI 16:30 Find The Lady (m000dyks)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

FRI 17:00 Unsheltered by Barbara Kingsolver (m0001g92)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

FRI 17:15 Unsuitable Men with Familiar Smiles (b07flbsn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:15 today]

FRI 17:30 Ellie Taylor's Safe Space (m000yv92)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 18:00 Parsley Sidings (b01pjzvb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

FRI 18:30 Bristow (b007w5jb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

FRI 19:00 Jake Yapp's Unwinding (m001h4g5)

Series 1

Episode 15

Comedian and broadcaster Jake Yapp with a new live show for January evenings; three hours of comedy, guests and games.

FRI 22:00 The Confessional (m001h4g7)

Series 3

The Confession of Ben Bailey Smith aka Doc Brown Stephen Mangan's series of soul-searching, self-abasement and moral pratfalls. Each week he invites a different eminent guest into his virtual confessional booth to make three confessions.

This is a cue for some rich and varied story-telling and surprising insights as their confessions are put under the microscope.

TV writer, rapper and actor, Ben Bailey Smith takes the hot seat to reveal his tales of shame in the last of the current run.

This series also includes confessions from Jessie Cave, Neil Dudgeon, Sheila Hancock, Maisie Adam and Lady Antonia

Fraser.

Presenter: Stephen Mangan

Additional material: Nick Doody

Producer: Frank Stirling

A 7digital production for BBC Radio 4

FRI 22:30 Beauty of Britain (b00ndxjp)

Series 1

Pastor Dave

Beauty Olunga works as a carer for the Featherdown Agency and sees herself as an inspiration to other African girls hoping to achieve their goals in the land of semi-skimmed milk.

Beauty is quite taken with the charismatic Pastor Dave, a visiting clergyman at Mrs Blanchard's local church, but is he the real deal? Should she pursue him or the gorgeous double-breasted mini-trench coat she has seen in the Mencap shop?

Comedy written by Christopher Douglas and Nicola Sanderson.

Beauty Jocelyn Jee Esien

Sister Olu Diveen Henry

Pastor Ndu Javone Prince

Mrs Blanchard Alison Steadman

Sally Felicity Montagu

Karen Nicola Sanderson

Mrs Gupte Indira Joshi

Minister Lee Dan Tetsell

Pastor Dave Felix Dexter

Female Assistant Diveen Henry

Cabbie Dan Tetsell

Producer: Tilusha Ghelani

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2009.

FRI 23:00 Lewis Macleod Is Not Himself (b04jk3qr)

Episode 3

The impression and sketch show that looks behind the scenes at the life and work of star impressionist Lewis Macleod.

Lewis has performed on 4 Extra's Newsjack, plus Postman Pat, The Phantom Menace and Dead Ringers.

With:

Kate O'Sullivan

Duncan Wisbey

Julian Dutton

Producer: Lyndsay Fenner

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2014.

FRI 23:30 James Acaster's Perfect Sounds (p06bvl3)

Series 2

Jan Ives & An Escape Into Space

Splendor & Misery is a sci-fi concept album by experimental rap trio Clipping.

Lyrics and soundscapes combine to tell an Afrofuturist story of an escape from oppression into the void of space. Jen Ives prepares to be transported.