

SATURDAY 02 DECEMBER 2023

SAT 00:00 Aldous Huxley - Brave New World (m0007r23)

2. Values
John the "Savage" has been brought back to a "civilised" world where promiscuity is the norm, eugenics a respectable science and the drug Soma freely available.
Can he retain the ideal of freedom his childhood taught him?
The conclusion of Aldous Huxley's Classic dystopian tale dramatised by Jonathan Holloway.
Bernard Justin Salinger
Helmholtz Jonathan Coy
Lenina Pippa Bennett-Warner
The Director Anton Lesser
John Milton Lopes
Linda Karina Fernandez
Fanny Nicola Ferguson
Henry Sam Rix
Miss Keats Scarlett Brookes
Mustapha Mond Sean Baker
Dr. Shaw Nick Underwood
Director: David Hunter
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2017.

SAT 01:00 John Buchan - The 39 Steps (b00lbt4)

2. The Coming of the Black Stone
A gang of German spies is hot in pursuit of Richard Hannay and a notebook which contains the secret of the 39 steps.
Hannay must solve the mystery of the steps if he's to save the British naval fleet from certain destruction...
Gripping conclusion of John Buchan's spy-thriller.
Starring David Robb and Tom Baker.
Hannay David Robb
Bullivant Tom Baker
Hawk Struan Rodger
Charlotte Tracy Wiles
Johnners Phillip Joseph
Jopley Thomas Arnold
Chairman Gordon Reid
Sir Harry Stuart McQuarrie
Dramatised by Bert Coules.
Producer: Bruce Young
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2001.

SAT 02:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007z1r)

Sherlock Holmes with Carleton Hobbs - Series 6
4. The Boscombe Valley Mystery
The Baker Street sleuth probes a murder in Herefordshire, but the crime's roots are down under.
Starring Carleton Hobbs and Norman Shelley.
Written by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle and adapted by Michael Hardwick.
Sherlock Holmes Carleton Hobbs
Doctor Watson Norman Shelley
James McCarthy Nigel Graham
Coroner Geoffrey Wincott
Inspector Lestrade Humphrey Morton
Alice Turner Sheila Grant
John Turner Bruce Beeby
Producer: Martyn C Webster
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in November 1966.

SAT 02:30 Pay Any Price (m001svp1)

10. Price Paid
The hunter becomes the prey as Boyd's investigation unnerves security forces.
Conclusion of Ted Allbeury's spy thriller serial adapted from his 1983 best-seller.
Starring Barry Foster and Robert Beatty.
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
Tony Symons Michael J Shannon
Healey Leslie Heritage
Sir Roger Richard Hurndall
Carter James Kerry
Ziggy Grabowski Kerry Francis
Katie Boyd Carole Boyd
Katie's mother Teresa Collard
Receptionist/CIA operator Pauline Siddle
Director: Christopher Venning
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1983.

SAT 03:00 The Offing by Benjamin Myers (m0007ym2)

5. A Leavetaking
One summer following the Second World War, 16 year old Robert Appleyard set out on foot from his Durham mining village, desperate to see something of the world before he goes down the pit.
Acutely attuned to the rhythms and delights of the natural world, he sleeps rough and takes work where he can find it, until meeting Dulcie Piper, an eccentric older woman who lives in a ramshackle cottage looking out to sea.
Robert says goodbye to Dulcie, but doesn't get as far as he'd planned.
Novel written by Benjamin Myers.

As an old man, Robert looks back on the summer that changed the direction his life was to take, and the woman who opened his eyes to life's possibilities.
Abridged by Sian Preece.
Read by Kevin Whately.

Produced at BBC Scotland by Sara Davies.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2019.
SAT 03:15 Arnold Bennett - The Old Wives' Tale (m001svpg)

15. Endings
Sophia visits her dying husband. But what will become of her - and her sister Constance?
Sophia's husband and her own health deteriorates. What will become of Constance?
Conclusion of Arnold Bennett's novel following the lives of two very different sisters.
Dramatised by Stephen Wyatt.
Sophia Penelope Wilton
Constance Marcia Warren
The Narrator Philip Jackson
Cyril Jim Pyke
Mr Bodero Declan Wilson
Dr Stirling Andrew Harrison
Mary Jaimiti Barakoff
Director: Pauline Harris
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2004

SAT 03:30 Between Ourselves With Marian Keyes (m0008j6q)

The Family
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 time, the theme is the family.
Alongside the craic, Marian reads Rapunzel, Rapunzel Throw Down Your Hairdryer from her collection Under The Duvet, and Big Night Out from Further Under The Duvet.
Producer: Steve Doherty
A Giddy Goat production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in September 2019.

SAT 04:00 Albert and Me (b007jsdl)

Series 1
Holiday
When Bryan and son arrive in Frimlington, their fellow holidaymakers aren't too welcoming.
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
Deirdre Helen Worth
Mr Wiggins Peter Vaughan
Mavis Cheryl Hall
Producer: John Fawcett Wilson
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in November 1977.

SAT 04:30 Rent (b04ndrzg)

Series 2
Episode 3
Maria is stuck for a subject for her article, Ruby's dissertation is going nowhere and all Paul and Richard can do is ogle supermodels ...
Stars Patrick Barlow and Barbara Flynn.
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.

SAT 05:00 The Food Quiz (b0076tgx)

Series 3
Episode 4
Journalist and food critic, Jay Rayner puts four gastronomes through their culinary paces.
All set for a good grilling:
Hugh Fearnley-Whittingstall
Marguerite Patten
Henrietta Green
Matthew Thorpe
Can they establish: the components of a classic Bouquet Garni?
Do they know who the pizza Margherita is named after?
And which 1980s diet featured an awful lot of pineapple?
Producer: Dixi Stewart
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2005.

SAT 05:30 Plum House (b07jyw84)

Series 1
The Rather Risky Ramble
Tom returns from a team building course in London to find the Plum House team have been bickering in his absence.
So he decides to put what he has learned into action.
Peter has a better idea to restore team spirit and suggests the museum's staff go on a walk through the Cumbrian countryside, known as Pudding's Horseshoe. Hiking boots on, the group set off on their ramble on a beautiful sunny day, full of enthusiasm

and Kendal Mint Cake.
What can possibly go wrong?
Starring Simon Callow, Miles Jupp 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?
Peter Simon Callow
Maureen Jane Horrocks
Julian Miles Jupp
Tom Tom Bell
Alan Pearce Quigley
Emma Louise Ford
Director: Paul Schlesinger
A Hat Trick production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in July 2016.

SAT 06:00 Peter Tinniswood (b007jls3)

The Village Fete
When Nancy moves to the countryside with her brother, sister and poorly father, everything goes wrong.
The Empson family's new house has a gas leak and needs re-wiring and re-roofing.
Nancy doesn't mind. She likes organising.
But then Winston, the local poacher and handyman, takes over and invites Nancy to the village fete...
Peter Tinniswood's play introduces the Empson family.
This sparked five series of Winston's adventures for BBC Radio between 1989 and 1994 - still regularly heard on BBC Radio 4 Extra.
Nancy Shirley Dixon
Father Maurice Denham
Winston Bill Wallis
Rosie Liz Goulding
William Christian Rodska
Producer: Shaun McLoughlin
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1987.

SAT 07:30 The Europeans by Orlando Figes (Omnibus) (m0008pq2)

With the building of the railways and new technological advances, 19th Century Europe is hovering on the brink of great change.
Orlando Figes' book charts the emergence of a cosmopolitan Europe - by exploring a high-profile love triangle.
This is the story of the intimate relationship between opera superstar, Pauline Viardot, her husband and manager Louis Viardot and the Russian novelist, Ivan Turgenev.
Alongside their personal story 'The Europeans' also tells of the role they played in Europe's cultural renaissance.
From the mid-19th century up until the outbreak of the First World War, Europe experienced a cultural revolution which stretched from the British Isles to Imperial Russia heralding in a new age of heady optimism.
A thirst for literature, art and music flourished during this period bringing about a commercial demand that was facilitated by technology changes from the railways to the factory scale production of upright pianos.
Each of the five episodes focuses on a different stage of the Viardot's and Turgenev's relationship and a selection of the ways in which they and their work contributed to Europe's evolving cultural landscape.
Omnibus of five parts abridged by Richard Hamilton.
Read by Hugh Bonneville.
Producer: Elizabeth Allard
Director: Gemma Jenkins
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2019.

SAT 08:45 Uncle Mort's South Country (b007jrdq)

Series 2
The Great Escape
Carter Brandon and his uncle are chuffed to find a miserable home from home.
Peter Tinniswood's continuing tales of long-suffering Carter Brandon and his curmudgeonly uncle.
Uncle Mort Stephen Thorne
Carter Brandon Sam Kelly
Barmaid Liz Goulding
Bernard Torpington Christopher Good
Narrator Christian Rodska
Uncle Mort and his Yorkshire based family first appeared in Tinniswood's novel 'A Touch Of Daniel' which earned them a run of 'I Didn't Know You Cared' on BBC TV in four series from 1975 to 1979.
Producer: Pete Atkin
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1990.
SAT 09:00 The Men from the Ministry (b014dlil)
Cheesed Off
The bungling bureaucrats contend with some unwelcome furry visitors.
A weekly tribute to all those who work in government departments.
Stars Richard Murdoch and Deryck Guyler.
Written by Edward Taylor and John Graham.
Lennox-Brown Deryck Guyler
Lamb Richard Murdoch
Mildred Murfin Norma Ronald
Sir Gregory Pitkin/Cameron Ronald Baddiley

'Creepy' Crawley/Finlay John Graham
 Newsreader John Cole
 The Men from the Ministry ran for 14 series between 1962 and 1977
 Producer: Edward Taylor
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1973.
SAT 09:30 Whack-O! (m001t2w2)
 Series 2
 Mildred's Little Bit
 Boys are caught sneaking into the cinema to watch adult films. But what's been happening in the woods...?
 Starring 'Professor' Jimmy Edwards.
 Starting life on BBC TV before transferring to radio, Chiselbury School is run 'for the sons of gentfolk'.
 Headmaster, Professor James Edwards, MA never misses a trick when it comes to exploiting the students and their parents. Sports pitches are given over to growing vegetables, which the boys nurture for their head to sell. Classes never exceed 95 pupils - 50 if private tuition is paid for at five guineas extra. It's only thanks to the efforts of the devoted deputy head, Mr Potter, that the school exists at all.
 Written by Frank Muir and Denis Norden.
 Adapted for radio by David Climie.
 Headmaster Jimmy Edwards
 Aubrey Potter Roddy Maude-Roxby
 Alfred Tennyson Frederick Treves
 Mildred June Whitfield
 Arnold Halliforth Edwin Apps as Arnold
 Mrs. Baker Patricia Hayes
 With:
 John Coxall
 Roger Shepherd
 David Lott
 Amos the Owl
 Producer: Edward Taylor
 First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in April 1962.
SAT 10:00 Jim Morrison's Will to be Weird (m000gvkt)
 1: Break On Through
 Had singer Jim Morrison of The Doors not died in mysterious circumstances at the tender age of 27 in 1971, he would have celebrated his 80th birthday this December.
 In the first of three programmes, Paul Gambaccini mixes the music and poetry of the man with the influences that moulded the self-proclaimed 'The Lizard King'.
 Paul first encountered Morrison in 1967 when, as a young music director on a New Hampshire radio station, he eagerly opened The Doors' first single 'Break On Through'. He followed his career from beginning to end and, to this day, visits Jim's grave in Paris.
 In addition to sharing memories and observations, Paul delves into the BBC archive:
 * 'CULT HEROES: JIM MORRISON'
 Tony Slattery looks back at Morrison's volatile career
 BBC Radio 5 - 1990
 * 'LIKE A ROLLING STONE'
 The life, work and lasting influence on Jim Morrison of French poet Arthur Rimbaud.
 BBC Radio 4 - 2006
 Producer: Mik Wilkojc.
 Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in December 2018.
SAT 11:00 Peter Tinniswood (b007jls3)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
SAT 12:30 The Europeans by Orlando Figes (Omibus) (m0008pq2)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
SAT 13:45 Uncle Mort's South Country (b007jrdq)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 today]
SAT 14:00 The Men from the Ministry (b014tlll)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
SAT 14:30 Whack-O! (m001t2w2)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
SAT 15:00 Jim Morrison's Will to be Weird (m000gvkt)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
SAT 16:00 Aldous Huxley - Brave New World (m0007r23)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 00:00 today]
SAT 17:00 The Price of Fear (b007jnhf)
 To My Dear, Dear Saladin
 Horror legend Vincent Price introduces a tale of a cat - and its unusual inheritance.
 To Emily, Great Aunt Hesta leaves her entire fortune, including her home, Longbridge Manor.
 To her beloved cat, Saladin, she bequeaths continuing life on the estate.
 But Emily's husband, Freddie has other ideas and dearly pays the price...
 Starring Edward Woodward and Annette Crosbie.
 Written by William Ingram.
 Freddie Edward Woodward
 Emily Annette Crosbie
 Smiley Steve Hodson
 Solicitor Lewis Stringer
 Saladin the Cat Percy Edwards
 Producer: John Dyas
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1983.
SAT 17:35 The Verb (m001lzk3)
 The Wicker Man Verb
 Ritual, seduction, silliness and sacrifice - all this and more in 'The Wicker Man Verb' - marking 50 years of the iconic horror

film.
 Ian McMillan is joined by one of our best fiction writers -Sarah Hall. Sarah shares a new commission for The Verb imagining Summerisle in 2023.
 David Bramwell and Eliza Skelton have been influenced by the film as writers and performers - they give The Verb an insight into how their Sing-A-Long-A-Wickerman events work. David has just published 'The Singalong-A-Wicker-Man Scrapbook' <https://www.drbramwell.com/>
 Folk musician Brian Peters explores the old songs that sit behind the soundtrack, and Verb regular - the poet and performer Kate Fox, goes on an emotional journey with Lord Summerisle, imagining how he might operate in the world of social media influencers, and endless 'wellness' marketing.
 Producer: Faith Lawrence
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 3 in May 2023.
SAT 18:20 Fear in the Furrows (m0009t4q)
 Documentary maker Simon Hollis explores the darker underside of the pastoral idyll and the traditions of Folk Horror being revived by a new generation of writers, musicians and filmmakers.
 From the nuggets of evil turned up by the plough in The Blood on Satan's Claw to the cursed woodland, furrows, stone circles and rituals that haunt a wealth of British film, television and fantasy literature. Far from being a green and pleasant land, ours is a countryside inhabited by darker mythology, uncanny foreboding and even terror - of isolated places and older belief systems, places where the Enlightenment never reached and where the soil incubates evil, traumas that rise to the surface, remote communities where hapless city dwellers are lured to meet their fate.
 Following the ritual slaying of the Jack in the Green and summer rites in the fields for Lammas, visiting lonely, de-sanctified churches sinking into the soil and recording incantations in the dark-wood, Simon faces the Fear in the Furrows.
 Contributors include fantasy writer Alan Garner, musician and composer Sharron Kraus, writer and filmmaker Adam Scovell, author Ben Myers, field folklorist Jonathan Hewett, occult historian Gary Parsons, Piers Haggard the director of The Blood on Satan's Claw, and Maxine Sanders "Queen of the Witches".
 Presented and produced by Simon Hollis.
 A Brook Lapping production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in 2019.
SAT 18:50 The World of The Wicker Man (m001t2w9)
 Evelyn Hollow meets Lesley Mackie
 Fifty years since the cult horror film The Wicker Man came to our cinemas Evelyn Hollow speaks to the Olivier award-winning actress Lesley Mackie, who featured as the mischievous schoolgirl Daisy Pringle and sang on some of the film's iconic songs.
 Producer: Stuart Ross
SAT 19:00 On the Town with the League of Gentlemen (b007k1z7)
 A Guest at the Dentons
 Pauline the Restart Officer, Matthew Chinnery the Vet and Barbara the Cabbie - just some of the resident misfits of a remote Northern town.
 The first incarnation of the award-winning black comedy, about the "local people" of Spent - before it hit TV.
 Starring:
 Mark Gatiss
 Reece Shearsmith
 Steve Pemberton
 Written by the cast and Jeremy Dyson.
 The League of Gentlemen won a Perrier Edinburgh Festival award in 1997 and this radio series debuted in the same year. They also won a Sony Radio Award.
 The cult series switched to TV for three series on BBC Two from 1999, spawning stage shows and a feature film.
 Producer: Sarah Smith
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1997.
SAT 19:30 Sentimental Journey (b0075631)
 Ingrid Pitt
 Arthur Smith accompanies the star of numerous 'Hammer House of Horror' films, Ingrid Pitt, on a trip back to Argentina.
 Producer: Sharon Banoff
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1998.
SAT 20:00 Sumer Is Icumen In (m001t2wh)
 Michael Rosen traces the history of the folk tune, Sumer Is Icumen In.
 Recorded at the British Library.
 With music library curator Richard Chesser.
 First broadcast on BBC World Service in 1995.
SAT 20:15 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m001t2wm)
 Christopher Lee
 From George Frederic Handel to Richard Wagner. Actor Christopher Lee makes his castaway choices.
 Christopher Lee is British cinema's king of horror - with his roles in the Hammer House films and The Wicker Man. He talks with Sue Lawley about his disappointment at not being able to follow what he considers his true vocation, that of an opera singer, and about his 50-year career which has encompassed 230 films, 27 plays and numerous radio and TV appearances.
 DISC ONE: La Belle Hélène by Jacques Offenbach sung by Jussi Björling
 Disc TWO: Si, pel ciel (Oath duet) (from Otello) by Giuseppe

Verdi sung by Enrico Caruso
 DISC FOUR: The Flying Dutchman by Richard Wagner sung by Herman Uhde
 DISC FIVE: Rinaldo by George Frederic Handel sung by Samuel Ramey
 DISC SIX: Brunnhilde, heilige Braut! (from Götterdämmerung) by Richard Wagner sung by Lauritz Melchior
 DISC SEVEN: Scintille, diamant (from Tales Of Hoffmann) by Jacques Offenbach sung by Sherrill Milnes
 DISC EIGHT: Don Giovanni by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart sung by Ezio Pinza
 BOOK CHOICE: The Sword In The Stone - T H White
 LUXURY ITEM: A set of golf clubs
 CASTAWAY'S FAVOURITE: Rinaldo by George Frederic Handel
 Presenter: Sue Lawley
 Producer: Olivia Seligman
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1995.
SAT 21:00 The World of The Wicker Man (m001t2ws)
 Evelyn Hollow meets Lesley Mackie
 Fifty years since the cult horror film The Wicker Man came to our cinemas Evelyn Hollow continues her conversation with the Olivier award-winning actress Lesley Mackie, who featured as the mischievous schoolgirl Daisy Pringle and sang on some of the film's iconic songs.
 Producer: Stuart Ross
SAT 21:10 The Wicker Man (m001t2wx)
 While investigating the disappearance of a young girl in the remote Scottish island community of Summerisle, Sergeant Neil Howie encounters a conspiracy with sinister occult undertones. Starring Brian Blessed and Anthony DP Mann.
 Based on the cult British 1973 film written by Anthony Shaffer and directed by Robin Hardy.
 Terrifying audio adaptation by Anthony DP Mann.
 Lord Summerisle Brian Blessed
 Sergeant Neil Howie Anthony DP Mann
 MacGregor Laurence R Harvey
 Miss Rose Anne-Marie Bergman
 Willow Melissa Radford
 Rowan Morrison / Heather Mei Kiera
 Harbour Master Terry Wade
 May Morrison Amie Bello
 Groundskeeper Nik Yuen
 Chief Constable Bill Hall
 Police Officer Alex Peacock
 School Boy James Hoegerl
 Residents of Summerisle: Sebastien Godin, Simon Lloyd, Lindsay Lloyd, David Reid, John McInnes, Debbie Ross, Chris Lambert, Fiona Tinker, Jim Peters, Ali Chappell, Jessica Dykins, Pedro Perguntas and Barry Yuen.
 Music by Brent Holland.
 Producers: Anthony DP Mann & Bill Bossert
 A Bleak December production, recorded in 2020, in an arrangement with StudioCanal.
SAT 22:00 Can't Tell Nathan Caton Nothing (b04kf9mg)
 Series 3
 About Maturity
 Nathan decides to prove how mature he is in order to win back the girl that rejected him.
 A mix of stand-up and re-enacted family life written by Nathan Caton and James Kettle
 After becoming the first in his family to graduate from University, Nathan opted not to use his architecture degree but instead to try his hand at being a full-time stand-up comedian, much to his family's horror and disgust. They all desperately want him to get a 'proper' job.
 Will Nathan persevere and follow his dreams?
 Or will he give in to his family's interference?
 Or will he finally leave home...?!
 Nathan Nathan Caton
 Grandma Mona Hammond
 Mum Adjoa Andoh
 Dad Curtis Walker
 Tyree Alhaji Fofano
 Nisha Chizzy Akudolu
 Reverend Williams Don Gilet
 Ambrose (Boss) Damian Lynch
 Producer: Katie Tyrrell
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2014.
SAT 22:30 Mark Thomas: The Manifesto (b00xhzjc)
 Series 3
 Episode 3
 Comedian-activist Mark Thomas, considers the blue-sky political policy suggestions of the public.
 This week's agenda:
 1) Nationalise British Music Festivals
 2) Abolish Stamp Duty
 3) Reduce Voting Age to 16
 Plus more weird and wonderful suggestions from the studio audience, submitted as "Any Other Business".
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2011.
SAT 23:00 That Mitchell and Webb Sound (b00m6bhh)
 Series 4
 Episode 1
 An orthopaedic supplies company with its very own trans-galactic portal.
 The correct way to talk to an emperor.
 How Saturday night TV shows are invented.
 And a mysterious discovery at the Institute of Creatures.

All is revealed in the return of the comedy sketch show series. Starring David Mitchell and Robert Webb.

With:
Olivia Colman
James Bachman
Sarah Hadland
Producer Gareth Edwards

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2009.

SAT 23:30 The Croft & Pearce Show (b072mz5w)
Episode 1
A sketch show from award-winning duo Croft and Pearce, rising stars of the UK comedy scene.

These Edinburgh Fringe favourites were the break-out hit of BBC Radio 4's Sketchorama and have performed sell-out shows in London, New York and around the UK.

Packed with sharply observed characters, this debut from writer-performers Hannah Croft and Fiona Pearce is not to be missed. In this opening episode, meet:
June and Jean: Two middle-class ladies driven to the brink by the strain of village life in the Home Counties.
Rowdy Geordie Brown Owl: An over-excited work experience girl.

Written and performed by Hannah Croft and Fiona Pearce.
Producer: Liz Anstee

A CPL production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in March 2016.

SAT 23:45 My Booze Hell, by Little Johnny Cartilage (b00dwnds)
Malcolm MacDonald's Sideburns
The not-terribly-true autobiography of 1970s idol Little Johnny Cartilage.

His descent into obscurity begins with the launch of Cartilage Family and includes extracts from his infamous appearance on BBC Radio 4's Desert Island Discs with Sue Lawley.

Written by and starring Johnny Meres.

With:
Sue Lawley
Ben Miller
Peter Serafinowicz
Geoff McGivern,
Rosemary Martin
Deborah Berlin
Producer: Gareth Edwards

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1996.

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SUN 00:00 James Follett - The Destruction Factor (b007jpbx)
5. Search and Destroy
Despite the national emergency, landowners try to profit from the deadly Exxon strain.

Starring Paul Copley and Rosalind Adams.

James Follett's sci-fi thriller.

Howard Rogers Paul Copley
Denise Exxon Rosalind Adams
Max Flinders TP McKenna
Nurse Joan Matheson
Prime Minister Noel Johnson
Blowers Michael Shannon
TV Presenter Henry Knowles
TV PA Mary Elliott Nelson
Climatorium Technician Rod Beacham
Helicopter Pilot Peter Wickham
Farmer Roy Spencer
Corporal Gregory de Polnay
Sachs Denis Goacher
Producer: David Spencer

First broadcast as two x 90 minute dramas on BBC Radio 4 in March 1978.

SUN 00:30 The Price of Fear (b007jnd6)
The Waxwork
Horror legend Vincent Price tells the mortifying tale of a man who spends the night among wax dummies.

Starring Peter Barkworth, Joan Cooper, Cyril Shaps and Christopher Bidmead.

AM Burrage's story dramatised by Barry Campbell.
Producer: John Dyas

First broadcast on BBC World Service in 1973.

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SUN 06:00 Poetry Extra (m001t1sn)
Seamus Heaney - Out Of The Marvellous
Daljit Nagra marks 10 years since the death of the Irish poet and playwright Seamus Heaney [30th August 2013]
This edition of the BBC World Service's Meridian Books sees Heaney in conversation about his life and writing with Leon McAuley.

From his childhood with horses, buckets, milking cows and daily lit fires to California and a sense of trust and possibility. On his return from America in 1972 Heaney and his family moved to Dublin with the promise of poetry.

With additional contributions from Brendan Kennelly Professor of Modern Literature at Trinity College Dublin and Polly Devlin, Literary Editor, Vogue.

Produced by Judith Elliot and Roger Fenby
First broadcast on BBC World Service in December 1995.

SUN 06:30 The Offing by Benjamin Myers (Omnibus) (m00083j9)
Episode 1
One summer following the Second World War, 16-year-old Robert Appleyard sets out on foot from his Durham mining village.

He's desperate to see something of the world before he goes down the pit.

Acutely attuned to the rhythms and delights of the natural world, he sleeps rough and takes work where he can find it, until he meets Dulcie Piper, an eccentric older woman who lives in a ramshackle cottage looking out to sea.

Dulcie is everything Robert is not: wordly, cynical, knowledgeable about poetry and politics, a lover of fine food and drink, someone who has seen both the best and the worst of human nature in the chaos of war. Despite their utterly different backgrounds, the two form an unlikely friendship which has a profound effect on both their lives.

As an old man, Robert looks back on that summer that changed the direction his life was to take, and the woman who opened his eyes to life's possibilities.

Omnibus of the first five of ten parts abridged by Sian Preece.
Read by Kevin Whatley

Benjamin Myers is an award-winning novelist, music journalist and landscape writer.

His novel 'The Gallows Pole' received a Roger Deakin Award and won the Walter Scott Prize for historical fiction; 'Beastings' won the Portico Prize for Literature; and 'Pig Iron' won the inaugural Gordon Burn Prize.

Kevin Whatley is well known for his TV roles in Auf Wiedersehen, Pet, and as Robert 'Robbie' Lewis in Inspector Morse and Lewis.

Producer: Sara Davies

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2019.

SUN 07:40 Inheritance Tracks (m001t1sy)
Alan Fletcher
Actor, musician and Neighbours icon Alan Fletcher with Canned Heat's Going up the Country and Jason Isbell's If We Were Vampires.

SUN 07:50 Arnold Bennett - The Old Wives' Tale (Omnibus) (m001t1t6)
Episode 3
Constance, now in her late 40s, lives for her 19 year old son, Cyril, while Sophia runs her smart hotel in Paris.

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.

Omnibus of the last five of 15 episodes dramatised by Stephen Wyatt.

Constance Marcia Warren
Sophia Penelope Wilton
Younger Constance Gillian Kearney
Younger Sophia Katy Cavanagh
Narrator Phillip Jackson
Cyril Povey Jim Pyke
Maria Inshull/ Critchlow Rachel Atkins
Mr Critchlow Stephen Critchlow
Auctioneer/Guard Declan Wilson
Lewis Mardon John Rowe
Matthew Peel-Swynnerton Carl Prekopp
Dr Stirling Andrew Harrison
Amy Lydia Leonard
Mr Bodero Declan Wilson
Mary Jaimi Barbakoff
Directors: Claire Grove & Pauline Harris

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2004.

SUN 09:00 The Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise Show (b01s5crm)
Series 2
Episode 4
Money talks when the duo visit their bank manager and Ernie shows off his court skills in a game of tennis.

Starring Ernie Wise and Eric Morecambe.

Written by Eddie Braben.

With
Allan Cuthbertson
Music from Syd Lawrence and his Orchestra
Producer: John Browell

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in September 1976.

SUN 09:30 The Navy Lark (b04800pp)

Series 10
Lighting Up
Stand by for crossed wires when HMS Troutbridge is linked up to shore power.

Starring Leslie Phillips, Jon Pertwee and Stephen Murray.
Laughs afloat aboard British Royal Navy frigate HMS Troutbridge.

Written by Lawrie Wyman.
The Sub-Lieutenant Leslie Phillips
The Chief Petty Officer Jon Pertwee
The Number One Stephen Murray
Captain Povey Richard Caldicot
Heather Heather Chasen
LS Goldstein Tenniel Evans
The Padre Michael Bates
Sid Lawrie Wyman
The Navy Lark ran for an impressive 13 series between 1959 and 1976.

Producer: Alastair Scott Johnston.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in October 1968.

SUN 10:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m001t1td)
Absent Friends 2023
Paul O'Grady
Entertainer and broadcaster Paul O'Grady is castaway by Sue Lawley.

Paul describes a rowdy, loving family life in Merseyside, his love for Manila and working as a care officer with Camden Council.

His showbiz career was launched by his drag act featuring Lily Savage. She made her debut in London in 1985, when Paul decided to try her out as a compere at the Vauxhall Tavern. He didn't want Lily to be glamorous "I wanted a hard bitten hooker from Birkenhead with ripped tights and her roots showing". Paul also talks candidly about his personal relationships and sex life and how he decided women were more demanding than men and finally, that he really preferred his own company.

He tells the story about his first heart attack at the age of 47 and how he gradually left Lily behind as more mainstream opportunities came his way such as Blankety Blank, The Generation Game and travel shows.

He later loved to spend time on his farm - with cows, pigs and his beloved dogs and enjoyed the challenge of learning new skills beyond the footlights.

DISC ONE: I'll Take You Home Again Kathleen - Josef Locke
DISC TWO: You Gotta Get A Gimmick - Linda Hart & Anna McNeely, Christine Ebersole
DISC THREE: The Blue Pacific Blues - Rita Hayworth
DISC FOUR: Jules Massenet's Méditation (from Thaïs) - Philippe Graffin
DISC FIVE: I Put A Spell On You - Nina Simone
DISC SIX: Trouble - Elvis Presley
DISC SEVEN: Hurry, It's Lovely Up Here - Barbra Streisand
DISC EIGHT: La Cumparsita - Carlos Gardel
BOOK CHOICE: The Borrowers - Mary Norton
LUXURY CHOICE: Skin so Soft - Avon
CASTAWAY'S FAVOURITE: Jules Massenet's Méditation (from Thaïs) - Philippe Graffin
Producer Lisa Jenkinson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2003.

SUN 10:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b00z62ns)
Series 2
Foreign Fare
We sometimes forget that vegetables that we see as commonplace today in all their varieties have wild origins.

The potato for example is a name given to a tuber that both comes from Africa and South America - and the history of their discovery and export into our European markets can be traced by examining how those first explorers named the plants.

Sir David Attenborough traces the discovery of some common vegetables to their wild beginnings - and the fascinating natural history of their use as food.

Producer: Julian Hector

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2011.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 00:00 today]

SUN 16:30 The Price of Fear (b007jnd6)
[Repeat of broadcast at 00:30 today]

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SUN 22:00 Mark Watson Talks a Bit About Life (b04n3388)
Series 1
Longevity
Mark Watson attempts to answer more big questions and make sense of life.
He's assisted by Tim Key and Tom Basden.
This time, Mark looks at "Longevity".
It's the big one - dear old Mr Death. Can we beat him?
Since time began, his win/lose record has been around 190 billion/1 (that's accepting Jesus rose from the dead, and maybe allowing a few draws for people who've been cryonically frozen, etc). Much of the world seems to be obsessed with the task of trying to defy age' and deny the inevitable - but is there actually a case for not wanting to live too long, because the world starts to become too confusing and your place in it less and less secure?
Mark dishes up some examples of ways this is already happening to him. Key and Basden attempt to persuade Mark the true glory of life is in enjoying it, not drawing it out endlessly.
Everyone asks the question - who really wants to live forever?
Written and performed by Mark Watson.
Producer: Lianne Coop
An impatient production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in November 2014.

SUN 22:30 Brian Appleton's Unofficial Multi-Media Lecture (m00115cw)
King Steve
Surprisingly, Brian finds himself official!
Yes, the College principal has re-instated the rock musicologist, with the proviso that he doesn't talk about rock music.
Instead he has to deliver a lecture on the last Norman King of England, King Steve. Or does he?
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 (b0855xkm)
Episode 5
Hosts Dan Gaster and Paul Powell tackle another selection of imponderable questions from the studio audience.
This time - if all the world's a stage, where does the audience sit?
The answer to this and similar irrelevant queries will be revealed!
With:
Simon Godley
Clare Cathcart
Martin Hyder
Producer: Phil Clarke
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1995.

SUN 23:00 Thanks a Lot, Milton Jones! (b06ts1kz)
Series 2
Winemaker
When Milton finally decides to empty his bins, he accidentally makes both a delicious sparkling wine and a deadly enemy.
Mention Milton Jones to most people and the first thing they think is 'Help!'. Because each episode, Milton, and his trusty assistant Anton set out to help people and soon find they're embroiled in a new adventure.
If you're close to the edge, then Milton can give you a push.
Written by Milton with James Cary and Dan Evans
With:
Tom Goodman-Hill
Josie Lawrence
Ben Willbond.
Music by Guy Jackson.
Director: David Tyler
A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in January 2016.

SUN 23:30 Edge Falls (b007tc73)
Series 1
Healthy Week
Feel the burn! Edge Falls is going fit, fit, fit.
And while there's Pilates in the car park and a separate fat section in the restaurant one desperate man just wants to return a sales item.

Starring Sarah Lancashire and Mark Benton.
Paul Barnhill and Neil Warhurst's sitcom following the lives of the staff of Edge Falls Retail Village.
Sonya Sarah Lancashire
Mick Mark Benton
Rez Emil Marwa
Valerie Sarah Hadland
Rick Turino Anthony Glennon
Miranda Lindsay Allen
Victor/Jim Neil Warhurst
Karl Paul Barnhill
Woman Rachel Bavidge
Director: Sally Avens
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1. Revenge
A darkly comic fairy tale about revenge, sex and power.
When Ruth discovers her husband is sleeping with a prettier, richer woman, she makes ingenious and diabolical plans to punish them both.
Starring Hattie Morahan.
Fay Weldon's gleefully bawdy satire on the war of the sexes, is a fable about the rewards and dangers of our capacity for transformation.
First published in 1983 and dramatised in two parts by Joy Wilkinson.
Ruth Hattie Morahan
Bobby Barnaby Kay
Mary Fisher Lyndsey Marshal
Nurse Hopkins Rosie Cavaliero
Mrs Fisher Susan Jameson
Nicola Evie Killip
Andy Leo Wan
Garcia Chris Pavlo
Angus Gerard McDermott
Insurance Man Gerard McDermott
Brenda Debra Baker
Mrs Trumper Debra Baker
Elsie Flower Katie Redford
Girl in Job Centre Rebecca Hamilton
Director: Abigail le Fleming
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2016.

MON 06:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jr3d)
Sherlock Holmes with Carleton Hobbs - Series 6
5. The Crooked Man
Probing a military murder, the great detective exposes a cryptic connection to Colonial India.
Starring Carleton Hobbs and Norman Shelley.
Written by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle and adapted by Michael Hardwick.
Sherlock Holmes Carleton Hobbs
Doctor Watson Norman Shelley
Corporal Wood Allan McClelland
Sergeant Barclay Douglas Hankin
Major Murphy Alan Dudley
Eva Stuart ... Miss Morrison
William Flinn William Eedle
Jane Stewart Beth Boyd
Producer: Martyn C Webster
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in December 1966.

MON 06:30 Whodunnits (b007k1vw)
Hercule Poirot - Three Act Tragedy
1. Cornwall
The famous Belgian detective Hercule Poirot is at a weekend house party on a cliff-top in Cornwall, thrown by the celebrated actor Sir Charles Cartwright.
As the welcoming cocktail party gets underway, an elderly clergyman dies while drinking a dry martini.
Was the vermuth/gin ratio of the cocktail so poorly mixed that it offended his delicate palate?
Or was there something else in the glass that shouldn't have been there..?
Starring John Moffatt.
Agatha Christie's 1935 whodunnit novel.

Dramatised in five parts by Michael Bakewell
Hercule Poirot John Moffatt
Mr Satterthwaite George Cole
Sir Charles Cartwright Michael Cochrane
Sir Bartholomew Strange Clive Merrison
Lady Mary Lytton Gore Pauline Jameson
Hermione 'Egg' Lytton Gore Beth Chalmers
Cynthia Dacres Paula Jacobs
Muriel Wills Elizabeth Proud
Oliver Manders Carl Prekopp
Miss Milray Helen Longworth
The Rev Babbington Peter Marinker
Director: Emynd Williams
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2002.

MON 07:00 The Offing by Benjamin Myers (m00082d4)
6. The Studio
One summer following the Second World War, 16 year old Robert Appleyard set out on foot from his Durham mining village, desperate to see something of the world before he goes down the pit.
Acutely attuned to the rhythms and delights of the natural world, he sleeps rough and takes work where he can find it, until meeting Dulcie Piper, an eccentric older woman who lives in a ramshackle cottage looking out to sea.
Robert makes an unexpected discovery when he begins to clear out the shack in Dulcie's garden.
Novel written by Benjamin Myers.
As an old man, Robert looks back on the summer that changed the direction his life was to take, and the woman who opened his eyes to life's possibilities.
Abridged in ten parts by Sian Preece.
Read by Kevin Whately.
Produced at BBC Scotland by Sara Davies.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2019.

MON 07:15 Katarina Bivald - The Readers of Broken Wheel Recommend (m0004s9p)
1. Pen Pal
Katarina Bivald's warm, funny and moving story of love and friendship was first published in Swedish.
The heroine Sara, is in her late 20s, when she leaves her native Sweden to visit her much older pen pal Amy in a remote part of Iowa, a town aptly called Broken Wheel. But, when she arrives, all is not as she had foreseen.
Knowing nobody there, the townspeople who are initially wary of her, take her into their hearts. The joint passion between Sara and Amy was books, and she soon decides that Broken Wheel needs a bookstore. With some help from the locals, she sets one up and it proves quite a hit.
But how long can she stay there on a tourist visa? And what if she were to be persuaded to fall in love with one of the residents, making it possible to marry and stay on indefinitely? And which of the rather curious collection of suitors would be the most likely?
Unexpectedly, she finds herself falling in love - not just with one of the men in question, but with the whole town itself.
Translated by Alice Menzies.
Dramatised in five parts by Jeremy Raison
Sara Anna Koval
Tom Richard Goulding
Caroline Lorelei King
Jen Laurel Lefkow
Amy Adjoa Andoh
George William Hope
Andy Martin T Sherman
Grace Kate Harper
Director: Cherry Cookson
A Wirelese Theatre production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in May 2019.

MON 07:30 Alexei Sayle's Imaginary Sandwich Bar (m0008wm0)
Series 3
Kings of Comedy
Alexei outlines his problem with Morecambe and Wise, and discusses his issues with the Trade Unions.
Plus he offers a fable taught by the Zen Master Wudang mountains in China.
A mixture of stand-up, memoir and philosophy from behind the counter of an imaginary sandwich bar.
Written and performed by Alexei Sayle.
Producer: Joe Nunnery
A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in September 2019.

MON 08:00 Steptoe and Son (b007jj8)
Series 3
Two's Company
Albert introduces his new fiancée to his very surprised son, Harold.
Starring Wilfrid Brambell and Harry H Corbett.
Classic sitcom about the lives of rag and bone man Albert Steptoe and his son Harold.
Written for BBC TV and adapted for BBC Radio by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.
Albert Wilfrid Brambell
Harold Harry H Corbett
Daphne June Whitfield
Producer: Bobby Jaye
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in March 1971.

MON 08:30 After Henry (b007qgnr)
Series 4

Relative Movement
 "If you've decided you're going to settle permanently in Australia.... well, it could make sense for me to rent the place out."
 With daughter Clare off on her travels, Sarah is plotting... Simon Brett's comedy about three generations of women. Each is struggling to cope after the death of Sarah's GP husband, yet they never quite manage to see eye-to-eye.
 Sarah Prunella Scales
 Eleanor Joan Sanderson
 Russell Benjamin Whitrow
 Clare Gerry Cowper
 Lady Newby Fania Drake
 Four radio series were made, but instead of moving to BBC TV - Thames Television produced 'After Henry' for the ITV network.
 Producer: Pete Atkin
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1989.
MON 09:00 The Write Stuff (b04nqv72)
 Series 17
 Virginia Woolf
 James Walton takes the chair for the game of literary correctness.
 Team captains John Walsh and Sebastian Faulks are joined by Russell Davies and Sue Limb.
 This episode's author is Virginia Woolf.
 Recorded at the Hay Festival.
 Reader: Beth Chalmers
 Producer: Alexandra Smith
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2014.
MON 09:30 Ring Around the Bath (b00tvqmr)
 Series 2
 Space Perception
 Desperate to sell up and move to the country, Stella tries burying the hatchet with the neighbours.
 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
 Fitness Instructor Roise Armstrong
 Producer: Elizabeth Freestone
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MON 19:30 Ring Around the Bath (b00tvqmr)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
MON 20:00 Radiolab (m001btzt)
 Series 10
 Lucy
 Chimps. Bonobos. Humans. We're all great apes, but that doesn't mean we're one happy family. A chimp named Lucy teaches us the ups and downs of growing up human.

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 2010.
MON 20:55 Inheritance Tracks (m000mtb2)
 Jessie Ware
 Singer and podcaster Jessie Ware chooses I Get a Kick Out of You by Ella Fitzgerald and Love is Stronger than Pride by Sade.
MON 21:00 Mastertapes (b09jcs2m)
 Series 7
 Benjamin Clementine (A-side)
 Singer-songwriter Benjamin Clementine on his 2015 Mercury Prize-winning album, 'At Least For Now'.
 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, Benjamin talks to John Wilson. Self-taught, and inspired by a range of music from Antony & the Johnsons to Erik Satie, Benjamin emigrated from London to Paris in 2009 at the age of 19. His career was launched after being discovered while busking in the Paris metro, singing covers of James Brown and Bob Marley.
 At Least For Now is a dramatic album of poetic ballads that prompted comparisons to Nina Simone and gained critical acclaim for its swooping melodies and the arresting lyricism of singles such as "London" and "Cornerstone".
 In the B-side of the programme, it's the turn of the audience to ask the questions.
 Producer: Paul Kobrak
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2017.
MON 21:30 Doctor Who (m001t2w0)
 The War Doctor
 5. A Thing of Guile Part 1/2
 The Daleks are developing a secret weapon on Asteroid Theta 12. It is imperative that their plans are uncovered.
 Cardinal Ollistra has her hands full studying the range of ancient and mysterious armaments the universe has to offer, but she makes it a personal mission to investigate the Dalek project.
 On this dangerous assignment, there is one particular Time Lord she wants at her side - and he will be accompanying her whether he wants to or not.
 John Hurt stars as The War Doctor.
 Written by Phil Mulryne.
 The War Doctor John Hurt
 Cardinal Ollistra Jacqueline Pearce
 Co-ordinator Jarad Jamie Newall
 Captain Soles Robert Hands
 Commander Trelon Oliver Dimsdale
 Navigator Valis Laura Harding
 The Daleks voiced by Nicholas Briggs
 Original music written by Howard Carter.
 Artwork by Tom Webster
 Director: Nicholas Briggs
 A Big Finish production.
MON 22:00 I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue (m001stz6)
 Series 80
 Episode 3
 The nation's favourite wireless entertainment pays a visit to the De Montfort Hall in Leicester. Tony Hawks and Pippa Evans take on Andy Hamilton and the Reverend Richard Coles with Jack Dee in the chair. Colin Sell provides piano accompaniment.
 Producer - Jon Naismith.
 It is a BBC Studios production for Radio 4.
MON 22:30 Domestic Science (b07m7lmr)
 Series 1
 Episode 3
 The surprising musicality of Hot Chocolate is demonstrated, discover when stars are funny and a lullaby to time travel to. A heady combination of maths, science and comedy.
 Hosted by Festival of The Spoken Nerd trio:
 Physicist Steve Mould
 Stand up Mathematician Matt Parker
 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.
 Producer: Julia McKenzie
 A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in August 2016.
MON 22:45 Darren Harriott: Black Label (m00070bx)
 Bouncer
 Darren looks back at his time as a bouncer working on the doors of nightclubs and shops.
 On a zero hours contract and trying to make it as a comedian, he looks back at the fights and insults he faced, and the friendships on the door.
 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.
 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 (m001sv8y)
 Series 63
 Episode 5
 Steve Punt and Hugh Dennis present the week via topical stand-up and sketches. They're joined by David Eagle unpacking the Advent, Jessica Fostekeew looking into the repeal of the New Zealand smoking ban, and an original song from Archie Henderson, performed with Becky CJ.
 The show was written by the cast with additional material from Alex Garrick-Wright, Jade Gebbie, Rhiannon Shaw, Miranda Holms and Cody Dahler.
 Voice Actors: Jason Forbes and Lola-Rose Maxwell.
 Producer: Rajiv Karia
 Production Coordinator: Katie Baum
 A BBC Studios Production for Radio 4
MON 23:30 The Masteron Inheritance (b007jpsx)
 Series 1
 The Masterons and Johnson
 The French Revolution is in full swing.
 But the fate of the Masteron family is inextricably linked with that of a tumble dryer.
 Based entirely on audience suggestions - this is an improvised historical saga of a family at war with itself.
 Starring:
 Paul Merton
 Josie Lawrence
 Caroline Quentin
 Jim Sweeney
 Phelim McDermott
 Producer: Phil Clarke
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1993.

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 2. Transformation
 A darkly comic fairy tale about revenge, sex and power. When Ruth discovers her husband is sleeping with a prettier, richer woman, she makes ingenious and diabolical plans to punish them both.
 As Ruth's campaign to punish her husband and his mistress advances, she will now still stop at nothing to get the life, and the body, she desires.
 "The Life and Loves of a She Devil", written in 1983, is a gleefully bawdy satire on the war of the sexes, and a fable about the rewards and dangers of our capacity for transformation.
 Written by Fay Weldon,
 Adapted in two parts by Joy Wilkinson.
 Ruth Hattie Morahan
 Bobbo Barnaby Kay
 Mary Fisher Lyndsey Marshal
 Judge Bissop Brian Protheroe
 Father Ferguson Edward MacLiam
 Mrs Fisher Susan Jameson
 Nicola Evie Killip
 Andy Leo Wan
 Ghengis Trevor White
 Vickie Rebecca Hamilton
 Policeman Sean Baker
 Director: Abigail le Fleming
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2016.
TUE 06:00 Sherlock Holmes (m000hpj8)
 Sherlock Holmes with Carleton Hobbs - Series 6
 6. Wisteria Lodge
 The Baker Street sleuth investigates the brutal murder of a Spanish-speaking man in Surrey.
 Starring Carleton Hobbs and Norman Shelley.
 Written by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle and adapted by Michael Hardwick.
 Sherlock Holmes Carleton Hobbs

Doctor Watson Norman Shelley
 John Scott Eccles John Baddeley
 Inspector Baynes Allan McClelland
 Inspector Gregson Geoffrey Wincott
 Miss Burnet Gladys Spencer
 Producer: Martyn C Webster
 First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in December 1966.

TUE 06:30 Whodunnits (b007k1x7)
 Hercule Poirot - Three Act Tragedy
 2. Monte Carlo
 The Belgian sleuth and his two acquaintances have travelled to Monte Carlo, where they hear the news of another tragic death. Is this coincidence?
 Starring John Moffatt as Hercule Poirot.
 Agatha Christie's 1935 whodunnit novel.
 Dramatised by Michael Bakewell.
 Hercule Poirot John Moffatt
 Mr Satterthwaite George Cole
 Sir Charles Cartwright Michael Cochrane
 Hermione 'Egg' Lyton Gore Beth Chalmers
 Colonel Johnson John Baddeley
 Supt Crossfield Martin Hyder
 Mrs Leckie Kathleen Helme
 Little Boy Tom Glenister
 Director: Emynd Williams
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2002.

TUE 07:00 The Offing by Benjamin Myers (m000823w)
 7. White Horses
 One summer following the Second World War, 16 year old Robert Appleyard set out on foot from his Durham mining village, desperate to see something of the world before he goes down the pit.
 Acutely attuned to the rhythms and delights of the natural world, he sleeps rough and takes work where he can find it, until meeting Dulcie Piper, an eccentric older woman who lives in a ramshackle cottage looking out to sea.
 Dulcie explains the significance of the poems which Robert has found in the studio.
 Novel written by Benjamin Myers.
 As an old man, Robert looks back on the summer that changed the direction his life was to take, and the woman who opened his eyes to life's possibilities.
 Abridged by Sian Preece.
 Read by Kevin Whately.
 Produced at BBC Scotland by Sara Davies.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2019.

TUE 07:15 Katarina Bivald - The Readers of Broken Wheel Recommend (m0004sdh)
 2. Shock
 Sara arrives from Sweden to find her pen pal, Amy, has died. She's welcomed by some if not all of the locals, including Amy's nephew.
 Katarina Bivald's warm, funny and moving story of love and friendship was first published in Swedish.
 The heroine Sara, is in her late 20s, when she leaves her native Sweden to visit her much older pen pal Amy in a remote part of Iowa, a town aptly called Broken Wheel. But, when she arrives, all is not as she had foreseen.
 Unexpectedly, she finds herself falling in love - not just with one of the men in question, but with the whole town itself.
 Translated by Alice Menzies.
 Dramatised by Jeremy Raison.
 Sara Anna Koval
 Tom Richard Goulding
 Caroline Lorelei King
 Jen Laurel Lefkow
 Amy Adjoa Andoh
 George William Hope
 Andy Martin T Sherman
 Grace Kate Harper
 Director: Cherry Cookson
 A Wireless Theatre production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in May 2019.

TUE 07:30 For The Love of Leo (m00020jk)
 Series 1
 The Bishop's Wife
 Leo meets a new friend of his wife who has a secret in store for him, causing Leo to question just how well he knew his beloved deceased wife...
 Starring Mark Bonnar and Beth Marshall.
 Wry, narrative comedy written by Michael Chaplin
 The funeral of Leo's wife Tamsin was barely over before he acquired a new status as an eligible bachelor. The women in his circle are beginning 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, miles from home.
 Leo Fabiani Mark Bonnar
 Tamsin Fabiani Beth Marshall
 Rose Fabiani Sandra Voe
 Sadie Tracy Wiles
 Hilary Nicola Grier

Director: Marilyn Imrie
 A Catherine Bailey production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in January 2019.

TUE 08:00 The Goon Show (m001138y)
 Vintage Goons
 The Greatest Mountain in the World
 Neddie wants to climb the world's highest mountain, but it's already been done.
 Ground-breaking, surreal BBC radio comedy written by Spike Milligan.
 Starring:
 Peter Sellers
 Harry Secombe
 Spike Milligan
 Vintage Goons is a series of re-recorded episodes made by the original cast for sale abroad.
 With the Ray Ellington Quartet and Max Geldray.
 Orchestra conducted by Wally Stott.
 Announcer: Wallace Greenslade
 Producer: Charles Chilton
 First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in March 1954.
 Re-recording from October 1957 by the BBC Transcription Service made for broadcast overseas.

TUE 08:35 King Street Junior (b007jngs)
 Series 8
 Confusion
 An anonymous message for Mr Sims - someone's idea of a joke?
 Trouble is, the message isn't very funny.
 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 Martin Davies.
 Phillip Sims Karl Howman
 Mr Beeston James Grout
 Mr Holliday Tom Watson
 Mrs Stone Margaret John
 Mr Long Paul Copley
 Mrs Patterson Deirdre Costello
 Miss Lewis Marlene Sidaway
 Patti Hutton Teresa Gallagher
 Rashid Ben Jeffrey
 Soutra Jade Malkan
 Greg Anthony Hamblin
 Brendan James Nesbitt
 Producer: John Fawcett Wilson
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1995.

TUE 09:00 The Motion Show (m00076b9)
 Series 5
 Episode 1
 From banning wasps to arts subsidies.
 Graeme Garden hosts the comedy debating show.
 With;
 Gyles Brandreth
 Steve Punt
 Garry Bushell
 Gina Yashere
 Producer: Jane Berthoud
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2002.

TUE 09:30 Winston (b007k4b8)
 Series 1
 A Happy Family
 Nancy has recently moved to the village with sister Rosie, brother William and her Father.
 When Winston, the local poacher and handyman, is thrown out by his wife because of his infidelities, he invites himself to stay with them and starts to spoil the family by acquiring a brand new freezer for them, by doing all the washing and ironing and by cooking them superb meals.
 But they are deeply suspicious. What could be Winston's motives?
 Peter Tinniswood's bawdy comedy serial.
 Winston Bill Wallis
 Father Maurice Denham
 Nancy Shirley Dixon
 Rosie Liz Goulding
 William Christian Rodska
 Directed at BBC Bristol by Shaun MacLoughlin.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio in April 1989.

TUE 10:00 The Life and Loves of a She Devil by Fay Weldon (b071s6nz)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 05:00 today]

TUE 11:00 Sherlock Holmes (m000hpj8)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

TUE 11:30 Whodunnits (b007k1x7)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

TUE 12:00 The Offing by Benjamin Myers (m000823w)
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 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

TUE 13:35 King Street Junior (b007jngs)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:35 today]

TUE 14:00 The Motion Show (m00076b9)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

TUE 14:30 Winston (b007k4b8)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

TUE 15:00 The Life and Loves of a She Devil by Fay Weldon (b071s6nz)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 05:00 today]

TUE 16:00 Sherlock Holmes (m000hpj8)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

TUE 16:30 Whodunnits (b007k1x7)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

TUE 17:00 The Offing by Benjamin Myers (m000823w)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

TUE 17:15 Katarina Bivald - The Readers of Broken Wheel Recommend (m0004sdh)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:15 today]

TUE 17:30 For The Love of Leo (m00020jk)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

TUE 18:00 The Goon Show (m001138y)
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TUE 18:35 King Street Junior (b007jngs)
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TUE 19:00 The Motion Show (m00076b9)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

TUE 19:30 Winston (b007k4b8)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

TUE 20:00 TED Radio Hour (m001752s)
 Series 9
 The Antidote To Hopelessness
 A journey through fascinating ideas based on talks by riveting speakers on the TED (Technology, Entertainment, Design) stage.
 Manoush Zomorodi talks to writer Jason Reynolds about his career of reaching kids through stories that let them feel understood.
 Jason Reynolds is an award-winning author and US Library of Congress National Ambassador for Young People's Literature. First broadcast in the USA on National Public Radio in 2021.

TUE 20:50 Mastertapes (b09jd67g)
 Series 7
 Benjamin Clementine (B-side)
 Singer-songwriter Benjamin Clementine answers audience questions about his Mercury Prize winning 2015 album, 'At Least For Now'.
 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: Benjamin Clementine's 'At Least For Now'
 Having discussed his about his 2015 Mercury Prize-winning album 'At Least for Now' (in the A-side of the programme), the cult singer-songwriter and artist Benjamin Clementine responds to questions from the audience.
 Producer: Paul Kobrak
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2017.

TUE 21:20 Doctor Who (m0011390)
 The War Doctor
 5. A Thing of Guile Part 2/2
 The Daleks are developing a secret weapon on Asteroid Theta 12. It is imperative that their plans are uncovered.
 Cardinal Ollistra has made it her personal mission to investigate the Dalek project. Despite him being declared a war criminal, The War Doctor is vital to the quest, whether or not he wants to be.
 John Hurt stars as The War Doctor.
 Written by Phil Mulryne.
 The War Doctor John Hurt
 Cardinal Ollistra Jacqueline Pearce
 Co-ordinator Jarad Jamie Newall
 Captain Solex Robert Hands
 Commander Trellon Oliver Dimsdale
 Navigator Valis Laura Harding
 The Daleks voiced by Nicholas Briggs
 Original music written by Howard Carter.
 Artwork by Tom Webster
 Director: Nicholas Briggs
 A Big Finish production.

TUE 22:00 Best Medicine (m001sv8g)
 Series 1
 8. Doing Less, Gardening, The Smartphone, Expertise
 Joining Kiri are historian Dr Paul Craddock who talks about what gardening and skin grafting have in common, comedian Shaparak Khorasandi who tells us how doing less helps manage her ADHD, Professor Roger Kneebone who explains how puppeteers, fighter pilots and chefs can teach surgeons to become more skilful and Professor Jamie Ward, who reveals how the smartphone can allow people see through their tongues and hear colours.
 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.

The eighth trio of 27 competitors are at the Radio Theatre in London for the eighth heat of the series.
Nigel Phillips from Horsham, West Sussex
Michael Pitwood from Walthamstow, London
Martin Walker from West London
Producer: Paul Bajoria
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2012.
WED 09:30 Four Joneses and a Jenkins (b007jqmj)
February - Pulling Out all the Stops
Megan awaits news, Mr Bootle considers his position and Mr Jenkins considers Megan.
Sue Limb's pastoral sitcom follows six months in the life of the Jones family, who live on a small farm in rural Wales.
Mr Jones Geoffrey Whitehead
Ma Jones Lisabeth Miles
Megan Jones Rebecca Front
Owen Jones Matthew Morgan
Bootle Michael Fenton Stevens
Mr Jenkins Nickolas Grace
Recorded on location.
Music composed by John Whitehall.
Producer: Jonathan James Moore.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2000.
WED 10:00 Inspector Resnick (b043x37n)
[Repeat of broadcast at 05:00 today]
WED 11:00 Sherlock Holmes (m000hq14)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
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WED 20:00 Archive on 4 (b00vg909)
Playing the Dane
In anticipation of his own stage Hamlet in 2011, Michael Sheen looks back at classic productions of the play and the many different interpretations of a young actor's most coveted role. The last few years have seen a glut of high-profile Hamlets in the British theatre, culminating recently with Rory Kinnear at the National Theatre in London and John Simm at Sheffield Crucible.
Michael Sheen asks why Shakespeare's play remains very much the thing for 21st century audiences?
He considers the rich archive of Hamlets from the theatre, cinema and radio archives, starting with Sir Herbert Beerbohm Tree in 1908 and journeying to the present-day, taking in the interpretations of John Gielgud, Laurence Olivier, Richard Burton, Jonathan Pryce, Kenneth Branagh and David Tennant, as well as female Hamlets, Sarah Bernhardt and Frances de la Tour.
Michael explores the challenges of a role that has become a rite-of-passage for leading actors, arguing that Hamlet is the most dangerous play that exists, but that our culture has made it safe. He examines the changing political, social and psychological interpretations of the role that holds a mirror up to history, from the Edwardian stage through Freud, Modernism and two World Wars, to Thatcherism and New Labour.
Michael is joined by other famous Hamlets, who reflect on the challenges of bringing something fresh and unexpected to some of the most famous lines in English literature.
Producer: Emma Harding
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2010.
WED 21:00 A Good Read (m0009zcg)
Stewart Lee & Dave Haslam
Comedian Stewart Lee and DJ and author Dave Haslam join Harriett Gilbert to discuss their favourite reads by Steve Aylett,

Olivia Laings and Chris Paling.
Lint by Steve Aylett
Publisher: Snowbooks
The Lonely City by Olivia Laings
Publisher: Picador
Reading Allowed by Chris Paling
Publisher: Constable
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2019
Photo by Steve Ullathorne
WED 21:25 Doctor Who (m001t28r)
The War Doctor
6. The Neverwhen Part 1/2
On an isolated world ravaged by battle, time itself has become a weapon, laying waste to all who live and die there. Arms and technology are in a state of flux - and it seems that everlasting war is their only option.
The arrival of one battered Type Forty TARDIS inside this nightmare offers hope to the combatants trapped within. But when he discovers the truth, the horrors of the Neverwhen will shock even the War Doctor...
John Hurt stars as The War Doctor.
Written by Matt Fitton.
The War Doctor John Hurt
Cardinal Ollistra Jacqueline Pearce
Commander Barnac was played by Tracy Wiles
Daylin Jaye Griffiths
Commander Thraken Barnaby Kay
General Kallix Timothy Bentinck.
Navigator Valis Laura Harding
The Daleks voiced by Nicholas Briggs.
Original music written by Howard Carter.
Artwork by Tom Webster
Director: Nicholas Briggs
A Big Finish production.
WED 22:00 Glenn Moore's Almanac (m001sv0b)
International Space Station
Comedian Glenn Moore looks in his almanac at world events and what he was doing at the time. As one British astronaut touches down from the International Space Station, Glenn decides to become the next.
Perhaps best-known for his outrageously brilliant one-liners on Mock The Week, Glenn delivers a tale of comic mishaps and extraordinary scenes interwoven with a big event in history - and looks back through his almanac to find out other strange connections to the day as well.
Written by Glenn with additional material by Katie Storey (Have I Got News For You, Mock The Week, The Last Leg) and produced and directed by David Tyler (Cabin Pressure, Armando Iannucci's Charm Offensive, and many more).
A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4
WED 22:30 The Museum of Everything (b00899zt)
Series 1
Welcome to the Museum of Everything
Feel free to wander round our many galleries and experience the history of everything. Learn about the history of everything. Learn about the history of wicker, tour a stately home and discover the real identity of Jack the Ripper.
Written and performed by:
Marcus Brigstocke
Danny Robins
Dan Tetsell.
With Lucy Montgomery.
Music by Dominic Haslam and Ben Walker.
Producer: Alex Walsh-Taylor
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2004.
WED 23:00 Alex Horne Presents The Horne Section (b01r0c5r)
Series 2
With Phill Jupitus and Lady Lykez
Comedy show hosted by Alex Horne and his five piece band and specially written, original music.
This episode explores the theme of 'the body' including songs on shampoo, beards and catarrh.
Guest starring:
Phill Jupitus who sings with the band and reads a poem
Plus a rap from Lady Lykez.
Alex's Horne Section are:
Trumpet/banjo Joe Auckland
Saxophone/clarinet Mark Brown
Double Bass/Bass Will Collier
Drums and Percussion Ben Reynolds
Piano/keyboards Ed Sheldrake
Producer: Julia McKenzie.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2013.
WED 23:30 The Skewer (m001sv1x)
Series 10
Episode 8
Fresh from winning Gold for Best Comedy at the British Podcast Awards (and Highly Commended as Podcast of the Year), Jon Holmes's comedy current affairs concept album returns for its 10th series to remix the news into satirical shapes.

This week: Oily Fools and Horses. Cleverly's Sh*thole. Where The Wilders thins Are, and King Charles sees dead people (and takes their money).

Creator / Producer: Jon Holmes

An unusual production for BBC Radio 4

WED 23:45 The Goldfish Bowl (b0080275)
Series 1
Episode 2
Anton attempts to educate fellow goldfish Liam, but who wants to learn when you can play I-Spy?
Liam is a Friday-night-in-with-a-Dick Francis-and-a-box-of-Terry's All Gold goldfish, whereas Anton is erudite and sophisticated.
Written by and starring Shaun Prendergast.
Liam Sean Foley
Anton Shaun Prendergast
Susan Hamish McColl
Director: Sally Avens
First broadcast on BBC Radio in September 1998.

THURSDAY 07 DECEMBER 2023

THU 00:00 Inspector Resnick (b043x37n)
[Repeat of broadcast at 05:00 on Wednesday]
THU 01:00 Sherlock Holmes (m000hq14)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Wednesday]
THU 01:30 Whodunnits (b007k1yj)
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THU 02:00 The Offing by Benjamin Myers (m00081sz)
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[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 on Wednesday]
THU 03:30 Ballylenon (b007mf83)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 on Wednesday]
THU 04:00 Counterpoint (b01jqf4)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Wednesday]
THU 04:30 Four Joneses and a Jenkins (b007jqmj)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Wednesday]
THU 05:00 Inspector Resnick (b043x38k)
Cutting Edge
2. Motives
After another brutal attack, Detective Inspector Charlie Resnick is still looking for motives within the hospital
Tom Georgeson stars as jazz-loving Detective Inspector Charlie Resnick.
John Harvey's dramatisation of his own novel.
DI Charlie Resnick Tom Georgeson
Millington Sean Baker
Lynn Kate Eaton
Dipak Paul Bazeley
Kevin Ben Porter
Silver Don McCorkindale
Carew Nicholas Boulton
Sarah Gillian Bevan
Dr Fletcher John Simm
Groves Peter Kenny
Debbie Colleen Prendergast
Mr Salt Denys Hawthorne
Calvin Philip Weaver
Maura Stella Duffy
Pauline Zulema Dene
Student Roger May
Arthur George Parsons
Fenby John Hartley
William James Taylor
Delia Ann Beach
Helen Alice Arnold
Producer: David Hunter
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1996.
THU 06:00 Sherlock Holmes (m000hv58)
Sherlock Holmes with Carleton Hobbs - Series 6
8. The Second Stain
The Baker Street detective is called to investigate the disappearance of a very secret letter.
Starring Carleton Hobbs as Sherlock Holmes and Norman Shelley as Dr Watson
Written by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle and adapted by Michael Hardwick
Sherlock Holmes Carleton Hobbs
Dr Watson Norman Shelley
Lord Bellinger Geoffrey Wincott
The Right Hon Trelawney Hope Simon Lacs
Mrs Hudson Barbara Mitchell
Lady Hope Hilda Schroder
Inspector Lestrade Humphrey Morton
Constable MacPherson Arthur Lawrence
Producer: Martyn C. Webster.
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in November 1967.
THU 06:30 Whodunnits (b007k1zt)
Hercule Poirot - Three Act Tragedy
4. Sherry at The Ritz
As the murder suspects are investigated, the Belgian sleuth issues an invitation.
Agatha Christie's 1935 thriller dramatised by Michael Bakewell.
CAST:

Hercule Poirot John Moffatt
Mr Satterthwaite George Cole
Sir Charles Cartwright Michael Cochrane
Hermione 'Egg' Lytton Gore Beth Chalmers
Muriel Wills Elizabeth Proud
Oliver Manders Carl Prekopp
Cynthia Dacres Paula Jacobs
Captain Dacres Nigel Anthony
Angela Sutcliffe Jemma Churchill
Doris, the Model Angela Sims
Director: Enyd Williams
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2002.
THU 07:00 The Offing by Benjamin Myers (m00081wd)
9. A Self, All Out at Sea
One summer following the Second World War, 16 year old Robert Appleyard set out on foot from his Durham mining village, desperate to see something of the world before he goes down the pit.
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A poem provides the key which Dulcie has been searching for since the death of Romy.
Novel written by Benjamin Myers.
As an old man, Robert looks back on the summer that changed the direction his life was to take, and the woman who opened his eyes to life's possibilities.
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Read by Kevin Whately.
Produced at BBC Scotland by Sara Davies.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2019.
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4. Success
Everyone loves Sara's bookshop and they want to ensure she can stay on - not least Tom, her love interest.
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The heroine Sara has left native Sweden to visit her much older pen pal Amy in a remote part of Iowa, a town aptly called Broken Wheel. But, when she arrived, all was not as she had foreseen.
Unexpectedly, she finds herself falling in love with the whole town...
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Dramatised by Jeremy Raison.
Sara Anna Koval
Tom Richard Goulding
Caroline Lorelei King
Jen Laurel Lefkow
Amy Adjoa Andoh
George William Hope
Andy Martin T Sherman
Grace Kate Harper
Director: Cherry Cookson
A Wireless Theatre production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in May 2019.
THU 07:30 The Break (b07h6fmm)
Series 1
Occupied
Andy has found a level of contentment with the world - reading books, watching films, and generally repairing his wounded psyche.
Uncle Jeff is having none of this and reveals a hitherto unknown secret to Andy, that the dusty shop downstairs from his seaside flat belongs to Jeff. When necessary, it seems, he offers the community of Flamford a valuable service as an electrical repair person.
Jeff lures Andy into the shop and shows him how to use the till. Andy realises it's another of his uncle's ploys, and refuses this oblique yet unobvious job offer. But Jeff, never the one to say "die", takes his nephew on a job search in which Andy is an unwilling participant.
Visits follow to Fish Shop Frank, the Tourist Information Office run by the uniformed and uninformed Steph and Pippa, and Flamford's as-yet-unlicensed zoo.
Jeff Philip Jackson
Andy Tom Palmer
Frank Mark Benton
Corinne Alison Steadman
Joyce Alison Steadman
Mr Truepenny Rasmus Hardiker
Writers: Ian Brown and James Hendrie
Director: Gordon Kennedy
An Absolutely production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in June 2016.
THU 08:00 Dad's Army (b00q9gk2)
Series 2
Uninvited Guests
Calamity strikes when the Home Guard platoon and the ARP Wardens must share the church hall.
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 Michael Knowles and Harold Snoad.
Captain Mainwaring Arthur Lowe
Sergeant Wilson John Le Mesurier
Corporal Jones Clive Dunn

Private Frazer John Laurie
Private Pike Ian Lavender
Private Godfrey Arnold Ridley
Warden Hodges Bill Pertwee
Producer: John Dyas
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1975.
THU 08:30 Second Thoughts (b00fnfp3)
Series 2
There Goes the Bride
It's Faith and Bill's wedding day - can they manage to tie the knot?
Sitcom about the battles of divorcees Bill MacGregor and Faith Greyshott 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, James Bolam as Bill, Celia Imrie as Hilary, Kelda Holmes as Hannah, Mark Denham as Joe, Belinda Lang as Liza, John Baddeley as the Registrar, Richard Tate as the Video Man and Ben Onwukwe as the Cabbie.
Series two 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'.
Producer: Sioned William
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1989.
THU 09:00 The Unbelievable Truth (m00012bn)
Series 24
Episode 6
David Mitchell hosts the panel game in which four comedians are encouraged to tell lies.
They compete against one another to see how many items of truth they're able to smuggle past their opponents.
The panellists are obliged to talk with deliberate inaccuracy on subjects as varied as poison, heavy metal, painters and winter sports.
Lucy Porter
Sean Lock
Zoe Lyons
Jack Dee
Producer: Jon Naismith
A Random Entertainment production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in July 2020.
THU 09:30 The Richest Man in Britain (b00nrrq8)
The Elephant in the Room
Trillionaire rocker Dave Mabbutt introduces ex-lead singer Andy to his new best friend and personal assistant, Mr Tumble the elephant.
Sitcom by Nick Hornby and Giles Smith about an ageing rock star and his search for fulfilment.
Dave Mabbutt Mark Williams
Dom Russell Tovey
Dave's Mum Lynda Bellingham
Andy Noddy Holder
The Lawyer Gus Brown.
Producer: Lucy Amritage
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THU 13:00 Dad's Army (b00q9gk2)
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THU 20:00 Jim Morrison's Will to be Weird (m000gvkt)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Saturday]
THU 21:00 Great Lives (m000h0gb)
Rick Stein on Jim Morrison
Chef , writer and presenter Rick Stein chooses the lead singer of The Doors, Jim Morrison.
As a 21 year old man travelling the world, a young Rick Stein discovered The Doors and became fascinated by the band's lead singer, Jim Morrison.
Over the subsequent 50 years, the life and legend of one of rock and roll's brightest stars had a lasting impact on the restaurateur.
Joining Matthew Parris and Rick Stein to uncover the mysteries of Jim's life is the broadcaster Paul Gambaccini, who found The Doors when he was a student radio disc jockey at university.
With contributions from Frank Lisciandro, filmmaker and friend of Jim, and Kirsten Norrie, poet and singer.
Producer: Camellia Sinclair
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2020.
THU 21:25 Doctor Who (m00113d1)
The War Doctor
6. The Neverwhen Part 2/2
Time itself has become a weapon on an isolated world, laying waste to all who live and die there in a perpetual war.
The arrival of The War Doctor and Ollistra in a battered old TARDIS offers hope. But when he discovers the truth, the horrors of the Neverwhen The War Doctor is appalled.
John Hurt stars as The War Doctor.
Written by Matt Fitton.
The War Doctor John Hurt .
Cardinal Ollistra Jacqueline Pearce
Commander Barnac was played by Tracy Wiles
Daylin Jaye Griffiths
Commander Thraken Barnaby Kay
General Kallix Timothy Bentinck.
Navigator Valis Laura Harding
The Daleks voiced by Nicholas Briggs.
Original music written by Howard Carter.
Artwork by Tom Webster
Director: Nicholas Briggs
A Big Finish production.
THU 22:00 It's a Fair Cop (m000w5vk)
Series 6
4. Vehicle Stop
Policeman turned stand-up Alfie Moore takes an audience through real-life crime scenarios. This week's topic is a vehicle stop - when do the police have a right to stop your car? Alfie recalls the real-life case of his encounter with an uncooperative driver in Scunthorpe.
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 Dan and Nick: The Wildebeest Years (b007jsmf)
Pilot: Cold Turkey with Dan and Nick
Fish Gordon has only 48 hours to save the aquarium.
A comedy extravaganza written by and starring Dan Freedman and Nick Romero
Meet characters including Incy Wincy Quincy, spider pathologist.
Music by the Gents.
Producer: Julian Mayers
Pilot for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in August 1998
THU 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m00113w6)
Janine Haroumi 1/2
From 10pm until midnight, seven days a week, The Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. And tonight, Jon Holmes speaks to stand-up comedian Janine Haroumi.
THU 23:00 The Maltby Collection (b00crds8)
Series 1
Episode 2
Deputy curator Rod battles to save the collection from closure and, in so doing, threatens his boss's early retirement.
Meanwhile Walter makes a move.
Starring Geoffrey Palmer and Julian Rhind-Tutt.
David Nobbs' sitcom about a small art museum staffed by eccentrics and obsessives.
Rod Millet Julian Rhind-Tutt
Walter Brindle Geoffrey Palmer
Prunella Edgecumbe Rachel Atkins
Julian Crumb-Loosely Ben Willbond
Des Wainwright Michael Smiley
Eva Tattle Julia Deakin
Wilf Arbutnot Geoff McGovern
Stelios Constantinopolis Chris Pavlo
Rod's Mum Liza Sadovy
Mark Patterson Ben Moor
Producer: Colin Anderson
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2007.
THU 23:30 A Look Back at the Future (b01s5d66)
2099
The year that time ran backwards.
Recorded in 1994, the futuristic show recalls the main events of 2099.
Starring:

Brian Perkins
Kate Robbins
Hugh Dennis
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 August 1994.

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FRI 01:00 Sherlock Holmes (m000lv58)
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FRI 01:30 Whodunnits (b007k1zt)
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FRI 02:00 The Offing by Benjamin Myers (m00081wd)
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FRI 02:15 Katarina Bivald - The Readers of Broken Wheel Recommend (m0004sbp)
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FRI 03:30 Second Thoughts (b00fnfp3)
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FRI 04:00 The Unbelievable Truth (m00012bn)
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FRI 04:30 The Richest Man in Britain (b00nrrq8)
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FRI 05:00 Inspector Resnick (b043x39r)
Cutting Edge
3. Death by Cuts
The brutal death of a ward sister intensifies DI Charlie Resnick's search for the hospital assailant.
Tom Georgeson stars as jazz-loving Detective Inspector Charlie Resnick.
Conclusion of John Harvey's dramatisation of his own novel.
DI Charlie Resnick Tom Georgeson
Millington Sean Baker
Lynn Kate Eaton
Kevin Ben Porter
Dipak Paul Bazely
Silver Don McCorkindale
Carew Nicholas Boulton
Sarah Gillian Bevan
Dr Fletcher John Simm
Groves Peter Kenny
Debbie Colleen Prendergast
Mr Salt Denys Hawthorne
Calvin Philip Weaver
Delia Ann Beach
Suzanne Olds Patience Tomlinson
Lynn Kate Eaton
Elaine Jennie Stoller
Karl Adrian Scarborough
Producer: David Hunter
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1996.
FRI 06:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007zms)
Sherlock Holmes with Carleton Hobbs - Series 6
9. The Final Problem
The Baker Street sleuth's greatest enemy, Professor Moriarty, pursues him across Europe - towards the ultimate confrontation.
Starring Carleton Hobbs as Sherlock Holmes and Norman Shelley as Dr Watson
Written by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle and adapted by Michael Hardwick.
Sherlock Holmes Carleton Hobbs
Dr Watson Norman Shelley
Professor Moriarty Rolf LeFebvre
Peter Steiler Alan Dudley
Swiss Boy Gordon Gardner
Produced by Martyn C Webster.
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in January 1967.
FRI 06:30 Whodunnits (b007k213)
Hercule Poirot - Three Act Tragedy
5. J'accuse!
Just as Hercule Poirot looks set to solve the murder mystery, there's a fresh death.
The final part of Agatha Christie's 1935 thriller, dramatised by Michael Bakewell.
CAST:
Hercule Poirot John Moffatt
Mr Satterthwaite George Cole
Sir Charles Cartwright Michael Cochrane
Hermione 'Egg' Lytton Gore Beth Chalmers
Angela Sutcliffe Jemma Churchill
Oliver Manders Carl Prekopp
Matron Natasha Pyne
Director: Enyd Williams
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2002.
FRI 07:00 The Offing by Benjamin Myers (m000843r)
10. Galvanised by Love
One summer following the Second World War, 16 year old Robert Appleyard set out on foot from his Durham mining village, desperate to see something of the world before he goes

down the pit.
Acutely attuned to the rhythms and delights of the natural world, he sleeps rough and takes work where he can find it, until meeting Dulcie Piper, an eccentric older woman who lives in a ramshackle cottage looking out to sea.
Life changes for both Dulcie and Robert with the discovery of the last letter written by Romy.
Novel written by Benjamin Myers.
As an old man, Robert looks back on the summer that changed the direction his life was to take, and the woman who opened his eyes to life's possibilities.
Abridged by Sian Preece.
Concluded by Kevin Whately.
Produced at BBC Scotland by Sara Davies.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2019.
FRI 07:15 Katarina Bivald - The Readers of Broken Wheel Recommend (m0004sc3)
5. The Way Ahead
The people of Broken Wheel long for Sara to stay on and want her to marry Tom who she secretly loves.
But how does he really feel about her and can their wedding go ahead?"
Conclusion of Katarina Bivald's warm, funny and moving story of love and friendship.
The heroine Sara, is in her late 20s, when she leaves her native Sweden to visit her much older pen pal Amy in a remote part of Iowa, a town aptly called Broken Wheel. But, when she arrives, all is not as she had foreseen.
Unexpectedly, she finds herself falling in love - not just with one of the men in question, but with the whole town itself.
Translated from Swedish by Alice Menzies.
Dramatised by Jeremy Raison.
Sara Anna Koval
Tom Richard Goulding
Caroline Lorelei King
Jen Laurel Lefkow
Amy Adjoa Andoh
George William Hope
Andy Martin T Sherman
Grace Kate Harper
.
Director: Cherry Cookson
A Wireless Theatre production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in May 2019.
FRI 07:30 Between Ourselves With Marian Keyes (m0008rk6)
Travel
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 travel. Alongside the craic, Marian reads Shite For Goms from her collection Making It Up As I Go Along, and Sent To Siberia from Further Under The Duvet.
Producer: Steve Doherty
A Giddy Go production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in September 2019.
FRI 08:00 Albert and Me (b007jsgr)
Series 1
Mind That Baby
Single dad Bryan gets wrapped in red tape at the benefits office.
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
Jane Diane Keen
Welfare Lady Dilys Laye
Mrs Featherstone-Haugh Dilys Laye
Edward Jon Laurimore
Benefit Official Robin Parkinson
Producer: John Fawcett Wilson
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in November 1977.
FRI 08:30 Rent (b04nrv19)
Series 2
Episode 4
When Maria's oldest friend Ellen comes to stay, they can hear their biological clocks ticking very loudly. Richard, Paul and Ruby steer clear.
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
Ellen Helen Atkinson-Wood
Ruby Vivienne Rochester
With Chris Emmett.
Producer: Liz Anstee.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1995.
FRI 09:00 The Food Quiz (b083j269)
Series 3
Episode 6
Journalist and food critic, Jay Rayner puts four gastronomes through their culinary paces.
On the menu: Stephen Fry, Clarissa Dickson Wright, Henry

Harris and Kimiko Barber.
Issues for digestion include - where in the world do they hold a Saffron, a Mackerel and a Pawpaw festival?
Producer: Rebecca Wells
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2004.
FRI 09:30 Plum House (b07krdvm)
Series 1
Lights, Camera, Pudding
The museum team are startled to hear that Peter has agreed to Plum House being used as a location in a period TV drama.
And not just any period drama, but Buttermere Hall - the Cumbrian Poldark, the Lake District Downton Abbey - which just happens to be Maureen and Emma's favourite Sunday night series.
It could be a massive publicity coup for Plum House, but with Peter dreaming of a starring role, Maureen insisting on catering for the crew, Alan fretting about his broken spade and Emma desperate to meet leading man Christopher Tennyson, will the team end up blowing it?
Starring Simon Callow and Jane Horrocks.
Comedy about the inest 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?
Peter Simon Callow
Maureen Jane Horrocks
Julian Miles Jupp
Tom Tom Bell
Alan Pearce Quigley
Emma Louise Ford
Christopher Tennyson Darren Boyd
Harriet Karina Fernandez
Tony Rob Jarvis
Julie Thaila Zucchi
Director: Paul Schlesinger
A Hat Trick production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in July 2016.
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FRI 20:00 The Best Exotic Etiquette Academy (b06tvsr)
Author, broadcaster and etiquette coach William Hanson explores why there's such a demand for British politesse around the world.
We join William at the Wasan Knowledge Hub in Mumbai where he teaches classes in business protocol and social etiquette. William asks Ekta Wasan why she set up the academy two years ago, and students explain why they have a desire to learn these very British skills.
William also speaks to Nisha JamVwal, a well known socialite and author who is married to a member of the Indian royal family. Yet, even with classes about tiaras and table manners, Nisha admits that few members of the Indian upper classes would enrol in such classes, and challenges the needs for British

traditions in an age where the country is truly embracing its own cultural identity.

Then to Shanghai, another city where William's knowledge is craved. Three years ago, Chinese men and women had no idea what etiquette training was. So why the sudden demand? Angelina Du talks openly about why she launched her exotic etiquette academy and we explore how the growth of high end goods has turned classes in British manners into a luxury commodity.

An Audio Always production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in January 2016.

FRI 20:30 Soul Music (b077gd5b)

Series 22

The Way You Look Tonight

'The Way You Look Tonight' was written by Jerome Kern and Dorothy Fields for the 1936 film 'Swing Time'.

Sung by Fred Astaire to Ginger Rogers while she was washing her hair, the song won an Oscar. It has been recorded by Frank Sinatra and Billie Holiday.

Sarah Woodward, daughter of actor Edward, recalls how aged seven, she watched him sing it on The Morecambe and Wise Christmas Show with his 'angelic' voice.

Theatre director Michael Bawtree remembers the song being his father's favourite, and being distraught when he broke the gramophone record as a five-year-old.

And Glaswegian singer, Eddie Toal describes making an album of jazz songs, including 'The Way You Look Tonight' to remember his late wife, Irene.

Series about pieces of music that make a powerful emotional impact.

Producer: Sara Conkey

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2016.

FRI 21:00 The Curious Cases of Rutherford & Fry (m0011c5k)

Series 18

The Venomous Vendetta

Whilst watching a documentary about some poisonous frogs, Curio Janni in Amsterdam, started to wonder what would happen if a frog licked itself or another frog of the same species. She asks Dr Adam Rutherford and Professor Hannah Fry to investigate whether an animal would react badly to a toxin it itself produces? In essence 'can a venomous snake kill itself by biting itself?'

Of course the answer is complicated, but the sleuths know exactly who to ask.

Steve Backshall, award-winning wildlife explorer, best known for his BBC series 'Deadly 60'. Author of 'Venom – Poisonous Creatures in the Natural World'. Steve has been bitten, stung and spat at by a plethora of venomous creatures during his career. He also studied the first known venomous newt - the sharp-ribbed newt - a creature that has sharpened ribs that when it's under attack, it will squeeze its body force those ribs out through its skin, coating them in venom, which is then delivered into the mouth of an attacker.

Professor Nick Casewell, studies venomous snakes and their impact on humans. He works on treatments for snakebites at the Liverpool School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. Snakebites have a huge impact on communities in South Asia, Sub-Saharan Africa and South America. It's now been reinstated as one of the most serious neglected tropical diseases by the World Health Organisation. Traditional treatments - antivenins - can be expensive, difficult to access and don't always work - Nick is looking into alternative medicines to treat snakebite victims.

Dr. Ronald Jenner is Principle Researcher in the Comparative Venomics group at the Natural History Museum's Life Sciences, Invertebrates Division and co-wrote the book 'Venom -the secrets of nature's deadliest weapon.' He explains the evolutionary arms race between venomous predators and their prey and poisonous prey and their predators. He explains how resistance to venom has evolved and how venom has evolved to be more or less powerful over time, answering another Curio - Scott Probert's question on the evolution of venom.

Christie Wilcox wrote 'Venomous – How Earth's Deadliest Creatures Mastered Biochemistry'. She studied the molecular basis of lionfish venom. Christie describes how venom and immunity to venom works at the molecular level.

Presenters: Adam Rutherford and Hannah Fry

Producer: Fiona Roberts

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2021.

FRI 21:30 Doctor Who (m001t2yn)

The War Doctor

7. The Shadow Vortex Part 1/2

Cardinal Ollistra exploits The War Doctor's affection for Earth by sending him to Cold War East Berlin in 1961, on the trail of the Dalek mercenary, Lara Zannis. Her aim is to breach the Earth's quantum shield on a deadly mission for the Dalek Time Strategist.

Caught between MI6 and the KGB, the War Doctor must first escape the Stasi before he can hope to stop her.

John Hurt stars as The War Doctor.

Written by David Llewellyn.

The War Doctor John Hurt

Cardinal Ollistra Jacqueline Pearce

Lara Zannis Neve McIntosh

Lt Kruger Timothy Speyer

Kavarin Gunnar Cauthery

Professor Crane Helen Goldwyn

Haleyna Honeysuckle Weeks

Leith Matthew Cottle

Dalek Time Strategist/The Daleks Nicholas Briggs

Original music written by Howard Carter.

Director: Nicholas Briggs

A Big Finish production.

FRI 22:00 Briony May Williams (m0017tn8)

More than 13 million people in this country can be classed as disabled, often in ways we don't think or talk about – sometimes in ways which even they are not fully conscious of. The spectrum of mental and physical disability is far wider than most of us have ever thought about. It's an elephant in the room - we can all see it (unless we're visually impaired) but none of us talk about it (unless we have Tourette Syndrome).

If you're uncomfortable with these jokes, don't worry, this show isn't always going to be comfortable. But it will be subversive, celebratory, and absolutely unlike anything else you've ever heard on the radio – or, very likely, anywhere else.

Under the stewardship of Briony May Williams, The Thirteen Million Club brings together a remarkable range of talents and a collection of fresh perspectives in a smorgasbord of stand-up, spiky consumer pieces, interviews and panel-game style battles of wits.

From the impatient deaf comic Steve Day to the bipolar depression tales of Harriet Dyer (don't worry, she's been making it funny for a long time), via dyspraxia, sight loss, ADHD, and quite a lot more besides, we laugh with and at our spectacular cast as they laugh with and at themselves. And also at the attitudes of others, and the madness of a world which is still struggling to catch up with let alone accommodate them.

Produced by Simon Minty and Lianne Coop.

An Impatient production for BBC Radio 4

FRI 22:30 Wondermentalist Cabaret (b00y8vsn)

Series 1

2. Swindon

Poet, performer, enemy of all that's difficult and upsetting, Matt Harvey presents this comedy-infused, musically-enhanced, slightly interactive poetry cabaret.

With:

Poet and musician, Zena Edwards

One man house band - Jerri Hart.

Recorded with an audience at the Swindon Arts Centre.

Fellow poets AF Harrold and Kate Fox battle it out with Zena in a Dead Poets' Slam, while the audience compose their own highly flavoured poem on the subject of cheese.

Producer: Mark Smalley.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2011.

FRI 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m001t3w4)

Janine Harouni 2/2

From 10pm until midnight, seven days a week, The Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. And tonight, Jon Holmes speaks to stand-up comedian Janine Harouni.

FRI 23:00 On the Hour (b007lzwz)

Series 2

Episode 5

Ireland hits the headlines as the programme ransacks the archives to celebrate its 33rd birthday.

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, Andrew Glover, David Quantick, Stewart Lee

and Patrick Marber.

Producer: Armando Iannucci

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1992.

FRI 23:30 Weak at the Top (b00rgpbw)

Series 1

Gold Card

John Weak puts the man into management.

He's randy, devious, sexist and drink-sodden, a high-powered marketing director with the morals of a skunk, the skin of a rhino and the brain of a one-celled organism.

Alexander Armstrong stars as John Weak in Guy Browning's sitcom.

John Weak Alexander Armstrong

Hayley Clare Perkins

Sir Marcus Geoffrey Whitehead

Bill Peters Ron Cook

Tim Smallwood Ewan Bailey

Debbie Colleen Prendergast

Producer: Jonquil Panting

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2005.