

SATURDAY 18 NOVEMBER 2023

SAT 00:00 Maleficium (b00761fp)

Spells, charms and an imagined cursing. Taking its title from the word for a malicious act of witchcraft, 'Maleficium' draws on actual terrifying accounts of confessions at witch trials, to create voices for three imaginary characters. Alice, Margery and Jinnet - a farm hand, a farmer's wife and an elderly 'cunning-woman', are brought to the point of tragedy when two of them accused of witchcraft by the other. Written by Liz Lochhead.

SAT 00:45 Surviving Doctor Who - an A-Z (m001s17)

Episode 1
Comedian Toby Hadoke presents a wry insight into the ups and downs of being one of the universe's most misunderstood species: the Doctor Who fan. From Anticipation to Zarbi, via Kennedy (John F) and Underpants (Tom Baker) here's a guide to everything you need to know about surviving being a follower of one of TV's strangest and greatest hits, using a true fan's favourite thing: a list.

SAT 01:00 Catherine Czerkawska - The Curiosity Cabinet (b03bsh17)

3. The Swan on the Lake
Henrietta's fate on the 18th century Garve looks set for a happier ending. Meanwhile Sophie and Ben's holiday has to come to an end. Starring Grace Glover and Ceit Kearney. Conclusion of Catherine Czerkawska's drama linking two women over 300 years apart. Sophie Grace Glover
Henrietta Ceit Kearney
Manus John Buick
Ben Mary Riggans
Grisel Monica Gibb
Katy Stella Forge
Angus MacNeill John Sheddon
Thomas Kenneth Glenaan
Isobel Eliza Langland
Solicitor Paul Samson
Whistle played by Mike Katz.
Directed at BBC Scotland by Hamish Wilson.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1996.

SAT 01:45 Short Works (m000jpg7)

Gloria and Max
An original short story by the Northern Irish writer Wendy Erskine.
A visiting professor regrets offering a lift to a local woman whilst en route to a film festival in County Antrim. Wendy Erskine works full-time as a secondary school teacher in Belfast. Her writing has appeared in several publications including 'The Stinging Fly' literary magazine and the anthology 'Female Lines: New Writing by Women from Northern Ireland'. Her debut short story collection, Sweet Home, was shortlisted for The Republic of Consciousness Prize, and longlisted for The Gordon Burn Prize and The Edge Hill Prize.

SAT 02:00 Whodunnits (b007jsjl)

Julie Enfield Investigates - Murder West One
4. Soho Espresso
Detective Superintendent Julie Enfield's night out in London's Soho is rudely interrupted by a murder above a coffee bar. The day's takings are left untouched, so robbery is clearly not the motive...
Starring Imelda Staunton.
Atmospheric thriller written by Nick Fisher.
DSI Julie Enfield Imelda Staunton
Dad Geoffrey Matthews
Mary Simons Frances Jeater
Gerry Maddox Geoffrey Whitehead
David Simons Jonathan Keeble
Woman in Club Priyanga Elan
Coffee Drinker Elizabeth Conboy
David Simons Jonathan Keeble
Tourist Giles Fagan
Waiter Ben Crowthe
Woman Tilly Gaunt
Director: Richard Wortley
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1999.

SAT 02:45 Dick Barton - Special Agent (b007jnzs)

10. The Flag of Deception
In an all-out siege at Kramer's hideaway, special agent Dick Barton and his chums battle to neutralise the ray gun. Stars Noel Johnson, John Mann and Alex McCrindle. Thrilling conclusion of Edward J Mason's ten-part adventure.
Dick Barton Noel Johnson
Snowey White John Mann
Jock Alex McCrindle
Jean Hunter Margaret Robertson
Wilhelm Kramer Francis de Wolff

Sir Archie Wrangle Richard Hurdall
Colonel Gardiner William Fox
James Thirgood Denis McCarthy
Blom/Jenks Michael Kilgariff
Hans Arthur Bush
Announcer/Sergeant/Corporal Geoffrey Collins
Heralded by an iconic signature tune - Charles Williams'
'Devil's Galop' - from 1946 to 1951, 'Dick Barton - Special Agent' thrilled millions of listeners on the BBC Light Programme. The daily serial followed the exciting adventures of ex-commando Captain Richard Barton and his wartime mates Snowey White and Jock Anderson, who solved all manner of intriguing crimes and mysteries, with each gripping episode ending in a torrid cliff-hanger. Sadly, not many of Dick's adventures survive in the BBC archive. But in 1972 as part of celebrations for the BBC's Golden Jubilee, the very first ten-part adventure by was recreated with many of the original cast.

SAT 03:00 Grandmothers by Salley Vickers (m000c2h9)

10. Togetherness
A trip to Kew Gardens brings Nan, Minna, Blanche and all their grandchildren together. There, Rose - still silently distraught about her father's affair - hatches a dangerous plan. Three very different women's lives collide in Salley Vickers' tender novel about grandparents and the children they help to raise. Concluded by Eleanor Bron. Written and abridged by Salley Vickers.

SAT 03:15 Arnold Bennett - The Old Wives' Tale (m001s10f)

5. The Defeat
Mrs Baines decides to put a stop to Sophia's affair with Gerald Scales. Starring Gillian Kearney and Katy Cavanagh. Arnold Bennett's novel follows the lives of two very different sisters who grow up above a thriving drapery business in the Potteries, during the 1860s. Dramatised by Stephen Wyatt. Constance Gillian Kearney
Sophia Katy Cavanagh
Narrator Phillip Jackson
Mrs Baines Barbara Marten
Sam Povey Ian Dunn
Aunt Harriet Frances Jeater
Director: Claire Grove
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2004.

SAT 03:30 Ed Reardon's Week (b05y0m0p)

Series 10
The New Thirty
Ed is facing a milestone in his life as he's about to turn 60. As he reflects on his life he decides that things aren't half bad. He finally has a bed to lay his head on, his cat is in rude health and he is leading a busy and fulfilling literary life. However, as with all things Ed, this state of equanimity can't last and after a curious encounter with Jeremy Paxman, Ed decides to make some changes. The comical world of an author, pipe smoker, consummate fare-dodger and master of the abusive e-mail. Starring Christopher Douglas. Written by Christopher Douglas and Andrew Nickolds.

SAT 04:00 Albert and Me (b007js8c)

Series 1
Looking for a Job
Single dad Bryan needs a job, but can he find an employer who'll let him bring his young son Albert along?
Stars Richard Beckinsale and Pat Coombs. The struggles of single parent Bryan Archer to find work while raising his baby son, Albert. Written by Jim Eldridge.
Bryan Archer Richard Beckinsale
Mum/Albert Pat Coombs
Dad John Comer
Rex Terence Alexander
Stephanie Madeline Smith
Mrs Warburton Jan Holden
Labour Exchange Official Milton Johns
Producer: John Fawcett Wilson
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in November 1977.

SAT 04:30 Rent (b04xt14)

Series 2
Episode 1
Paul's got his heart set on Ruby, Ruby's thinking of her missing guinea pig, Maria's plotting to get rid of the DJ rig and Richard's mind's set on a skip...
Stars Patrick Barlow and Barbara Flynn.
Lucy Flannery's Writers' Guild award-winning sitcom about Maria and Richard who take in lodgers to pay off debts.
Maria Barbara Flynn
Richard Patrick Barlow
Amy Linda Polan
Paul Toby Longworth
With:
Vivienne Rochester
Nelson David
Producer: Liz Anstee.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1995.
SAT 05:00 The Food Quiz (b0076n4w)
Series 2
Episode 6
Journalist and food critic, Jay Rayner puts four gastronomes through their culinary paces.
*What is a Fat Rascal?
*Who spent £67,000 on a new oven?
*Where is dried tuna sperm served as a delicacy?
All set for a good grilling:
Wine writer, Jancis Robinson
Wild man, Hugh Fearnley-Whittingstall
Chef, Alastair Little
Restaurateur, Ruth Watson
Producer: Rebecca Wells
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2004.
SAT 05:30 Plum House (b07hgb4m)
Series 1
Trust the Trust
A mysterious visitor arrives. Being visited is an unusual event in itself, but when he shows genuine interest in how the place is run our team immediately suspect he has been sent from the Trust to spy on them. Why else would a man, on his own, turn up at a museum unannounced?
Starring Simon Callow and Jane Horrocks.
Comedy about the inept staff at an historic house written by Ben Cottam and Paul McKenna
Every year thousands of tourists flock to the Lake District. But one place they never go to is Plum House - the former country home of terrible poet George Pudding (1779-1848). Now a crumbling museum, losing money hand over fist, it struggles to stay open under its eccentric curator Peter Knight. Can anyone save Plum House from irreversible decline?
Kevin Eldon guest stars as the visiting man of mystery.
Peter Simon Callow
Maureen Jane Horrocks
Julian Miles Jupp
Tom Tom Bell
Alan Pearce Quigley
Emma Louise Ford
Martin Kevin Eldon
Director: Paul Schlesinger
A Hat Trick production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in June 2016.
SAT 06:00 Noel Coward - This Happy Breed (b0081qyf)
The inter-war life of the Gibbons family in their new suburban home. Starring John Moffatt, Rosemary Leach and Doris Hare. Noel Coward's play covers a 20-year period from June 1919, when the Gibbons family move in to their new home near London's Clapham Common, to when they moved out in June 1939.
Frank Gibbons John Moffatt
Ethel Rosemary Leach
Mrs Flint Doris Hare
Queenie Alice Arnold
Bob Robert Lang
Sylvia Anna Cropper
Billy Michael Maloney
Vi Julia Swift
Phyllis Elizabeth Mansfield
Reg John McAndrew
Sam Simon Treves
Written in 1939, This Happy Breed was not staged until 1942. It was adapted as a film in 1944 directed by David Lean and starring Robert Newton, Celia Johnson and John Mills.
Director: Glyn Dearman
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1989.
SAT 07:30 Maid by Stephanie Land (OmniBus) (m00027sl)
Stephanie Land's hard-hitting account of living on minimum wages in present-day America. Read by Lanna Joffrey.
Struggling to support her young daughter as a single parent, Stephanie finds work as a cleaner in the US tourist resort of Port Townsend, Washington State. Her memoir tells the story of this new life, scrubbing bathrooms, scraping food off the ceiling of trailers, and becoming an invisible ghost in the houses she cleans. "I became fascinated by the things hidden in the dark corners of the houses I cleaned. The snooping was like uncovering clues, finding evidence of the secret lives of people who seemed like they had it all. I began to pay attention to the items that cluttered their kitchen counters: the receipts for rugs that were as expensive as my car, the bill for the dry cleaner that could replace half my wardrobe. Most of my clients worked long hours, away from the homes they fought so hard to pay for.

But her career as a poet nearly didn't happen. Her first poems were dismissed by some editors who saw them as not literary enough, perhaps objecting to the intense way she wrote about sexual love and the minutiae of being a woman. But it's precisely those qualities that have won her new generations of fans and critical praise across the world.

After a period of long isolation due to the pandemic, Sharon talks to Emma Kingsley about her work and how lockdown has affected her perception of the world. She describes how she creates new poems and how the words and images travel down her arm and out through the pen.

Presented and produced by Emma Kingsley.
First broadcast on the BBC World Service in October 2020.
SUN 06:30 Grandmothers by Salley Vickers (Omnibus) (m000c38d)
Episode 2
It's summertime.
Nan takes Billy on holiday, whilst Blanche is still estranged from her grandchildren.
Three very different women's lives collide in this tender novel about grandparents and the children they help to raise.
Omnibus of the last five of ten episodes written and abridged by Salley Vickers
Concluded by Eleanor Bron.
Producer: Kirsty Williams
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2019
SUN 07:40 Inheritance Tracks (m001sltv)
Geoff Norcott
Comedian Geoff Norcott inherits 'Itchycoo Park' by The Small Faces and passes on 'Zoo Station' by U2.
SUN 07:50 Arnold Bennett - The Old Wives' Tale (Omnibus) (m001slv1)
Episode 1
1860s: Sisters Sophia and Constance live above a thriving drapery in the Potteries.
Starring Gillian Kearney and Katy Cavanagh.
Arnold Bennett's novel follows the lives of two very different sisters.
Omnibus of the first five of fifteen episodes dramatised by Stephen Wyatt.
Constance Gillian Kearney
Sophia Katy Cavanagh
Narrator Phillip Jackson
Sam Povey Ian Dunn
Mr Baines John Rowe
Mr Critchlow Stephen Critchlow
Mrs Baines Barbara Marten
Miss Chetwynd Rachel Atkins
Gerald Scales Nicholas Boulton
Aunt Harriet Frances Jeater
Director: Claire Grove
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2004.
SUN 09:00 The Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise Show (b01rsgrq)
Series 2
Episode 2
Eric and Ern get the bird from Percy Edwards, and Nelson gets a phone call from Lady Hamilton.
Starring Ernie Wise and Eric Morecambe.
Written by Eddie Braben.
With:
Salena Jones
Percy Edwards
Music from Peter Knight and his Orchestra.
Producer: John Browell
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in September 1976.
SUN 09:30 Tony's (b00tdlr8)
Series 1
The Italian Connection
The salon and owner are attacked by gangsters, but can a cousin speak their language?
Starring Victor Spinetti.
More misadventures of corner-shop barber, Tony - a beleaguered Italian in his '40s.
Written by Jim Eldridge.
Tony Victor Spinetti
Hector John Laurie
Maisie Deborah Watling
Mama Norma Ronald
Angelo.....Stephen Greif
Fred.....Alan Lake
Eddie.....Gordon Kaye
Mr Smith...Jeffrey Segal
Producer: John Fawcett Wilson.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1979.
SUN 10:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m001slvb)
Doctor Who at 60
Russell T Davies
Screenwriter Russell T Davies shares his castaway choices with Lauren Laverne.
Russell is one of the UK's most successful TV writers. He spent his teenage years learning his dramatic craft with the West Glamorgan Youth Theatre, and his career in TV began in the children's department at the BBC.
His first solo hit TV series was the ground-breaking, sexually frank drama Queer as Folk, first broadcast on Channel 4 in 1999.
A lifelong Doctor Who fan, he relaunched the series in 2005 for a new generation of viewers. Such was its success, he found

himself working around the clock.
More recently, he wrote the highly-acclaimed series A Very English Scandal, starring Hugh Grant as Jeremy Thorpe, and the dystopian drama Years and Years.
DISC ONE: Julie Covington, Charlotte Cornwell, Rula Lenska - Sugar Mountain
DISC TWO: Hora Staccato (1950 version) performed by Jascha Heifetz and Emanuel Bay
DISC THREE: The New Christy Minstrels - Three Wheels on My Wagon -
DISC FOUR: Leonard Bernstein's Gloria in excelsis, performed by The Norman Scribner Choir
DISC FIVE: Kate Bush - Wuthering Heights
DISC SIX: The OT Quartet - Hold That Sucker Down (Builds Like A Skyscraper Mix)
DISC SEVEN: Neil Hannon - Song For Ten
DISC EIGHT: Electric Light Orchestra - Mr. Blue Sky
BOOK CHOICE: Asterix and the Roman Agent by by René Goscinny with illustrations by Albert Uderzo
LUXURY ITEM: A black Ball Pentol Pen
CASTAWAY'S FAVOURITE: Leonard Bernstein's Gloria in excelsis
Presenter: Lauren Laverne
Producer: Sarah Taylor
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2019.
SUN 10:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b00kr7bp)
Series 1
Sloths
Sir David muses on the natural history of the sloth - perhaps the most lethargic beast in the animal world, and one that he has admitted to wanting to be.
Series of talks by Sir David Attenborough on the natural histories of creatures and plants from around the world.
Producer: Julian Hector
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2009.
SUN 11:00 Poetry Extra (m001sltm)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
SUN 11:30 Grandmothers by Salley Vickers (Omnibus) (m000c38d)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
SUN 12:40 Inheritance Tracks (m001sltv)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:40 today]
SUN 12:50 Arnold Bennett - The Old Wives' Tale (Omnibus) (m001slv1)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:50 today]
SUN 14:00 The Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise Show (b01rsgrq)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
SUN 14:30 Tony's (b00tdlr8)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
SUN 15:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m001slvb)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
SUN 15:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b00kr7bp)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 today]
SUN 16:00 James Follett - The Destruction Factor (b007k4ny)
[Repeat of broadcast at 00:00 today]
SUN 16:30 Edgar Allan Poe (b03bv04c)
[Repeat of broadcast at 00:30 today]
SUN 16:45 Surviving Doctor Who - an A-Z (m001slgw)
[Repeat of broadcast at 00:45 today]
SUN 17:00 Poetry Extra (m001sltm)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
SUN 17:30 Grandmothers by Salley Vickers (Omnibus) (m000c38d)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
SUN 18:40 Inheritance Tracks (m001sltv)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:40 today]
SUN 18:50 Arnold Bennett - The Old Wives' Tale (Omnibus) (m001slv1)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:50 today]
SUN 20:00 The Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise Show (b01rsgrq)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
SUN 20:30 Tony's (b00tdlr8)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
SUN 21:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m001slvb)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
SUN 21:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b00kr7bp)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 today]
SUN 22:00 Mark Watson Talks a Bit About Life (b04lq2lx)
Series 1
Health and Beauty
Multi-award winning comic Mark Watson attempts to answer the big questions and make sense of life.
He's assisted by Tim Key and Tom Basden.
This time, Mark investigates "Health & Beauty".
Our world is full of people telling us how to be healthier and more attractive.
But how can we tell if we are well, both mentally and physically? Does living more healthily lead to better mental health, or not so much because you have to eat stuff like cabbage and you wish you were dead?
At the same time many people claim to be beautiful, but does beauty really matter or is it, as the popular saying goes, in the eye of the beholder?
Why is it so hard to get to the bottom of what will make us look and feel good, and will this eternal quest ever end?
Written and performed by Mark Watson.

Producer: Lianne Coop
An Impatient production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in October 2014.
SUN 22:30 Brian Appleton's Unofficial Multi-Media Lecture (m0010q1g)
Let's Look at Sound
Rock musicologist Brian Appleton takes a look at sound.
But how can we?
What is sound? And how do we record it?
From the first audio recordings to the latest digital gadgetry, Brian Appleton examines how the microphone changed music forever.
He explains why - if sound travelled at the speed of light - man would have evolved with only one ear on the top of his head!
Written and performed by Graham Fellows.
Additional Research by Rex Brough.
Producer: Dawn Ellis
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2005.
SUN 22:45 We Know Everything (b08461wq)
Episode 3
Experts Dan Gaster and Paul Powell tackle the questions no-one can be bothered to ask.
This time: If all roads lead to Rome, how do you drive out again?
Listen in for the solution for this and many other needless questions.
Written by and starring Dan Gaster and Paul Powell.
With:
Simon Godley
Clare Cathcart
Martin Hyder
Additional material by Will Ing and Ben Silburn.
Producer: Phil Clarke
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1995.
SUN 23:00 Small Scenes (b04n33th)
Series 2
Episode 4
A visit to the Golden Woofers, Grimsby's number one dog show and a farmer genetically engineers some living sausages.
Symphonious sketch show.
Starring:
Daniel Rigby
Sara Pascoe
Mike Wozniak
Cariad Lloyd
Henry Paker
Written by Benjamin Partridge, Henry Paker and Mike Wozniak.
Producer: Simon Mayhew-Archer.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2014.
SUN 23:30 Edge Falls (b007s1dt)
Series 1
Happy Week
The retail park's latest campaign is launched by its politically correct manager, Sonya.
Paul Barnhill and Neil Warhurst's sitcom following the lives of the staff of Edge Falls Retail Village.
Starring Sarah Lancashire and Mark Benton.
Sonya Sarah Lancashire
Mick Mark Benton
Rez Emil Marwa
Valerie Sarah Hadland
Colin Anthony Glennon
Milosh John Dougal
John/Jim Neil Warhurst
Karl/Gretel Paul Barnhill
Tina Jasmine Callan
Cheryl Kitty McDonagh
Mum Rachel Bavidge
Director: Sally Avens
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2007.

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MON 00:00 Poetry Extra (m001sltm)
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MON 03:00 The Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise Show (b01rsgrq)
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MON 03:30 Tony's (b00tdlr8)
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MON 04:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m001slvb)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Sunday]
MON 04:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b00kr7bp)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 on Sunday]
MON 05:00 HG Wells (m0001n5n)
Kipps
1. The Making of Kipps
Arthur 'Artie' Kipps leaves school - and his first love Ann - when he's apprenticed to a draper in Folkestone.

Starring Paul Daneman, Mark Straker, Nickolas Grace, Kathryn Hurlbutt and Rosalind Ayres.
1905 novel by HG Wells telling the story of a young man's battle to improve his lot in life.
Dramatised in five-parts by Michelene Wandor.
HG Wells ... Paul Daneman
Kipps ... Mark Straker
Chitterlow ... Nickolas Grace
Miss Walsingham ... Kathryn Hurlbutt
Emily ... Rosalind Ayres
Uncle ... John Hollis
Aunt ... Jane Wenham
Sid Pornick ... Michael Jenner
Ann ... Moir Leslie
Driver ... Jon Strickland
Mr Shalford ... Michael Bilton
Carshot ... Christopher Biggins
Buggins ... John Webb
Flo ... Helen Atkinson-Wood
Chester Coote ... Christopher Good
Henry Walsingham ... Spencer Banks
Miss Lomax ... Margot Boyd
Music by Ilona Sekacz.
Director: Martin Jenkins.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1984.
MON 06:00 Raffles (b007jncv)
Series 3
1. No Sinecure
Raffles is dead - and Bunny must face the world alone.
Then comes an invitation to answer a newspaper advertisement...
Starring Jeremy Clyde and Michael Cochrane.
The continuing adventures of cricketer and gentleman thief, Arthur J Raffles, and his chronicler, Harry 'Bunny' Manders.
The stories of EW Hornung dramatised by Olwen Wymark.
AJ Raffles Jeremy Clyde
'Bunny' Manders Michael Cochrane
Dr Theobald Gordon Reid
Mr Maturin John Hartley
The Constable John Church
The Landlord Keith Drinkel
The Porter John Webb
Other parts played by:
Henry Stamper
Frederick Jaeger
Members of the cast
Signature tune composed by Jim Parker.
Director: Gordon House
A BBC Radio 4/BBC World Service production, first broadcast in June 1992.
MON 06:30 Pay Any Price (m001smh9)
1. You Won't Remember This
A British singer unwittingly becomes part of a sinister CIA Cold War project.
Ted Allbeury adapts his 1983 best-seller in ten parts.
Starring Robert Beatty, Susannah Fellows, Barry Foster and Michael J Shannon.
When President Kennedy said in his inauguration speech that America would 'pay any price' to preserve freedom, he could not have realised that the price would include his own life.
Neither could he have imagined that defending freedom would lead to the ruthless sacrifice of the minds of innocent people.
This is the story of part of the price that was paid.
It may seem incredible, but it is based on fact.
Otto Schultz Robert Beatty
Debbie Shaw Susannah Fellows
Jimmy Boyd Barry Foster
Tony Symons Michael J Shannon
Marine Colonel Nigel Graham
Escort officer Alex Jennings
Jimmy Hoffa Bob Sherman
Robert Kennedy Geoffrey Collins
Ray Bruce Boa
John F Kennedy Peter Marinker
John McVickar Stuart Organ
Mrs McVickar Jana Shelden
Stockport-born author Ted Allbeury [1917-2005] wrote over 40 novels. He served as an intelligence officer in the Special Operations Executive (SOE) during the Second World War. This provided the groundwork for him to master the art of the spy novel genre.
Director: Christopher Venning
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1983.
MON 07:00 Book of the Week (m0001mmr)
Bolder: Making the Most of Our Longer Lives by Carl Honoré
1. Revolution
How do we make the most of our longer lives?
Journalist Carl Honoré brought the Slow Movement to wider attention with his book 'In Praise of Slow'.
Now he charts a major shift in our approach to ageing as he meets the revolutionaries who are inspiring us to live better for longer.
Read by Darren Boyd.
Abridged in five parts by Eileen Horne.
Producer: Eilidh McCreadie
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2018.
MON 07:15 Arnold Bennett - The Old Wives' Tale (m001smhg)
6. The Elopement

Sophia escapes to London with her lover, travelling salesman Gerald Scales. Stars Katy Cavanagh and Nicholas Boulton.
Starring Gillian Kearney and Katy Cavanagh.
Arnold Bennett's novel follows the lives of two very different sisters who grow up above a thriving drapery business in the Potteries, during the 1860s.
Dramatised in fifteen parts by Stephen Wyatt.
Sophia Katy Cavanagh
Gerald Scales Nicholas Boulton
Narrator Phillip Jackson
Chirac Tom Smith
Saleswoman Rachel Atkins
Englishman Chris Moran
Director: Claire Grove
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2004.
MON 07:30 Alexei Sayle's Imaginary Sandwich Bar (m0008bbe)
Series 3
Corbyn and the Left
Alexei Sayle offers his thoughts on Jeremy Corbyn and the left and laments the decline of small business.
And what can the 1997 film Starship Troopers teach all of us?
A mixture of stand-up, memoir and philosophy from behind the counter of an imaginary sandwich bar.
Written and performed by the Godfather of Alternative Comedy, Alexei Sayle.
Music and Lyrics by Tim Sutton.
Producer: Joe Nuntery
A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in September 2019.
MON 08:00 Steptoe and Son (b007jlg5)
Series 2
Crossed Swords
After a major find out on his rag and bone round, excited Harold lets greed get the better of him.
Starring Wilfrid Brambell and Harry H Corbett.
Classic sitcom about the lives of rag and bone men Albert Steptoe and his son Harold.
Written by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.
Albert Wilfrid Brambell
Harold Harry H Corbett
Shop Assistant Derek Nimmo
Auctioneer Michael MacLean
Adapted for radio from Galton and Simpson's TV script by Gale Pedrick.
Producer: Bobby Jaye
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in July 1967.
MON 08:30 The Wordsmiths at Gorsemere (b00b9xqh)
Series 1
Episode 4
An Everyday Story of Towering Genius.
Sue Limb's four-part soap opera set in and around the Lake District at the turn of the 18th century
Cholerick is indisposed, while William attempts to recollect an emotion.
The Lumps arrive. Dorothy prepares tea and Mary Lump goes mad ...
Dorothy Wordsmith Denise Coffey
William Wordsmith Geoffrey Whitehead
Samuel Tailor Cholerick Simon Callow
Stinking Iris Miriam Margolyes
The Leechpedlar Chris Emmett
Charles Lump Nicholas Le Prevost
Mary Lump Julia Hills
Music by Stephen Oliver and sung by Cantabile
Producer: Jonathan James-Moore
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1985
MON 09:00 The Write Stuff (b0b0d3fh)
Series 17
Jerome K Jerome
James Walton takes the chair for the game of literary correctness.
Team captains John Walsh and Sebastian Faulks are joined by Mark Billingham and Lynne Truss.
This episode's author is Jerome K Jerome.
Reader: Beth Chalmers
Producer: Alexandra Smith
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2014.
MON 09:30 Ring Around the Bath (b00tqqjf)
Series 2
Go With the Flow
Patrick makes a chart to show where all the children are at any one time.
This makes Stella realise that one of them isn't always where her little arrow says she is...
Starring Duncan Preston and Penny Downie.
Lucy Clare and Ian Davidson's sitcom about a topsy-turvy household.
Patrick Duncan Preston
Stella Penny Downie
Alison Claudie Blakely
Rick Bruce McKinnon
Xanthe Catherine Shepherd
Egg Daniela Denby-Ashe
Mrs Fox Rosie Armstrong
Producer: Elizabeth Freestone
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2004.
MON 10:00 HG Wells (m0001n5n)
[Repeat of broadcast at 05:00 today]

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MON 20:00 Radiolab (m001bk5f)
Series 10
Yellow Fluff and Other Curious Encounters
Radiolab explores the pursuit of knowledge which leads to answers, failure and invariably to more questions. With Jad Abumrad and Robert Krulwich.
Radiolab is a Peabody-award winning show about curiosity. Where sound illuminates ideas, and the boundaries blur between science, philosophy, and the human experience.
The Radiolab team investigate a strange world.
From WNYC. First broadcast on public radio in the USA in 2009.
MON 20:55 Witness History (p01llw4n)
Making Doctor Who
On 23rd November 1963, the first episode of one of the world's best loved TV sci-fi programmes was shown.
But the BBC's debut of Doctor Who was tragically overshadowed by the assassination of US President John F Kennedy.
Lucy Burns speaks to Carole Ann Ford, who played the Timelord's grand-daughter, Susan.
Presented and produced by Lucy Burns.
First broadcast on BBC World Service November 2013.
MON 21:00 Mastertapes (b09n2z8g)
Series 7
David Gray (A-side)
Singer-songwriter David Gray talks about his album 'White Ladder', which led to fame in 2001.
Series in which leading performers and songwriters talk to John Wilson 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, David talks to John Wilson.
Featuring his hits 'Babylon', 'This Year's Love' and 'Sail Away', 'White Ladder' became one of the longest-charting in UK chart history, spending almost three consecutive years in the UK top 100, and won Gray an Ivor Novello Award for the single Babylon.
By 2017, David Gray has sold 12 million albums worldwide, received a BAFTA nomination, two Ivor Novello Awards, a Q award, two BRIT nominations and a Grammy nomination.
In the B-side of the programme, it's the turn of the audience to ask the questions.
Producer: Edwina Pitman
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2017.
MON 21:30 Doctor Who (m001smht)
Tenth Doctor Adventures
Cold Vengeance Part 1/2
When Rose suggests a ski break, the TARDIS materialises on Coldstar, a vast freezer satellite that supplies food to a colony world. But there are cracks in the ice, and something scuttles under the floors. Soon, Rose and the Doctor encounter robots, space pirates... and a couple of recycling operatives.
As Coldstar's tunnels begin to melt, an even greater threat stirs within. An old enemy, the Ice Warriors, have a plan for retribution. Nobody's vengeance is colder than an Ice Warriors'.

One of six adventures featuring the tenth incarnation of The Doctor.
Starring David Tennant and Billie Piper.
Written by Matt Fitton.
The Doctor David Tennant
Rose Tyler Billie Piper
Brona Volta Maureen Beattie
Callum Volta Sean Biggerstaff
Lord Hasskor/Commander Slaan Nicholas Briggs
Lorna Keziah Joseph
Management/Bert Anthony Stuart-Hicks
Other parts were played by members of the cast.
Original music by Howard Carter.
Director: Nicholas Briggs
A Big Finish production from 2016.
MON 22:00 I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue (m001sd6x)
Series 80
Episode 1
Radio 4's multi award-winning 'antidote to panel games' promises yet more quality, desk-based entertainment for all the family.
The series begins at the Pavilion Theatre in Bournemouth where Marcus Brigstocke and Rachel Parris are pitched against Tony Hawks and Miles Jupp, with Jack Dee in the role of reluctant chairman. Regular listeners will know to expect inspired nonsense, pointless revelry and Colin Sell at the piano.
Producer - Jon Naismith.
It is a BBC Studios production.
MON 22:30 Domestic Science (b07krkh0)
Series 1
Episode 1
A heady combination of maths, science and comedy.
Hosted by Festival of The Spoken Nerd trio:
Stand up Mathematician - Matt Parker
Physicist - Steve Mould
Physicist and musician - Helen Arney.
It's science that you can play along with at home as the team look at domestic phenomena that we relate to on a day to day basis.
In this opening episode, the Shepard tone is explored along with the radioactivity of bananas and the conductivity of bones.
Producer: Julia McKenzie
A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in July 2016.
MON 22:45 Darren Harriott: Black Label (m0006lsw)
Family
Fast-rising comedy star Darren Harriott's debut stand-up radio series.
Recorded in Darren's hometown of Birmingham, Black Label explores the different labels and roles he's been assigned throughout his life - Brummie, gang member, brother and son, bouncer and now comic.
Each episode of Black Label consists of incredibly open-hearted stories from the front line of Darren's life - challenging, enlightening and properly funny comedy.
For starters, Darren examines his family history - looking at his nan's emigration to the UK in the 1960's and exploring his relationship with his dad.
Written and Performed by Darren Harriott.
Photo by Freddie Claire
Producer: Adnan Ahmed
A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in July 2019.
MON 23:00 The Now Show (m001sdyd)
Series 63
Episode 3
Steve Punt and Hugh Dennis present the week via topical stand-up and sketches. They are joined by Zoe Lyons, with some news of recent rare sightings, Pierre Novellie, exploring the latest in middle class crazes, and Jess Robinson, singing about the real stalwart of 10 Downing Street.
The show was written by the cast with additional material from Mike Shepherd, Tasha Dhanraj, David Duncan and Cody Dahler.
Voice Actors: Jason Forbes & Roisin O'Mahony
Producer: Sasha Bobak
Production Coordinator: Katie Baum
A BBC Studios Production for Radio 4
MON 23:30 Forty Nights in the Wildebeest (b008kxnk)
Episode 6
Dan Freedman and Nick Romero push the pun count beyond the pain threshold.
Including:
Eavesdropping on Radio 4 newscasters after hours
Visiting The Planet of the Grapes.
Music is performed by The Gents.
Producers: Jayne Gibson and Julian Mayers
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2000.

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TUE 05:00 HG Wells (m0001mfw)
Kipps
2. Kipps Learns Something to his Advantage
Archie Kipps' life – and fortune - changes dramatically when he answers an advertisement in a newspaper.
Starring Paul Daneman, Mark Straker, Nickolas Grace, Kathryn Hurlbutt and Rosalind Ayres.
1905 novel by HG Wells telling the story of a young man's battle to improve his lot in life.
HG Wells ... Paul Daneman
Kipps ... Mark Straker
Miss Walshingham ... Kathryn Hurlbutt
Emily ... Rosalind Ayres
Uncle ... John Hollis
Aunt ... Jane Wenham
Chitterlow ... Nickolas Grace
Sid Pornick ... Michael Jenner
Ann ... Moir Leslie
Mr Shalford ... Michael Bilton
Carshot ... Christopher Biggins
Buggins ... John Webb
Flo ... Helen Atkinson-Wood
Chester Coote ... Christopher Good
Old Bean ... Jon Strickland
Adapted by Michelene Wandor.
Music by Ilona Sekacz.
Director: Martin Jenkins.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1984.
TUE 06:00 Raffles (b007jndt)
Series 3
2. To Catch a Thief
London's glittering high society falls foul of some audacious jewel robberies - but for once, the cracksmen is not Raffles.
Starring Jeremy Clyde and Michael Cochrane.
The adventures of cricketer and gentleman thief, Arthur J Raffles, and his chronicler, Harry 'Bunny' Manders.
Written by EW Hornung and dramatised by Olwen Wymark.
AJ Raffles Jeremy Clyde
'Bunny' Manders Michael Cochrane
Inspector Mackenzie Henry Stamper
Dr Theobald Gordon Reid
Lord Ernest Belville Terence Edmond
Mr Maturin John Hartley
Other parts played by members of the cast
Signature tune composed by Jim Parker.
Director: Gordon House
A BBC Radio 4/BBC World Service production first broadcast in June 1992.
TUE 06:30 Pay Any Price (m001slrz)
2. Unholy Alliance
Debbie's sinister alter ego is triggered for her first assignment by the CIA.
Ted Allbeury's spy thriller serial adapted from his 1983 best-seller.
Starring Robert Beatty, Susannah Fellows, Barry Foster and Michael J Shannon.
When President Kennedy said in his inauguration speech that America would 'pay any price' to preserve freedom, he could not have realised that the price would include his own life.
Neither could he have imagined that defending freedom would lead to the ruthless sacrifice of the minds of innocent people.
This is the story of part of the price that was paid.
It may seem incredible, but it is based on fact.
Otto Schultz Robert Beatty
Debbie Susannah Fellows
Tony Symons Michael J Shannon
Sam Giancana Bob Sherman
Robert Kennedy Geoffrey Collins
"Sweetie" Dawson Lou Hirsch
Panayotis Synodinos Frank Ellis
Second Greek Alfredo Michelson
Weisburg Stuart Organ
Santos Trafficante David Graham
Carlos Marcello Alex Jennings
Robert Maheu Nigel Graham
Zlgy Grabowski Kerry Francis
Petersen Danny Brainin
Airport Announcer James Kerry
American Voice James Bryce
Director: Christopher Venning
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1983.
TUE 07:00 Book of the Week (m0001md6)
Bolder: Making the Most of Our Longer Lives by Carl Honoré
2. Effects

How do we make the most of our longer lives?
Journalist Carl Honoré brought the Slow Movement to wider attention with his book 'In Praise of Slow'.
Now he charts a major shift in our approach to ageing as he meets the revolutionaries who are inspiring us to live better for longer.
In his quest for knowledge Carl experiences first-hand the dramatic effects of ageing on the body.
Read by Darren Boyd.
Abridged by Eileen Horne.
Produced by Eilidh McCreadie.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2018.
TUE 07:15 Arnold Bennett - The Old Wives' Tale (m001slss)
7. Crime
Constance and Sam, now married, receive a cryptic Christmas card from the exiled Sophia.
Starring Gillian Kearney and Katy Cavanagh.
Arnold Bennett's novel follows the lives of two very different sisters who grow up above a thriving drapery business in the Potteries, during the 1860s.
Constance Gillian Kearney
Sam Povey Ian Dunn
Narrator Phillip Jackson
Daniel Povey Declan Wilson
Maria Inshull ... Rachel Atkins
Dramatised by Stephen Wyatt.
Director: Claire Grove
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2004.
TUE 07:30 For The Love of Leo (m000119f)
Series 1
Margot of the 18th Green
It's the funeral of Tamsin - killed in a traffic accident - mother of Laura and beloved wife of Edinburgh artist Leo.
But the service is barely over before Leo acquires a new status as an eligible bachelor.
The women in his circle begin to seek his company and win his affection.; while his mother, his grown up arctic weather analyst daughter and newly acquired, sparky, opinionated cleaning lady offer unasked for advice. His life becomes ever more complicated and demanding.
Each episode traces his growing relationship with a different woman, as the ghost of Tamsin, who knew all of these women well, turns up at bedtime to venture an opinion too.
Leo becomes increasingly haunted by the mystery surrounding Tamsin's accident, which occurred many miles from her home. What was she doing there? Leo becomes convinced Tamsin was having an affair, but in the end the truth turns out to be very different.
Starring Mark Bonnar.
Michael Chaplin's wry, narrative four-part comedy is funny and sad - but always warm-hearted and tender.
Leo Fabiani Mark Bonnar
Tamsin Fabiani Beth Marshall
Rose Fabiani Sandra Voe
Sadie Tracy Wiles
Margot Louise Ludgate
Laura Samara MacLaren
Directed by Marilyn Imrie
A Catherine Bailey production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in December 2018.
TUE 08:00 The Goon Show (b007k0fk)
Series 10
The Last Smoking Seagoon
Ned is quitting nicotine, but Grytpype-Thynne has other ideas.
End of the regular series.
Ground-breaking, surreal BBC radio comedy written by Spike Milligan.
Starring:
Spike Milligan
Peter Sellers
Harry Secombe.
First billed as Crazy People, ten series of The Goon Show were recorded between 1951 and 1960, but sadly many of the earliest shows weren't kept in the archive.
With the Ray Ellington Quartet and Max Geldray.
Orchestra conducted by Wally Stott.
Announcer: Wallace Greenstlade
Producer: John Browell
First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in January 1960.
TUE 08:30 King Street Junior (b007jfnf)
Series 8
Beginnings and Endings
He's newly retired, but Mr Holliday is soon back at school for a day of drama.
Created by Jim Eldridge, ten series of this comedy about a junior school ran between 1985 and 1998. King Street Junior revisited ran from 2002 to 2005
Written by Ivan Shakespeare and Dave Single.
Phillip Sims Karl Howman
Mr Beeston James Grout
Mr Holliday Tom Watson
Mrs Stone Margaret John
Mrs Patterson Dairdre Costello
Mrs Rudd Vivienne Martin
Mr Long Paul Copley
Miss Lewis Marlene Sidaway
Adele McAfee Moya O'Shea
Anwar Ian Gostling.

Producer: John Fawcett Wilson
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1995.
TUE 09:00 Quote... Unquote (m000cn46)
 Sir Tim Rice, Robin Stevens, Shazia Mirza
 Nigel Rees quizzes his celebrity guests on the origins of sayings and well-known quotes, and gets the famous panel to share their favourite anecdotes and quotes.
 With:
 Lyricist and author Sir Tim Rice
 Novelist Robin Stevens
 Stand-up comedian and writer Shazia Mirza
 Producer: Victoria Lloyd
 A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in December 2019.
TUE 09:30 The Change (b0076d2r)
 Series 2
 Episode 5
 Carol and George are set to go away for the weekend together. But who's going to wear the dress?
 Lynda Bellingham and Chris Ellison star as troubled hormonal wife Carol who kicked out her mechanic husband George when he revealed he's a transvestite.
 Sitcom by Gavin Petrie and Jan Etherington.
 Carol Lynda Bellingham
 George Chris Ellison
 Violet Sylvia Syms
 Maureen Maureen Beattie
 Ken James Vaugan
 Sonia Emma Kennedy
 Jerry Barnaby Kay
 Dave Mark Powley
 Linda Andrew Westfield
 Cassandra Paul Chadhidi
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 Producer: Elizabeth Freestone.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2003.
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TUE 20:00 TED Radio Hour (m0016zjd)
 Series 9
 The Food Connection
 A journey through fascinating ideas based on talks by riveting speakers on the TED (Technology, Entertainment, Design) stage.
 Manoush Zomorodi explores one of life's greatest pleasures, food. But with many systems flawed can we reimagine our food future?
 Guests include forager Alexis Nikole Nelson, chef Sean Sherman, social entrepreneur Jasmine Crowe, and environmental journalist Amanda Little.
 First broadcast in the USA on National Public Radio in 2021.
TUE 20:50 Witness History (p011vj43)
 Piltown Man
 In 1912, Britain's top paleontologists were tricked by one of the biggest hoaxes in scientific history - a skull thought to be the "missing link" in human evolution.
 The remains were discovered in a gravel pit in rural Sussex and became known as Piltown Man.
 Witness tells the story of the hoax using contemporary accounts

of what happened.
 The programme also hears from Dr Miles Russell of Bournemouth University, author of 'Piltown Man: Case Closed'.
 Presented and produced by Simon Watts.
 First broadcast on BBC World Service 2012.
TUE 21:00 Mastertapes (b09h3rc5)
 Series 7
 David Gray (B-side)
 Singer-songwriter David Gray answers audience questions about his album 'White Ladder', which led to fame in 2001.
 Series in which leading performers and songwriters talk to John Wilson 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.
 The B-side: 'White Ladder' by David Gray
 Featuring the hits 'Babylon', 'This Year's Love' and 'Sail Away', David Gray's album 'White Ladder' became one of the longest-charting in UK history, spending almost three consecutive years in the UK top 100, and won Gray an Ivor Novello Award for the single Babylon.
 Having discussed the making of White Ladder, the international hit album (in the A-side of the programme) David Gray responds to questions from the audience and performs acoustic live versions of some of his best-loved tracks.
 Producer: Edwina Pitman
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2017.
TUE 21:30 Doctor Who (m0001stb)
 Tenth Doctor Adventures
 Cold Vengeance Part 2/2
 The Doctor learns of the Ice Warriors' plight on the cold Martian moon.
 When Rose suggests a ski break, the TARDIS materialises on Coldstar, a vast freezer satellite that supplies food to a colony world. But there are cracks in the ice, and something scuttles under the floors. Soon, Rose and the Doctor encounter robots, space pirates... and a couple of recycling operatives.
 As Coldstar's tunnels begin to melt, an even greater threat stirs within. An old enemy, the Ice Warriors, have a plan for retribution. Nobody's vengeance is colder than an Ice Warriors'.
 One of six adventures featuring the tenth incarnation of The Doctor.
 Starring David Tennant and Billie Piper.
 Written by Matt Fitton.
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 Rose Tyler Billie Piper
 Brona Volta Maureen Beattie
 Callum Volta Sean Biggerstaff
 Lord Hasskor/Commander Slaan Nicholas Briggs
 Lorna Keziah Joseph
 Management/Bert Anthony Stuart-Hicks
 Other parts were played by members of the cast.
 Original music by Howard Carter.
 Director: Nicholas Briggs
 A Big Finish production from 2016.
TUE 22:00 Best Medicine (m0015d6n)
 Series 1
 6. CT Scans, Inhalation, Faith, Attention
 Joining Kiri this week are Reverend Kate Bottley who offers up faith as the Best Medicine, Dr Subarna Chakravorty and John James OBE who team up to talk about sickle cell, comedian Ria Lina who wants everyone to get a CT scan, and historian Caroline Rance debunking dodgy inhalation practices throughout history.

Best Medicine is your weekly dose of laughter, hope and incredible medicine. Award-winning comedian Kiri Pritchard-McLean is joined by funny and fascinating comedians, doctors, scientists and historians to celebrate medicine's inspiring past, present and future.

Each week, Kiri challenges her guests to make a case for what they think is 'the best medicine', and each of them champions anything from world-changing science to an obscure invention, an everyday treatment, an uplifting worldview, an unsung hero or a futuristic cure.

Whether it's micro-robotic surgery, virtual reality syringes, Victorian clockwork surgical saws, more than a few ingenious cures for cancer, world-first lifesaving heart operations, epidurals, therapy, dancing, faith or laughter - it's always something worth celebrating.

Hosted by Kiri Pritchard-McLean

Featuring: Rev. Kate Bottley, Dr Subarna Chakravorty, John James OBE, Ria Lina and Caroline Rance

Written by Laura Claxton, Toussaint Douglass, Charlie George, Kiri Pritchard-McLean and Ben Rowse

Producer: Ben Worsfield

Assistant Producer: Tashi Radha

Executive Producer: Simon Nicholls

Theme tune composed by Andrew Jones

A Large Time production for BBC Radio 4
TUE 22:30 Mr and Mrs Smith (b01bwp6g)
 Series 1
 The Bathroom
 Annabelle is annoyed because Will couldn't stand up to their over-enthusiastic builder. Will is furious at Annabelle for hiring the builder.
 Guy mediates, but this week the counsellor has his own problems...
 Will Smith's sitcom about a couple in marriage counselling. Counsellor Guy must mediate another dispute between Will and Annabelle, with flashbacks to events that spanned the argument, and by the end, the couple find marital equilibrium once more.
 Sort of.
 Will Smith Will Smith
 Annabelle Smith Sarah Hadland
 Guy Paterson Joseph
 John Geoffrey Whitehead
 Saskia, Sally Susie Blake
 Adam Dan Tetsell
 Claudia Tracy Wiles
 Producer: Tilusha Ghelani
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2012.
TUE 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m001t0s1)
 Jake Lambert 1/3
 From 10pm until midnight, seven days a week, The Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. And tonight, Esyllt Sears interviews the stand-up comedian Jake Lambert.
TUE 23:00 The World of Simon Rich (m0002mgj)
 Series 2
 Episode 3
 Celebrated American humourist Simon Rich returns with more of his enchanting tales of the absurd.
 Performed in London by a top-drawer cast of comic talent including:
 Robert Webb
 Cariad Lloyd
 Jamie Demetriou
 Lewis Macleod
 Freya Parker
 Produced by Jon Harvey
 A Hat Trick production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in February 2019.
TUE 23:30 Think the Unthinkable (b01hznxh)
 Series 3
 Wagstaff and Mutual
 The team try to help an investment bank with some bad financing.
 James Cary's award-winning sitcom about a team of incompetent management consultants.
 Starring:
 Ryan Marcus Brigstocke
 Owen David Mitchell
 Sophie Beth Chalmers
 Daisy Catherine Shepherd
 With:
 Justin Edwards
 James Rawlings
 Robin Ince
 Steven Kynman
 Rachel Atkins
 Music by John Whitehall.
 Producer: Adam Bromley
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2004.

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 Kipps
 3. Kipps Gets Engaged
 Artie Kipps gets engaged to Miss Walsingham but his thoughts return to his childhood sweetheart Ann.
 Starring Paul Daneman, Mark Straker, Nickolas Grace, Kathryn Hurlbutt and Rosalind Ayres.
 1905 novel by HG Wells telling the story of a young man's battle to improve his lot in life.

HG Wells ... Paul Daneman
 Kipps ... Mark Straker
 Miss Walsingham ... Kathryn Hurlbutt
 Chitterlow ... Nickolas Grace
 Uncle ... John Hollis
 Aunt ... Jane Wenham
 Sid Pornick ... Michael Jenner
 Ann ... Moir Leslie
 Carshot ... Christopher Biggins
 Buggins ... John Webb
 Flo ... Helen Atkinson-Wood
 Chester Coote ... Christopher Good
 Miss Coote ... Helena Breck
 Henry Walsingham ... Spencer Banks
 Mrs Walsingham ... Penelope Lee
 Adapted by Michelene Wandor.
 Music by Iona Sekacz.
 Director: Martin Jenkins.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1984.
WED 06:00 Raffles (b007jafb)
 Series 3
 3. An Old Flame
 Raffles has had many worthy adversaries, both on the cricket field and in his more nefarious pursuits, but none prove so formidable as Jacques Saillard - an old flame.
 Starring Jeremy Clyde and Michael Cochrane.
 The adventures of cricketer and gentleman thief, Arthur J Raffles, and his chronicler, Harry 'Bunny' Manders.
 Written by EW Hornung and dramatised by Olwen Wymark.
 AJ Raffles ... Jeremy Clyde
 'Bunny' Manders ... Michael Cochrane
 Jacques Saillard ... Eleanor Bron
 Dr Theobald ... Gordon Reid
 Mr Maturin ... John Hartley
 Mrs Fisher ... Gudrun Ure
 The Clerk ... Matthew Morgan
 The Vicar ... John Church
 The Detective ... Peter Perry-Jones
 Other parts played by members of the cast
 Signature tune composed by Jim Parker.
 Director: Gordon House
 A BBC World Service Drama production first broadcast in June 1992.
WED 06:30 Pay Any Price (m001smmn)
 3. The Clear Up
 The world reels after the Dallas shooting. But who was behind the epoch making event?
 Ted Allbeury's spy thriller serial adapted from his 1983 best-seller.
 Starring Robert Beatty, Susannah Fellows, Barry Foster and Michael J Shannon.
 When President Kennedy said in his inauguration speech that America would 'pay any price' to preserve freedom, he could not have realised that the price would include his own life. Neither could he have imagined that defending freedom would lead to the ruthless sacrifice of the minds of innocent people. This is the story of part of the price that was paid. It may seem incredible, but it is based on fact.
 Jimmy Boyd ... Barry Foster
 Otto Schultz ... Robert Beatty
 Debbie ... Susannah Fellows
 Michael J Shannon ... Tony Symons
 Lee Harvey Oswald/CIA Man ... Ian Tyler
 Jack Ruby ... David Graham
 Ziggy Grabowski ... Kerry Francis
 Petersen/Interviewer ... Danny Brainin
 Katie ... Carole Boyd
 'Nick' Carter ... James Kerry
 Maclaren ... Crawford Logan
 Sturgiss ... John Webb
 Alexander ... Eric Allan
 Police Officer ... Nigel Graham
 Salesman/Reporter ... Alex Jennings
 Director: Christopher Venning
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1983.
WED 07:00 Book of the Week (m0001175)
 Bolder: Making the Most of Our Longer Lives by Carl Honoré
 3. Experience
 How do we make the most of our longer lives?
 Journalist Carl Honoré broths the Slow Movement to wider attention with his book 'In Praise of Slow'.
 Now he charts a major shift in our approach to ageing, asking if creativity is always the preserve of the young prodigy.
 He demolishes the cliché that creativity is the sole preserve of the young
 Read by Darren Boyd.
 Abridged by Eileen Horne.
 Produced by Eilidh McCreadie.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2018.
WED 07:15 Arnold Bennett - The Old Wives' Tale (m001smn2)
 8. Crisis
 In Paris Gerald's spent his inheritance and his marriage to Sophia is on the rocks.
 Starring Gillian Kearney and Katy Cavanagh.
 Arnold Bennett's novel follows the lives of two very different sisters who grow up above a thriving drapery business in the Potteries, during the 1860s.
 Sophia ... Katy Cavanagh

Gerald Scales ... Nicholas Boulton
 Narrator ... Phillip Jackson
 Chirac ... Tom Smith
 Madame Foucault ... Rachel Atkins
 Dramatised by Stephen Wyatt.
 Director: Claire Grove
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2004.
WED 07:30 Shush! (b06fntmg)
 Series 1
 New Romantics
 A wandering poet, a bottle of Calpol and some Roman bathing techniques cause trouble for Snoo and Alice. And just what is Dr Cadogan's unexpected skill?
 Meet Alice, a former child prodigy who won a place at Oxford aged 9 but, because Daddy went too, she never needed to have any friends. She's scared of everything - everything that is, except libraries and Snoo, a slightly confused individual, with a have-a-go attitude to life, marriage, haircuts and reality. Snoo loves books, and fully intends to read one one day.
 And forever popping into the library is Dr. Cadogan, celebrity doctor to the stars and a man with his finger in every pie.
 Charming, indiscreet and quite possibly wanted by Interpol, if you want a discrete nip and tuck and then photos of it accidentally left on the photocopier, Dr Cadogan is your man. Their happy life is interrupted by the arrival of Simon Nielson, a man with a mission, a mission to close down inefficient libraries. Fortunately, he hates his mission. What he really wants to do is once, just once, get even with his inexhaustible supply of high-achieving brothers.
 Written by Morwenna Banks and Rebecca Front
 Alice ... Rebecca Front
 Snoo ... Morwenna Banks
 Simon Neilson ... Ben Willbond
 Dr Cadogan ... Michael Fenton Stevens
 Based on an idea developed with Armando Iannucci
 Producer: David Tyler
 A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in October 2015.
WED 08:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b00898pr)
 Series 5
 East Cheam Drama Festival
 Rivalling Edinburgh and Salzburg - three short plays as the Lad welcomes us to East Cheam Repertory Company.
 Ray Galton and Alan Simpson's classic comedy about the life and times of Anthony Aloysius St John Hancock.
 Starring Tony Hancock.
 With:
 Sidney James
 Bill Kerr
 Kenneth Williams
 Hattie Jacques
 Theme and incidental music composed and conducted by Wally Stott.
 Producer: Tom Ronald
 First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in April 1958.
WED 08:30 Ballylenon (b00fnbth)
 Series 1
 Episode 4
 The battle commences to bring the opera festival to Killycromper Hall.
 Series set in the sleepy town of Ballylenon, Co Donegal, in 1953, before the days of mass tourism and proper plumbing in every home.
 Written by Christopher Fitz-Simon.
 Phonsie Doherty ... TP McKenna
 Muriel Maconchy ... Margaret D'Arcy
 Vera Maconchy ... Stella McCusker
 Vivienne Hawthorne ... Aine McCartney
 Guard Gallagher ... John Hewitt
 Stumpy Bonnar ... Gerard McSorley.
 Music arranged and performed by Stephanie Hughes.
 Director: Eoin O'Callaghan
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1994.
WED 09:00 Counterpoint (b01j5fwl)
 Series 26
 2012 Heat 6
 Paul Gambaccini chairs the general knowledge music quiz
 The questions cover every aspect of music - from the classical repertoire to world music, show tunes, film scores, jazz, rock and pop.
 The sixth trio of 27 competitors are in Salford for the sixth heat of the series.
 Matthew Bailey from Cardiff
 Darren Dutton from Worksp
 Murray Spiers from Edinburgh
 Producer: Paul Bajoria
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2012.
WED 09:30 Four Joneses and a Jenkins (b007jqpl)
 September: Watch the Birdie
 An everyday story of sheep, sin and scholarship under the shadow of the Long Mynd.
 Sue Limb's pastoral sitcom follows six months in the life of the Jones family, who live on a small farm in rural Wales.
 It's the start of the farming year, as daughter Megan sets her sights on Mr Bootle...
 Mr Jones ... Geoffrey Whitehead
 Ma Jones ... Lisabeth Miles
 Megan Jones ... Rebecca Front
 Owen Jones ... Matthew Morgan

Mr Jenkins ... Nickolas Grace
 Bootle ... Michael Fenton Stevens
 Recorded on location.
 Music composed by John Whitehall.
 Producer: Jonathan James Moore.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2000.
WED 10:00 HG Wells (m0001ngm)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 05:00 today]
WED 11:00 Raffles (b007jafb)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
WED 11:30 Pay Any Price (m001smmn)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
WED 12:00 Book of the Week (m0001175)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
WED 12:15 Arnold Bennett - The Old Wives' Tale (m001smn2)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:15 today]
WED 12:30 Shush! (b06fntmg)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
WED 13:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b00898pr)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
WED 13:30 Ballylenon (b00fnbth)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
WED 14:00 Counterpoint (b01j5fwl)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
WED 14:30 Four Joneses and a Jenkins (b007jqpl)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
WED 15:00 HG Wells (m0001ngm)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 05:00 today]
WED 16:00 Raffles (b007jafb)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
WED 16:30 Pay Any Price (m001smmn)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
WED 17:00 Book of the Week (m0001175)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
WED 17:15 Arnold Bennett - The Old Wives' Tale (m001smn2)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:15 today]
WED 17:30 Shush! (b06fntmg)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
WED 18:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b00898pr)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
WED 18:30 Ballylenon (b00fnbth)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
WED 19:00 Counterpoint (b01j5fwl)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
WED 19:30 Four Joneses and a Jenkins (b007jqpl)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
WED 20:00 Archive on 4 (b0076hxp)
 Something is Terribly Wrong
 "Something is Terribly Wrong" - the chilling words spoken by a radio reporter when President John F Kennedy was shot. Using vivid archive material, Alan Thompson charts the confusion and shock as the unbelievable was confirmed. Thompson returns to key sites and talks to eye witnesses, including the detective who was handcuffed to the man arrested for the assassination, Lee Harvey Oswald, when he too was gunned down.
 With archive from the Dallas radio station KLIF and recordings of police radio, the events of those three days that shocked the world are relived.
 Producer: Neil George
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2003.
WED 21:00 A Good Read (m000g199)
 Helen Lederer & Angela Barnes
 Comedians Helen Lederer and Angela Barnes and presenter Harriet Gilbert discuss books by David Nicholls, Alan Taylor and Anna Funder.
 The Understudy by David Nicholls
 Publisher: Hodder
 Appointment in Arezzo by Alan Taylor
 Publisher: Polygon
 Stasiland by Anna Funder
 Publisher: Granta
 Producer: Sally Heaven
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2020.
WED 21:25 Doctor Who (m001smng)
 The War Doctor
 1. The Innocent Part 1/2
 As the Daleks mass their time fleet for a final assault on Gallifrey, something ancient is waiting for them at Omega One. And a sacrifice must be made. Arch-manipulator and Time Lord strategist, Cardinal Ollistra receives shock news of the Doctor's death.
 Meanwhile, on the planet Keska, a parochial war has returned to plague a peaceful civilisation after decades of tranquillity. But how can such a war have any connection with the great Time War which, at any one moment in the whole of eternity, could threaten to tear the universe apart?
 If only the Doctor were still alive...
 John Hurt reprises his role as The War Doctor, first seen on BBC TV in 'The Name of the Doctor' in 2013.
 The War Doctor ... John Hurt
 Cardinal Ollistra ... Jacqueline Pearce
 Rejoice ... Lucy Briggs-Owen
 Garv ... John Banks
 Veklin ... Beth Chalmers
 Arverton ... Barnaby Edwards
 Bensus ... Kieran Hodgson

broadcast in July 2020.

THU 09:30 Stockport, So Good They Named It Once (b007jrj4)

Series 1
Organathon
Eddie attempts a record-breaking electronic organ session for charity while son Jason receives a mysterious letter...
The lives of the Stockport-based, Conroy family - in series 1 of Jim Poyser and Damian Lanigan's comedy drama.
Jason Dominic Monaghan
Eddie John McArdle
Maureen Beverley Callard
Debbie..... Jo-Anne Knowles
Michael Jason Done
Hugo Chris Pavlo
Brian Brian Poyser
Mr Owen Richard Davies
Music: Big George
Producer: Neil Mossey
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1999.

THU 10:00 HG Wells (m0001p39)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:00 today]

THU 11:00 Raffles (b007jnfw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

THU 11:30 Pay Any Price (m001smzz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

THU 12:00 Book of the Week (m0001m90)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

THU 12:15 Arnold Bennett - The Old Wives' Tale (m001sn01)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:15 today]

THU 12:30 The Break (b07ffb29)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

THU 13:00 Dad's Army (b007tbwz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

THU 13:30 Second Thoughts (b00fnfnz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

THU 14:00 The Unbelievable Truth (m000kmk3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

THU 14:30 Stockport, So Good They Named It Once (b007jrj4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

THU 15:00 HG Wells (m0001p39)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:00 today]

THU 16:00 Raffles (b007jnfw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

THU 16:30 Pay Any Price (m001smzz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

THU 17:00 Book of the Week (m0001m90)

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THU 18:30 Second Thoughts (b00fnfnz)

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THU 19:00 The Unbelievable Truth (m000kmk3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

THU 19:30 Stockport, So Good They Named It Once (b007jrj4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

THU 20:00 The Real Comedy Controllers: The Things That Made Us Laugh (m0017rzw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Saturday]

THU 21:00 Great Lives (b086s76k)

Suzannah Lipscomb on CS Lewis
Step though the wardrobe - as historian Suzannah Lipscomb selects the creator of the Narnia Chronicles, CS Lewis.
The writer was a fascinating and extremely complicated man. Born in Northern Ireland, his mother died when he was a child, and his university career was interrupted so he could fight in the Great War.
Suzannah views his writings as deeply moving, as they have influenced her faith.
Presenter Matthew Parris is less convinced by the religious influence in his work.
But contributor to the Cambridge Companion to CS Lewis, Malcolm Guite sits firmly on Suzannah Lipscomb's side.
Produced in Bristol by Miles Warde.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2017.

THU 21:30 Doctor Who (m001sn03)

The War Doctor
1. The Innocent Part 2/2
The normally peaceful planet Keska is gripped by a parochial war, after decades of tranquillity. Is this conflict connected to the great Time War which, at any one moment in the whole of eternity, could threaten to tear the universe apart?
The Time Lord is on the case.
John Hurt reprises his role as The War Doctor, first seen on BBC TV in 'The Name of the Doctor' in 2013.
The War Doctor John Hurt
Cardinal Ollistra Jacqueline Pearce
Rejoice Lucy Briggs-Owen
Garv John Banks
Veklin Beth Chalmers
Arverton Barnaby Edwards

Bennus Kieran Hodgson
The Daleks Nicholas Briggs.
Original music written by Howard Carter.
Written and directed by Nicholas Briggs.
Artwork by Tom Webster
A Big Finish Production.

THU 22:00 It's a Fair Cop (m000vrj4)

Series 6
2. Malicious Communication
Policeman turned stand-up Alfie Moore takes an audience through real-life crime scenarios. This week Alfie investigates at what point unwanted feedback becomes criminal. How much do we have a right to be protected from the criticisms of others? This week's real case involves a vicar who has been receiving some hate mail...
Written and presented by Alfie Moore
Script editor: Will Ing
Production co-ordinator: Beverly Tagg
Producer: Richard Morris
A BBC Studios Production
First transmitted in May 2021

THU 22:30 The Lawrence Sweeney Mix (b008xf49)

Series 2
Episode 3
Fom something your Dad did to something you save up for...
Josie Lawrence and Jim Sweeney make it up as they go along!
Faced with a live studio audience and a couple of microphones - the masters of improv create sketches from shouted out suggestions.
Producer: Dawn Ellis
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2008.

THU 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m001t0s3)

Jake Lambert 2/3
From 10pm until midnight, seven days a week, The Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. And tonight, Esyllt Sears interviews the stand-up comedian Jake Lambert.
THU 23:00 State of the Nations (b088fp46)
Scotland

Elis James concludes his tour of the four UK nations at The Stand Comedy Club in Glasgow to discuss Scottishness.
With:

Jim Smith
Fern Brady
Scott Gibson
The last of four stand-up shows from the four nations of the United Kingdom exploring what it means to be variously Welsh, English, Scottish and Northern Irish.
Producer: Richard Morris
A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in January 2017.

THU 23:30 A Look Back at the Future (b01rszvs)

2021
Finding helium in the air and 'Casablanca: The Sound Man's Cut'.
Recorded in 1994, the futuristic show recalls the main events of 2021 - a year that was yet to happen.

Starring:
Brian Perkins
Kate Robbin
Tony Hawks
Everything you wanted to know then, about the 21st century.
Written by Mark Burton, John O'Farrell and Pete Sinclair.
Producer: Caroline Leddy
First broadcast (with the aid of a crystal ball) on Radio 4 in July 1994.

FRIDAY 24 NOVEMBER 2023

FRI 00:00 HG Wells (m0001p39)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:00 on Thursday]

FRI 01:00 Raffles (b007jnfw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Thursday]

FRI 01:30 Pay Any Price (m001smzz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Thursday]

FRI 02:00 Book of the Week (m0001m90)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Thursday]

FRI 02:15 Arnold Bennett - The Old Wives' Tale (m001sn01)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:15 on Thursday]

FRI 02:30 The Break (b07ffb29)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Thursday]

FRI 03:00 Dad's Army (b007tbwz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 on Thursday]

FRI 03:30 Second Thoughts (b00fnfnz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 on Thursday]

FRI 04:00 The Unbelievable Truth (m000kmk3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Thursday]

FRI 04:30 Stockport, So Good They Named It Once (b007jrj4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Thursday]

FRI 05:00 HG Wells (m0001p3q)

Kipps
5. The Kippses
Artie Kipps, our heroic draper-turned-gentleman, is building a dream home for Ann.
But is his fortune lost?
Conclusion of HG Wells's novel adapted by Michelene Wandor.

HG Wells Paul Daneman
Kipps Mark Straker
Ann Moir Leslie
Chitterlow Nickolosa Grace
Miss Walshingham Kathryn Hurlbutt
Fanny Theresa Streafelfeld
Sid Michael Jenner
Masterman Nigel Anthony
Architect Brett Usher
Uncle John Hollis
Music by Ilona Sekacz.
Director: Martin Jenkins.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1984.

FRI 06:00 Raffles (b007jngf)

Series 3
5. The Knees of the Gods
Raffles and Bunny leave England to fight for queen and country in the South African war. For one of them there will be no return...
Starring Jeremy Clyde and Michael Cochrane.
The adventures of cricketer and gentleman thief, Arthur J Raffles, and his chronicler, Harry 'Bunny' Manders.

Written by EW Hornung and dramatised by Olwen Wymark.
AJ Raffles Jeremy Clyde
'Bunny' Manders Michael Cochrane
Connal Sean Barrett
The General Peter Penry-Jones
Bellingham Eric Allan
Mrs Fisher Gudrun Ure

The soldiers were played by Nicholas Murchie, Keith Drinkel, Peter Murphy and John Webb
Signature tune composed by Jim Parker.
Director: Gordon House
A BBC Radio 4/BBC World Service production first broadcast in June 1992.

FRI 06:30 Pay Any Price (m001smm9)

5. Hamburg
A second British sleeper is employed, but this time in a domestic dirty tricks operation.
Ted Allbeury's spy thriller serial adapted from his 1983 best-seller.

Starring Robert Beatty, Susannah Fellows, Barry Foster and Michael J Shannon.
When President Kennedy said in his inauguration speech that America would 'pay any price' to preserve freedom, he could not have realised that the price would include his own life. Neither could he have imagined that defending freedom would lead to the ruthless sacrifice of the minds of innocent people.

This is the story of part of the price that was paid. It may seem incredible, but it is based on fact.
Debbie Susannah Fellows
Tony Symons Michael J Shannon
Maclaren Crawford Logan
Sturgiss John Webb
Cpl George Walker Richard Huw
Fox David Peart
Mason Albert Welling
Ushi/Mrs Walker Carole Boyd
Col Mortensen Don Fellows
Receptionist Pauline Siddle
Ziggy Grabowski Kerry Francis
Director: Christopher Venning

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1983.
FRI 07:00 Book of the Week (m0001p62)
Bolder: Making the Most of Our Longer Lives by Carl Honoré
5. Love and Sex
How do we make the most of our longer lives?
Journalist Carl Honoré brought the Slow Movement to wider attention with his book 'In Praise of Slow'.

Now he charts a major shift in our approach to ageing as he meets the revolutionaries who are inspiring us to live better for longer.
As his journey concludes, Carl makes some unexpected discoveries about love and sex after the first flush of youth.
Read by Darren Boyd.
Abridged by Eileen Horne.
Produced by Eilidh McCreadie.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2018.
FRI 07:15 Arnold Bennett - The Old Wives' Tale (m001smmk)
10. The Siege
1870, the Siege of Paris. Sophia establishes herself as a landlady, and receives a declaration of love.
Starring Gillian Kearney and Katy Cavanagh.
Arnold Bennett's novel follows the lives of two very different sisters who grow up above a thriving drapery business in the Potteries, during the 1860s.

Sophia Katy Cavanagh
Chirac Tom Smith
Narrator Phillip Jackson
Madame Foucault Rachel Atkins
Monsieur Niepce John Rowe
Dramatised by Stephen Wyatt.
Director: Pauline Harris
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2004.

FRI 07:30 Between Ourselves With Marian Keyes (m00088jp)
Ireland and the Irish
Marian Keyes is a publishing sensation - her works of fiction

(Rachel's Holiday, The Break and others) have sold in their millions, across the globe.

In this series, Marian reads selections from her non-fiction writing, in conversation with her friend and actor Tara Flynn. This week's theme is Ireland and the Irish. Alongside the craic, Marian reads Passport Out Of Here and Do You Know The Bus Stop In Kilkenny? from her collection Under The Duvet.

Producer: Steve Doherty
A Giddy Goat production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in September 2019.

FRI 08:00 Albert and Me (b007jsbh)
Series 1
Spanner in the Works
Single dad Bryan's son Albert is starting nursery. What could possibly go wrong?
The struggles of single parent Bryan Archer to find work while raising his baby son, Albert.
Written by Jim Eldridge.
Bryan Archer Richard Beckinsale
Mum/Albert Pat Coombs
Dad John Comer
Harry John Junkin
Mr Simpson Reginald Marsh
Linda Joanna David
Nursery Nurse Heather Bell
Producer: John Fawcett Wilson
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in November 1977.

FRI 08:30 Rent (b04mljmt)
Series 2
Episode 2
When everyone's gone down with a cold, including the amateur DJ, there's only one person who can save the day ...
Lucy Flannery's Writers' Guild award-winning sitcom about Maria and Richard who take in lodgers.
Maria Barbara Flynn
Richard Patrick Barlow
Amy Linda Polan
Paul Toby Longworth
Ruby Vivienne Rochester.
Producer: Liz Anstee.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1995.

FRI 09:00 The Food Quiz (b0076tc6)
Series 3
From 24/08/2005
Journalist and food critic, Jay Rayner puts four gastronomes through their culinary paces.
Stephen Fry, Elisabeth Luard, Cyrus Todiwala and Clarissa Dickson Wright get set for a good grilling.
Can they fathom the principal ingredient of mock turtle soup, the identity of the first TV chef and how a dried fish came to be known as Bombay duck?
Producer: Dixi Stewart
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2005.

FRI 09:30 Plum House (b07j571n)
Series 1
Peter vs Prynnie
Tom has organised a special summer event and invited the great and good from the world of George Pudding scholarship to gather round the museum's celebrated plum tree.
It's bound to be a day to remember. But with Peter encountering his arch nemesis - the unbearably pompous Mungo Prynnie (Roger Allam), Julian upsetting a neighbouring farmer and Emma rather enjoying the plum punch, will it be remembered for the right reasons?
Ben Cottam and Paul McKenna's comedy about the inept staff at a historic house, starring Simon Callow, Miles Jupp and Jane Horrocks.
Every year thousands of tourists flock to the Lake District. But one place they never go to is Plum House - the former country home of terrible poet George Pudding (1779-1848). Now a crumbling museum, losing money hand over fist, it struggles to stay open under its eccentric curator Peter Knight (Simon Callow).
Can anyone save Plum House from irreversible decline?
Peter Simon Callow
Julian Miles Jupp
Maureen Jane Horrocks
Tom Tom Bell
Alan Pearce Quigley
Emma Louise Ford
Mungo Prynnie Roger Allam
Barry Bunting Sean Gilder
Directed and Produced by Paul Schlesinger
A Hat Trick production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in July 2016.

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FRI 13:00 Albert and Me (b007jsbh)
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[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
FRI 19:30 Plum House (b07j571n)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
FRI 20:00 The Secret History of Yoga (b07f1bst)
Mukti Jain Campion sets out to explore the roots of modern yoga practice.
Like millions of people across the world, Mukti attends regular yoga classes and enjoys its many physical and mental benefits while believing it to be the "timeless Indian discipline" so often described in yoga books.
But recent research challenges this common assumption. Could modern yoga classes, as now taught all around the world, actually be the product of 19th century Scandinavian gymnastics as much as ancient Indian philosophy?
Startled by this possibility, Mukti sets out to explore the roots of modern yoga practice and uncovers an extraordinary multicultural history in which early 20th century European ideas of health, fitness and the cult of the Body Beautiful became intertwined with Indian nationalism and the revival of Indian interest in its own traditions of physical culture. Out of this heady mix emerged a new generation of yoga innovators who transformed an obsolete and frowned-upon practice of Indian holy men into something that would appeal to masses of ordinary people.
Contributors include Dr Mark Singleton, author of Yoga Body: The origins of modern posture practice, Dr Jim Mallinson, a Yoga historian from the School of Oriental and African Studies in London, Dr Manmath Gharote, Director of the Lonavla Yoga Institute in India and Dr Suzanne Newcombe from The London School of Economics who has studied the development of yoga in Britain.
Readers: Tim Pigott-Smith and Denise Stephenson
Producer: Mukti Jain Campion
A Culture Wise production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in June 2016.

FRI 20:30 Soul Music (m000dgxx)
Series 29
Sittin' On the Dock of the Bay
'Sittin' On The Dock Of The Bay' was written whilst Otis Redding was reflecting on his life on Sausalito Bay, California in the summer of 1967. Its upbeat, laidback melody belies the loneliness of the lyrics.
In December of the same year, Otis was killed in a plane crash. The song was subsequently released and became the first posthumous Number 1 record in the US.
His musician contemporaries including Booker T Jones and guitarist Steve Cropper, who co-wrote Dock of the Bay, tell the story of the song's genesis, and people in their twenties to their eighties reveal why they relate it to dramatic periods in their lives.
Producers: Maggie Ayre and Mair Bosworth
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2020.

FRI 21:00 Monsters of Music with Tom Allen (p0gb4nrx)
Alma Mahler The Heartbreaker with Arlene Phillips
Alma Mahler was one of the most complicated composers of the 20th Century. History remembers her as a heartbreaker, an antisemite and an unreliable narrator, but was there more to her story than meets the eye?
From the husband who stopped her from composing so she could be a homemaker, to the bitter ex-lover who made a life-size doll of her then decapitated it in rage, Mahler's life was filled with shocking stories. So in this episode choreographer and TV presenter Arlene Phillips joins Tom and Ben to analyse the truths and myths behind Alma's life to place her on the monster scale.
Listen only on BBC Sounds.
Produced by Audio Always
Producer: Rufaro Faith Mazarura
Exec Producer: Jo Meek
Sound Design: Craig Edmondson
FRI 21:30 Doctor Who (m001smmx)
The War Doctor

2. The Thousand Worlds Part 1/2
With the high-ranking Time Lord Seratrix behind enemy lines, the War Doctor finds himself assigned to a rescue mission. But any room for manoeuvre is severely restricted by an area of space known as the Null Zone.
Times have changed on Keska, and a countdown to destruction is beginning.
But who are the Taalyens and what is their part in the great and terrifying Dalek plan?
John Hurt stars as The War Doctor.
The War Doctor John Hurt
Cardinal Ollistra Jacqueline Pearce
Rejoice Lucy Briggs-Owen
Garv John Bank
Velkin Beth Chalmers
Arverton Barnaby Edwards
Bensus Kieran Hodgson
The Slave Carolyn Seymour
Seratrix Alex Wyndham
The Daleks Nicholas Briggs
Original music written by Howard Carter.
Artwork by Tom Webster.
Written and directed by Nicholas Briggs.
A Big Finish production.

FRI 22:00 Stand-Up Specials (m001sk2)
BBC New Comedy Awards 2023
Host Rosie Jones is joined by judges Zoe Lyons, Darren Harriot and Head Judge Josh Pugh as six of the UK's most exciting new comedy acts compete for the coveted title at the Kings Theatre in Glasgow.
This year's finalists are Chantel Nash, Dean T. Beirne, Frankie Monroe, Hester Ectomy, Jin Hao Li, and Paddy Young. Our 2023 finalists all came through as Heat Winners at our shows at Leith, Bethnal Green, Bangor, Ballymena, Nottingham, and Sunderland.
Past winners and finalists of the BBC New Comedy Award include Alan Carr, Peter Kay, Lee Mack, Sarah Millican, Russell Howard, Joe Lycett, Josie Long, and Lost Voice Guy.
Producers: Lindsay Jex and Gus Beattie
Assistant producer: Nicola Clyde
A Phil McIntyre Television production for BBC Radio 4

FRI 22:30 I Think I've Got a Problem (b007ymng)
Series 1
Episode 4
After getting a job at a supermarket, Tom finally proposes to Sadie, but first he must ask her father for permission.
Tom's 'imaginary' band get in on the act. Will it all end with a song and a dance?
Andrew McGibbon and Nick Romero's everyday story about a man who can't stop himself from breaking into song.
Suggs Tom Caine
Bob Monkhouse Dr Boone
Mika Simmons Sadie
Phil Cornwell Bouche
Michael Roberts Clammy Clemence
Andrew McGibbon Jake
Nick Romero Monty DeVere
Emma Clarke Melody
Songs: Andrew McGibbon, Nick Romero and Suggs
Director: Chris Neill
Producers: Torquil MacLeod, Julian Mayers and Andrew McGibbon.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2001.

FRI 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m001t0s5)
Jake Lambert 3/3
From 10pm until midnight, seven days a week, The Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. And tonight, Eysyllt Sears interviews the stand-up comedian Jake Lambert.

FRI 23:00 On the Hour (b007jmnj)
Series 2
Episode 3
The Tube system goes berserk, an earthquake in Corinth and the anniversary of space.
All the news as it happens, if it happens from the BBC's urgent and incisive news overview.
Savagely satirical award-winning comedy starring Chris Morris.
With:
Steve Coogan
David Schneider
Rebecca Front
Patrick Marber
Doon Mackichan
Written by Chris Morris, Armando Iannucci, Richard Herring, Steven Wells, David Quantick, Andrew Glover, Stewart Lee and Patrick Marber.
Producer: Armando Iannucci
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1992.

FRI 23:30 The Boosh (b007jmhj)
Tundra
Bad-tempered zoo boss Bob Fossil has a couple of assignments for his star zookeepers.
He's sending Vince to Spain to find a friend for the zoo's lonely prawn, and he's sending Howard to the Arctic, just for the sake of it
Written by and starring Noel Fielding and Julian Barratt.
The Boosh is a surreal adventure based on the Perrier Award-winning comedy show, featuring Howard and Vince's battles with zoo manager Bob Fossil.
Howard Moon Julian Barratt

Vince Noir Noel Fielding
Bob Fossil Rich Fulcher
After BBC radio gave them their big break with this series, they transferred to BBC TV where The Mighty Boosh ran for three series.
Producer: Danny Wallace.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2001.