

SUN 07:45 The Great Times Crossword Conspiracy (m001pf2k)
 **** This programme was suggested by Mark Hough as part of BBC Radio 4 Extra's All Request Weekend. ****
 Jim Is keen to help his firm meet its sales targets. But his efforts are thwarted because nothing is allowed to interrupt the concentration of senior staff in their daily struggle with The Times crossword puzzle.
 Starring Tony Robinson.
 Written by Ken Whitmore.
 Jim Tony Robinson
 Mother Meg Johnson
 Contrabine Bob Grant
 Miss Birdsong Bonnie Hurren
 Sparkle Peter Wheeler
 Clerk Steven Granville
 Director: Alfred Bradley
 First broadcast in Thirty Minute Theatre on BBC Radio 4 in August 1982
 **** To nominate a programme from the archives that you would like to hear again, please email radio4extra@bbc.co.uk ****

SUN 08:15 Truckin' Maggie! (m001pf2p)
 **** This programme was suggested by Nancy Slessenger, Richard Simpson & David Stokes as part of BBC Radio 4 Extra's All Request Weekend. ****
 Hank is an American truck driver, who loves historical yarns. Nigel is a medieval history scholar who loves big trucks. Their job - to "truck" the Magna Carta on a promotional tour around America.
 They seem the ideal pairing, in theory.
 Starring Anton Lesser and Michael Hordern.
 Written by Diane Ney.
 Winner of the 1989 BBC World Service Drama Competition.
 Nigel Anton Lesser
 Hank Bill Bailey
 Edmund Grenville-Tree Michael Hordern
 Tom Blain Fairman
 Carolyn Liza Ross
 Millie Eleanore Fairman
 Jimmy/Politician William Roberts
 Music composed by Alastair Wilson and Martin Price
 Director: Gordon House
 First broadcast on the BBC World Service and BBC Radio 4 in August 1989
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SUN 09:15 The Family Brandon (m001pf2t)
 **** This programme was suggested by Vernon Taylor & Phil Bushell as part of BBC Radio 4 Extra's All Request Weekend. ****
 Tony's got a golf game planned – but can he keep it a secret from wife Liz and the rest of the Brandon family?
 Family sitcom starring Tony Brandon.
 In addition to acting, Tony hosted a number of daily record shows on BBC Radio 1 and Radio 2 in the 1960s and 70s
 Written by Mike Craig, Lawrie Kinsley and Ron McDonnell.
 Tony Brandon Himself
 Liz Elizabeth Counsell
 George Paul Williamson
 Shelia Virginia Clarke
 Philip Mark Hadfield
 Jop Ruth Dooner
 Produced at BBC Manchester by James Casey
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in April 1975.
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SUN 09:45 Radio Cars (m001pf2y)
 1. A Dodgy Business
 **** This programme was suggested by Susan Baillie as part of BBC Radio 4 Extra's All Request Weekend. ****
 Jennifer Phillips's five-part comedy series set in the offices of a London cab company.
 Starring Harriet Walter and Gary Waldhorn.
 Streetwise charmer Eddie knows all the tricks of running the firm - until he meets ingenious Angela Corfton-Browne, who appears to have inherited the company.
 She jumps straight into operations - a far cry from her usual upper crust haunts...
 Eddie Gary Waldhorn
 Angela Harriet Walter
 Mrs Corfton-Browne Maxine Audley
 Nicco Neil Dudgeon
 Frenchie Terence Edmond
 Gringo Paul Gregory
 Mohammed Stefan Kalipha
 Gordon Ian Lindsay
 Police Sergeant Andrew Wincott
 Director Richard Wortley
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1991.
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SUN 10:15 Year of the Owl (m001pf34)
 **** This programme was suggested by Paul Thomas as part of BBC Radio 4 Extra's All Request Weekend. ****
 "Through the dark shadows comes the melancholy cry of night.

Long and clear. No merry notes these. The call of the tawny owl sobers men into fear a winter sky."
 A year in the life of an owl
 Written by Paul Thomas.
 Narrated by Andrew Sachs.
 Produced at BBC Bristol by Michael Bright
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1983.
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SUN 11:00 Poetry Extra (m001pf28)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SUN 11:40 Alec Coppel - The Gazebo (m001pf2d)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:40 today]

SUN 12:45 The Great Times Crossword Conspiracy (m001pf2k)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:45 today]

SUN 13:15 Truckin' Maggie! (m001pf2p)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:15 today]

SUN 14:15 The Family Brandon (m001pf2t)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:15 today]

SUN 14:45 Radio Cars (m001pf2y)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 today]

SUN 15:15 Year of the Owl (m001pf34)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:15 today]

SUN 16:00 Corona by Samuel R Delany (m001pf21)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 00:00 today]

SUN 16:30 I Have No Mouth, and I Must Scream by Harlan Ellison (b037bvq6)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 00:30 today]

SUN 17:00 Poetry Extra (m001pf28)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SUN 17:40 Alec Coppel - The Gazebo (m001pf2d)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:40 today]

SUN 18:45 The Great Times Crossword Conspiracy (m001pf2k)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:45 today]

SUN 19:15 Truckin' Maggie! (m001pf2p)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:15 today]

SUN 20:15 The Family Brandon (m001pf2t)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:15 today]

SUN 20:45 Radio Cars (m001pf2y)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 today]

SUN 21:15 Year of the Owl (m001pf34)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:15 today]

SUN 22:00 Start/Stop (b04th9fg)
 Series 2
 5. Glastonbury
 Jack Docherty's sitcom about three marriages in various states of disrepair.
 The three couples have tickets for Glastonbury. But the festival dates clash with Cathy's dad's birthday. Barney fears he will be marooned in a care home while his friends have the time of their lives at the music festival.
 At the festival Alice tries to lose David, Evan tries to get David to loosen his tie, and Fiona tries to get Alice to lose her inhibitions and talk about Barney.
 Meanwhile in the care home Barney is losing the will to live while being made to sing 'If You're Happy and You Know It Clap Your Hands'.
 Starring:
 Couple 1:
 Barney Jack Docherty
 Cathy Kerry Godliman
 Couple 2:
 Evan John Thomson
 Fiona Fiona Allen
 Couple 3:
 David Charlie Higson
 Alice Sally Bretton
 Producer Claire Jones
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2014.
SUN 22:30 The Celebrity Voicemail Show (b06d8ssx)
 Series 1
 Paul Hollywood
 Kayvan Novak imagines what it might be like to hear the answerphone messages of the rich and famous.
 This time, we listen into the voicemail of The Great British Bake Off's Paul Hollywood.
 An entirely fictitious comedy show written, improvised and starring Kayvan Novak.
 Producer: Matt Stronge
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2015.
SUN 22:45 Tina C (b0076q68)
 Tina C's Tiny Island Tour
 Scotland
 Country singer and global activist Tina C continues her exploration of the special relationship between America and the UK.
 She promotes her album 'Not tonight Darlin' I Got a Heartache' in Glasgow and traces her tartan 'in this year's shade of off-beige terracotta' in Edinburgh.
 Written and performed by Christopher Green.
 Pianist: Duncan Walsh Atkins
 Producer: Claire Grove
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2005.
SUN 23:00 Linda Smith's A Brief History of Timewasting (b00ftk3l)
 Series 1

Opera, Gas and Gardening
 When Linda's neighbour Betty invites the Ground Force team round, some unlikely gardeners arrive.
 Comedy series written by and starring Linda Smith.
 Linda Linda Smith
 Chris Chris Neill
 Betty Margaret John
 Other parts played by:
 Jeremy Hardy.
 Hattie Hayridge
 Martin Hyder,
 Producer: Lucy Armitage
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2001.
SUN 23:30 Radio 9 (b04gnvtq)
 Series 2
 Episode 4
 It's back to groovy 1960s London - and a doctor obsessed with songs by the Wombles.
 In a world where presentation is at the wheel, and content is firmly bound and gagged in the back, Radio 9 finds itself with so much to say - but no idea how to say it.
 Written and performed by Johnny Daukes and Hils Barker.
 With:
 Max Digby
 Katherine Jakeways
 Sarah Daukes
 Matt Wilkinson
 Robert Johnston
 Jon Stevenson
 Carine Harris
 Jonathan Kydd
 Esther Phillips
 Megan Phillips
 Producers: Claire Jones and Johnny Daukes
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2005.

MONDAY 07 AUGUST 2023

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MON 03:15 The Family Brandon (m001pf2t)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:15 on Sunday]

MON 03:45 Radio Cars (m001pf2y)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Sunday]

MON 04:15 Year of the Owl (m001pf34)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:15 on Sunday]

MON 05:00 Whodunnits (b007k0h2)
 Baldi - Series 3
 The Far Pavilions
 Paolo finds that Irish cricket and fair play are not synonymous when he discovers foul play at an unfriendly charity match.
 David Threlfall stars as the murder-solving priest, Paolo Baldi.
 Written by Martin Meenan.
 Paolo Baldi David Threlfall
 Tina Mahon Tina Kellegher
 Jim Sharp Michael Maloney
 Rynne Owen Roe
 Mrs Reid Margaret D'Arcy
 Martin Cave Gerry O'Brien
 O'Mahoney Wesley Murphy
 Mrs Dwyer Doreen Keogh
 Jackie Eamon Morrissey
 Format by Barry Devlin. Developed and produced by BBC Northern Ireland.
 Script Editor: Gemma McMullan
 Recorded at RTE's studios in Dublin.
 Director: Mark Lambert
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2003.
MON 05:45 Blackfriars Bridge by Anthony Horowitz (b012s2gc)
 A cuckolded husband intends to murder his rival.
 What could go wrong with his fastidious plan?
 A specially commissioned story written by Anthony Horowitz.
 This humorous retelling of the detailed planning of the perfect crime is set against the sounds of one of the best known bridges over the River Thames in London.
 Read by Robert Bathurst.
 Producer: Elizabeth Allard
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2008.
MON 06:00 Dick Francis (b011pp7t)
 Whip Hand
 1. Swindler
 Disabled ex-champion jumping jockey turned investigator Sid Halley faces a daunting treble:
 * Guard the Guineas favourite
 * Investigate a dubious racing syndicate
 * Find the man who's swindled his ex-wife.
 Dick Francis's thriller set in the world of horse-racing.
 Starring Mick Ford.
 Dramatised in five parts by Alan England.
 Sid Halley Mick Ford

George Caspar Alan Devereux
Unwin David Vann
Chico Barnes Kim Durham
Rosemary Caspar Patricia Gallimore
Jenny Petra Markha
Charles Simon Carter
Trevor Deansgate Terry Molloy
Other parts played by:
Susan Sheridan
David Neal
Producer: Philip Martin
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1991.
MON 06:30 Shadow of the Pharaoh (m001pf7f)
2. Beware the Serpent
Egypt is under the domination of the Hixos.
Ahmose and Ken have travelled to the city of Thebes but now they are the prisoners of the much hated Hixos Prince, the heir to the Egyptian throne, the tyrannical Peten-Ra.
Six-part thriller set in war-torn Ancient Egypt
Written by Victor Pemberton and David Spenser.
Ahmose Sean Barrett
Kem David Valla
Peten-Ra John Bentley
Nefertari Sheila Grant
Hamabari Betty Baskcomb
Captain Fraser Kerr
Antef Lewis Stringer
Antef / Gaoler Martin Friend
Ship Guard Garard Green
Valley Guard David Gooderson
Slave Robin Browne
Producer: Graham Gauld
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1972.
MON 07:00 Handel in London - The Making of a Genius by Jane Glover (m0001hcx)
1. Arrival
At a time of great political and architectural transformation in London, a young German composer arrives with his patron, the future King George, and enjoys instant success.
Jane Glover's Handel in London tells the story of a young German composer who in 1712, followed his princely master to London and would remain there for the rest of his life.
That master would become King George II and the composer was George Frederic Handel. He would be at the heart of musical activity in London for the next four decades, composing masterpiece after masterpiece, whether the glorious coronation anthem, Zadok the Priest, operas such as Giulio Cesare and Alcina or the great oratorios, culminating, of course, in Messiah.
Jane Glover, who has conducted Handel's work in opera houses and concert halls throughout the world, draws on her profound understanding of music and musicians to tell Handel's story.
Featuring music from Handel's vast output.
Abridged in five parts by Eileen Horne.
Read by Jane Glover.
Producer: Clive Brill
A Brill Production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in December 2018
MON 07:15 Curious Under the Stars (m0004if6)
The Owl and the Ivy
Part 1
Return of the magical drama set in Glan Don, a mysterious village perched on the wild Welsh coast.
Pub landlord Gareth picks up a naked hitchhiker on the road into Glan Don.
She seems to have sprung to life from the forest.
Starring Elis James, Emma Sidi and Ifan Huw Dafydd.
Written by Alan Harris.
Gareth Elis James
Diane Emma Sidi
Emlyn Ifan Huw Dafydd
Megan Aimee Ffion Edwards
Fleur Catrin Stewart
Series created by Meic Povey.
Director: James Robinson
A BBC Cymru Wales production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in April 2019.
MON 07:30 Simon Evans Goes to Market (m000511f)
Series 5
Episode 4
The premier comedy-economics hybrid is tackling the big, competing theories of Macro Economics.
These are little short of religions to their proponents, and the figures who devised them dominate the intellectual landscape in a way that mere politicians can only dream of. These are the Big Beards, the Glinting Eyes, the Bristling Moustaches and Eyebrows of "Worldly Philosophy" and their insights, calculations and hallucinations remain as contentious today as they were when first inked into place.
In this series Simon Evans, with the help of Undercover Economist, Tim Harford will advance through the modern industrial era using three great beacons as their guide - Adam Smith, Karl Marx and John Maynard Keynes - and reflect on how they continue to shape our world today.
After three episodes focusing on the lives and theories of Adam Smith, Karl Marx and John Maynard Keynes, it's time for Simon and Tim to attempt synthesis and see how these three economic superbrains can help us out of our current economic predicament.

Presenters: Simon Evans and Tim Harford
Writers: Simon Evans, Tim Harford, Dan Evans and Robert Ledger
Producer: Richard Morris
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2019.
MON 08:00 Stop Messing About! (b007jx4b)
Series 1
Episode 7
Kenneth Williams tells all in his new book, plus spicy goings on in Mexico.
Starring:
Kenneth Williams
Hugh Paddick
Joan Sims
Announcer: Douglas Smith.
After the unexpected death of Kenneth Horne in 1969, plans for the next series of Round The Horne were axed. Instead - using an old catchphrase of Kenneth Williams as a series title - Kenneth joined Hugh Paddick to continue the comedy tradition and was also reunited with his "Carry On" film co-star Joan Sims.
Written by Johnnie Mortimer, Brian Cooke and Myles Rudge
With the Max Harris Group.
Producer: John Simmonds
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in May 1969.
MON 08:30 Taking It Up the Octave (b007511z)
Episode 5
The first night of Carmen is nigh.
The cast's tensions are mounting - Natasha resorts to verbal abuse, James finds succour in emotional flooding techniques, and Gareth seeks solace in whisky.
Comedy drama series written by Fintan Coyle and Tom Miles.
The mishaps and adventures of the acting troupe at Opera Sunderland.
Derek Andrew Branch
Keyboard Ken Tom Miles
Cilla Carolyn Bonnyman
Gareth Godfrey James
James Simon Butteriss
Natasha Caz Weller
Dwight Jonathan Kydd
Singers:
Alison Porter
Susan Jelley
Henrik Wager
Ian Bloomfield
Producer Chris Neill
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1997.
MON 09:00 The Write Stuff (b01shsv6)
Series 16
Mark Twain
James Walton takes the chair for the game of literary correctness.
Team captains:
John Walsh
Sebastian Faulks,
With:
John O'Farrell
Jane Thynne
Authors of the week and subject for pastiche is Mark Twain.
Reader: Beth Chalmers
Producer: Alexandra Smith
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2013.
MON 09:30 The Change (b00p2jn5)
Series 1
When a Man Loves a Woman
Ken drops in to comfort Carol, but is soon in despair over her transvestite hubby George.
Can she ever accept his new life choices?
Comedy about troubled, hormonal Carol whose husband George has revealed that he's a transvestite.
Starring Lynda Bellingham and Chris Ellison.
Sitcom by Gavin Petrie and Jan Etherington.
Carol Lynda Bellingham
George Chris Ellison
Violet Sylvia Syms
Maureen Maureen Beattie
Dave Mark Powley
Ken James Vaughan
Jerry Richard Standing
Sonia Emma Kennedy
Producer: Maria Esposito
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2001.
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MON 19:30 The Change (b00p2jn5)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
MON 20:00 The Moth Radio Hour (m0019k4m)
Series 13
I See You
True stories told live in the USA: Jenifer Hixon introduces stories about gaining new clarity and perspective.
The Moth is an acclaimed not-for-profit organisation dedicated to the art and craft of storytelling based in the USA. Since 1997, it has celebrated both the raconteur and the storytelling novice, who has lived through something extraordinary and years to share it. Originally formed by the writer George Dawes Green as an intimate gathering of friends on a porch in Georgia (where moths would flutter in through a hole in the screen), and then recreated in a New York City living room, The Moth quickly grew to produce immensely popular events at theatres and clubs around New York City and later around the USA, the UK and other parts of the world.
The Moth has presented more than 15,000 stories, told live and without notes, to standing-room-only crowds worldwide. The Moth podcast is downloaded over 27 million times a year.
Featuring true stories told live on stage without scripts, from the humorous to the heart-breaking.
The Moth Radio Hour is produced by Jay Allison and Atlantic Public Media in Woods Hole, Massachusetts and is distributed by the Public Radio Exchange.
First heard on PRX in the USA in 2020.
MON 20:50 Inheritance Tracks (m001pf7r)
Sadiq Khan
Mayor of London Sadiq Khan, chooses 'Our House' by Madness and 'Pride (In the Name of Love)' by U2.
MON 21:00 Mastertapes (b04stzfk)
Series 4
The Boomtown Rats (the A-Side)
The Boomtown Rats discuss their 1978 second album 'A Tonic for the Troops'.
Series in which leading performers and songwriters talk about the album that made them or changed them.
Recorded in front of a live audience at the BBC's iconic Maida Vale Studios, each edition includes two episodes - the A-side and B-side.
In the A-side, Bod Geldof and The Boomtown Rats talk to John Wilson.
Named after a gang in Woody Guthrie's autobiography, the band had a series of hits between 1977 and 1985. Signed by Mercury records the same year that punk rock exploded in Britain, it was their second album 'A Tonic for the Troops', with tracks like "She's So Modern", "Like Clockwork" and "Me and Howard Hughes", that brought them their first Number 1 hit with "Rat Trap".
It's an album that treats dark themes like suicide and euthanasia in an often upbeat, pop-punk style - one critic described the track "Eva Braun" as "the happiest, cheeriest, best upbeat song about Hitler ever written." And another said "Vintage superstars who look like eyesores and sound like dinosaurs should carefully study this album."
The band broke-up in 1986, but reformed in 2013 to tour the UK. This will be a unique opportunity not only to hear them talk about their album but also to see them perform exclusive versions of key tracks.
In the B-side of the programme, it's the turn of the audience to ask the questions.
Producer: Paul Kobrak
First broadcast in December 2014.
MON 21:30 Murder & Mystery (b0bpr708)
Series 3
A Mysterious Case by Anna Katharine Green
A doctor's patient is under 24-hour supervision, but someone, somehow, is poisoning her.

dopers.
Dick Francis's thriller set in the world of horse-racing.
Starring Mick Ford.
Dramatised by Alan England.
Sid Halley Mick Ford
Unwin David Vann
Chico Barnes Kim Durham
Rosemary Caspar Patricia Gallimore
Jenny Petra Markha
Charles Simon Carter
Trevor Deansgate Terry Molloy
Rammileese Andy Hockley
Mark Rammileese Philip Molloy
John Viking James Simmonds
Ullaston Geoff Serle
Other parts played by David Neal.
Producer: Philip Martin
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1991.
WED 06:30 Shadow of the Pharaoh (m001pg9p)
4. The Eye of the Sky-God
Following his trian in the Black Tomb of Osiris, Ahmose returns to the house of the physician in Thebes only to find it ransacked.
A thriller play in six episodes set in Ancient Egypt.
Cast:
Ahmose Sean Barrett
Kem David Valla
Peten-Ra John Bentley
Nefertari Sheila Grant
Hamabari Betty Baskomb
Karu John Westbrook
Senmut Rolf Lefebvre
Honimon Lewis Stringer
Soldier Haydn Jones
Written by Victor Pemberton and David Spenser
Producer and Editor: Graham Gauld
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1972.
WED 07:00 Handel in London - The Making of a Genius by Jane Glover (m0001jqr)
3. Decline
Handel's music triumphs at the coronation of a new king but his operatic fortunes at the Royal Academy take a turn for the worse with the rise of a new English rival: ballad opera.
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The Owl and the Ivy
Part 3
As spring continues to bloom, both Gareth and Diane find temptation too much to bear.
Magical drama set in Glan Don, a mysterious village perched on the wild Welsh coast.
Starring Elis James, Emma Sidi and Ifan Huw Dafydd.
Written by Alan Harris.
Gareth Elis James
Diane Emma Sidi
Emlyn Ifan Huw Dafydd
Bethan Hannah Daniel
Megan Aimee-Ffion Edwards
Fleur Catrin Stewart
Matty Siw Hughes
Series created by Meic Povey.
Director: James Robinson
A BBC Cymru Wales production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in May 2019.
WED 07:30 Dot (b0bfxw6l)
Series 3
Dig for Victory!
The very idea of the 'countryside' fills Dot with horror.
So when she finds herself recruited by the Women's Land Army to work the land, she sets about planning a great escape.
Retro adventures with Dot and the gals from personnel in the rollicking Cabinet War Rooms comedy by Ed Harris.
Dot Fenella Woolgar
Myrtle Kate O'Flynn
Peg Freya Parker
Peabody David Actonn
Millicent Jane Slavin
Grimribbling Stephen Hogan
Director: Sasha Yevushenko
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2018.
WED 08:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007tdvy)

Series 4
The Wild Man of the Woods
The Lad announces that he's rejecting society to go and live a truly rural life.
Starring Tony Hancock.
With Sidney James, Bill Kerr, Kenneth Williams and Hattie Jacques.
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 1957.
WED 08:30 Life, Death and Sex with Mike and Sue (b007517q)
Series 4
Episode 1
Sofa-bound TV presenters Mike and Sue discuss property, holidays and their hopes for a TV award.
Starring Robert Duncan and Jan Ravens.
With:
Roger Blake
Emma Kennedy
Toby Longworth
Written by Hugh Rycroft and David Spicer from a format by Bill Dare.
Music by Mark Burton.
Producer: Aled Evans
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1999.
WED 09:00 Nature Table (m001fm83)
Series 3
Episode 1
Celebrating the natural world and all it's funny eccentricities.
Taking the simple format of a 'Show & Tell', in each episode Sue Perkins is joined by celebrity guests from the worlds of comedy and natural history.
Nature Table has a simple clear brief: to positively celebrate and promote the importance of all our planet's wonderfully wild flora and fauna in a fun and easily grasped way... whilst at the same time having a giggle.
Recorded at The Eden Project, this week Sue Perkins is joined by special guests: Billy Heaney (Zoologist), Holly Smith-Baedorf (RSPB & Ecologist) and comedian Anna Keirle.
In this episode, Sue welcomes:
* Zoologist Bill Heaney
* RSPB and ecologist Holly Smith-Baedorf
* Comedian Anna Keirle
Written by Catherine Brinkworth, Jon Hunter, Jenny Laville and Nicky Roberts
Producer Simon Nicholls.
A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in November 2022.
WED 09:30 People In Cars (b00r7rfr)
3. Sat Love
A businessman spices up his life with excursions to extramarital assignations.
But why is his new sat-nav directing him back home?
One of three comedies set in cars written by Simon Brett.
He Bruce Alexander
She Maureen Beattie
Director: Peter Kavanagh
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2010.
WED 10:00 Anthony Trollope - Orley Farm (b00g9f9q)
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WED 20:00 Archive on 4 (m0000cysy)
Virtues of Vulnerability with Ed Balls
For Ed Balls, the decision to talk publicly about his stammer was pivotal. As a politician, displaying vulnerability was almost unthinkable. Ed's decision turned out to be a good one, but opening up in this way had risks, and things might have been different.
In this personal programme, Ed talks to people from sport, politics, business and media, hearing how they deal with life's challenges, displaying their vulnerability, often in full public view.
Ed speaks to Michael Palin, Facebook's Nicola Mendelsohn, one of the most powerful women in tech; politician Paula Sherriff, Paralympian and Strictly Come Dancing star Will Bayley, journalist Nick Robinson, and writer and activist Scarlett Curtis.
Through archive and original interviews, Ed revisits past moments of vulnerability, including his own, speaking to those involved to shed fresh light on the pitfalls and benefits of displaying one's vulnerable side.
Producer: Jack Soper
A TBI Media production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in January 2020.
WED 21:00 What's Funny About ... (m000k22t)
Series 1
W1A - with Hugh Bonneville and John Morton
TV veterans Peter Fincham and Jon Plowman talk to the writers, producers, and performers behind Britain's biggest TV comedy hits, and hear the inside story of how they brought their programmes to the screen.
In this episode, Peter and Jon talk to Hugh Bonneville and John Morton about W1A, their much loved satire of the BBC.
They discuss where the idea for W1A came from (there is, you'll be pleased to hear, a fold up bike involved). John reveals which BBC grandee offered his services when it came to researching the show. Hugh talks about the challenges of playing Ian Fletcher and Downton's Earl of Grantham, often at the same time (and how it actually helped W1A to prise a bit more cash out of the BBC!). And we hear what Ian Fletcher might be doing next.
With Peter and Jon as our guides, we'll take the opportunity to ask quite how they went about making a great bit of TV comedy. Who came up with it? How did it get written? We'll talk about the commissioning, the casting, and the reception the show received when it first aired.
We'll do our very best to winkle out some backstage secrets straight from the horse's mouth, as we hear the unvarnished truth from the people who were there, and who put these iconic shows on the telly.
Original W1A clips written by John Morton
Producer: Owen Braben
Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra by Expectation Productions, and first broadcast in June 2020.
WED 22:00 John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme (m0005mw2)
Series 8
Episode 3
John Finnemore returns to Radio 4 with an eighth series of his multi-award-winning sketch show, joined by his regular ensemble cast of Margaret Cabourn-Smith, Simon Kane, Lawry Lewin and Carrie Quinlan.
This episode, contains some handy mnemonics, an unilluminating interview, and a de-illuminating editor's note. Support for John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme comes from all the usual companies who support podcasts.
John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme was described by The Radio Times as "the best sketch show in years, on television or radio", and by The Daily Telegraph as "funny enough to make even the surliest cat laugh". Already the winner of a Radio Academy Silver Award and a Broadcasting Press Guild award, this year Souvenir Programme won its second BBC Audio Drama award.
Written by and starring ... John Finnemore
Cast ... Margaret Cabourn-Smith
Cast ... Simon Kane
Cast ... Lawry Lewin
Cast ... Carrie Quinlan
Production Coordinator ... Beverly Tagg
Producer ... Ed Morrish
A BBC Studios production
WED 22:30 Pick Ups (b00nkxf)
Series 2
Carpe Diem
Lind endures a dinner date in a bid to secure the future of Irwell Cars, while Mike's pick-up is on a quest for sexual and personal liberation.
Comedy set around a run-down Manchester taxi company.
Written by Ian Kershaw.
Mike Paul Loughran
Lind Lesley Sharp
Dave Phil Rowson
Alan Parvez Qadir

Simon De Vere James Quinn
Shelly Naomi Radcliffe
Johnny Peter Keeley.
Producer: Paul Hardy
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2009.
WED 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m001pqd1)
Fiona Allen 2/3
From **10.00pm** until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Angela Barnes chats to Fiona Allen.
WED 23:00 Mae Martin's Guide to 21st Century Sexuality (b07x629f)
1. What Shall We Tell Our Kids?
Canadian stand-up Mae Martin combines wickedly astute social observations with personal references to their own unique upbringing.
Mae's taking a funny, personal look at how millennials are transforming the way that society thinks about sexuality and gender.
In this episode Mae considers how we should be teaching children about sex and relationships.
Hint: possibly not the same way that Mae's own mother Wendy did.
Written and performed by Mae Martin.
Script editor: Sarah Campbell
Producer: Alexandra Smith
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2016.
WED 23:15 Ivor Cutler - A Stuggy Pren (b00cqd9l)
Episode 3
Ivor Cutler concocts a lyrical kirmash of songs, stories and poems.
With:
Renowned linguist Dylan Edwards
Phonetic thinker Alison O'Kill.
Producer: Neil Gargill
First broadcast on BBC Radio 3 in June 1994.
WED 23:30 Delve Special (b00t1qsy)
Series 1
The Shifton Scandal
In 1982 Shifton, a town 20 miles north east of Birmingham, was demolished to make way for London's third airport.
David Lander examines the part played in the scandal by Mickey Ozada's Jolly Good Fun Holiday Company and looks at the fate of the Women's Anti-Airport Protest Camp.
Studio production by Stephen Fry, Jack Klaff and Andrew Sachs.
With:
Brenda Bleythn
Moray Watson
Tony Robinson
Jan Ravens

Dramatic reconstruction by:
Mark Arden
Stephen Frost
Felicity Montagu
Phil Nice
Researched and compiled by Tony Sarchet.
Editor: Paul Mayhew-Archer.
Delve Special ran for four series from 1984 to 1987 and later transferred to TV as: This is David Lander.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1984.

THURSDAY 10 AUGUST 2023

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THU 05:00 Anthony Trollope - Orley Farm (b00ghrhb)
3. Secrets
Lady Mason has confessed to her terrible secret and her chance of marriage with Sir Peregrine has been shattered.
Will her secret be exposed at the trial and will her beloved son lose Orley Farm?
Starring Tim Pigott-Smith, Samantha Bond and Ronald Pickup.
The conclusion of Anthony Trollope's compelling, emotional novel
Dramatised by Martyn Wade.
Anthony Trollope Tim Pigott-Smith

Lady Mason Samantha Bond
Sir Peregrine Ronald Pickup
Peregrine Orme Dan Stevens
Mrs Edith Orme Amanda Root
Lucius Mason Jonathan Christie
Sophia Furnival Lydia Leonard
Mr Furnival Robert Maskell
Mrs Furnival Joanna Monro
Lady Staveley Pamela Miles
Judge Staveley Chris Pavlo
Madeline Staveley Manjeet Mann
Augustus Staveley Robert Lonsdale
Felix Graham Gunnar Cauthery
Mr Dockwrath Sam Dale
Joseph Mason Jonathan Tafler
Mr Moulder Stephen Critchlow
Mrs Moulder Jane Whittenshaw
John Kenneby Inam Mirza
Chaffanbrass Malcolm Tierney
Miss Biggs Jill Cardo
Judge Dan Starkey
Director: Tracey Neale
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2009.
THU 06:00 Dick Francis (b011qf1j)
Whip Hand
4. Connections
Sid Halley must probe a link between cauliflowers and pig disease - and the loss of three champion racehorses.
Dick Francis's thriller set in the world of horse-racing.
Starring Mick Ford.
Dramatised by Alan England.
Sid Halley Mick Ford
Chico Barnes Kim Durham
Rosemary Caspar Patricia Gallimore
Charles Simon Carter
Rammileese Andy Hockley
Ullaston Geoff Serle
Arnadale David Vann
Louise Susan Sheridan
Martin England Christopher England
Other parts played by David Neal.
Producer: Philip Martin
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1991.
THU 06:30 Shadow of the Pharaoh (m001pg9m)
5. Into Battle
A great feast is planned for the Crocodile Festival, but the Hyksos are planning to attack. Peten-Ra continues his ambition to rule all of Egypt by poisoning the Pharaoh.
A thriller play in six episodes set in Ancient Egypt
Cast:
Ahmose Sean Barrett
Kem David Valla
Peten-Ra John Bentley
Hamabari Betty Baskomb
Karu John Westbrook
Nefertari Sheila Grant
Senmut Rolf Lefebvre
Honimon Lewis Stringer
Hyksos Captain Andrew Rivers
Written by Victor Pemberton and David Spenser
Play produced and programme edited by Graham Gault
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1972.
THU 07:00 Handel in London - The Making of a Genius by Jane Glover (m0001krb)
4. Messiah
Handel's operatic rivals struggle while he suffers from health problems before travelling to Ireland to present a new work, an oratorio based on biblical texts he calls Messiah.
Jane Glover's Handel in London tells the story of a young German composer who in 1712, followed his princely master to London and would remain there for the rest of his life.
That master would become King George II and the composer was George Frederic Handel. He would be at the heart of musical activity in London for the next four decades, composing masterpiece after masterpiece, whether the glorious coronation anthem, Zadok the Priest, operas such as Giulio Cesare and Alcina or the great oratorios, culminating, of course, in Messiah.
Jane Glover, who has conducted Handel's work in opera houses and concert halls throughout the world, draws on her profound understanding of music and musicians to tell Handel's story.
Featuring music from Handel's vast output.
Abridged by Eileen Horne.
Read by Jane Glover.
Producer: Clive Brill
A Brill Production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in December 2018
THU 07:15 Curious Under the Stars (m0004mch)
The Owl and the Ivy
Part 4
With events spiraling out of control, the Druids Rest is forced to close its doors for the first time since Gareth and Diane arrived in Glan Don.
Magical drama set in a mysterious village perched on the wild Welsh coast.
Starring Elis James, Emma Sidi and Ifan Huw Dafydd.
Written by Alan Harris.
Gareth..... Elis James
Diane..... Emma Sidi

Emlyn..... Ifan Huw Dafydd
Bethan.... Hannah Daniel
Fleur.... Catrin Stewart
Matty.... Siw Hughes
Series created by Meic Powel.
Director: James Robinson
A BBC Cymru Wales production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in May 2019.
THU 07:30 Michael Frayn's Magic Mobile (m000jmmf)
Episode 4
Just sit back and enjoy Michael Frayn's magical entertainment from a star cast, including:
Susannah Fielding
David Suchet
George Blagden
Lisa Dillon
Anna-Louise Plowman
Moira Quirk
Rosalind Ayres
Nigel Anthony
Darren Richardson
Matthew Wolf
No upgrades to install - just click here for God's new version of the Ten Commandments. Note how a character from a novel can literally jump out at you. Hear how credits now take up more screen time than the production. Observe how Auto-Jeeves, offering a Martini, shows itself to be an indispensable robot. And, from the news studio, witness thunderous reports from Olympus about a surprising reshuffle of the Pantheon.
Writer: Michael Frayn
Producer: Rosalind Ayres
Director: Martin Jarvis
A Jarvis and Ayres production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in May 2020.
THU 08:00 Dad's Army (b007jsg2)
Series 1
Battle School
The Walmington-on-Sea platoon is off to a weekend training camp - subject to Captain Mainwaring and his map...
The comic exploits of a Second World War Home Guard platoon in Walmington-on-Sea.
Adapted for radio from Jimmy Perry and David Croft's TV scripts by Harold Snoad and Michael Knowles.
Captain Mainwaring Arthur Lowe
Sergeant Wilson John Le Mesurier
Corporal Jones Clive Dunn
Private Godfrey Arnold Ridley
Private Pike Ian Lavender
Private Frazer John Laurie
Major Smith Slack Watson
Captain Rodrigues Alan Tilvern
Announcer John Snage
Producer: John Dyas
First broadcast on the BBC Radio 4 in April 1974.
THU 08:30 Second Thoughts (b007jx0t)
Series 1
5. The Late, Late Show
Where do Faith's children fit in, now that Bill's around?
Sitcom about the battles of divorces Bill MacGregor and Faith Greycott trying to forge a relationship whilst balancing the demands of his ex-wife, Liza and her teenage children, Hannah and Joe.
Stars Lynda Bellingham as Faith and James Bolam as Bill.
Series one of four inspired by the real lives of its writers, husband and wife Jan Etherington and Gavin Petrie.
A TV version made by LWT for ITV appeared in 1991 and ran for four series, with a spin-off 'Faith in the Future'.
Faith Lynda Bellingham
Bill James Bolam
Hannah Kelda Holmes
Joe Mark Denham
Christian Ian Targett
Producer: Pete Atkin
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1988.
THU 09:00 Funny You Should Ask (b0b91jt2)
From 20/01/1981
Peter Jones hosts the entertainment quiz about comedy as he tests a panel of experts: Bob Monkhouse, Larry Adler and George Axelrod.
Funny You Should Ask ran for 8 series from 1976 to 1982.
Questions compiled by Michael Pointon.
Producer: Paul Mayhew-Archer.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in January 1981.
THU 09:30 Two Doors Down (b0089m6j)
Series 1
The Height of the Iguana
Horried Belfast residents of Marlborough Road discover Sally might be leaving them.
They could never survive their own chaos without her.
Meanwhile, the free range children plan revenge on Victor...
Starring Frances Tomelty.
Conclusion of the first series of Annie McCartney's sitcom.
Sally Frances Tomelty
Saffron Ali White
Clare.....Marcella Riordan
Tony.....Robert Patterson
Miss Black Roma Tomelty
Evie Katy Gleadhill
Fintan Gerard Murphy

Victor Alan Mckee
 Anna Bethan Lloyd
 Simon Patrick Gleadhill
 Layla.....Emily Walmsley
 Ben.....Joel McEInay
 Sam.....Alfie Lloyd
 Trevor Gerard McSorley
 Directed at BBC Belfast by Tanya Nash
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2001.
THU 10:00 Anthony Trollope - Orley Farm (b00ghrbh)
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 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
THU 20:00 A Grand Day Out (m000fw3p)
 From film school to the Oscars – this is the story of Wallace and Gromit's first adventure – A Grand Day Out.
 Featuring interviews with their creator Nick Park, Aardman founders Dave Sproton and Peter Lord, plus many more.
 Produced by Tom Ryan for BBC Radio Bristol
 First broadcast on BBC Local Radio in 2019.
THU 21:00 What's Funny About ... (m000jvtg)
 Series 1
 Goodness Gracious Me - with Meera Syal and Anil Gupta
 TV veterans Peter Fincham and Jon Plowman talk to the writers, producers, and performers behind Britain's biggest TV comedy hits, and hear the inside story of how they brought their programmes to the screen.
 In this episode, Peter and Jon talk to Meera Syal and Anil Gupta about their ground breaking sketch show Goodness Gracious Me.
 They discuss the impact the show had on popular culture and how they feel they were treated by the BBC, the broken video camera at their first-ever showcase that meant that Goodness Gracious Me very nearly never happened, and what sort of show Meera thinks the GGM team should get back together and make.
 With Peter and Jon as our guides, we'll take the opportunity to ask quite how they went about making a great bit of TV comedy. Who came up with it? How did it get written? We'll talk about the commissioning, the casting, and the reception the show received when it first aired.
 We'll do our very best to wrinkle out some backstage secrets straight from the horse's mouth, as we hear the unvarnished truth from the people who were there, and who put these iconic shows on the telly.
 Original Goodness Gracious Me clips written by:
 Meera Syal
 Sanjeev Bhaskar
 Kulvinder Ghir
 Nina Wadia
 Producer: Owen Braben
 Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra by Expectation Productions, and first broadcast in June 2020.
THU 22:00 Ed Reardon's Week (m001p7d8)
 Series 15
 4. Ed in Paris
 Ed's friend, and nemesis, Jaz Milvane is to be offered a peerage and is hoping he can use the title 'Jaz Milvain of Tinsletown'. Ed meanwhile is thrilled when a French publisher asks for the rights to his seminal first work of fiction 'Who Would Fardels Bear', and invites him to Paris to discuss the novel on the

publisher's Youtube channel. Finally, he can be recognised as the true giant of the socialist realist movement he is, without the taint of Jaz's awful film adaption 'Sister Mom'. There is also the added advantage of affording him the opportunity to take Maggie on a romantic 'Citybreak'.
 Ed Reardon - Christopher Douglas
 Ping - Barunka O'Shaughnessy
 Jaz Milvane - Phillip Jackson
 Maggie - Pippa Haywood
 Stan - Geoffrey Whitehead
 Olive - Sally Grace
 Winnie - Ellen Thomas
 Radio Presenter - Nicola Sanderson
 Claude - Rachel Atkins
 Written by Christopher Douglas
 Produced by Dawn Ellis
 Production Co-ordinator - Katie Baum
 Sound - Jon Calver
THU 22:30 Tom Wrighlesworth's Hang-Ups (m000bx2c)
 Series 5
 Richard Wrighlesworth's Hang Ups
 Tom's Dad attempts to take centre stage.
 Listen in on Tom's weekly phone calls home to his Mum, Dad and Gran in Sheffield and get a glimpse into the triumphs and tribulations of the Wrighlesworth clan in all its dysfunctional glory.
 Tom Tom Wrighlesworth
 Dad Paul Copley
 Mum Kate Anthony
 Granny Elizabeth Bennett
 Written by Tom Wrighlesworth and James Kettle.
 With additional material by Miles Jupp
 Producer: Richard Morris
 A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in December 2019.
THU 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m001pqd5)
 Fiona Allen 3/3
 From 10.00pm until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Angela Barnes chats to Fiona Allen.
THU 23:00 Hearing With Hegley (b00b0sgk)
 Series 1
 Episode 2
 The poet laureate of alternative comedy, John Hegley, presents another selection of his work.
 With contributions from:
 Keith Moore
 Susan Norton
 Andrew Bailey
 Nigel Piper
 Producer: Phil Clarke
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1996.
THU 23:15 Sam Simmons Is Not a People Person (b088fp4b)
 Glenn
 Comedian. Writer. Ex-Zoo Keeper. Bird Watcher. Definitely NOT a people person.
 Sam and Henry are making a documentary series about birds, each week - armed with Sam's 'Big Book of Birds' they seek out different species. Despite Henry's best efforts, Sam is continually aggravated by the people they run into. Each encounter sparks an investigation into Sam's past, because once they've sorted out his issues, they'll really be able to focus on the bird-watching.
 Now Sam is trudging through the desert in search of the Steppe Eagle.
 The unique talents of the multi-award winning comedian Sam Simmons have landed.
 Written by and starring Sam Simmons
 With:
 Henry Paker
 Sarah Kendall
 Mike Wilmot
 Freya Parker
 Sound design by Craig Schuftan
 Music by Craig Schuftan with Lani Bagley
 Producers: Joseph Nunnery & Alexandra Smith
 A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in January 2017.
THU 23:30 The Curried Goat Show (b007nf6d)
 Episode 8
 It's Bath Night - plus jam.
 Sketch-bonanza written by and starring Dan Gaster, Will Ing and Ben Silburn.
 With special guest: Imelda Staunton
 Music from The Big Buzzard Boogie Band.
 Producer: Maria Esposito.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in February 1998.

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Jane Glover (m0001krb)
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FRI 04:30 Two Doors Down (b0089m6j)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Thursday]
FRI 05:00 Peter Tinniswood (b0075667)
 Next Time We Might Play Better
 The fervent aim of an excruciatingly inept quartet of musicians is to play better.
 Staring Graham Crowden and Hugh Dickson.
 Peter Tinniswood's touching comedy.
 Mr Deedes Graham Crowden
 Narrator Hugh Dickson
 Mrs Klite Jillie Meers
 Penelope Carolyn Jones
 Esmond Christopher Scott
 Old/Young Mr Sievewright Stephen Thorne
 Mr Martindale Anthony Oroegbu
 Mistress Tracy-Ann Oberman
 Duffy Gerard McDermott
 Musical director: Michael Haslam
 Director: Enyd Williams
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1997.
FRI 06:00 Dick Francis (b011qm8r)
 Whip Hand
 5. The Finish
 Sid Halley believes he knows the truth behind the doping and poney racing syndicates, but dare he reveal it?
 Conclusion of Dick Francis's thriller set in the world of horse-racing.
 Starring Mick Ford.
 Dramatised by Alan England.
 Sid Halley Mick Ford
 Chico Barnes Kim Durham
 Rosemary Caspar Patricia Gallimore
 Charles Simon Carter
 Trevor Deansgate Terry Molloy
 Rammileese Andy Hockley
 Ullaston Geoff Serle
 Jenny Petra Markham
 Mark Rammileese Philip Molloy
 George Casper Alan Devereux
 Producer: Philip Martin
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1991.
FRI 06:30 Shadow of the Pharaoh (m001pg9j)
 6. Out of the Shadow
 Ahmose, it is revealed, is the rightful heir to the throne.
 The final episode of a thriller play in six episodes set in Ancient Egypt
 Cast:
 Ahmose Sean Barrett
 Kem David Valla
 Peten-Ra John Bentley
 Karu John Westbrook
 Nefertari Sheila Grant
 Hamabari Betty Baskomb
 Senmut Rolf Lefevre
 Honimon Lewis Stringer
 Assassin Fraser Kerr
 Woman Katherine Parr
 Written by Victor Pemberton and David Spenser
 Play produced and programme edited by Graham Gault
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1972.
FRI 07:00 Handel in London - The Making of a Genius by Jane Glover (m0001kb5)
 5. Truth
 Back in London, Handel finds a highly charged political landscape and reviews of his new work are mixed; meanwhile, he confronts the terrible truth that he is going blind.
 Jane Glover's Handel in London tells the story of a young German composer who in 1712, followed his princely master to London and would remain there for the rest of his life.
 That master would become King George II and the composer was George Frederic Handel. He would be at the heart of musical activity in London for the next four decades, composing masterpiece after masterpiece, whether the glorious coronation anthem, Zadok the Priest, operas such as Giulio Cesare and Alcina or the great oratorios, culminating, of course, in Messiah.
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 Concluded by Jane Glover.
 Producer: Clive Brill
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 The Owl and the Ivy

therapies abound.
Starring Neil Pearson and Mariah Gale.
A satirical adventure story from Bill Dare.
Brian Gulliver Neil Pearson
Rachel Gulliver Mariah Gale
Raindrop Antonia Campbell-Hughes
Muesli David Horovitch
Mumbo Julian Dutton
Kaleem Lewis Alsamari
Healer Stuart McLoughlin
Tofu Sally Orrock
Hunter Bill Dare
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