

with his 'radio' wife Kitty, as well as in a variety of jobs. It ran from 1949-1961.
Written by Bernard Botting and Charles Hart.
With:
Kitty Bluett
Laidman Browne
Kenneth Connor
Pat Coombs
BBC Variety Orchestra conducted by Paul Fenoulhet.
Producer: Leslie Bridgmont
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in October 1959.
SAT 09:30 The Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise Show (b01j8hs)
Series 1
Episode 2
Can marriage guidance counsellor Ernie help an angry couple? Meanwhile, Eric reckons Ern needs to spruce-up his act - so how about writing a musical?
Special singing guest: Salena Jones.
Written by Eddie Braben
With:
Anne Hamilton
Michael Segal
Arthur Tolcher
Music by Dennis Wilson & His Orchestra.
Producer: John Browell
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in February 1975.
SAT 10:00 Growing Pains (m00094mn)
2. I Capture The Castle
Grace Dent locks herself in her teenage bedroom and rifles through the BBC Radio archives to celebrate the awkward, emotional, and unfortunately inevitable adolescent experience. She reminisces about the heartbreak and arguments that were an everyday part of her own teenage years growing up in Carlisle in the 1970s.
In the second of three episodes, Grace dips into the BBC Archives and come up with one of her favourite depictions of adolescence:
* 'I Capture The Castle'
The first part of Jane Rodgers' adaptation of Dodie Smith's classic novel, starring Holliday Grainger.
In the ruins of medieval castle, deep in rural 1930's Suffolk, funny, intelligent 17 year old Cassandra Mortmain attempts to capture her family's life in a journal.
From BBC Radio 4 (2015).
Producer: Jessica Treen
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 Extra in October 2017.
SAT 11:00 Beatrix (m001hmy5)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
SAT 12:30 The Language of Kindness by Christie Watson (Omnibus) (b0b2mr0g)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
SAT 13:45 Uncle Mort's North Country (b007jl5v)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 today]
SAT 14:00 Ray's a Laugh (m001hmyf)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
SAT 14:30 The Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise Show (b01j8hs)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
SAT 15:00 Growing Pains (m00094mn)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
SAT 16:00 Ray Bradbury - The Illustrated Man (b092kztd)
[Repeat of broadcast at 00:00 today]
SAT 17:00 Beatrix (m001hmy5)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
SAT 18:30 The Language of Kindness by Christie Watson (Omnibus) (b0b2mr0g)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
SAT 19:45 Uncle Mort's North Country (b007jl5v)
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[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
SAT 21:00 Growing Pains (m00094mn)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
SAT 22:00 Chris Addison's Civilization (b00dy51z)
Cities and Laws
What are the flaws in the urban democratic system?
Continuing his journey through the vast and rich subject of civilisation, Chris Addison explains exactly what we need to create a new one.
With:
Professor Austin Herring (Geoffrey McGivern)
Jo Enright
Dan Tetsell
Producer: Simon Nicholls
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2006.
SAT 22:30 The Penny Dreadfuls (b00gpbv)
More Brothers Faversham
Maximilian Faversham
The story of Victorian Britain's greatest horror writer.
The comedy trio return with more tales in their swashbuckling family romp.
Written by and starring The Penny Dreadfuls:
Humphrey Ker
David Reed
Thom Tuck

With:
Miles Jupp
Ingrid Oliver
Script edited by Richard Turner.
Producer: Julia McKenzie
Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in 2008.
SAT 23:00 Vent (b00t2crk)
Series 1
Switching Off
Ben's doctors wonder if lying in a coma might be making him depressed and they send in the hospital psychiatrist to see him. This has a surprising effect on Ben, Mary and Mum. Meanwhile Ben's unconscious mind takes him back to his previous experience of therapy - having a row with Mary about their marriage guidance counsellor.
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 Smith Neil Pearson
Mary Fiona Allen
Mum Josie Lawrence
Blitzkrieg Leslie Ash
With:
Mark Perry
Dave Lamb
Jo Martin
Lucy Montgomery
Nicola Walker
Producer: Gareth Edwards
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2006.
SAT 23:30 Old Harry's Game (b007jvpg)
Series 4
Health and Safety
Hell's latest arrival is a health & safety officer who moans to Satan about the lighting.
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 April 2001.

SUNDAY 29 JANUARY 2023

SUN 00:00 Robert Holmes - Aliens in the Mind (b007jltj)
2. Hurried Exodus
On the Isle of Luig, Lark and Cornelius are certain the death of Dr Hugh Dexter was no accident.
From his research notes, they diagnose a mysterious island sickness.
The key to the mystery seems to be an apparently simple-minded 18-year-old, Flora Kiery...
Starring Peter Cushing and Vincent Price.
Written by Rene Basilio from an idea by Robert Holmes.
John Cornelius Peter Cushing
Curtis Lark Vincent Price
Minister Donald Schooler Henry Stamper
Shirley Kyle Shirley Dixon
Flora Kiery Sandra Clarke
Mary Irene Sutcliffe
Police Sergeant Frazer Carr
Purser Andrew Sear
Producer: John Dyas
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1977.
SUN 00:30 A Sting in the Tale (b0076jlc)
2. Myrtle, Mahonia and Rue by Briony Glassco
In an attempt to escape her recurring nightmares, a young landscape gardener decides on a drastic course of action.
Series of eerie dramas to send a chill up the spine
Written by Briony Glassco.
Myrtle Rachel Atkins
Getty Lydia Leonard
Mahonia Gbemisola Ikumelo
Rue Cherie Taylor-Battiste
Director: Marc Beeby
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2004.
SUN 01:00 Beatrix (m001hmy5)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Saturday]
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SUN 04:00 Ray's a Laugh (m001hmyf)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Saturday]
SUN 04:30 The Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise Show (b01j8hs)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Saturday]
SUN 05:00 Growing Pains (m00094mn)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Saturday]
SUN 06:00 Poetry Extra (m001hn2q)

Poetry Societies - The British Haiku Society
Poet Daljit Nagra revisits the BBC's poetry archive and selects Poetry Societies - The British Haiku Society.
Judith Palmer visits the British Haiku Society in Preston to explore an ancient Japanese verse form.
Guests include - Martin Lucas former President of the British Haiku Society.
Producer: Viv Beeby
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2003.
SUN 06:30 Unsheltered by Barbara Kingsolver (Omnibus) (m0001mzq)
Episode 2
1874: Thatcher tries to address the issue of his disintegrating home.
2016: Willa tries to uncover a source of income to shore up her equally rundown house.
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.
Second omnibus of three abridged by Sian Preece.
Read by Patrick Kennedy and Laurel Lefkow.
Producer: Gaynor Macfarlane
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2018.
SUN 07:40 Inheritance Tracks (m001hn2w)
Michel Roux Jr.
Celebrated chef Michel Roux Jr. chooses 'Non, Je Ne Regrette Rien' by Edith Piaf and 'Hiro' by Soprano.
SUN 07:50 Curtain Down at Her Majesty's - A Play in Five Acts (Omnibus) (m0001wky)
Michael Chaplin's five-act drama about the death of Queen Victoria.
For two weeks the nation stopped in its tracks, mesmerised by the mortality of a little old lady who had sat on the throne for over 60 years.
Her children squabbled, her doctors quarrelled, her army bickered and the public were misled and kept in the dark. This is the remarkable story of Queen Victoria's final days and the chaos and confusion surrounding her funeral, told by those who were there.
Based on the book *Curtain Down at Her Majesty's*, an eyewitness history by Stewart Richards.
Omnibus of five parts.
Queen Victoria Brigit Forsyth
Old Winnie Powell Marcia Warren
Interviewer Carl Prekopp
Mary Tuck Wendy Nottingham
Young Winnie Powell Lauren Cornelius
Sir James Reid Ross Futherland
Sir Frederick 'Fritz' Ponsonby Tom Turner
Kaiser Wilhelm Hywel Morgan
King Edward VII Gerard McDermott
Daniel Douglas Clarke-Wood
Other parts played by members of the cast.
Director: Carl Prekopp
Producers: Lucinda Mason Brown & Stewart Richards
A Stewart Richards / Goldhawk Essential co-production, first broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2018.
SUN 09:00 The Betty Witherspoon Show (b007jq2v)
From 25/05/1974
Kenneth and Ted take on Wuthering Heights – and there's news of a mysterious ancient murder...
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 (m00028sr)
Series 2
Episode 11
Can the advertising team meet the needs of a demanding kitchen furniture company?
"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
Nicholas Nicholas Phipps
and Roy Dotrice as most of the other characters
Producer: Eric Miller
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in March 1961.
SUN 10:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b01ml45g)
Longplay
Mark Gatiss
Writer and author Mark Gatiss reveals his castaway choices with Kirsty Young.

In a specially extended edition for BBC Radio 4 Extra, Mark shares his life story and explains his musical, book and luxury choices.

Mark tells Kirsty how his childhood passions have fuelled his adult creative life. As a boy he says he was drawn towards the macabre and gothic - while his teachers remarked that his school essays resembled scripts for Hammer horror films.

He has written for - and has acted in - Doctor Who; he was one of the creators of The League of Gentlemen and his BBC TV re-imagining of Sherlock Holmes has been a huge success.

DISC ONE: There is a Light that Never Goes Out - The Smiths
DISC TWO: Theme to On Her Majesty's Secret Service - John Barry
DISC THREE: If I Loved You (from the soundtrack to Carousel) - Shirley Jones and Gordon MacRae
DISC FOUR: Ralph Vaughan Williams's Fantasia on a Theme by Thomas Tallis - The Philharmonia Orchestra conducted by Herbert Von Karajan
DISC FIVE: Beautiful Child - Rufus Wainwright
DISC SIX: Come to Me (I Am Woman) - Su Pollard
DISC SEVEN: Yes - McAlmont & Butler
DISC EIGHT: So In Love (from the Broadway cast recording of Kiss Me, Kate) - Marin Mazzie
BOOK CHOICE: Complete Sherlock Holmes - Sir Arthur Conan Doyle
LUXURY CHOICE: A Victorian bath and hot water
CASTAWAY'S FAVOURITE: So In Love (from the Broadway cast recording of Kiss Me, Kate) - Marin Mazzie
Producer: Leanne Buckle
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2011.

SUN 11:00 Poetry Extra (m001hn2q)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SUN 11:30 Unsheltered by Barbara Kingsolver (Omnibus) (m0001mzq)
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SUN 18:50 Curtain Down at Her Majesty's - A Play in Five Acts (Omnibus) (m0001wky)
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SUN 20:00 The Betty Witherspoon Show (b007jq2v)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SUN 20:30 Something to Shout About (m00028sr)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

SUN 21:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b01ml45g)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

SUN 22:00 Sean Lock - 15 Storeys High (b09j3dct)
Series 1
Episode 2
Sean's bad-tempered, reckless past catches up with him in the shape of a dead swan.
He's still hiding in Flat 76, Elderberry House, Maydew Estate, failing to keep the world at bay.
Starring Sean Lock
Written by Sean Lock and Martin Trenaman.
With:
Tim Mitchell
Tracy-Ann Oberman
Peter Serafinowicz
Martin Trenaman.
Script Editor: Robert Fraser-Steele
Producer: Chris Neill
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1999.

SUN 22:30 Chain Reaction (b00tbhgg)
Series 6
Ronni Ancona interviews Lee Mack
The actress/impressionist and top comic in the tag talk show, where the guest becomes the interviewer in the next show.
Ronni Ancona asks Lee Mack about being a Red Rum stable boy, his worst ever gig and his amazing juggling talents.
Based on the original 1991 BBC Radio 5 series, Chain Reaction is a simple idea of big name stars from the world of entertainment interviewing others whose work they appreciate and admire.
Recorded with an audience, the interviews focus on the life, career and the passions of the interviewee but often prove to be as revealing about the interviewer.
Producer: Lianne Coop
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2010.

SUN 23:00 The Skivers (b007jq44)
Series 1
Britt Ekland
New age DIY, the wonders of Sweden and Sinatra sings punk.
Nick Golson and Tim de Jongh's skilful sketch show with special guest Britt Ekland who's not in the mood for romance.
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 April 1994.
SUN 23:30 1966 and All That (b01075px)
The 1940s
The French Resistance struggle to victory under General de Gaulle.
Hitler gets stuck in a bunker with his Gerbil.
And John Humphrys interviews Winston Churchill.
Craig Brown's satirical history of Britain reaches the 1940s.
With:
Joss Ackland
Eleanor Bron
Rory Bremner
Ewan Bailey
Margaret Cabourn-Smith
John Humphrys
Producer: Victoria Lloyd
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2006.

MONDAY 30 JANUARY 2023

MON 00:00 Poetry Extra (m001hn2q)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Sunday]

MON 00:30 Unsheltered by Barbara Kingsolver (Omnibus) (m0001mzq)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Sunday]

MON 01:40 Inheritance Tracks (m001hn2w)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:40 on Sunday]

MON 01:50 Curtain Down at Her Majesty's - A Play in Five Acts (Omnibus) (m0001wky)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:50 on Sunday]

MON 03:00 The Betty Witherspoon Show (b007jq2v)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Sunday]

MON 03:30 Something to Shout About (m00028sr)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Sunday]

MON 04:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b01ml45g)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Sunday]

MON 05:00 Walter de la Mare - Memoirs of a Midget (m001hn0m)
1. Miss M
The diminutive Miss M struggles to find her place in Victorian society.
A haunting story of love, intrigue and obsession.
Walter de la Mare's surrealist novel - first published in 1921.
Dramatised in three parts by Stephen Wyatt.
Miss M Emma Fielding
Sir Walter Pollacke John Church
Pollie Melanie Hudson
Young Miss M Sian Jenkins
Adam Waggett Matthew Morgan
Gypsy Woman Susan Brown
Mrs Bowater Jill Graham
Bates John Baddeley
Fanny Bowater Sylvestra le Touzel
Dr Phelps John Webb
Young Man David Holt
Harold Crimble Keith Drinkel
Lady Pollacke Maureen O'Brien
Mrs Crimble Pauline Letts
Director: Martin Jenkins
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1993

MON 06:00 Father Brown Stories (b00y37bk)
Series 1
5. The Honour of Israel Gow
An eye for an eye and a tooth to satisfy Israel Gow.
Father Brown surveys the remnants of a battered corpse and talks of money.
Starring Andrew Sachs.
Series of GK Chesterton's stories about the insightful clerical sleuth.
Dramatised by John Scotney.
Father Brown Andrew Sachs
McCandlish Henry Stampler
Johnstone Graham Blockey
Dacre David Sinclair
Mrs MacDonald Ellen McIntosh
Old Jamie James Bryce
Barman Guy Holden
Pipe music by Brian Supple.
Directed at BBC Bristol by Alec Reid.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1985.

MON 06:30 Wimsey (m000bvp2)
Whose Body?
1. The Body in the Bath
Amateur sleuth Lord Peter Wimsey is called to Battersea following the alarming discovery in an architect's bathroom...
Ian Carmichael stars as the aristocratic sleuth.
British gentleman detective Lord Peter Wimsey features in a

number of detective novels and short stories by English crime writer, Dorothy L Sayers. Whose Body? was first published in 1923

Classy and sharp-witted, aristocratic amateur sleuth Lord Peter Bredon Wimsey was born in 1890 and educated at Eton and Oxford, before serving in the military during the First World War

Ian Carmichael appeared as Lord Peter Wimsey for BBC Radio from 1973 to 1983, in addition to the BBC TV adaptations that were broadcast between 1972 and 1975

Dramatised in five episodes by Chris Miller.
Lord Peter Wimsey Ian Carmichael
Bunter Peter Jones
Dowager Duchess Patricia Routledge
Mr Phipp Norman Bird
Inspector Parker Gabriel Woolf
Mrs Phipps Betty Huntley-Wright
Inspector Sugg Stephen Thorne
Producer: Simon Brett
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1973.

MON 07:00 Unsheltered by Barbara Kingsolver (m0001mn2)
Episode 11
1875: Thatcher tries to come to terms with the shooting of Uri Carruth.
2016: Willa's father-in-law, Nick, requests an unusual outing.
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 by Sian Preece.
Read by Laurel Lefkow.
Producer: Gaynor MacFarlane.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2018.

MON 07:15 The Citadel (m0009365)
Series 6
Episode 1
Dr Andrew Manson and his wife Christine are expecting a big event.
Return of the medical drama set in the 1920s before the creation of the UK's National Health Service.
Based on AJ Cronin's groundbreaking novel.
Written by Christopher Reason.
Dr Manson George Blagden
Dr Denny Julian Lewis Jones
Christine Catrin Stewart
Angharad Jeanette Percival
Director: Gary Brown
Producers: Pauline Harris & Gary Brown
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2019.

MON 07:30 In and Out of the Kitchen (b0680gvt)
Series 4
The Stag
Damien and Anthony celebrate their stag weekend in Dublin when their plans to spend it at the opera are ruined by the weather.
Meanwhile, Ian is tasked with looking after Damien's mother who is recovering from laser eye surgery.
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
Damien's mother Selina Cadell
The Waitress Alex Tregear
Ray Jarrow Chris Brand
Chef/Policeman Stephen Critchlow
Written by Justin Edwards.
Producer: Sam Michell.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2015.

MON 08:00 Brothers in Law (b05nhvmw)
Series 1
With Use of Bath
Barrister Roger Thursby is caught between a landlord and his tenant.
Henry Cecil's comic legal novel Brothers in Law was first published in 1955.
Adapted for radio by Richard Waring from the BBC TV scripts written by Frank Muir and Denis Norden.
Roger Thursby Richard Briers
Henry Blagrove Richard Waring
Sally Manning Ann Davies
Grimes John Glyn-Jones
Mrs Butler Patsy Rowlands
Wilson Robert Dorning
Alec Malcolm Hayes
Guest stars:
Butler Deryck Guyler
The Judge Nicholas Phipps
Restored from BBC Transcription Service tapes - originally edited for sale abroad.
Produced by David Hatch.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1970.

frontman Gruff Rhys.
Written by Tim Price
Narrator.... Rhys Ifans
Christine.... Hannah Murray
Contributors.... Alston Hughes, Stephen Bentley and Catherine Hayes
Original music.... Gruff Rhys
Sound design.... Peregrine Andrews.
Researcher.... Hayley Mills
Production Co-ordinator.... Caroline Barlow
Extracts read from The Untold Story of Christine Bott
Producer.... James Robinson
A BBC Studios production.
WED 21:55 Inheritance Tracks (b0b90cg)
Bruce Dickinson
The Iron Maiden singer, pilot and fencer chooses 'Child in Time' by Deep Purple and 'Fire' by the Crazy World of Arthur Brown.
WED 22:00 Conversations from a Long Marriage (m000rdlm)
Series 2
If You Go Away
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 4, Joanna has a health scare and tells Roger that she's frightened they'll both die before HS2 is completed and 'I don't want to be in a world if we are not in it.' He struggles to respond with a sensible answer. Then they both receive very bad news.
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 (b00kn8k7)
Series 1
Sloth
Mark Watson investigates sloth 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 jealous glances.
Producer: Katie Marsden
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2007.
WED 23:00 I've Never Seen Star Wars (b04vk19j)
Series 6
Ann Widdecombe
Marcus Brigstocke persuades his guests to try new experiences - starting with politician Ann Widdecombe.
Ann tries camping in a tent for the first time and watches as much of The Thick Of It as she can stand on TV.
Marcus also offers Ann the chance to drink a Jagerbomb - but will she accept?
Director: Bill Dare
First broadcast on BBC Radio in December 2014.
WED 23:30 Ivor Cutler - Cutler the Lax (b040hrx4)
Episode 3
Legendary Scottish surrealist Ivor Cutler samples the archives and enjoys some Marabut music and a jolly Japanese ditty With Fiona MacDonald.
Producer: Mark Savage
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1991.
WED 23:45 I, Regress (b0194n33)
Series 1
Episode 2
A dark, David Lynch-ian comedy, ideally suited for an unsettling and surreal late night listen. 'I, Regress' sees Matt Berry (The IT Crowd, Garth Marenghi's Dark Place, Snuff Box) playing a corrupt and bizarre hypnotherapist taking unsuspecting clients on twisted, misleading journeys through their subconscious.
Each episode sees the doctor dealing with a different client who has come to him for a different problem (quitting smoking, fear of water, etc). As the patient is put under hypnosis, we 'enter' their mind, and all the various situations the hypnotherapist takes them through are played out for us to hear. The result is a dream- (or nightmare-) like trip through the patient's mind, as funny as it is disturbing.
Episode 2: Robin Hood - no relation - comes to Dr Matt Berry with a fear of spiders. The diagnosis seems to be that this may all be down to an unusually potent encounter between an arachnid and a South African grandmother... Featuring Simon Greenall (I'm Alan Partridge) and Jack Klaff (For Your Eyes Only, Star Wars).
The cast across the series include Katherine Parkinson (IT Crowd), Morgana Robinson (The Morgana Show), Simon Greenall (I'm Alan Partridge), Jack Klaff (Star Wars, For Your Eyes Only), Tara Flynn (The Impressions Show, Stewart Lee's Comedy Vehicle), Alex Lowe (Barry From Watford, The Peter Serafinowicz Show), and Derek Griffiths (Playschool, Bod, and The Royal Exchange).
A compelling late night listen: tune in and occupy someone else's head!
Producer: Sam Bryant
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2012.

THURSDAY 02 FEBRUARY 2023

THU 00:00 Walter de la Mare - Memoirs of a Midget (m001hnb3)
[Repeat of broadcast at 05:00 on Wednesday]
THU 01:00 Father Brown Stories (b00yb1z9)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Wednesday]
THU 01:30 Wimsey (m000bxls)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Wednesday]
THU 02:00 Unsheltered by Barbara Kingsolver (m000117m)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Wednesday]
THU 02:15 The Citadel (m00094hq)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:15 on Wednesday]
THU 02:30 Women Talking About Cars (b084xr59)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Wednesday]
THU 03:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007k0xt)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 on Wednesday]
THU 03:30 Flying the Flag (b00wmnfv)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 on Wednesday]
THU 04:00 It's Not What You Know (b01ckr46)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Wednesday]
THU 04:30 A Square of One's Own (m001hqlq)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Wednesday]
THU 05:00 Nora Webster by Colm Toibin (m000b5hr)
1. Struggles
In late '60s Ireland, Wexford woman Nora Webster is grieving for her husband Maurice. She's just 40, still wounded by their last weeks in hospital and now a single parent to four children. While her girls are away at school and college, Nora and the boys do their best at home, finding it hard to connect to one other. Nora's world shrinks around her, forcing her back to the job she did as a young woman before marriage and children. Gradually, tentatively, through music and friendship, Nora begins to find hope again.
Colm Tóibín's powerful bestselling novel stars Siobhan McSweeney (Derry Girls) leading a stellar Irish cast. Dramatised in two-parts by BAFTA winning screenwriter Adrian Hodges.
Nora Webster Siobhan McSweeney
Aunt Josie Brid Brennan
Una Norma Sheahan
Catherine Ruth Bradley
Jim Webster Gary Lilburn
Mick Sinnott Edward MacLiam
William Jnr Paul Reid
Fiona Sophie Robinson
Aine Lauren Coe
Conor Sinead McGee
Donal Tommy Harris
Sister Thomas Jessica Turner
Peggy Gibney Heather Craney
Other parts were played by the cast.
Bestselling and critically acclaimed novelist Colm Tóibín is perhaps best known for Brooklyn (which became a film starring Saoirse Ronan) and The Master.
Director: Allegra McLroy
A BBC Northern Ireland production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in November 2019.
THU 06:00 Only the Good Die Young (b007jn17)
1. Killed?
When Kim Drake's fiancée is killed on their wedding day, the authorities agree on suicide. But why would computer expert Mike kill himself on his wedding day? Could it be connected to his decision to walk out of his sensitive job at Peregrine Communications Systems?
Shaun Prendergast's techno thriller in six-parts.
CAST:
Kim Drake Siriol Jenkins
Mike Fisher Neil Roberts
Anne Kate Binchy
Frank Shaun Prendergast
Miss Gee Ann Davies
Stone Kenneth Cranham
Todd Jack Klaff
DI Dear Eric Alan
DS Love Jonathan Tafler
John Maschler Terence Edmond
Emma/Nurse Lewis Caroline Strong
Mary/WPC Nicola Boyce
Directed by Adrian Bean
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1992.
THU 06:30 Wimsey (m000c0lp)
Whose Body?
4. Shellshock
When his traumatic past returns to haunt Lord Peter Wimsey, it prompts him to probe a little deeper into an important witness... Ian Carmichael stars as the aristocratic sleuth.
Dorothy L Sayers' detective mystery dramatised by Chris Miller.
Lord Peter Wimsey Ian Carmichael
Bunter Peter Jones
Dowager Duchess Patricia Routledge
Sir Julian Freke Bernard Archard
Inspector Parker Gabriel Woolf
Cummings Peter Tuddenham
Producer: Simon Brett
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1974.
THU 07:00 Unsheltered by Barbara Kingsolver (m0001m7k)

Episode 14

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: Ultimately, Willa can't save her house but there is good news and hope for the future.
Abridged by Sian Preece
Read by Laurel Lefkow
Produced by Gaynor Macfarlane
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2018.
THU 07:15 The Citadel (m00094kv)
Series 6
Episode 4
The Citadel by Christopher Reason based on the novel by AJ Cronin.
Denny and Manson bring Christine back home.
Dr Manson George Blagden
Dr Denny Julian Lewis Jones
Pritchard Stephen Marzella
Directed by Gary Brown
Produced by Pauline Harris and Gary Brown
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2019.
THU 07:30 Sara Pascoe: The Modern Monkey (b09ry6k4)
Series 1
Murder
Sara Pascoe sets out to explore our modern social world through theories of Evolutionary Psychology and more.
How does our monkey past influence our modern lives?
How come we can still get emotionally hijacked by our primitive emotions?
Murder fascinates and intrigues as much as it repels us.
Happily the human animal is much more of a pacifist than lots of our other mammal relations, including meerkats (the adverts have lied to us). But even the most patient among us has probably been driven to murderous thoughts on occasion, especially when your sister steals your clothes.
From sibling rivalry, to pair bonding this is an informative and hilarious look at one of the darker aspects of human behaviour.
Recorded on location at The RAF Museum, Colindale
Written by and starring Sara Pascoe
Producer: Alexandra Smith
A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in February 2018.
THU 08:00 The Men from the Ministry (b012b8hx)
Fowl Play
The blundering bureaucrats learn not to put all their eggs in one in-tray.
A weekly tribute to all those who work in government departments.
CAST:
Lennox-Brown Deryck Guyler
Lamb Richard Murdoch
Mildred Norma Ronald
Sir Gregory Pitkin Ronald Baddiley
Other parts played by John Graham
Written by Edward Taylor and John Graham.
'The Men from the Ministry' ran for 14 series between 1962 and 1977. Deryck Guyler replaced Wilfrid Hyde-White from 1966. Sadly many episodes didn't survive in the archive, however the BBC's Transcription Service re-recorded 14 shows in 1980 - never broadcast in the UK, until the arrival of BBC Radio 4 Extra.
Producer: Edward Taylor
First broadcast on the BBC Radio 4 in August 1972.
THU 08:30 The Marx Brothers' Flywheel, Shyster and Flywheel (b0080jps)
Series 2
Episode 1
Shady lawyer, Waldorf T Flywheel needs patients - in his latest scam as a doctor.
Recreation of the Marx Brothers' lost shows charting the adventures of shady lawyer Waldorf T Flywheel and his assistant, Emmanuel Ravelli. Originally broadcast with sponsors on America's NBC radio network in the 1930s. The scripts were rediscovered in 1988.
Groucho Marx as Waldorf T Flywheel Michael Roberts
Chico Marx as Emmanuel Ravellis Frank Lazarus
With Lorelei King, Graham Hoadly and Vincent Marzello.
Written by Nat Perrin and Arthur Sheekman. Adapted by Mark Brisenden.
Music arranged and conducted by David Firman.
Producer: Dirk Maggs
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1991.
THU 09:00 Booked (b08lxz6g)
Series 5
Episode 2
From David Niven to the Teletubbies
Dillie Keane, Roger McGough, David Stafford and Arthur Smith run riot through the halls of popular literature.
All unrestrained by the hand of chairman Ian McMillan.
Producer: Viv Beeby

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1998.
THU 09:30 Mary Wesley - The Vacillations of Poppy Carew (m001hp1j)
4. A Dreadful Mistake?
What can you feel about a country where no-one notices when they run over a dog?
Poppy does notice, and her trip to North Africa seems a dreadful mistake.
Mary Wesley's novel in a six-part dramatisation.
Poppy Carew Beatie Edney
Mustafa Raad Rawi
Edmund Matthew Morgan
Waiter Malcolm Ward
Willy Guthrie Kim Wall
Calypso Grant Mary Wimbush
Minister for Tourism Michael Halphie
Venetia Collyer Elaine Claxton
Penelope Lucas Frances Jeater
Mary Kate Maravan
Woman Vivienne Rochester
Passenger David Jarvis
Director: Jane Morgan
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1994.
THU 10:00 Nora Webster by Colm Toibin (m000b5hr)
[Repeat of broadcast at 05:00 today]
THU 11:00 Only the Good Die Young (b007jn17)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
THU 11:30 Wimsey (m000c0lp)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
THU 12:00 Unsheltered by Barbara Kingsolver (m0001m7k)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
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THU 14:00 Booked (b08lxz6g)
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THU 19:00 Booked (b08lxz6g)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
THU 19:30 Mary Wesley - The Vacillations of Poppy Carew (m001hp1j)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
THU 20:00 Growing Pains (m00094mn)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Saturday]
THU 21:00 Dead Competitive (m001hxtt)
4. White Gold
Kerry discovers the world of breeding dogs, the art of pedigree dog naming and the money exchanged for specific dogs. She goes on to look at the relationships within the (Irish) Setter world and the international semen trade.
Rhodesian Ridgeback breeder Dorothy tells the story of her prize stud dog, who was shot to death next to a children's playground in Belgium. Is Europe where we Kerry should head next?
THU 21:30 Acid Dream: The Great LSD Plot (m001hp1r)
4. Counting Sheep
Episode four of the LSD saga about an attempt to spark a revolution of the mind, from a Welsh farmhouse. As the police surveillance operation grows, the noose tightens around Richard and Christine and their standards begin to slip. Can they hold onto the 'good life' they've built in Wales?
In the 1970s it's estimated that around 60% of the world's LSD came from one place: Wales. This is the story of the Microdot Gang - a rag tag group of chemists, dealers, businessmen and hippy dreamers. They believed that acid had the power to save the world.
Narrated by Rhys Ifans (House of the Dragon, Notting Hill, Harry Potter) and starring Hannah Murray (Game of Thrones, Skins), Acid Dream is written by Welsh playwright Tim Price and features original music from Super Furry Animals frontman Gruff Rhys.
Contains references to drug use.

Written by Tim Price
Narrator.... Rhys Ifans
Christine.... Hannah Murray
Contributors.... Alston Hughes, Stephen Bentley and Catherine Hayes
Original music.... Gruff Rhys
Sound design.... Peregrine Andrews.
Researcher.... Hayley Mills
Production Co-ordinator.... Caroline Barlow
Extracts read from The Untold Story of Christine Bott
Producer.... James Robinson
A BBC Studios production.
THU 22:00 Prepper (m00026x2)
Series 1
Bugging Out
Comedy with Sue Johnston and Pearl Mackie.
Trump. ISIS. The Courgette Crisis. Signs of civilisation's fragility are all around. No wonder the Doomsday Clock just nudged closer to midnight. In this fearscape, more and more ordinary people are wondering how they'd cope if everything we take for granted (law and order, access to healthcare, iceberg lettuces in Sainsburys) was taken away.
Preppers - a large and rapidly growing global community - have taken this thought one step further. They're actively skilling-up, laying down supplies and readying themselves for the end of the world, in whatever form it comes. Indeed, a prepping shop just opened in Newquay. And if people in Cornwall are prepping, it's time to worry.
Imagine if Woman's Hour made a podcast about preparing for the end times. Prepper follows neurotic, debt-ridden Rachel and hard-as-nails 'Churchill in Spanx' Sylvia, working class Mancunians who prep and podcast, sharing knowledge with their community, and showing off just how Armageddon-ready they are.
Told through their podcasts from Sylvia's garage and featuring 'apoco-tips', 'end of days drills' and interviews with preppers from around the world, Prepper comically explores how two mismatched women live with the possibility of the end of days, and how they bond over their determination to survive. And fend off zombies.
Cast:
Sylvia Sue Johnston
Rachel Pearl Mackie
Calhoun Simon Holland Roberts
Written by Caroline Moran and James J. Moran
Producer: Steve Doherty
A Giddy Goat production for BBC Radio 4
THU 22:30 Big Problems with Helen Keen (b05xh31b)
Series 1
Death
The biggest problem of them all - death.
From praying for life everlasting to uploading our minds into a giant cloud of data - is there anything at all we can do to avoid it?
Comedy series that explores the triumphs and disasters of human ingenuity.
Helen Keen together with co-stars Peter Serafinowicz and Susy Kane look at the biggest problems that have faced our species since the dawn of time, and describe humanity's incredible and sometimes absurd solutions.
Written by Helen Keen and Miriam Underhill
Producer: Gareth Edwards
A BBC Radio Comedy production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in June 2015.
THU 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m001hwqg)
Jack Docherty 2/3
From 10.00pm until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Paul Garner chats to Jack Docherty.
THU 23:00 Athena's Cancel Culture (m000v2r3)
Episode 2
Over the last few years, if a celebrity has ever said or done anything remotely controversial, then they've probably been cancelled. Largely performed through social media, some describe it as necessary evil to help democratise the internet and reflect the expectancy of an artist's audience, for others it's just a chance to shut up gobby celebs!
Whatever your view, it certainly helps empower fans by diminishing celebrity cultural capital and helping keep their egos and opinions in check. It's a growing phenomenon that's left almost no one unscathed, from comedians and actors to musicians and TV hosts. It's also happening to the not so famous - remember the bin cat lady?
With stand up and sketch comedy, Athena explores cancel culture and the world of offence in modern times. Over four episodes, Athena will help explain the phenomenon of cancel culture among celebrities, look at the history of offence, and offer up some cancel rules for guidance. Athena then puts all that cancel knowledge to the test on her own social media activity from 10 years ago. There's just no escape from cancel culture justice, even for Athena!
Writer and Performer: Athena Kugblenu.
Support cast: James McNicholas and Jamie-Rose Monk
Producer: Gus Beattie
A Gusman production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in April 2021.
THU 23:15 Helen Lederer - All Change (b0bk4fm9)
2. Empowerment by Default
Inspired by her entrepreneurial sister, Helen decides it's never

too late to embark upon a major business venture... Helen Lederer takes a lighter look at women growing old disgracefully.
Written by and starring Helen Lederer
Phil Stephen Moore
Yolanda Tracy-Ann Oberman
George Tom George
Other parts played by member of the cast
Producer: Sally Avens
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2001.
THU 23:30 Liam Williams: Ladhoo (b09b0wbw)
Series 2
Episode 4
Comedian Liam Williams recounts his youthful misadventures in this autobiographical sitcom. Episode four finds Liam post-graduation and back in his parent's house while his girlfriend enjoys the trip of a lifetime on the other-side of the world. Adjusting to the real world won't be easy.
Ladhoo is written and performed by Liam Williams and starred.
Al Roberts
Emma Sidi
Freya Parker
Kieran Hodgson
Paul G Raymond
Sally Grace
Paul Copley
The Producer is Joe Nunnery
It is a BBC Studios Production.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2017.

FRIDAY 03 FEBRUARY 2023

FRI 00:00 Nora Webster by Colm Toibin (m000b5hr)
[Repeat of broadcast at 05:00 on Thursday]
FRI 01:00 Only the Good Die Young (b007jn17)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Thursday]
FRI 01:30 Wimsey (m000c0lp)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Thursday]
FRI 02:00 Unsheltered by Barbara Kingsolver (m0001m7k)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Thursday]
FRI 02:15 The Citadel (m00094kv)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:15 on Thursday]
FRI 02:30 Sara Pascoe: The Modern Monkey (b09ry6k4)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Thursday]
FRI 03:00 The Men from the Ministry (b012b8hx)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 on Thursday]
FRI 03:30 The Marx Brothers' Flywheel, Shyster and Flywheel (b0080jsp)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 on Thursday]
FRI 04:00 Booked (b08lxz6g)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Thursday]
FRI 04:30 Mary Wesley - The Vacillations of Poppy Carew (m001hp1j)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Thursday]
FRI 05:00 Nora Webster by Colm Toibin (m000bck0)
2. Hope
As Nora rediscovers her love of music, and warmed by small acts of friendship, she gradually begins to find some hope and strength for the future...
Conclusion of Colm Toibin's powerful bestselling novel starring Siobhan McSweeney.
Dramatised by BAFTA winning Adrian Hodges.
Nora Webster Siobhan McSweeney
Aunt Josie Brid Brennan
Phyllis Langdon Norma Sheahan
Catherine Ruth Bradley
Seamus Jonathan Forbes
Redmond Paul Reid
Dr. Cudigan Gary Lilburn
Maurice Edward MacLiam
Elizabeth Sophie Robinson
Aine Lauren Coe
Laurie..... Jessica Turner
Peggy Gibney Heather Craney
Donal Tommy Harris
Conor Sinead McGee
Other parts were played by the cast
Sound design David Chilton
Director: Allegra McLroy
A BBC Northern Ireland production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in November 2019.
FRI 06:00 Only the Good Die Young (b007jzf9)
2. Berlin
Kim Drake is retracing her dead boyfriend's journey across Europe in an attempt to discover why he apparently killed himself on their wedding day. In the tough city of Hamburg she discovers that Mike had been economical with the truth...
Shaun Prendergast's techno thriller in six parts.
Kim Drake Siрил Jenkins
Mike Fisher Neil Roberts
Anne/Clearwater/Optician's Receptionist Kate Binchy
Otto/Burns Shaun Prendergast
Stone Kenneth Cranham
Todd Jack Klaff
Charles Okon Jones
Wilson Peter Gunn
Doris Meyer/Computer/Hotel Receptionist Joanna Wake

Welkin William Roberts
 Prostitute Melanie Hudson
 Director: Adrian Bean
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1992.
FRI 06:30 Wimsey (m000c2bx)
 Whose Body?
 5. Bunter Brings a Letter
 In his quest to finally solve the mystery of missing financier Sir Reuben Levy, Lord Peter Wimsey makes a crucial appointment...

Ian Carmichael stars as the aristocratic sleuth.
 The conclusion of Dorothy L Sayers' detective mystery.
 Lord Peter Wimsey Ian Carmichael
 Bunter Peter Jones
 Sir Julian Freke Bernard Archard
 Inspector Charles Parker Gabriel Woolf
 Piggott/Dr Colegrove Geoffrey Beevers
 Dr Grimbold/Sir Reuben Levy Wilfred Carter
 Lady Levy Betty Cardno
 Dramatised by Chris Miller
 Producer Simon Brett
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1974.
FRI 07:00 Unsheltered by Barbara Kingsolver (m0001p6f)
 Episode 15
 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.
 Unexpected treasures are uncovered as both Willa and Thatcher face the future.
 Abridged by Sian Preece
 Read by Patrick Kennedy and Laurel Lefkow
 Produced by Gaynor Macfarlane
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2018.
FRI 07:15 The Citadel (m000950s)
 Series 6
 Episode 5
 The Citadel by Christopher Reason based on the novel by AJ Cronin.
 Denny and Manson are brought to court.
 Dr Denny Julian Lewis Jones
 Dr Manson George Blagden
 Christine Catrin Stewart
 Pritchard Stephen Marzella
 Judge Maddox John Branwell
 Directed by Gary Brown
 Produced by Pauline Harris and Gary Brown
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2019.
FRI 07:30 Psmith in the City by PG Wodehouse (b00dgyw3)
 First Steps in a Business Career
 Mike's future looks gloomy when he's forced to give up his dreams of university and work in a bank. But help is at hand...
 PG Wodehouse's comic adventures of the extraordinary Psmith and his friend Mike in the world of Edwardian finance.
 Dramatised by Marcy Kahan
 PG Wodehouse Simon Williams
 Psmith Nick Caldecott
 Mike Jackson Inam Mirza
 John Bickersdyke Stephen Critchlow
 Mr Rossiter/Mr Jackson Chris Pavlo
 Mr Waller Jonathan Taffler
 Bannister Robert Lonsdale
 Producer: Abigail le Fleming
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2008.
FRI 08:00 Parsley Sidings (b008s3d0)
 Series 1
 Goodbye Parsley Sidings
 Station Master Horace Hepplewhite takes on the bolshie buffet staff.
 Horace Arthur Lowe
 Bert Ian Lavender
 Gloria Liz Fraser
 Bradshaw Kenneth Connor
 Trimwick Bill Pertwee
 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.
 Producer: Edward Taylor
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in February 1972.
FRI 08:30 The Weekend Starts Here (m001hnlz)
 2. What's In Store?
 Shipcombe Green is a village divided between the villagers and the weekenders.
 New arrivals Marina and Terrence stumble over the Shipcombe

Green fault line, the village shop.
 Written by Bill Matthews
 Marina Diana Hardcastle
 Terence Philip Bretherton
 Mrs Thorogood Gillian Barge
 Mr Thorogood Rupert Vansittart
 Christine Susan Brown
 Norman Gavin Muir
 Felicity Gemma Sanders
 Robbie Tim Treloar
 Smith / Josh Tom George
 Cecila Fyffe Elizabeth Bell
 Chloe Beth Chalmers
 Music composed and performed by Terry Davies.
 Director: Paul Miller
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1999.
FRI 09:00 The Museum of Curiosity (m000my7x)
 Series 15
 Episode 4
 Professor of Ignorance John Lloyd and his curator Alice Levine welcome:
 * Comedian and *The Last Leg* host Josh Widdicombe
 * Mathematician and pianist Dr Eugenia Cheng
 * Have I Got News For You captain Ian Hislop
 The Museum's Guest Committee offer as exhibits Bowerman's Nose, the equals sign and print.
 Researched by Anne Miller of QI & Mike Turner.
 Producers: Richard Turner & James Harkin.
 A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in September 2020.
FRI 09:30 Millport (b0076br4)
 Series 3
 The End of the Beginning
 The island makeover has turned horribly sour and with Irene gone, the only person to save the island from being bulldozed is Bunty Pierce.
 But with her ailing health and hermit ways, will she leave her vegetables to rescue the island's integrity? And will Irene change her mind about mainland life and return to the island for good?
 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/Ferrymen/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 December 2002.
FRI 10:00 Nora Webster by Colm Toibin (m000bck0)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 05:00 today]
FRI 11:00 Only the Good Die Young (b007jzF9)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
FRI 11:30 Wimsey (m000c2bx)
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FRI 12:00 Unsheltered by Barbara Kingsolver (m0001p6f)
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FRI 12:15 The Citadel (m000950s)
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FRI 13:30 The Weekend Starts Here (m001hnlz)
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 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
FRI 19:30 Millport (b0076br4)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
FRI 20:00 Orpheus Underground (b06cw171)
 Novelist Neil Gaiman explores the intricacies of the Orpheus myth, the timeless story of art's place in trying to recover the dead.
 With contributions from writers Margaret Atwood, Jonathan Carroll, the late Russell Hoban and his daughter Phoebe Hoban, songwriter and cartoonist Peter Blegvad, and composer and conceptual artist Hannah Catherine Jones.

Producer: Michael Umney
 A Resonance production
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.
FRI 20:30 Soul Music (m000c4th)
 Series 29
 The Boxer - Simon & Garfunkel
 The Boxer - Simon & Garfunkel. People who connect directly with the lyrics and have a deep personal connection to the song discuss what this masterpiece means to them.
 Seamus McDonagh is a former boxer. He describes the tumultuous time he had during and after his famous fight with Evander Holyfield in 1990. He also explains why he identifies closely with the lyrics of *The Boxer*.
 Julie Nimoy is the daughter of Leonard Nimoy and co-producer of the film 'Remembering Leonard Nimoy' which tells the life story of this much loved actor, most famous for playing Mr Spock in *Star Trek*. The Boxer was his favourite song, and Julie describes exactly what it meant to him both throughout his life, and in its closing moments.
 Gary Edward Jones is a singer-songwriter who for years rejected comparisons made of him to Paul Simon. Eventually, he embraced the likeness and his life changed after developing a show called 'Something About Simon - The Paul Simon Story'.
 Dave Mason is an amateur guitarist who has found deep meaning in *The Boxer*; meaning that has changed and grown as he has.
 Producer: Karen Gregor
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2019.
FRI 21:00 Dead Competitive (m001hxxw)
 5. He Died like a Dog Because He was a Dog
 In this episode Kerry gets wind that Jagger could have been collateral for a much bigger cause – animal rights activism. She looks into the PETA protests at Crufts in 2015, and the arguments against dog shows.
 "A dog is better off dead than in a crate."
FRI 21:35 Acid Dream: The Great LSD Plot (m001hznz)
 5. Dream's End
 Episode five of the LSD saga about an attempt to spark a revolution of the mind.
 Richard and Christine receive their sentences, along with the rest of the Microdot Gang. But what's the legacy of their great LSD plot? Kate, a friend of Christine's recalls her own complicated experiences with the drug.
 In the 1970s it's estimated that around 60% of the world's LSD came from one place: Wales. This is the story of the Microdot Gang - a rag tag group of chemists, dealers, businessmen and hippy dreamers. They believed that acid had the power to save the world.
 Narrated by Rhys Ifans (House of the Dragon, Notting Hill, Harry Potter) and starring Hannah Murray (Game of Thrones, Skins), Acid Dream is written by Welsh playwright Tim Price and features original music from Super Furry Animals frontman Gruff Rhys.
 Contains references to drug use and an account of rape.
 Written by Tim Price
 Narrator: Rhys Ifans
 Christine: Hannah Murray
 Contributors: Alston Hughes, Stephen Bentley and Catherine Hayes
 Original music: Gruff Rhys
 Sound design: Peregrine Andrews.
 Researcher: Hayley Mills
 Production Co-ordinator: Caroline Barlow
 Extracts read from *The Untold Story* of Christine Bott
 Producer: James Robinson
 A BBC Studios production.
FRI 22:00 Believe It! (m000mytW)
 Series 5
 Autobiography
 Richard Wilson returns with another series of not quite true revelations about his life. Jon Canter's comedic writing is as sharp as ever as he delves into themes such as celebrity, brand awareness and death.
 As usual Richard has many friends from whom he seeks advice. Starring Ian McKellen as Head of Gay, Peter Capaldi and David Tennant as The Two Doctors, and Antony Sher as The Man Addicted To Waitrose along with an excellent supporting cast. It's a mockumentary and spoof autobiography rolled into one.
 CAST:
 Richard Wilson
 Sir Ian McKellen
 John Hollingworth - Kenneth
 Rebekah Staton - Camille
 David Tennant
 Peter Capaldi
 Written by Jon Canter
 Produced and directed by Clive Brill
 A Brill production for BBC Radio 4.
FRI 22:30 Beauty of Britain (b00npr8g)
 Series 1
 Beauty and the Beast
 Comedy by Christopher Douglas and Nicola Sanderson. 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 looking after the elderly Mr Easterby, who has a new girlfriend and is behaving like a lovestruck teenager. She is also trying to get to the Aspire to Dream retreat. Meanwhile Anil is

on a big cat stakeout, as several have been spotted in the region.

Beauty Jocelyn Jee Esien

Sally Felicity Montagu

Karen Nicola Sanderson

Mrs Gupte Indira Joshi

Anil Paul Sharma

Mr Easterby Leslie Phillips

Mrs Mason Liz Fraser

Kevin/Cab Man/Steve Christopher Douglas

Girl on Stretcher Nicola Sanderson

Written by Christopher Douglas and Nicola Sanderson.

Produced by Tilusha Ghelani

Music by The West End Gospel Choir.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2009.

FRI 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m001hxpq)

Jack Docherty 3/3

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

FRI 23:00 Hannah Gadsby: Arts Clown (b0541914)

1. Edouard Manet's Olympia

Art historian Hannah Gadsby kicks off her comedy lectures about four masterpieces, with Edouard Manet's masterpiece 'Olympia'.

She shares her first encounter with the art work as well as looking at what critics had to say about it at the time it was created.

Born in Tasmania, Hannah's first encounters with art was via books. These taught her the language of art appreciation, but also legitimised her desire to look at 'boobs'. This was just as well as Hannah realised in her teens that she was 'a little bit lesbian' but homosexuality was still illegal in Tasmania at that time.

The painting 'Olympia' was first shown in Paris in 1865. The reclining nude made a lot of people very angry at the time.

Hannah explains what makes 'Olympia' a cornerstone of modern art and what brings her personally back to this painting again and again.

She is assisted by her very own 'Quotebot' who has been inputted with every quote that's ever been written about art. It sounds remarkably like comedy legend and all-round boffin, John Lloyd.

Written by Hannah Gadsby.

Script edited by Jon Hunter

Producer: Claire Jones

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2015.

FRI 23:15 The Pin (b07b3snr)

Series 2

Award

Strap in for a 15-minute delve into a world of oddness performed in front of a live studio audience.

The Pin are an award-winning comedy duo, and legends of Edinburgh festival. They deconstruct the sketch form, in a show that exists somewhere between razor-sharp smartness and utterly joyous silliness.

Written by Ben Ashenden and Alex Owen

Performed by:

Ben Ashenden

Alex Owen

Freya Parker

Brian Protheroe

Producer: Sam Bryant

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

FRI 23:30 James Acaster's Perfect Sounds (p0c99dsw)

Series 2

Fatiha El-Ghorri is in Heavn

Heavn by Jamila Woods fuses R&B, Jazz and various other genres including classic indie.

Surely it must appeal to Cure-loving Fatiha!