## SATURDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2024

SAT 00:00 Pilgrim by Sebastian Baczkiewicz (b00g0532)

4. 'Gainst All Disaster

Pilgrim is forced to come to the aid of Joseph of Arimethea, held captive by a very malevolent angel, in his toughest adventure yet.

Paul Hilton stars as the reluctant and unthanked hero protecting mankind from an enemy they resist believing in.

Written by Sebastian Baczkiewicz.

Pilgrim ..... Paul Hilton Haddonfield ..... Adrian Lukis

Freya ..... Alex Tregear Doris ..... Susan Engel

Mirabella ..... Janice Acquah

Macadam .... Malcolm Tierney

Trent ..... Gunnar Cauthery

Wilson ... .. Donnla Hughes

Joseph .... David Calder

Sylvie .... Anna Wing

Guide / Guard ..... Inam Mirza

Director: Marc Beeby

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2008.

#### SAT 00:45 The Strange and The Sinister by William Croft Dickinson (b0b53ptb)

4. The Work of Evil

Can a sceptical academic resist the challenge of reading a book that curses anyone that dares open it?

Read by Moultrie Kelsall.

William Croft Dickinson introduces his stories of the

supernatural set in Scotland. Producer: John Gray

First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in October 1961.

#### SAT 01:00 Peter Tinniswood (b00758gg)

A Very Rare Bird Indeed

At a small family-run hotel on the Welsh coast, lonely Avril observes the guests while waiting for her philandering husband.

Judi Dench stars in Peter Tinniswood's drama.

Avril ..... Judi Dench

Maynard ..... Peter Jeffrey Morgan ..... John Moffatt

Clayton ..... Lou Hirsch

Marion ..... Carolyn Jones

Gilbert ..... Jeff Shankley

Major Rackham ..... Derek Waring

Music by Simon Morecroft.

Director: Gordon House

First broadcast on the BBC World Service in May 1997.

## SAT 02:00 The Toff on the Farm (b007 is1v)

5. A Step In The Dark

The Toff refuses to be fobbed off and receives some useful advice

Rural intrigue stalks amateur sleuth - the Honorable Richard

John Creasey's thriller starring Terence Alexander.

Dramatised by Roy Lomax. The Toff ..... Terence Alexander

Jolly ..... Robert Dorning

Gillian Selby ..... Heather Stoney

Monty Morne ..... Terrence Hardiman

Superintendent Grice ..... Duncan Lamont

Mr Smith ..... Reg Lve

Bert Ebbutt ..... Douglas Blackwell

Other parts played by the cast. Producer: John Fawcett Wilson

First broadcast on the BBC World Service in April 1977.

## SAT 02:30 Whodunnits (b0076tz9)

Hercule Poirot - The Mysterious Affair at Styles

Captain Hastings and Detective Inspector Japp are bewildered by the antics of the Belgian sleuth.

Hercule Poirot rushes back to Styles Court in a state of great

excitement..

Conclusion of Agatha Christie's whodunnit.

Starring John Moffatt.

Dramatised by Michael Bakewell.

Hercule Poirot .... John Moffatt Hastings .... Simon Williams

Japp .... Philip Jackson

Mary .... Susan Jameson

Evie .... Nichola McAuliffe

Cynthia .... Annabelle Dowler

Dorcas .... Hilda Schroder

Lawrence .... Nicholas Boulton

Alfred .... Hugh Dickson Original music composed by Tom Smail.

Director: Enyd Williams

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2005.

SAT 03:00 The Warlow Experiment by Alix Nathan

5. Enraged

After three years, Powyss is losing heart with his experiment. But a cataclism awaits when the listening tube that Powyss had manufactured to spy on his prisoner is discovered by the

enraged Warlow, who creates chaos in the cellar. Herbert Powyss lives on an estate in the Welsh Marches with enough time and income to pursue a gentleman's fashionable investigation into botanical experimentation. But he longs to

make his mark in the field of science - something consequential enough to present to The Royal Society in London.

Influenced by something he's read, he decides to conduct a radical investigation into the Resilience of the Human Mind

Without Society. He places an ad for a suitable guinea pig. Only one man is desperate enough to apply for the job; a semi-

literate, angry wife-basher. What could possibly go wrong?

Written by Alix Nathan and abridged by Jeremy Osborne.

Read by Robert Glenister.

Producer: Karen Rose

A Sweet Talk Production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in July 2019.

SAT 03:15 Rachel's Cousins (b062n4n6)

When her boss offers her a promotion Rachel has to decide where her loyalties lie.

Glasgow lawyer Rachel is dealing with the wayward relatives she's been brought up to ignore after discovering they share the BRCA2 cancer gene.

Conclusion of Ann Marie Di Mambro's five-part drama.

Rachel ..... Tamara Kennedy

Marilyn ..... Gabriel Quigley

Josie ..... Karen Bartke

Shirley ..... Sarah McCardie

Bobby ..... Alan McHugh Alex ..... Robin Laing

Kevin ..... Stevie Hannan

Becca ..... Nicola Jo Cully

Carol ..... Veronica Leer

Other parts are played by the cast. Directed at BBC Scotland by Bruce Young

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2015.

SAT 03:30 Ed Reardon's Week (b080t886)

Series 11

Poetry? No Thanks

Ed becomes involved in the work of a committee when he agrees to get involved in the erection of a statue on university grounds to honour the plucky wartime songbird 'Beryl Bassett'.

This means not only ploughing through hundreds of entries for a poetry competition to find a suitable ode to be read at the unveiling, but liaising with Beryl's son who has his eye on Antonia, a small gauge railway and a dubious family past.

The comical world of an author, pipe smoker, consummate faredodger and master of the abusive e-mail.

Starring Christopher Douglas.

Written by Andrew Nickolds and Christopher Douglas. Ed Reardon ..... Christopher Douglas

Olive ..... Stephanie Cole Bobby ..... Nicholas Farrell

Pearl ..... Brigit Forsyth

Max ..... Divian Ladwa

Antonia ..... Svlvestra Le Touzel Ping ..... Barunka O'Shaughnessy

Producer: Dawn Ellis.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2016.

SAT 04:00 Marriage Lines (b0647y7d)

Episode 8

Baby Helen is annoying Kate and George's neighbours.

Starring Richard Briers and Prunella Scales Richard Waring's sitcom based on the mutual love and mistrust

of two newlyweds.

Originating on BBC TV, it ran between 1963-65 and was adapted in two series for BBC radio due to its popularity.

George .... Richard Briers

Kate .... Prunella Scales

Kate's Mother .... Joan Sanderson George's Mum .... Diana King

George's Dad .... Geoffrey Sumner

Miss Hudson .... Pearl Hackney

Mr Manderson .... Lockwood West

Producer: Charles Maxwell First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in May 1967. SAT 04:30 Big Jim and the Figaro Club (b008g6v4)

Transport of Delight

Demobbed Old Ned heads south after the war and joins a

special construction team. Six anarchic tales from those demob days "when we was going to build the new Jerusalem - you know, before the world turned

lax and sour". Written by Ted Walker.

Narrated by Bernard Cribbins.

Big Jim .... Norman Rossington

Harold Perkins .... Roland Curram Old Ned .... Harold Goodwin

Nimrod .... David John

Turps ... Sylvester McCoy Chick .... David Beckett

The Farmer .... Douglas Blackwell

The Farmer's Daughter .... Karen Ascoe

Producer: Martin Fisher First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1987.

SAT 05:00 The 3rd Degree (m000wz2d) Series 11

Brasenose College Oxford

Steve Punt hosts the battle of wits as three students from Brasenose College, Oxford take on their professors.

A funny and dynamic quiz show with specialist subjects

including philosophy, law and chemistry. Questions range from rocket fuel and robbing a bank to Plato and pole vault

Producer: David Tyler

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

SAT 05:30 In and Out of the Kitchen (b016ljx7)

Series 1

January 1st to 5th

Mouth-watering entries from the kitchen diary of cookery writer, Damien Trench.

Written by and starring Miles Jupp.

In a mixture of narrative, dialogue and recipes, Damien unflinchingly captures every angle of his day-to-day life, "no

matter how grisly or, indeed, how gristly" Damien and his partner, Anthony, deciding on their New Year's Resolutions. They start by finally making up their minds to commit to each other...namely, by signing up a builder, Mr Mullaney to install a new kitchen which Damien hopes will eventually become the food and preparation space that he's always dreamed of.

On top of all this, Anthony decides to get fit and Damien decides to do a radio programme about the French bean. But

not everything goes according to plan... Also featuring Damien's easy-to-follow recipes: for a "Super Simple" Roast Beef, cooking your own pasta, and "Marvellously Moist Muffins"

.. Miles Jupp Damien Trench .

Anthony ...... Justin Edwards
Damien's Mother ...... Selina Cadell Mr Mullaney ..... Brendan Dempsey

Ian Frobisher ..... Philip Fox

Researcher ..... Alex Tregear Producer: Sam Michell. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2011.

SAT 06:00 Christopher and Columbus (m001wp9g)

The Twinkler twins are half-German and recently orphaned. They set out for America with some trepidation and find that it's not only the Kaiser's torpedoes that they have to face.

On board their boat to New York, they meet Edward Twist who is charmed and fascinated by his new acquaintances Starring Jane Whittenshaw, Philippa Ritchie and William Hope

Elizabeth von Arnim's novel, first published in 1919.

Dramatised by Barbara Clegg and Olwen Wymark. Anna Rose von Twinkler .... Jane Whittenshaw

Anna Felicitas von Twinkler .... Philippa Ritchie Edward Twist .... William Hope Mrs Wilson/Mrs Ridding .... Gwen Cherrell

Mrs Anderson/Mrs Bilton .... Jo Kendall

Mrs Twist .... Helen Horton Edith Twist .... Jenny Howe

Mr Ridding .... Michael Graham Cox

Emmeline Heap .... Sheila Reid John Elliott .... Mark Straker

With: David Gondoe

Stephen Garlick David Bannerman

Michael Kilgarriff Emma Gregory

Petra Markham Auriol Smith

Director Jane Morgan

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1991 SAT 07:15 Bong! The Condensed History of Big Ben (b00ksk4i)

Big Ben's Bongs were first heard on BBC Radio on 17th February 1924. Adam Long, co-founder of the Reduced Shakespeare Company,

and his two friends Simon Jermond and Giles Terera, celebrate the Great Clock of the Palace of Westminster and takes a whirlwind musical tour of all things Ben. It is a story of arduous neo-Gothic design, bells that kept cracking and the invention of something called a double three-

legged gravity escapement mechanism. Originally broadcast to celebrate 150 years of almost

continuous time telling by Big Ben. Producers: Mandy Baker & Giles Terera

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2009. SAT 07:30 The Anarchy by William Dalrymple (Omnibus) (m000bfdz) Humble beginnings lead to bold enterprise as circumstances

conspire against India's emperors. William Dalrymple's new book tells the story of how the East India Company transformed itself from a small trading company into a powerful colonial force that used its financial prowess and military might to subdue India. What emerges is a

cautionary tale about global corporate power. Omnibus of five parts adapted by William Dalrymple. Read by Alistair McGowan.

William Dalrymple is an acclaimed historian and has won numerous awards including, the Hemingway Prize, the Duff Cooper Memorial Prize, the Asia House Award for Asian

Literature. He lives on a farm near Delhi. Alistair McGowan is a multi-talented performer and writer. He

is an impressionist, stand-up comic, and actor, a pianist and a writer of sketches, stage and radio plays. Producer: Elizabeth Allard.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2019.

Supported by bbc.co.uk/programmes/

SAT 08:45 Uncle Mort's Celtic Fringe (b007jrhg)

Series 2

Tricky Icky

Carter and his Uncle track down a sporting hero. Peter Tinniswood's continuing tales of long-suffering Carter Brandon on his travels in Wales with curmudgeonly Uncle Mort.

Uncle Mort .... Stephen Thorne

Carter Brandon .... Sam Kelly

The Landlady/Matron .... Liz Goulding

The Stenger/Icky Williams .... Richard Davies

.... 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 September 1996.

SAT 09:00 Take Me To Your Reader (m000ylpn)

5. Writer's Block

Colin helps an old author having problems, and Janet suspects a new one who's just a little too good.

Starring Tim Brooke-Taylor.

The battles of erudite, naïve Colin with his bluff managing director, Rees John.

Andrew Palmer's sitcom set in publishing house, Roache & Brewer.

Colin Luscombe .... Tim Brooke-Taylor

Rees John .... Glyn Houston Janet Hunt .... Eve Karpf

Jake Rivers .... Kenneth Connor

Producer: Edward Taylor

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1986.

SAT 09:30 Robbing Hood (m001wp9l)

Norman's Weekend

Norman Wisdom stars as a small time crook who's just come out of prison.

Hoping to go straight, he is entrusted to widow Natalie

Mathews, who offers him a job and accommodation. Switching rooms at the Grand Hotel, Norman and Natalie

nearly lay down the law whilst looking for a safe nut to crack.

Written by John Graham from an idea by Norman Wisdom.

Norman Hood .... Norman Wisdom Natalie Matthews .... Moira Lister

Nosher Nelson .... Windsor Davis

The Judge .... James Grout

Fifi .... Sally Kinghorn

Miss Barlow .... Anne Windsor

Poppet .... Siriol Jenkins

Waiter Eric Allen

Director: Leslie Lawton First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in August 1992.

\*\*\*\* This series was suggested by Jonathan Aitken and Malcolm Hunter as part of BBC Radio 4 Extra's All Request

Weekend \*\*\*\*

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SAT 10:00 The Sondheim Archive (m000p8hc)

1. Finishing the Hat

Maria Friedman and a panel of guests share their love of the work of Stephen Sondheim.

Multi-award winning actor, singer and director Maria Friedman has had an association with Sondheim's musicals ever since she starred in the National Theatre's production of "Sunday in the Park With George" in 1990.

In the first of three programmes from the BBC Radio Theatre, Maria explores Sondheim programmes in the BBC's archive, whilst discussing the incredible impact of his work and performing some of the songs from his hit shows.

She's joined by actor Mark Umbers who starred in her recent production of "Merrily We Roll Along" - and pianist and composer Jason Carr who has done orchestrations for Sondheim

Plus critic David Benedict who is writing Sondheim's authorised biography and Catherine Jayes who has worked as

Musical Director on Sondheim shows

Producer: Emma Kingsley

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in March SAT 11:00 Christopher and Columbus (m001wp9g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SAT 12:15 Bong! The Condensed History of Big Ben (b00ksk4i)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:15 today]

SAT 12:30 The Anarchy by William Dalrymple (Omnibus) (m000bfdz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

SAT 13:45 Uncle Mort's Celtic Fringe (b007jrhg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 today]

SAT 14:00 Take Me To Your Reader (m000ylpn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SAT 14:30 Robbing Hood (m001wp9l)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

SAT 15:00 The Sondheim Archive (m000p8hc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

SAT 16:00 Pilgrim by Sebastian Baczkiewicz (b00g0532)

[Repeat of broadcast at 00:00 today]

SAT 16:45 The Strange and The Sinister by William Croft

Dickinson (b0b53ptb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 00:45 today]

SAT 17:00 Christopher and Columbus (m001wp9g) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 todav]

SAT 18:15 Bong! The Condensed History of Big Ben (b00ksk4j)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:15 today]
SAT 18:30 The Anarchy by William Dalrymple (Omnibus) (m000bfdz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

SAT 19:45 Uncle Mort's Celtic Fringe (b007jrhg) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 today]

SAT 20:00 Take Me To Your Reader (m000ylpn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SAT 20:30 Robbing Hood (m001wp9l)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

SAT 21:00 The Sondheim Archive (m000p8hc) [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

SAT 22:00 Saturday Night Fry (b0091t5j) Episode 4

The team come over all nostalgic for their first episode - plus

news of a startling new opera production.

Stephen Fry serves up more witty banter and sketches

Hugh Laurie

Jim Broadbent

Alison Steadman

Written by Stephen Fry.
Additional material by Ian Brown and James Hendrie.

Producer: Dan Patterson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1988.

SAT 22:30 I've Never Seen Star Wars (b00hkprc)

Series 2

Dame Joan Bakewell

Dame Joan Bakewell listens to the Arctic Monkeys, takes a

lesson in beat boxing and places a bet on the horses.

Series in which Marcus Brigstocke invites celebrities to try new experiences

Producer: Bill Dare

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2009.

SAT 23:00 Please Use Other Door (m000p10m)

A comedy from writers new to radio.

Overheard conversations take place over the course of the day, sometimes forming short stories, such as the woman who doesn't wash her legs, the man with an elephant in his garden

and an accountant going for a job at the Schrodinger Institute.

Starring : Madeline Appiah

Gabby Best

Will Hartley Ray Sesay

Rebecca Shorrocks

Toby Williams Written by Jeffrey Aidoo, Simon Alcock, Dan Audritt, Ed Amsden, Tom Coles, Kat Butterfield, Bill Dare, Rob Darke,

Anna Goodman David McIver Chazz Redhead Jack Robertson and Edward Tew

Producer:: Bill Dare

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

November 2020. SAT 23:30 28 Acts in 28 Minutes (b009ly1p)

Series 2

Episode 3

28 performers have just 60 seconds in which to entertain the audience in this traditional variety show, featuring established stand-ups, and some newer talent

The whole thing is presided over by John Humphrys, who sits at the side of the stage with a stopwatch, ready to cut the

microphone when the time is up. And hey - if there's an act you don't like, well, there's another one along in 55 seconds or so...

Phil Cornwell

Francesca Beard The Bearded Ladies

Matt Morisroe James Sherwood

John Richardson

Tom McRae Geoffrey McGivern

Liam Mullone

Danielle Ward John Finnemore

Greedy

Ian Stone

Gwyn Herbert Kerry Godliman and David Lane

Lee Bannard Simon Jones

Terry Saunders Ginger & Black

Simon Evans Nathan Penlington Tim Fitzhigham

Alex Lowe

Producers: Rohan Acharva and Ed Morrish

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2008.

SUNDAY 25 FEBRUARY 2024

SUN 00:00 The Man in Black (b00h73hw)

Series 1 5. Bombers' Moon by Lucy Kirkwood

Soldiers Jarvis, Carr and Nisbet are stranded in a remote outpost in Afghanistan.

They've run out of supplies, trapped by a blizzard, and the man who was going to get help should have been back hours ago. If that weren't bad enough, they're shut in with Corporal Rashid.
They're sure he's a Jonah - pure bad luck. They're a sitting

target for the enemy, but there's something worse coming for them through the snowy mountains.

Something much, much worse..

Dark tale written by Lucy Kirkwood.

Introduced by Mark Gatiss as sinister raconteur, The Man in Black.

Jarvis ..... Gunnar Cauthery

Carr ..... Mark Bonnar

Nisbet ..... Fingal McKiernan

Rashid ..... Inam Mirza

.... Robert Lonsdale Keefe ...

Female Voice ..... Manjeet Mann Horrifying series of tales from The Man in Black. You might meet him at a luggage carousel in an airport, or behind the desk at an employment agency or he might approach you in the

corridor of a care home. Wherever you encounter him, he's eager to pass on his stories.

Stories to unsettle and horrify. Stories to haunt you. The Man In Black first appeared in the 1940s as the chilling voice who introduced a series of terrifying radio dramas. He returned on Radio 4 in the 1970s and then again in the late

80s/early 90s.

Producer: Abigail le Fleming Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in 2009.

SUN 00:30 Haunted (m001wp9q)

A Pair of Hands by Arthur Quiller-Couch When Miss Poulton rents a house she does not know that it

comes with an unseen helper.

A series of tales of the supernatural. Starring Siân Phillips and Rosemary Leach.

Written by Sir Arthur Quiller-Couch.

Miss Poulton .... Siân Phillips Mrs Cahill .... Rosemary Leach

Hosking .... Brian Hewitt

Adapted for radio by Patricia Mays. Director: Derek Hoddinott

First broadcast on the BBC World Service in March 1982.

SUN 01:00 Christopher and Columbus (m001wp9g) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Saturday]

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SUN 06:00 Poetry Extra (m001wq5d)

Another Swansea Poet Daljit Nagra revisits the BBC's poetry archive and chooses

Another Swansea Poet featuring Jack Jones. Daljit also selects his Poetry Extra Book of the Month: Out of Sri Lanka - an anthology of poems by contemporary poets with

a Sri Lankan heritage. Jack Jones is a spoken word poet and the lead singer of Welsh alternative rock band Trampolene, a band which has attracted the attention of The Libertines, Liam Gallagher, John Cooper

Clarke and Caitlin Moran. Jack's spoken word poetry and lyrics are at the core of Trampolene's sound. The music isn't everything though. Sometimes Jack takes the mic, solo, and recites poetry: risky business in a room full of screaming, moshing fans, you might

But Jack's spoken word poetry has become an integral part of Trampolene's gigs. The crowd shouts for his poem 'Pound Land' in every venue and recites Jack's words along with him.

He writes about everyday life, how to fight adversity, his upbringing, and at gigs around the UK offers his own social commentary on the world, all delivered with a gentle Swansea

lilt synonymous with his idol Dylan Thomas.

From his home in the Mumbles, Swansea, Jack tells his life story candidly, with insight from around him. We hear from his fellow band members and from one of Jack's biggest fans in the music industry, Peter Doherty, who recalls their adventures on

tour together. This programme reveals a young man in his 20s with a lot to say and a young man with multiple health problems - dyslexia and huge amounts of time spent out of school. It hasn't let that stop him from making a career out of writing and performing poetry and music

Producer: Eleri Llian Rees for BBC Cymru Wales First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2019.

#### SUN 06:30 The Warlow Experiment by Alix Nathan (Omnibus) (m00074gv)

Episode 1

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But he longs to make his mark in the field of science something consequential enough to present to The Royal Society in London.

Influenced by something he's read, he decides to conduct a radical investigation into the Resilience of the Human Mind Without Society. He places an ad for a suitable guinea pig. Only one man is desperate enough to apply for the job - a semiliterate, angry wife-basher.

What could possibly go wrong?

Strange, sinister novel by Alix Nathan.

Omnibus of the first five of ten parts abridged by Jeremy

Read by Robert Glenister.

Alix Nathan is the author of His Last Fire, a collection of short stories and the novel The Flight Of Sarah Battle.

Producer: Karen Rose

A Sweet Talk production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in

SUN 07:40 Inheritance Tracks (m001wq5j)

Lucy Worsley
Historian Lucy Worsley chooses Mozart Piano Sonata No. 16 in C Major and Magnificat and Nunc dimittis: The Seventh Service.

#### SUN 07:50 Rachel's Cousins (Omnibus) (b063hy4b)

A Glasgow lawyer arrives at a police station to represent three drunken women - only to find they are her relatives. When they discover they share the BRCA2 cancer gene, they

become unexpectedly caught up in each other's lives Omnibus of five parts written by Ann Marie Di Mambro.

Rachel ..... Tamara Kennedy

Marilyn ..... Gabriel Quigley

Josie ..... Karen Bartke

Shirley ..... Sarah McCardie

... Alan McHugh Bobby ... Alex ..... Robin Laing

Kevin ..... Stevie Hannan

Becca ..... Nicola Jo Cully

Carol ..... Veronica Leer

Other parts are played by the cast.

Directed at BBC Scotland by Bruce Young.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2015

SUN 09:00 All Gas and Gaiters (m001wq5m)

The Bishop Buys a Mug
The Bishop and Canon go head-to-head to acquire a rare

Minton for their collections.

Ecclesiastical sitcom which started life on BBC TV

Written and adapted by husband-and-wife team, Pauline Devaney and Edwin Apps.

This programme is an off-air recording, so it's not the best

technical quality – but we hope you enjoy it anyway. The Archdeacon .... Robertson Hare

The Bishop .... William Mervyn
The Bishop's Chaplain .... Jonathan Cecil

The Dean .... John Barron

Mrs Pugh-Critchley .... Joan Sanderson Canon Hodges .... Erik Chitty

All Gas and Gaiters started life as a TV pilot in Comedy

Playhouse, ahead of a run on BBC1 from 1966 to 1971.

Selected scripts were revised and re-recorded for radio. Producer: John Dyas

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1972.

SUN 09:30 The Navy Lark (m001wq5p)

The Padre's Birthday

Can the crew of HMS Troutbridge rise to the occasion of a

birthday celebration?

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 Mrs Povey ..... Heather Chasen

The Admiral ... Tenniel Evans The Padre .... Michael Bates

The Navy Lark ran for an impressive 13 series between 1959 and 1976

Producer: Alastair Scott Johnston

First broadcast on the BBC Radio 2 in December 1968. SUN 10:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b01ngw34)

BAFTA Winners

Imelda Staunton

One of the UK's most versatile and popular actresses, Imelda

Staunton is castaway by Sue Lawley.

Throughout her career she has consistently refused to be

typecast, moving effortlessly from playing brassy Miss Adelaide in Guys and Dolls, to the oppressed Sonya in Uncle Vanya, to a grieving mother in Peter's Friends.

She starred in Mike Leigh's production Vera Drake - playing

the eponymous heroine, a 1950s housewife who unbeknownst

to her family carried out illegal abortions. She won huge acclaim for her performance, including an Oscar nomination and a BAFTA award for Best Actress.

Imelda Staunton was born in Archway, London, in 1956. Her mother Bridie was a hairdresser, and the family lived over her shop, whilst Imelda's father worked on the roads

It was an elocution and drama teacher at her school, Jacqueline Stoker, who encouraged her talent, adapting plays for her and putting her in for school drama competitions. She also

encouraged Imelda to apply for drama school. At the time, Imelda had never heard of RADA - but she was offered a place there and studied alongside Alan Rickman,

Juliet Stevenson and Timothy Spall.
DISC ONE: Lonnie Donegan - Frankie & Johnny
DISC TWO: Elvis Presley - All Shook Up

DISC THREE: London Symphony Orchestra & Chorus, conducted by Sir Adrian Boult – Handel's For unto us a Child is

DISC FOUR: Édith Piaf - Hymne À L'Amour

DISC FIVE: Julie Covington & Ian Charleson - I'll Know

DISC SIX: Bette Midler - Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy

DISC SEVEN: Bridie Staunton/Maria Sonia - Reels and Jigs DISC EIGHT: Alison Krauss - Down to the River to Pray

BOOK CHOICE: A book on astronomy LUXURY CHOICE: Modelling clay and tools

CASTAWAY'S FAVOURITE: Julie Covington & Ian

Charleson - I'll Know

Producer: Leanne Buckle

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2005.

SUN 10:45 One Man And His Bog by Barry Pilton (m001wq5s)

3. Only 215 Miles To Go...

"A week had gone by and with it 53 miles. Two weeks and 215 miles remained. I prepared a speech in the style of Captain

Oates: 'I am not going outside and I may be some time' Barry Pilton's unheroic account of his encounter with Britain's

most arduous walk, the Pennine Way.

Read by David Roper.

Producer: Thomas Sutcliffe

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1984. \*\*\*\* This series was suggested by Malcolm Oxborrow as part

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SUN 22:00 The Confessional (m000wsjf)

Series 1

The Confession of Lucy Porter

Actor, comedian and broadcaster Stephen Mangan presents a comedy chat show about shame and guilt.

Each week, Stephen invites a different guest into his virtual confessional box to make three confessions - with remarkable storytelling and surprising insights. In this unconventional chat show, he wants to see what really makes them tick by finding out what they are ashamed of!

Stephen and his guest reflect with empathy and humour on why we get embarrassed, where our shame thresholds should be, and the value of guilt.

In this episode, comedian Lucy Porter apologises for a youthful Supported by bbc.co.uk/programmes/

indiscretion, discusses the disadvantages of PVC and reveals a

secret as yet untold. Written and presented by Stephen Mangan.

With extra material by Nick Doody.

Producers: Dave Anderson and Frank Stirling

A 7digital production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in June 2021.

SUN 22:30 Unnatural Acts (b00k2cfy)

Ill Met By Moonlight

When Kit gets hurt and Caroline gets fit, the gang uncover an unhealthy conspiracy.

A sitcom about a happily-married pair of young people and

their crazy friends.

Jeremy.....Jeremy Hardy Kit..... .. Kit Hollerbach

Paul.....Paul B Davies

Caroline.... Caroline Leddy

Written by Jeremy Hardy, Kit Hollerbach, Paul B Davies,

Caroline Leddy, Peter Sinclair, Steve Punt.

Producer: David Tyler

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1987.

SUN 23:00 The Masterson Inheritance (b007jpvx)

Award-winning improvised historical comedy series.

The Quest for the Other Rabbit's Foot

Myths and mucking out in the Masterson's adventures at the court of King Arthur.

Based entirely on audience suggestions - this is the unfolding saga of the Mastersons - a family at war with itself. Starring:

Paul Merton

Josie Lawrence Lee Simpson

Jim Sweeney

Phelim McDermott Caroline Quentin

Producer: Phil Clarke First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1994.

SUN 23:30 Edge Falls (b00dghmv)

Series 2 Episode 3

Will a protest halt the retail park's Sales and stop Mick going

'Dirty Dancing' with Valerie? Starring Frances Barber and Mark Benton. Sitcom about the retail park where they stop at nothing to part

you from your money.

Written by Paul Barnhill and Neil Warhurst.

Mick ..... Mark Benton

Sonya ..... Frances Barber Rez ..... Emil Marwa

Valerie ..... Sarah Hadland Darryl ..... Paul Barnhill

Glen ..... Andrew Crawford Ralph ..... Neil Warhurst Milosh ..... Stephen Critchlow

Tom ..... Ben Crowe

Director: Sally Avens First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2008.

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1. Beginings Madeleine's birthday prompts memories for her mother Elizabeth of a distant past - and a lost love...

Stars Haydn Gwynne and Sarah Jane Holm. Three part drama written by Tina Pepler.

Elizabeth .... Haydn Gwynne Madeleine .... Sarah Jane Holm

Nathalie .... Kate Fenwick Louise .... Teresa Gallagher

Anna .... Anna Livia Ryan Nick .... Jonathan Cov

Mirco .... Jack Ellis Olga .... Janet Maw

(m001wq5s)

Mary .... Tracy Ann Oberman

Ted .... Sean Baker Bessie .... Shirley Dixon

Teddy .... Kim Wall

Ambassador/Horatio .... Gerard McDermott Andrew .... Robert Harper Richard .... Ioan Meredith Lydia .... Carolyn Jones Director: Marion Nancarrow

First broadcast on Radio 4 in February 1997.

MON 06:00 The Toff on the Farm (b007 js4c)

6. The Mystery of Selby Farm

Finding an empty safe at the farmhouse - the Honourable Richard Rollison edges closer to solving the mystery. Rural intrigue stalks amateur sleuth - the Honorable Richard

Conclusion of John Creasey's thriller starring Terence

.. Terence Alexander

Alexander.
The Toff ...... Terence Ale
Jolly ...... Robert Dorning Gillian Selby ..... Heather Stoney Monty Morne . . Terrence Hardiman

Superintendent Grice ..... Duncan Lamont Eddie Forbes (alias Red Brandt) ...... Ed Bishop

Bert Ebbutt ..... Douglas Blackwell William T Brandt ..... Alan White Other parts played by the cast.

Dramatised by Roy Lomax Producer: John Fawcett Wilson

First broadcast on the BBC World Service in April 1977.

MON 06:30 Test Room Eight (m001wq9t)

1. Assault Course

Philip Odell and his assistant Heather McMara investigate suspected sabotage at a pharmaceutical plant.

Starring Robert Beatty.

Lester Powell's cool Irish investigator Philip Odell features in ten BBC radio dramas broadcast between 1947 and 1961. His feisty, long-suffering assistant, Heather McMara is always

on hand with her "female intuition". Philip Odell .... Robert Beatty

Heather McMara .... Sheila Manahan Herbert Truscott .... Hamilton Dyce Hugh Chalk .... David Spenser

David Karswood .... Frederick Treves Ken Armstrong .... Duncan McIntyre Barbara Eurich .... Stella Textor Wynn Craxton .... Jeffrey Segal

Martin Dersen .... Rolf Lefebyre Colonel Guestling .... Richard Williams

Producer: David H Godfrey
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in December

#### MON 07:00 The Warlow Experiment by Alix Nathan (m00075i3)

6. Determination

Warlow's rages have calmed and the cellar is cleaned up. However the effect on Powyss is a fierce determination to end the experiment, even though his friend Benjamin Fox advises

Herbert Powyss lives on an estate in the Welsh Marches with enough time and income to pursue a gentleman's fashionable investigation into botanical experimentation. But he longs to make his mark in the field of science - something consequential enough to present to The Royal Society in London. Influenced by something he's read, he decides to conduct a radical investigation into the Resilience of the Human Mind

Without Society. He places an ad for a suitable guinea pig. Only one man is desperate enough to apply for the job - a semiliterate, angry wife-basher.

What could possibly go wrong?

Written by Alix Nathan and abridged by Jeremy Osborne.

Read by Robert Glenister Producer: Karen Rose

A Sweet Talk Production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in July 2019

## MON 07:15 Curious Under the Stars (m0007bjj)

Series 9: The Fruits of Gwyddno

1. Sunken Forest

Return of the magical drama set in Glan Don, a mysterious village perched on the wild Welsh coast.

A low tide reveals a sunken forest on the shores of Glan Don. And one of the trees bears forbidden fruit.

Starring Sion Pritchard, Emma Sidi and Ifan Huw Dafydd

Written by Annamaria Murphy Gareth ..... Sion Pritchard Diane ..... Emma Sidi

Emlyn ...... Ifan Huw Dafydd Megan ..... Aimee Ffion Edwards Gwynn ..... Matthew Gravelle

Series created by Meic Povey Directors: James Robinson & John Norton

A BBC Cymru Wales production for BBC Radio 4, first

broadcast in August 2019.

#### MON 07:30 Welcome to Our Village, Please Invade Carefully (b04nv6m8)

Series 2

Testing Times

It's the day after Lucy's 18th birthday, and her parents aren't happy, and not only because she took that bottle of rum from their drinks cabinet.

They think she is wasting her life being part of the resistance, so unless she can pass her A Levels they're going to stop her coming to the meetings.

Does it really take a village to raise a child? Or will they make things worse's

Eddie Robson's sitcom about aliens invading the village of Cresdon Green

Starring Hattie Morahan and Peter Davison.

Aliens have locked villagers behind an impenetrable force-field in order to study human behaviour and to decide if Earth is worth invading.

The only inhabitant who seems to be bothered by their new alien overlord is Katrina Lyons, who was only home for a weekend to borrow the deposit for a flat.

So along with Lucy Alexander (the only teenager in the village, willing to rebel against whatever you've got) she formed The Resistance - slightly to the annoyance of her parents Margaret

This is also much to the annoyance of Field Commander Uljabaan who is trying to actually run the alien invasion.

Katrina Lyons ..... Hattie Morahan Richard Lyons ... Peter Davison Margaret Lyons ..... Jan Francis Lucy Alexander ...

. Hannah Murray Field Commander Uljabaan .. ... Julian Rhind-Tutt

Computer ..... John-Luke Roberts

Carl ..... Don Gilet Colin ..... Don Gilet

Script-edited by Arthur Mathews.

Original music written and performed by Grace Petrie.

Producer: Ed Morrish.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2014.

MON 08:00 Steptoe and Son (b007k1hd)

Series 4

The Colour Problem

Albert and Harold Steptoe argue over whether to buy a new TV

Starring Wilfrid Brambell and Harry H Corbett.

Classic sitcom about the lives of rag and bone men 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

With:

Jo Manning Wilson

William Bedle Producer: Bobby Jaye

First broadcast on the BBC Radio 2 in March 1972.

MON 08:30 The Wordsmiths at Gorsemere (b007 is a 3)

Series 2

6th May 1800

An Everyday Story of Towering Genius.

Sue Limb's soap opera, set in and around the Lake District at the turn of the 18th century.

Cholericke gets a surprise visitor while Dorothy tries to manage as the household descends into chaos...

William Wordsmith .... Geoffrey Whitehead Dorothy Wordsmith .... Denise Coffey

Samuel Tailor Cholericke .... Simon Callow Stinking Iris .... Miriam Margolyes

Sara Cholericke .... Angela Pleasence Thomas de Quinine .... Nickolas Grace

Music by Stephen Oliver and performed by Cantabile.

Producer: Jonathan James-Moore

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1987.

MON 09:00 Wordaholics (b01dhhps)

Series 1

Episode 5

Wordaholics is the comedy panel game all about words.

Gyles Brandreth presides over toponyms, abbreviations, euphemisms, old words, new words, cockney rhyming slang, Greek gobbledegook, plus the panellists' picks of the ugliest and the most beautiful words

Ready to vie for wordy supremacy in the ring:

Jack Whitehall Milton Iones Natalie Havnes

Written by Jon Hunter and James Kettle

Producer: Claire Jones

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2012.

MON 09:30 Sneakiepeeks (b00pckm1)

Trust

The bungling surveillance team undertakes a top-secret category G surveillance operation.

It's a job so secret even the boss doesn't know about it. Comedy by Harry Venning and Neil Brand about a team of inept, backstabbing surveillance operatives.

Sharla ..... Nina Conti Bill ..... Richard Lumsden Mark ..... Daniel Kaluuya

Mrs A ..... Kate Lavden Mr A ..... Ewan Hooper ... Tessa Nicholson Justine ..

David ..... Ewan Bailev Delphine ..... Kate Layden

Producer: Katie Tyrrell First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2009.

MON 10:00 Tina Pepler - Sisters (m001wq5w)

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MON 17:30 Welcome to Our Village, Please Invade Carefully (b04ny6m8)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

MON 18:00 Steptoe and Son (b007k1hd)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

MON 18:30 The Wordsmiths at Gorsemere (b007jsq3) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

MON 19:00 Wordaholics (b01dhhps) [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

MON 19:30 Sneakiepeeks (b00pckm1) [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

MON 20:00 Radiolab (m001wqb6)

Series 11

Under the Sea Radiolab travels under and across the oceans, to find vigilante whales and heroic octopi. First, humpbacks who refuse to back down when other creatures are being attacked. And then, a simple act of motherhood that becomes a heroic feat that has

never been equalled by any known species on Earth. 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. Presenters: Jad Abumrad, Lulu Miller and Latif Nasser. From WNYC. First broadcast on public radio in the USA in

2022 MON 20:55 Inheritance Tracks (m0006f8y)

Greg James BBC Radio 1 DJ Greg James selects This is The Sea by The

Waterboys and Apply Some Pressure by Maximo Park. MON 21:00 A Good Read (b07jysdx)

Joann Fletcher and Damian Barr Writer Damian Barr and Egyptologist Joann Fletcher join

Harriett Gilbert to talk about their favourite books by Alice Walker, RE Witt and Leonora Carrington... The Color Purple by Alice Walker

Publisher: Weidenfeld and Nicolson Isis in the Ancient World by RE Witt Publisher: Johns Hopkins University Press

The Hearing Trumpet by Leonora Carrington Publisher: Penguin

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2016. MON 21:30 Jaws by Peter Benchley (b0bfxxml)

1. 'The great fish moved silently through the night water.' Henry Goodman reads Peter Benchley's classic 1974 novel, which went on to become one of the greatest movies of all time. It's high summer on Cape Cod's Amity Island, and the tourists

are arriving in their hundreds. But something is lurking just off the coast and one young

holiday-maker is about to go skinny dipping..

Will it ever be safe to go back into the water? The novel shot straight on to the bestseller lists, and has since sold some 20 million copies. It was adapted into the iconic film by Steven Spielberg a year later. The film won three Academy

Abridged in ten parts by Richard Hamilton

Producer: Justine Willett First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2018. MON 21:45 Electric Decade (m000l6nr)

Babelsberg Babylon

Babelsberg Film Studios, 1929.

A major new movie is in production when its star Krista Wolff suddenly disappears. The head of the studio and film's writer are desperate to find her.

Each has their own reasons.

Nick Perry's suspenseful five-part drama is set amid the creative ferment of 1920s Berlin, centred around the world's oldest large-scale film studio.

Out of the darkness of military defeat, political chaos, poverty and hyperinflation springs the phenomenon of Weimar culture, a defiant celebration of humanity and artistic expression in all its diverse forms.

People flock to Berlin to be a part of the cultural explosion. Writer Jonas Beck, actress Krista Wolff and war veteran Peter X are among them.

Jonas Beck ..... Paul Chahidi Otto Lenz ..... Anton Lesser Lottie ..... Clare Corbett Peter X ..... Carl Prekopp Krista ..... Cassie Layton Director: Sasha Yevtushenko

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2020.

MON 22:00 One Person Found This Helpful (m001wjgj) Series 1

1. My Sphinx Has No Nose

Frank & guests Simon Evans, Jessica Fostekew, Amy Gledhill and Ahir Shah find out what you think about mead, Poirot and a stinky brontosaurus.

This is the panel game based on what we all sit down and do at least once a day – shop online and leave a review, as an all-star panel celebrate the good, the bad & the baffling.

Everyone has an online life, and when the great British public put pen to keyboard to leave a review, they almost always write something hilarious. And our all-star panel have to work out just what they were reviewing - and maybe contribute a few reviews of their own... and more... So if you're the person who went on Trip Advisor to review Ben Nevis as "Very steep and too high", this show salutes you!

Written by Frank Skinner, Catherine Brinkworth, Sarah Dempster, Jason Hazeley, Rajiv Karia, Karl Minns, Katie Sayer & Peter Tellouche

Devised by Jason Hazeley and Simons Evans with the producer David Tyler

A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4

MON 22:30 Flight of the Conchords (b007k0r4)

Pop Song

The Kiwi band want to pen a song for a teen idol without selling

Improvised comedy from the satirical pop pair, as they align with established comics to poke fun at all aspects of pop music. Rob Brydon narrates the musical odyssey.

Starring New Zealand musical comedy duo, Bret McKenzie and Jemaine Clement.

With:

Rhys Darby Neil Finn Greg Proops

Emma Kennedy Mark Goodier

Additional Material by Joel Morris.

Musicians: David Catlin-Birch and Mark Allis

Producer: Will Saunders

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in September 2005.

MON 23:00 The News Ouiz (m001wisn)

Series 113

Episode 8

Andrew Doyle, Hugo Rifkind, Lucy Porter and Ria Lina join Andy Zaltzman to quiz the week's news.

This week the panel tackle how a parliamentary debate about peace descended into constitutional conflict, why Donald Trump is actively urging his supporters to put their foot in it. literally this time, and how Britannia nuked the waves Strap in.

Written by Andy Zaltzman

With additional material by: Cody Dahler, Cameron Loxdale

and Viv May

Producer: James Robinson Executive Producer: Richard Morris

Production Coordinator: Dan Marchini

Sound Editor: Marc Willcox

A BBC Studios Production for Radio 4 MON 23:30 Rhys James (b09m10bz)

Rhys James Is ...

Comedian Rhys James explores different aspects of himself through live stand up, spoken word poetry and interview clips. In this opening episode, he examines his privileged status and chats to his mum and dad.

Written and performed by Rhys James

Music by Steve Dunne.

Sound by David Thomas. Producer: Carl Cooper

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

January 2018.

MON 23:45 Late (b0076dgy) 1. From Tangoing to Keeping Watch

Tango dancers, DJs and a neighbourhood watch.

Bleak, funny, sultry, bitter, poignant - the first of a four-part series of brief visits to a city, late at night.

Starring: Paul Merton

Richard Wilson Liz Smith Julian Clary Meera Syal Tilly Vosburgh

Holly Johnson.

Writen by Mandy Wheeler, Joss Bennathan, Tilly Vosburgh. Rob Colley and Paul Merton.

Sound engineer Richard Brough provides a variety of tones and

emissions reflecting late-night city life, from crying babies to midnight shoppers, cabbies to sex workers.

Music by Robert Katz

Producer: Sarah Parkinson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2001.

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TUE 05:00 Tina Pepler - Sisters (m001wqcf)

Twenty years on, Elizabeth is living in Iran, where her four daughters are growing up and discovering there may be more to their mother than meets the eye.

Stars Haydn Gwynne and Teresa Gallagher.

Written by Tina Pepler.

Elizabeth .... Haydn Gwynne

Nick .... Jonathan Coy

Louise .... Teresa Gallagher

Anna .... Ciara Janson

Madeleine .... Sarah Jane Holm

Nathalie .... Kate Fenwick Mirco .... Jack Ellis

Olga .... Janet Maw

Abdul Khader Ioan Meredith

Robert .... Robert Harper

Graham .... Chris Pavlo Mrs Bartlett .... Shirley Dixon

Mr Bartlett .... Christopher Scott

Other parts are played by the cast.

Director: Marion Nancarrow

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1997.

TUE 06:00 Falco (b00qy0lr)

The Iron Hand of Mars

1. Rhineland Beckons

Ancient Rome's famous detective, Marcus Didius Falco is sent to the Barbarian forests of Free Germany - home to a giant bull, raging Celts and a pagan priestess.

Starring Anton Lesser.

Lindsey Davis's gripping, historical mystery.

Dramatised in six parts by Mary Cutler.

Falco .... Anton Lesser

Helena Justina .... Anna Madeley

Petronius .... Ben Crowe

Emperor Vespasian .... Michael Tudor Barnes

Titus .... Jonathan Keeble Xanthus .... David Holt Gracilis .... Mark Straker

Native Guide .... Sion Pritchard

Directed at BBC Birmingham by Peter Leslie Wild.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2007.

TUE 06:30 Test Room Eight (m001wqbp)

2. The Broken Ampoule

Philip Odell and his assistant Heather McMara now have a death to investigate at the troubled pharmaceutical plant Starring Robert Beatty.

Lester Powell's cool Irish investigator Philip Odell features in ten BBC radio dramas broadcast between 1947 and 1961.

His feisty, long-suffering assistant, Heather McMara is always

on hand with her "female intuition".

Philip Odell .... Robert Beatty

Hugh Chalk .... David Spenser

Wyn Craxton .... Jeffrey Segal Heather McMara .... Sheila Manahan

Ken Armstrong .... Duncan McIntyre Herbert Truscott .... Hamilton Dyce

Barbara Eurich .... Stella Textor Colonel Guestling .... Richard Williams Jill Guestling .... Hilda Schroder

Policeman .... Will Leighton Producer: David H Godfrey

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in December

TUE 07:00 The Warlow Experiment by Alix Nathan

A handful of renegades, including Powyss' worker Abraham Price, intend to set Warlow, who cuts an ever more tragic figure, free.

One of the maids, Catherine, initially opens the door.

Herbert Powyss lives on an estate in the Welsh Marches with enough time and income to pursue a gentleman's fashionable investigation into botanical experimentation. But he longs to make his mark in the field of science - something consequential enough to present to The Royal Society in London. Influenced by something he's read, he decides to conduct a radical

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Read by Robert Glenister. Producer: Karen Rose

A Sweet Talk Production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in July 2019.

TUE 07:15 Curious Under the Stars (m0007bcg)

Series 9: The Fruits of Gwyddno

2. Decision Time

Diane makes a decision that will impact everyone in Glan Don. Magical drama set in a mysterious village perched on the wild Welsh coast.

Starring Sion Pritchard, Emma Sidi and Ifan Huw Dafydd.

Written by Annamaria Murphy Gareth ..... Sion Pritchard

Diane ..... Emma Sidi

Emlyn ...... Ifan Huw Dafydd

Aimee Ffion Edwards Gwvnn ..... Matthew Gravelle

Series created by Meic Povey

Directors: James Robinson & John Norto

A BBC Cymru Wales Production for BBC Radio 4, first

broadcast in August 2019. TUE 07:30 Jack & Millie (m000m5jk)

Series 2

Service Economy

Jack & Millie are back and ready to deal with Harry's bongos, Delphine's chicken, Shirley's bombshell and a cleaner with

Jeremy Front's comedy is about an older couple who are fully engaged with contemporary life while being at war with the absurdities of the modern world.

Starring Jeremy Front and Rebecca Front.

So Millie's son Melvin has given her a new tablet with a voice recorder?

So suddenly Jack & Millie have decided to record everything that happens to them? And for this, we should be grateful?

Jack.....Jeremy Front Millie.....Rebecca Front Shirley... ...Tracy-Ann Oberman

..Nigel Lindsay ..Harry Peacock

Delphine....Jenny Bede With special guest - Debbie Chazen as Nadia

Harry....

Producer: David Tyler A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4. first broadcast in

September 2020. TUE 08:00 The Goon Show (b0080hxc)

celebrate the BBC's 50th anniversary.

The Last Goon Show of All Spike Milligan, Harry Secombe and Peter Sellers reunite to

Recorded on 30th April 1972, their farewell performance with a distinguished audience is broadcast complete with the pre-

show warm-up at the Camden Theatre, London. It was simultaneously recorded for broadcast on BBC TV. Written by Spike Milligan.

Starring:

Peter Sellers as Grytpype-Thynne, Bluebottle, Major Denis Bloodnok & Henry Crun.

Harry Secombe as Neddy Seagoon in floral cretonne. Spike Milligan as Eccles, Minnie Bannister & Moriarty With the Ray Ellington Quartet, Max Geldray and the Wally

Stott Orchestra conducted by Peter Knight. Producer: John Browell

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 on 5th October 1972. \*This a a freshly restored audio version for BBC Radio 4 Extra.

TUE 09:00 The Personality Test (b00kmnfn)

John Sergeant Former BBC and ITN chief political correspondent John Sergeant quizzes a panel about himself.

Battling with queries based on John's life, whims and interests

are: Sue Perkins

Series 1

Lucy Porter Series in which a fresh host every episode quizzes a comedy

panel about themselves. Script by Richard Turner

Devised & produced by Aled Evans.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2006.

TUE 09:30 Artists (b00xglb7)

Series 1

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Inspired

Grumpy Tamsin is uninspired and blames Dolores, who wants a loan to rent her own studio

Comedy about a close-knit community of artists who usually hate each other's work and sometimes hate each other as well. Stars Vicki Pepperdlne, Pauline McLynn and Ben Miller.

Written by Gareth Edwards.

Tamsin .... Vicki Pepperdlne Dolores .... Pauline McLynn

Gerard .... Graham Crowden

Nisha .... Mina Anwar

Josef .... Ben Miller

Marcus .... Dave Lamb

Producer: Katie Tyrrell

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2003.

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TUE 20:00 TED Radio Hour (m00193w2)

Work Play Rest Part 1/3: Work

A journey through fascinating ideas based on talks by riveting speakers on the TED (Technology, Entertainment, Design)

Manoush Zomorodi investigates how the last few years have changed the way we live: what is the future for how we work? First broadcast in the USA on National Public Radio in 2022.

TUE 20:50 Inheritance Tracks (m000gcl5)

Singer-songwriter Corey Taylor chooses 'Burning Love' by Elvis Presley, and 'Safe European Home' by The Clash.

TUE 21:00 Making Tracks (b01l06z2) 1 Rockfield

Paul Morley explores a history of popular music through some of the iconic recording studios in which classic albums were

Rockfield, in the rural heart of Monmouthshire, Wales, is a studio that grew out of a farm and gave birth to some of rock music's finest recordings.

From Oueen's "Bohemian Rhapsody" to the Stone Roses' eponymous debut album, from Dr. Feelgood's "Down By The Jetty" to Oasis' "(What's The Story) Morning Glory", even from the Waterboys' "Fisherman's Blues" to Adam Ant's "Kings Of The Wild Frontier".

Those trying to explain what part the studio played in creating such musical magic include:

\* Performers: Dave Edmunds and newcomers Iko

\* Technicians: John Leckie and Sean Genockey

\* People who (in some cases, quite literally) built the studio and the business: father and daughter, Kingley and Lisa Ward, and Terry Matthews

As the money flowing through the music industry continues to dry up - Paul also asks what future there may be or the historic recording studios that helped build the industry in the first place?

Producer: Paul Kobrak

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2012.

TUE 21:30 Jaws by Peter Benchley (b0bfydgr)

2. 'A shark attack, clear and simple.'

It's high summer in Cape Cod's Amity Island, and a mutilated body has been washed up on the beach.

It looks like a shark attack, but Police Chief Brody is having trouble convincing the islanders that it's time to close the beaches...

Will it ever be safe to go back into the water?

Peter Benchley's classic 1974 novel became one of the most terrifying movies of all time

Abridged by Richard Hamilton.

Read by Henry Goodman. Producer: Justine Willett

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2018.

TUE 21:45 Electric Decade (m001wqdg)

Babelsberg Babylon

2. Cabaret

The writer Jonas Beck returns to Babelsberg to learn more

about Krista Wolff's disappearance.

His search takes him to the cabaret.

Babelsberg Film Studios, 1929. A major new movie is in production when its star Krista Wolff suddenly disappears The head of the studio and film's writer are desperate to find

her. Each has their own reasons.

Nick Perry's suspenseful five-part drama is set amid the creative ferment of 1920s Berlin, centred around the world's oldest large-scale film studio.

Out of the darkness of military defeat, political chaos, poverty and hyperinflation springs the phenomenon of Weimar culture, a defiant celebration of humanity and artistic expression in all

People flock to Berlin to be a part of the cultural explosion. Writer Jonas Beck, actress Krista Wolff and war veteran Peter

X are among them. Jonas Beck ..... Paul Chahidi Otto Lenz ..... Anton Lesser Odette ..... Clare Corbett

Willie ..... Carl Prekopp Director: Sasha Yevtushenko

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2020.

TUE 22:00 ReincarNathan (m000kx29)

Series 2 Eel

Nathan Blakely was a popstar. But he was useless, died, and was reincarnated. The comedy about Nathan's adventures in the afterlife returns for a second series with Daniel Rigby and

Diane Morgan, and guest-starring Romesh Ranganathan. In the second episode, Nathan is brought back to life as an eel in a river in Norfolk. He's desperate to join the cool adolescent eels as they migrate across the Atlantic to spawn in the

Caribbean, But it's too much too soon for Nathan, Will he ever learn to do the right thing and make it back to human again?

Diane Morgan - Jenny Daniel Rigby - Nathan Tom Craine - Yellow Eel Hugh Dennis - Nathan's Dad Henry Paker – Bouncer, Smuggler

Freya Parker - Vortex, Neil, Smuggler, Nathan's Mum

Romesh Ranganathan - Jameel Writers: Tom Craine and Henry Paker Music composed by Phil Lepherd Producer: Harriet Jaine Studio Production: Jerry Peal

A Talkback production for BBC Radio 4

TUE 22:30 Daphne Sounds Expensive (b08y2b70) Series 2

Time Travel

After Phil blows a fortune on a spanking new time machine, the Daphne boys must use it to embark on a treacherous adventure in a desperate attempt to recoup their losses.

Written by and starring: Jason Forbes

Phil Wang George Fouracres

With: Lewis Mcleod

Elizabeth Tan

Sir Willard White

Original music composed by Jeff Carpenter Orchestrator: Simon Nathan

The London Musical Theatre Orchestra:

Musical Director - Freddie Tapner

Violin - Debs White Cello - Nick Squires

Trumpet - Michael Maddocks

Trombone - Elliot Pooley Tenor Sax - Joe Atkin Reeves

Drum Kit - Ben Hartley Percussion - Ben Burton

Piano - Jon Ranger

Bass - Jack Cherry Producer: Matt Stronge

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

TUE 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m001ww33)

Catherine Bohart 1/2

From 10pm until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Stephen Bailey chats to Catherine Bohart.

TUE 23:00 Domestic Science (b09tf719)

Series 2

Bedroom

Science you can play along with at home in a look at the domestic phenomena we relate to on a day-to-day basis. Hosted by Festival of The Spoken Nerd trio:

\* Physicist Steve Mould

Stand up Mathematician Matt Parker

\* Physicist and musician Helen Arney.

A heady combination of maths, science and comedy,

In this episode, they're in the bedroom.

Producer: Lyndsay Fenner

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

TUE 23:15 Josie Long: All of the Planet's Wonders (b00htxbs)

Obscure Animal Facts

Josie Long explores the fantastic world of obscure animal facts in a bid to become the ultimate quiz contestant.

It's all part of her continuing quest to better herself through learning and discovering things in reference books.

With: Maeve Higgins

Chris Neil Jesse Thorne

Geoff Long

Producer: Colin Anderson

First broadcast BBC Radio 4 in March 2009.

TUE 23:30 John Shuttleworth's Lounge Music (b083m575) Series 2

Episode 2

John Shuttleworth invites Clare Grogan from Altered Images to his Sheffield home to perform one of her songs and also, more importantly, one of his

The timing of her visit couldn't be better as it's Doreen Melody's birthday and John is hoping that Clare will go along and sing Happy Birthday to Doreen - after all it's one of her biggest hits.

But he's most disappointed when Clare starts singing the wrong

Surprisingly, it's Ken Worthington who saves the day by offering to take Clare on a date, hoping that she'll become Ken's Girl rather than Gregory's!

John will have to console himself with top tips on the telephone from Nick Lowe, who he hopes will solve the problem of Dolby

Written by and starring Graham Fellows

Special guests Clare Grogan and Nick Lowe.

Producer: Dawn Ellis

A Chic Ken production for BBC Radio 4.first broadcast in November 2016.

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1976: an argument with Maddy prompts Nathalie to flee to Belgrade, where she is determined to learn from her mother's

But history has a habit of repeating itself.. Stars Havdn Gwynne and Sarah Jane Holm.

Concluding part written by Tina Pepler.

Elizabeth .... Haydn Gwynne Nick .... Jonathan Cov Madeleine .... Sarah Jane Holm

Nathalie .... Kate Fenwick Louise .... Teresa Gallagher

Anna .... Anna Livia Ryan

Mirco .... Jack Ellis Milan .... Frank Kovacs

Olga .... Janet Maw

George .... Paul Panting Teddy .... Kim Wall Sean .... Alex Lowe

Mr Butler .... Sean Baker

Mrs Butler .... Carolyn Jones Peter .... Hugh Dickson

Sarah .... Cathy Sara Director: Marion Nancarrow

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1997. WED 06:00 Falco (b00qyk7j)

The Iron Hand of Mars 2. Standard Delivery

Falco and Xanthus travel to Germany and witness the aftermath of a grisly crime on the way. As the Roman detective tries to

deliver the new standard to the 14th legion, he receives a rather hostile welcome. At least he finds more hospitality at the house of Helena's Tribune brother, Justinus

Lindsey Davis's historic novel dramatised by Mary Cutler. CAST:

Falco .... Anton Lesser Xanthus .... David Holt

Justinus .... Oliver J Hembrough

Helveticus .... Gary Lewis Dubnus .... Glyn Pritchard

Centurion .... Jez Thomas Directed at BBC Birmingham by Peter Leslie Wild.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2007.

## WED 06:30 Test Room Eight (m001wq8m)

3. The Man in the Grey Hat

Philip Odell investigates another suspicious death at the beleaguered pharmaceutical plant.

Writer Lester Powell's cool Irish investigator Philip Odell -

played by Canadian actor Robert Beatty – featured in ten BBC radio dramas between 1947 and 1961. His feisty, long-suffering assistant, Heather McMara – variously played by Brenda Bruce, Joy Shelton, Joyce Heron, Diana Olsson but in this instance

Sheila Manahan - was always on hand with her female intuition Philip Odell .... Robert Beatty

Heather McMara .... Sheila Manahan

Coroner .... John Cazabon Superintendent Manley .... Edward Jewesbury

Wynn Craxton .... Jeffrey Segal Martin Dersen .... Rolf Lefebvre Mr Twist .... Frank Windsor Hugh Chalk .... David Spenser

Barbara Eurich .... Stella Textor Herbert Truscott .... Hamilton Dyce

Producer: David H Godfrey First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in 1959. WED 07:00 The Warlow Experiment by Alix Nathan

(m0007615) 8. Animal

Catherine sets about caring for Warlow who, she perceives, has been living like an animal in the cellar.

Herbert Powyss lives on an estate in the Welsh Marches with enough time and income to pursue a gentleman's fashionable investigation into botanical experimentation. But he longs to make his mark in the field of science - something consequential enough to present to The Royal Society in London. Influenced by something he's read, he decides to conduct a radical investigation into the Resilience of the Human Mind Without

Society. He places an ad for a suitable guinea pig.

Only one man is desperate enough to apply for the job; a semiliterate, angry wife-basher.

What could possibly go wrong?

Written by Alix Nathan, author of His Last Fire, a collection of short stories and the novel The Flight Of Sarah Battle.

Read by Robert Glenister. Abridged by Jeremy Osborne.

Producer: Karen Rose

A Sweet Talk Production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in July 2019.

WED 07:15 Curious Under the Stars (m0007bw3)

Series 9: The Fruits of Gwyddno

3. Preparing to Leave Magical drama set in Glan Don, a mysterious village perched on

the wild Welsh coast.

Diane prepares to leave Glan Don. Gareth ... .. Sion Pritchard

Diane ..... Emma Sidi

Emlyn ..... Ifan Huw Dafydd

Matty ..... Siw Hughes

Written by Annamaria Murphy

Series created by Meic Povey

Directed by James Robinson and John Norton A BBC Cymru Wales Production for BBC Radio 4, first

broadcast in August 2019.

WED 07:30 Boswell's Lives (b05415pv)

Series 1

Boswell's Life of Callas

When Boswell meets Maria Callas and her poodle, he finds himself in an opera of his own making.

Jon Canter's sitcom sees Dr Johnson's celebrated biographer, James Boswell pursue other legends to immortalise.

James Boswell ..... Miles Jupp Maria Calla ..... Arabella Weir.

Director: Sally Avens

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2015.

WED 08:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b0090xjy)

Series 6

The Picnic

Bill, Sid and The Lad Himself eat al fresco to impress their dates from the local Palais.

Starring Tony Hancock.

With Sidney James, Bill Kerr, Patricia Hayes, Ann Lancaster, Elizabeth Fraser and Wilfred Babbage.

Written by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.

Theme and incidental music written by Wally Stott. Producer: Tom Ronald

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in October 1959. WED 08:30 One Foot in the Grave (b007jn08)

2. Timeless Time

Follwing his enforced retirement, grumpy Victor Meldrew's

insomnia keeps Margaret awake.

Richard Wilson stars as Victor and Annette Crosbie as his longsuffering wife Margaret.

Adapted for radio by David Renwick from his BBC TV script. Victor Meldrew ..... Richard Wilson

Margaret Meldrew ..... Annette Crosbie

Winning numerous awards, six series were made for TV plus numerous specials on BBC ONE from 1990 to 2000. Producer: Diane Messias

First broadcast in January 1995 on BBC Radio 2. WED 09:00 Dilemma (b01747kt)

Series 1

Episode 1

Would you provide an alibi to someone you hate?

Would you confront an elderly relative about casual racism at a family gathering?

And what are the relative merits of Silvio Berlusconi, Vlad the Impaler, L Ron Hubbard and Amanda Holden?

Sue Perkins sets moral and ethical posers for: Dave Gorman

Richard Herring Rebecca Front

Dominic Lawson

This is the panel show spotlighting the choices bombarding us in Britain today, as well as some more theoretical problems There are no "right" answers - but there are some deeply

damning ones.

Devised by Danielle Ward.

Producer: Ed Morrish

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2011.

WED 09:30 The Leopard in Autumn (b00bs464)

Series 1

The Caramba Campaign

Ludovico - the henpecked Prince of Monte Guano - hears two

neighbouring states are set to go to war. His wife Plethora badgers him into leading his ragbag of conscripts in search of booty, accompanied by his sons and mistress Rosalie...

Neal Anthony's comedy drama set in Renaissance Italy.

Ludovico .... David Swift

Plethora .... Sian Phillips Francesco .... Graham Crowden

Alessandro .... Paul Bigley

Rosalie .... Saskia Wickham Savatori .... Nick Romero

Guido .... Christopher Kelham

Brother Michael Kim Wall

Producer: Helen Williams First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2001.

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WED 20:00 Isy Suttie's Guide to Love and Romance (m000f7pr)

3. Everlasting Love and Breaking Up

Comedian Isy Suttie comes over all romantic using her unique brand of humour to share her lessons in life and love. Suttie has often observed other people's love lives and regularly

intervened, changing the action dramatically - for better worse.

Discussing 'all things love' in the 21st century with friends. gathering fresh contributions and introducing extracts from The Listening Project she builds a hilarious and often moving

account of amour and desire. Tangled with the speakers and archive, Isy relates real life anecdotes from her own, often disastrous, love life and performs a few new songs on the subject. Featuring a collection of new material, archive clips and her own programmes The last of three programmes

Featuring:

'Isy Suttie's Love Letters: Bob and Marie'

Producer: Stephen Garner

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in 2018. WED 21:00 Short Cuts (m000gl93)

Series 22

Habitat

Growing up in a changing landscape, communicating disaster through a language barrier, a sonic illustration of the world's dwindling animal populations and finding hope outside our windows. Josie Long presents short documentaries on the

Smoke Signals

Produced by Natalie Kestecher

Hearing Extinction

Produced by Mona Chalabi and Emmy the Great Mother Earth

Produced by Alia Cassam

Terrace, Rome, Italy during the lockdown

Produced by Daria Corrias

Originally recorded for the Field Recordings podcast Production Team: Eleanor McDowall and Alia Cassam

Produced by Andrea Rangecroft

A Falling Tree production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in March 2020

WED 21:30 Jaws by Peter Benchley (b0bfz6qv)

3. 'Let's get the goddamn beached closed. It's high summer on Cape Cod's Amity Island, and now two

people have been killed just off the coast. Chief Brody is convinced the killer is a shark, and now all he

has to do is work out how he's going to catch it... Will it ever be safe to go back into the water?

Peter Benchley's classic 1974 novel became one of the most terrifying movies of all time.

Abridged by Richard Hamilton.

Read by Henry Goodman.

Producer: Justine Willett First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2018.

WED 21:45 Electric Decade (m001wq95)

Babelsberg Babylon

3 Run-In

Babelsberg Film Studios, 1929. A major new movie is in production when its star Krista Wolff suddenly disappears. The head of the studio and film's writer are desperate to find her. Each has their own reasons.

The writer Jonas Beck has a run in with a detective investigating the case. But is he really a detective? And what does Jonas have

to hide? This suspenseful drama is set amid the creative ferment of 1920s Berlin, centred around Babelsberg Film Studio, the world's oldest large-scale film studio. Out of the darkness of military defeat, political chaos, poverty and hyperinflation springs the phenomenon of Weimar culture, a defiant celebration of humanity and artistic expression in all its diverse forms. People flock to Berlin to be a part of the cultural explosion. Writer Jonas Beck, actress Krista Wolff and war

veteran Peter X are among them. Jonas Beck ..... Paul Chahidi Fischer ..... Michael Jibson Ilse ..... Clare Corbett

Barman ..... Carl Prekopp

Written by Nick Perry. Director: Sasha Yevtushenko

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2020.

WED 22:00 Stand-Up Specials (m000xzjl) Alun Cochrane: Centrist Dad?

"A Centrist Dad takes his children to feed the ducks, a Conservative Dad takes his children duck shooting, a Socialist Dad takes his children to a Solidarity With Ducks rally. Centrist Dads have a bad reputation. They're "entirely responsible for Labour's Election defeat", "aggressively condescending" and they "like Top Gear too much". And yet, Alun Cochrane is fine with being one (albeit one who hasn't

actually watched Top Gear). Recorded in front of a virtual audience from Salford, this show is Alun's quest for the centre ground, an area bizarrely underpopulated in the comedy world. Comedians should poke fun at all hypocrisy no matter whether it emerges from the right or the left, so why are so few stand-ups apparently adept at sniping from the middle?

Alun investigates whether his politics have changed or if it's the world that has changed around him and left a reasonable man feeling like an extremist. He is pretty sure he isn't an actual baddie. He spends his days writing jokes in 'Where's Wally?' pyjamas alongside his gluten-free dog. Does that sound like an extremist to you?

Written and performed by Alun Cochrane Production co-ordinator: Mabel Wright Sound engineer: Michael Smith Producer: Richard Morris

Photo credit: Matt Stronge

A BBC Studios Production. First broadcast in 2021.

WED 22:30 Rob Newman (b08nq5x9)

Rob Newman's Neuropolis

Robot New Man (or Attack of the Killer Sci-Fi)

One of Britain's finest comedians, Rob Newman, is our guide on a unique audio odyssey of the brain, taking in everything from love and guilt to robot co-workers and the unlikely importance of prehistoric trousers.

It's a witty, fact-packed series mixing stand-up and sketches, challenging notions of neuroscience with a new theory that's equal parts enlightening and hilarious.

Rob offers an alternative to some of the more bizarre claims in modern popular science, as well as rejigging theories of our brains in light of what we know about nature, artificial intelligence and Belinda Carlisle.

Created by the award-winning team behind Robert Newman's Entirely Accurate Encyclopaedia of Evolution.

Written by and starring Rob Newman.

Co-starring:

Claire Price

Richard McCabe Producer: Jon Harvey

Executive Producer: Richard Wilson

A Hat Trick production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in May 2017.

WED 23:00 Rubbish (b00770kq)

Series 1

Whistleblower

Martin Christmas is reporter Adam Monk's local government whistleblower, so he's horrified to learn of the existence of a rival mystery whistleblower

This one has told Adam that it was none other than Martin who ordered the notorious "Dalek of Death" compost bins!

Suddenly local government is a very threatening place. Reece Dinsdale stars as local government officer, cynic and manic-depressive, Martin Christmas in Tony Bagley's sitcom.

Martin ..... Reece Dinsdale

Adam ..... Paul Reynolds

Roger ..... Paul Copley

Scott ..... Kevin Eldon Sarah ..... Nicola Walker

Alan ..... Mike Walling

Barney ...... James Lance Speaker 1 ..... Mark Maier

Producer: Claire Bartlett

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2006

WED 23:30 The Skewer (m001whcn)

Episode 2

The week's biggest stories like you've never heard them before. The news, remixed as a satirical comedy concept album. Jon Holmes presents the multi-award winning The Skewer Headphones on.

This week - Monty Putin's Flying Russians, Another Policy

Bites The Dust, and Drake vs Prince Harry. Producer: Jon Holmes

An unusual production for BBC Radio 4

WED 23:45 Tina C (b01bv7d5)

Tina C's Global Depression Tour

United Kingdom

Country legend Tina C challenges the Secretary for the US Treasury, the Chairman of the Federal Reserve and the former CEO of Goldman Sachs.

Where they have failed, she can come up with a solution to the Global Recession.

So Tina set off on a six country tour to prove it - and her final stop sees her camping in London outside St Pauls.

Tina C ..... Christopher Green

Paul Mason

Victoria Inez Hard James Lailey

Director: Jeremy Mortimer.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2012.

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THU 05:00 W Somerset Maugham - The Razor's Edge (m00021x9)

1. Spiritual Quest

Traumatised young veteran Larry Darrell returns to Chicago after the First World War, but finds it difficult to fit back into

society.

To the dismay of his fiancée, Isabel, he heads for Paris, where he embarks on a spiritual quest to find the answers to his many

questions.

W Somerset Maugham's novel was first published in 1944. Dramatised in two-parts by Ronald Frame

W Somerset Maugham ..... Nicholas Le Prevost

Larry ..... John Light

.... Megan Dodds

Elliott ..... Edward Petherbridge Maturin/Brabazon ..... David Bannerman

Gray ..... Sam Dale

The Swami ..... Amerjit Deu

Sophie ..... Laurel Lefkow

Mrs Bradley ..... Carolyn Pickles Director: Gaynor MacFarlane

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2005.

THU 06:00 Falco (b00qyq1t)

The Iron Hand of Mars

3. The Ambush

Falco has arrived in Germany and discovered that Gracilis, the Fourteenth Legion's legate, has gone missing. It looks as though he might be involved in some corrupt business with the local

Falco's inquiries get him into trouble with a centurion, and

Xanthus the barber reveals an unexpected talent. Lindsey Davis's historic novel dramatised by Mary Cutler.

CAST.

Falco .... Anton Lesser Helena Justina .... Anna Madeley

Justinus .... Oliver J Hembrough

Xanthus .... David Holt

Priscilla .... Rachel Atkins

Julia .... Carolyn Backhouse

Augustinilla .... Sophie Samuda

Centurion .... Jez Thomas The Accountant/The Potter .... James Durham

Directed at BBC Birmingham by Peter Leslie Wild.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2007.

THU 06:30 Test Room Eight (m001wqdp)

4 Interlude in Manchester

Philip Odell goes in pursuit of the elusive Mrs Truscott and is shocked when he discovers her identity.

Writer Lester Powell's cool Irish investigator Philip Odell played by Canadian actor Robert Beatty - featured in ten BBC radio dramas between 1947 and 1961. His feisty, long-suffering assistant, Heather McMara – variously played by Brenda Bruce, Joy Shelton, Joyce Heron, Diana Olsson but in this instance

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Philip Odell .... Robert Beatty Heather McMara .... Sheila Manahan

Fred Fazackerly .... David March

Wynn Craxton .... Jeffrey Segal

Barbara Eurich .... Stella Textor Hugh Chalk .... David Spenser

Mr Russell .... James Thomason

Paula .... Beryl Calder

Producer: David H Godfrey

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in 1959. THU 07:00 The Warlow Experiment by Alix Nathan

(m000765y) 9. Freedom

Warlow, freed from the cellar by Abraham Price, sees his children but does not know them. His wife, though, he has recognised.

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Abridged by Jeremy Osborne.

Producer: Karen Rose

A Sweet Talk Production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in August 2019.

THU 07:15 Curious Under the Stars (m0007cv9) Series 9: The Fruits of Gwyddno

4. Dangerous Discovery

Magical drama set in Glan Don, a mysterious village perched on the wild Welsh coast.

Down in the sunken forests of Gwyddno, Gwynn makes a dangerous discovery.

Gareth ..... Sion Pritchard

.. Emma Sidi Diane .

Emlyn ...... Ifan Huw Dafydd

Megan ..... Aimee Ffion Edwards

Gwynn ..... Matthew Gravelle

Written by Annamaria Murphy Series created by Meic Povey

Directed by James Robinson and John Norton

A BBC Cymru Wales Production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in August 2019.

THU 07:30 Cooking in a Bedsitter (b084wmzb)

Coffee Chiffon

Beattie Edmondson and Nikesh Patel star in Sue Teddern's comedy, set in a 1960s bedsitter - inspired by Katharine

Whitehorn's cookery classic.

Trisha is persuaded to cater for a double date.

Trisha ..... Beattie Edmondson Deepak ..... Nikesh Patel

Jill ..... Natasha Cowley

Mike ..... Finlay Robertson Stuart ..... Luke MacGregor

June ..... Alison Belbin

Len ..... John Bowler

Tony ...... John Dougall Katharine Whitehorn ...... Karen Bartke

Director: Emma Harding.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2016.

THU 08:00 Dad's Army (b007jpcv)

Series 2

All Is Safely Gathered In

Captain Mainwaring's platoon battle to bring in a farmer's harvest - with help from ARP Warden Hodges.

The comic exploits of a Second World War Home Guard platoon in Walmington-on-Sea.

Adapted for radio from Jimmy Perry and David Croft's TV

scripts by Harold Snoad and Michael Knowles. Captain Mainwaring .... Arthur Lowe Sergeant Wilson .... John Le Mesurier

Corporal Jones .... Clive Dunn Private Frazer .... John Laurie Private Godfrey .... Arnold Ridley

Private Pike .... Ian Lavender Warden Hodges .... Bill Pertwee

Vicar .... Frank Williams Announcer .... John Snagge

Producer: John Dvas

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1975. THU 08:30 Wrinkles (m001wqf5)

Series 2

5. Swept Away

The show supplying the answers to questions you never asked.

The mad-cap sitcom set in an old peoples' home.

Starring Tom Mennard and Anthea Askey.

Winston......Ballard Berkeley Mr Pettigrew....David Ross

Arnold .....Gordon Salkilld and the special guest appearance of Candice Barker (age 7 3/4). Written by Rob Grant and Doug Naylor - the creators of Red

Dwarf.

Produced at BBC Manchester by Mike Craig.

Recovered audio of a series lost from the BBC archive. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1981.

THU 09:00 The Unbelievable Truth (m000rd1m)

Series 25

Episode 2 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 vegetarians, bananas, squid and

Eurovision.

Sindhu Vee

Lloyd Langford Zoe Lyons

Henning Wehn

Producer: Jon Naismith A Random Entertainment production for BBC Radio 4, first

broadcast in January 2021. THU 09:30 A Whole 'Nother Story (b0076b6f)

Episode 2

Cassie and Simon and Pete and Jenny are now acting like a happy foursome. Or so Pete hopes.

There's a surprise visitor on the way; and a romantic meal, which doesn't end up quite as Cassie hoped ..

Amanda Murphy's comedy-drama series about Cassie and Pete, who'd make a great couple - if they weren't so busy being friends.

Starring Debra Stephenson as Cassie and David Lamb as Pete. Dad ..... Mike Grady

Mum ..... Brigit Forsyth

Simon ..... Shaun Dooley ... Mika Simmons Jenny ..

PJ ..... Brendan Burns Producer: Graham Frost

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2002. THU 10:00 W Somerset Maugham - The Razor's Edge

(m00021x9) [Repeat of broadcast at 05:00 today]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

THU 20:00 The Sondheim Archive (m000p8hc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Saturday]

THU 21:00 Great Lives (b0076h63)

Noel Coward

TV producer Peter Bazalgette chooses the actor, lyricist and playwright, Noel Coward.

Peter Bazalgaette, the man behind TVs 'Big Brother' and 'Restoration', tells Humphrey Carpenter why Noel Coward should achive great life status

Joining them is biographer Philip Hoare, and Noel Coward's former literary agent, Michael Imison.

Producer: Miles Warde

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2003

THU 21:30 Jaws by Peter Benchley (b0bg1l2t)

4. 'It's a shark's tooth.'

As the victims mount, Amity Island's beaches are finally closed. Chief Brody decides to call in an expert who might help him catch the shark...

Will it ever be safe to go back into the water?

Peter Benchley's classic 1974 novel became one of the most terrifying movies of all time.

Abridged by Richard Hamilton.

Read by Henry Goodman.

Producer: Justine Willett

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2018.

THU 21:45 Electric Decade (m001wqfp)

Babelsberg Babylon

4 Peter X

Babelsberg Film Studios, 1929. A major new movie is in production when its star Krista Wolff suddenly disappears. The head of the studio and film's writer are desperate to find her. Each has their own reasons.

Jonas Beck comes face to face with Peter X, an obsessive movie fan with horrific injuries from the First World War. What does he have to do with Krista Wolff's disappearance? This suspenseful drama is set amid the creative ferment of 1920s Berlin, centred around Babelsberg Film Studio, the world's oldest large-scale film studio. Out of the darkness of military defeat, political chaos, poverty and hyperinflation springs the phenomenon of Weimar culture, a defiant celebration of humanity and artistic expression in all its diverse forms. People flock to Berlin to be a part of the cultural explosion. Writer Jonas Beck, actress Krista Wolff and war veteran Peter X are among them.

Jonas Beck ..... Paul Chahidi Krista ..... Cassie Layton Peter X ..... Carl Prekopp

Fischer ..... Michael Jibson

Written by Nick Perry.

Director: Sasha Yevtushenko

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2020.

THU 22:00 Conversations from a Long Marriage (m001whk3)

Series 5

1. On the Road Again

Episode 1, Series 5: 'On the Road Again'

Joanna Lumley and Roger Allam return with the fifth series of Jan Etherington's award-winning comedy about a long-married couple in love with life and each other.

This week, Roger and Joanna are left exhausted by bickering dinner guests and Joanna observes 'Sometimes I think we're the only happy couple in the world'. Roger responds 'And then I forget to put the bins out - and you think again'. Roger makes plans to surprise Joanna with a nostalgic birthday trip - in a hippy love bus. Her response is not quite what he had hoped, as she declares 'I am a five star woman, living a two star life!' Peace and love are in short supply - until she has a magical birthday encounter.

Conversations from a Long Marriage is Written by Jan Etherington. It is produced and directed by Claire Jones. And it is a BBC Studios Production for Radio 4.

Wilfredo Acosta - sound engineer Charlotte Sewter - studio assistant

Jon Calver - sound designer Katie Baum - production coordinator

Conversations from a Long Marriage won the Voice of the Listener & Viewer Award for Best Radio Comedy in 2020, was nominated for a Writers' Guild Award in 2022 and a British

Comedy Guide award in 2024.

Joanna Lumley and Roger Allam have had illustrious acting careers but can they ever have done anything better than Jan Etherington's two hander? This is a work of supreme craftsmanship.' RADIO TIMES

Peppered with nostalgic 60s hits and especially written for the pair, it's an endearing portrait of exasperation, laced with hard won tolerance – and something like love.' THE GUARDIAN You've been listening at my window, Jan'. JOANNA LUMLEY 'Sitcom is what marriage is really like - repetitive and

ridiculous - and Jan's words are some of the best ever written on the subject'. RICHARD CURTIS

THU 22:30 Clare in the Community (b014qxbi)

Series 7

The Prisoner

Clare in the Community returns with Sally Phillips as Clare Barker the social worker who has all the right jargon but never a practical solution.

A control freak, Clare likes nothing better than interfering in other people's lives on both a professional and personal basis. Clare is in her thirties, white, middle class and heterosexual, all of which are occasional causes of discomfort to her.

Each week we join Clare in her continued struggle to control both her professional and private life. In her private life Clare is struggling to come to terms with Brian's infidelity. Will their relationship survive?

In today's Big Society there are plenty of challenges out there for an involved, caring social worker. Or even Clare.

Clare.....Sally Phillips

....Alex Lowe Megan/Nali......Nina Conti

Ray.....Richard Lumsden

Helen.....Liza Tarbuck

Simon Andrew Wincott ....Sarah Kendell Libby..

WPC Petherington......Sophie Thompson

Mr. Chisholm.....Gerard McDermott

Mr Barton... ...Simon Bubb

Shuliman Olibaju/Annabel.....Victoria Inez Hardy

School Girl ..... Georgia Lowe

Written by Harry Venning and David Ramsden

Produced by Katie Tyrrell.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2011

THU 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m001ww48)

Catherine Bohart 2/2 From 10pm until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Stephen Bailey chats to Catherine Bohart.

THU 23:00 Foley and McColl: The Interview (b0076cvt)

Rockall

The comedy duo behind the Morecambe and Wise tribute 'The Play What I Wrote' finally give their big interview and spill the beans to Michael Parkinson.

Written by and starring Sean Foley and Hamish McColl. Director: Sally Avens

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2003. THU 23:15 Jigsaw (b01qwgm6)

Series 1

Episode 2

Trying not to annoy your accountant - and getting really local on chat lines.

A rapid-fire and surreal sketch show.

Pieced together by stand-up comedians Dan Antopolski, Tom Craine and Nat Luurtsema.

Produced by Colin Anderson.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2013.

THU 23:30 Everyone Quite Likes Justin (b012l4ng) Series 1 Episode 4

House-hunting sparks all sorts of difficulties for Manchester DJ Justin. Starring Justin Moorhouse, Anne Reid and Paul Copley.

Sitcom written by Justin Moorhouse and Jim Poyser. Despite his messy life, Justin always remains positive. Every new day is a new opportunity, "When life throws you lemons,

Recorded in front of an audience in Manchester.

Anne Reid ..... Gran Christine Bottomley .. Lisa Jim Poyser ..... Lisa's boyfriend

make lemonade".

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Paul Copley ..... Ray Susan Cookson ..... Tanya Producer: Steven Canny

Justin Moorhouse ..... Justin

Lloyd Langford ..... Bryn

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2011.

#### FRIDAY 01 MARCH 2024

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FRI 05:00 W Somerset Maugham - The Razor's Edge (m0002245)

2. Return to Paris

It's now the 1930s. After travelling in the East, Larry returns to Paris where he meets up with Sophie again - to the horror of his ex-fiancée, Isabel.

Conclusion of W Somerset Maugham's novel.

Dramatised by Ronald Frame W Somerset Maugham ..... Nicholas Le Prevost

Larry ..... John Light

Isabel ..... Megan Dodds

Elliott ..... Edward Petherbridge Gray/Chief Inspector ..... Sam Dale

The Swami ..... Amerjit Deu Patsy ..... Paul Dinnen

Joseph ..... Philip Fox

Sophie ..... Laurel Lefkow

Miss Keith ..... Carolyn Pickles

Director: Gaynor MacFarlane First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2005.

FRI 06:00 Falco (b00qyr9t)

The Iron Hand of Mars

4. The Pedlar

After making enquiries with Claudia, the missing legate's mistress, Falco decides he has to cross the Rhine into Barbarian territory. Accompanied by Justinus, Helveticus and a motley crew of raw recruits, he sets off on his most dangerous journey

Things begin to look ominous when they find a deserted Roman

camp in the heart of the forest. Lindsey Davis's historic novel dramatised by Mary Cutler.

CAST: Falco .... Anton Lesser

Helena Justina .... Anna Madelev Justinus .... Oliver J Hembrough

Xanthus .... David Holt Helveticus .... Garv Lewis

Dubnus .... Glyn Pritchard

Lentullus . .. Dan Crow

Claudia .... Christine Kavanagh Directed at BBC Birmingham by Peter Leslie Wild.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2007.

FRI 06:30 Test Room Eight (m001wpfc) 5. A State of Tension

Barbara is arrested and charged. Then another body is discovered.

Writer Lester Powell's cool Irish investigator Philip Odell played by Canadian actor Robert Beatty - featured in ten BBC radio dramas between 1947 and 1961. His feisty, long-suffering assistant, Heather McMara - variously played by Brenda Bruce,

Joy Shelton, Joyce Heron, Diana Olsson but in this instance Sheila Manahan - was always on hand with her female intuition. Philip Odell .... Robert Beatty

Heather McMara .... Sheila Manahan Herbert Truscott .... Hamilton Dyce

Wynn Craxton .... Jeffrey Segal Barbara Eurich .... Stella Textor Superintendent Manley .... Edward Jewesbury Colonel Guestling .... Richard Williams

Jill Guestling .... Hilda Schroder Hugh Chalk .... David Spenser Producer: David H Godfrey

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in 1959. FRI 07:00 The Warlow Experiment by Alix Nathan (m00076p2)

With the death of Hannah, at Warlow's hands, Powyss is

subsumed by guilt.

Hannah had been expecting his child

Catherine will care for the family. One day, a beggar knocks on

Herbert Powyss lives on an estate in the Welsh Marches with enough time and income to pursue a gentleman's fashionable investigation into botanical experimentation. But he longs to make his mark in the field of science - something consequential enough to present to The Royal Society in London. Influenced by something he's read, he decides to conduct a radical investigation into the Resilience of the Human Mind Without

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FRI 07:15 Curious Under the Stars (m0007dj8)

Series 9: The Fruits of Gwyddno

5. Sale Complete

Magical drama set in Glan Don, a mysterious village perched on the wild Welsh coast.

As the tide returns to reclaim the sunken forest, Diane and Gareth prepare to complete the sale of the Druids Rest.

Gareth ..... Sion Pritchard Diane ..... Emma Sidi

Emlyn ..... Ifan Huw Dafydd

Megan ..... Aimee Ffion Edwards

Matty ..... Siw Hughes

Written by Annamaria Murphy

Series created by Meic Povey

Directed by James Robinson and John Norton

A BBC Cymru Wales Production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in August 2019.

FRI 07:30 Ed Reardon's Week (b081lkn2)

Series 11

The Fourth Sausage

All is well in Ed's World. He has drafted his son, Jake, to do some cold calling to raise funds for the university coffers whilst he visits his agent to clear out some old boxes from her office. What he wasn't expecting this week is that one of his old

projects 'Sir Jasper's Breakfast' could earn him a small fortune due to its popularity at Hen and Stag 'do's' or that Jake's success at fundraising, and subsequent 10% cut of those funds, would leave his university career in jeopardy.

Written by Andrew Nickolds and Christopher Douglas.

Ed Reardon ..... Christopher Douglas

Olive ..... Stephanie Cole Pearl ..... Brigit Forsyth

Antonia ..... Sylvestra Le Touzel

Ping ..... Barunka O'Shaughnessy

Jake ..... Sam Pamphillon

Stan ..... Geoffrey Whitehead

Producer: Dawn Ellis

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2016.

FRI 08:00 Marriage Lines (b0654tx1)

Series 2

Episode 9

Can Kate and George agree on a place to live together with baby Helen?

Starring Richard Briers and Prunella Scales.

Richard Waring's sitcom based on the mutual love and mistrust of two newlyweds.

Originating on BBC TV, it ran between 1963-65 and was adapted in two series for BBC radio due to its popularity.

George .... Richard Briers Kate .... Prunella Scales

George's Mum .... Diana King

Leslie .... Tim Barrett

Miss Walters .... Charlotte Mitchell

Mrs Harris .... Doris Rogers Producer: Charles Maxwell

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in May 1967.

FRI 08:30 Big Jim and the Figaro Club (b008hpzv)

The French Connection

Arch-rivals - Town Hall clerk, Potts, and sanitary inspector, Perkins - hurl insults and then onions...

Six anarchic tales from those demob days 'when we was going to build the new Jerusalem - you know, before the world turned lax and sour'.

Written by Ted Walker.

Narrated by Bernard Cribbins. Big Jim .... Norman Rossington

Harold Perkins .... Roland Curram

Old Ned .... Harold Goodwin

Nimrod .... David John

Turps ... Sylvester McCoy

Chick .... David Beckett Potts .... Christopher Godwin

Miss Farquhar .. .. Hilary Mason

French Onion Johnnie .... Andre Maranne PC Speedworth. .... Norman Mitchell

Producer: Martin Fisher

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1987.

FRI 09:00 The 3rd Degree (m000x6pm)

Series 11

Anglia Ruskin University

Steve Punt hosts the battle of wits as three students from Anglia Ruskin University take on their professors

A funny and dynamic quiz show with specialist subjects

including sociology, optometry and psychology.

Questions range from the Pole Of Ignorance to the Tumbling E

and a CGI lion.

Producer: David Tyler

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

FRI 09:30 In and Out of the Kitchen (b016x4sv)

Series 1

April 21st to 25th

Damien is reluctantly drawn into accepting a job for a supermarket's online magazine, whilst Anthony resolves to start the "courgette diet" and lose a few pounds

More entries from the kitchen diary of cookery writer, Damien Trench - written by and starring Miles Jupp.

In a mixture of narrative, dialogue and recipes, Damien unflinchingly captures every angle of his day-to-day life, "no matter how grizzly or, indeed, how gristly".

The programme also features Damien's easy-to-follow recipes for a simple Lobster Bisque, a comforting Lardy Cake, relaxing

Nettle Tea and easy Wiener Schnitzel. Damien Trench ..... Miles Jupp

Anthony ..... Justin Edwards

Geraldine McBeef ..... Margaret Cabourn-Smith

Mr Mullaney ..... Brendan Dempsey

Ian Frobisher .. ... Philip Fox

Producer: Sam Michell

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2011.

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FRI 20:00 Goodnight John Boy (b018g3ng) Frank Cottrell Boyce celebrates one of the great TV families 'The Waltons'

'Goodnight, John Boy,' became one of the most common catchphrases of the 1970s, born as it was from one of that decade's most popular TV programmes, 'The Waltons'. Set in rural Virginia during the Depression, the show offered something very different from the typical television of the time, which was chiefly made up of urban shows like 'Kojak', 'The Mod Squad' and 'Starsky and Hutch'. Not only was the setting different but so was the set of characters - poor, blue collar people who were broadly speaking happy with their lives -

anathema to many commissioning editors. In 'Goodnight, John Boy', Frank Cottrell Boyce - himself father of seven children and a successful TV writer - tries to find out precisely why it was such an unlikely TV recipe which proved quite so irresistable to many millions of viewers, and challenges the commonly held view that it was simple nostalgia that played to a Conservative moral agenda.

When George Bush Sr. argued that America needed a lot more families like the Waltons and fewer like the Simpsons, he failed to recognise that the show and the family were deeply rooted in

the values of FDR's New Deal. Indeed members of the cast such as Will Geer (Grandpa) and Ralph Waite (Pa Walton) were themselves very active on the political left, with Geer blacklisted as a gay communist and Waite refusing to take part in a photo shoot with President Nixon.

Boyce speaks to a number of the cast members (including those who played Pa Walton, John Boy, and Elizabeth) as well as Earl Hamner, who wrote the books upon which the series was based. Produced by Geoff Bird.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2011.

FRI 20:30 Soul Music (b00mg3yv)

The Look of Love

Series exploring famous pieces of music and their emotional appeal.

Hal David discusses writing The Look of Love with Burt Bacharach, for the soundtrack of the spoof 1967 James Bond film Casino Royale. This classic track, sung by Dusty Springfield, provided the musical backdrop for a love scene between Peter Sellers and Ursula Andress.

Dusty Springfield's former backing singer, Simon Bell, remembers being on stage at the Albert Hall when Dusty laughed her way through a performance of the song, and musician Jonathan Cohen describes how the samba rhythm underscoring Dusty's smooth vocals combine to make this an

enduringly popular love song. It has been covered many times by artists including Isaac Hayes Gladys Knight and the French singer Mirielle Mathieu. This programme hears from people whose personal memories of love and loss are forever linked with The Look of Love.

Contributors Sue Clarke

Wally Welling

Simon Bell

Trevor Foster

Jonathan Cohen Hal David

Producer: Karen Gregor

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2010. FRI 21:00 And the Academy Award Goes To... (b01qgr43)

Series 4

In The Heat Of The Night It makes for uncomfortable viewing. A Southern policeman insolently challenges Sidney Poitier, a detective from 'up North'.

"So, boy, what do they call you in Philadelphia?" "They call me Mister Tibbs!" It's one of the great movie lines in history, from Sidney Poitier's

favourite of all his films. But was "In The Heat of the Night" a worthy winner of the Best Picture? Up against tough competition, including "The Graduate" and "Bonnie and Clyde", it's been suggested that this might have

been an Oscar vote carried on a tidal wave of outrage during the peak years of the Civil Rights movement. In 1967, "In The Heat of the Night" seemed to speak out against an America riven with racial tensions. The Watts Riots had just devastated Los Angeles, close to Hollywood. The film was set in Mississippi, but the crew were forced to choose Illinois in the North as a safer location. The murder of Martin Luther King, and his subsequent funeral, delayed the Oscar ceremony in 1968 by several days - enabling the cast and crew of "In The

Heat of the Night" to attend his funeral. All these stories and more are told to Paul Gambaccini by veteran director - Norman Jewison, and he also hears from his legendary producer - Walter Mirisch - who at the age of 91, still makes his way to his film studios in Hollywood, and takes lunch

at Spagos. Plus the thoughts of one of the world's great cinematographer's Haskell Wexler - who was the first to devise lighting especially for darker skin tones - and sets the scene for Norman Jewison's dramatic reconstruction of a country divided along racial lines

that has echoes today.

Producer: Sara Jane Hall First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2013.

FRI 21:30 Jaws by Peter Benchley (b0bg1vhf)

5. 'Suppose someone gets killed.' As Brody becomes more and more obsessed with the shark, he's

oblivious to the threats to his own marriage...

Will the beaches open for the 4th of July? And will it ever be safe to go back into the water? Peter Benchley's classic 1974 novel became one of the most

terrifying movies of all time. Abridged by Richard Hamilton.

Read by Henry Goodman.

Producer: Justine Willett First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2018.

FRI 21:45 Electric Decade (m001wpfk)

Babelsberg Babylon

5. Gunpoint

Babelsberg Film Studios, 1929. A major new movie is in production when its star Krista Wolff suddenly disappears. The head of the studio and film's writer are desperate to find her. Each has their own reasons.

Ending up back where it started, Jonas Beck is holding the Babelsberg Studio boss Otto Lenz at gunpoint.

What's tipped him over the edge? Is it the fate of Krista Wolff or the rewrites to his script? This suspenseful drama is set amid the creative ferment of

1920s Berlin, centred around Babelsberg Film Studio, the

world's oldest large-scale film studio. Out of the darkness of military defeat, political chaos, poverty and hyperinflation springs the phenomenon of Weimar culture, a defiant celebration of humanity and artistic expression in all its diverse forms. People flock to Berlin to be a part of the cultural explosion. Writer Jonas Beck, actress Krista Wolff and war veteran Peter X are among them.

Jonas Beck ..... Paul Chahidi Otto Lenz ... .. Anton Lesser Lottie ..... Clare Corbett

Barman ..... Carl Prekopp Written by Nick Perry. Director: Sasha Yevtushenko

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2020.

FRI 22:00 Jokes (p0hc1sjt) Stuart Mitchell's Cost of Living

1. Stuart Eats a Pigeon

Comedian Stuart Mitchell examines his own cost of living crisis. His journey of self discovery is prompted by a visit to one of Gordon Ramsay's restaurants - a meal that makes him question his entire existence.

Each episode, Stuart looks at a chapter of his own unbelievable, but absolutely true, life story.

A working class boy, with huge aspirations, Stuart achieved everything he dreamed of and more. However, he soon came to realise that the cost of having everything was more than he was willing to pay. A morality tale featuring his time working in Westminster, moving to a highly paid job in banking and willingly losing it all to find happiness; Stuart will make us all question the true cost of living.

Written and performed by Stuart Mitchell

Produced by Lauren Mackay FRI 22:15 Jokes (m001wpg2) Jazz Emu: The Sound of Us

1. The Sound of Love

Jazz Emu sets out to write his friends the most romantic song ever created, in order to save their crumbling relationship and make everything in his friendship group nice again. Digging back into his alternative musical archives, Jazz takes inspiration from Barry White, George Michael and ACDC in order to learn about what makes a song romantic. Armed with misguided understanding and unerring confidence, Jazz is ready to blow some minds. If music be the food of love, it's lunchtime. Or something like that?

Jazz Emu: musician, 70s lothario-type, ex-Hollywood foley artist and internationally renowned idiot. After a long career in (and often out) of the spotlight, he has decided to present a radio show in order to connect with the average Joes (and Janes, and other boring names) and bestow his expert knowledge of Sound upon the universe.

Written by Archie Henderson and Adrian Gray

Starring: Archie Henderson, Adrian Gray, Emmanuel Sonubi,

Lorna Rose Treen, Cody Dahler Produced by Sasha Bobak

A BBC Studios Production for Radio 4

FRI 22:30 Rum Bunch (b08r1wv8)

Grissock

Justin Edwards, Mel Giedroyc and Dave Mounfield are in the mining town of Grissock to tell the story of talc through the ages, using songs, sketches and powerful verbatim theatre. Justin has actually done some research for this week's play, interviewing some miners in the social club and writing down what they said to him. Sadly .not all of it was relevant. The band go on strike and special guest Vicki Pepperdine launches a

Is this the end for Rum Bunch?

The Rum Bunch is Justin Edwards (The Consultants, The Odd Half Hour, Newsjack, Sorry I've Got No Head, The Thick of It), Mel Giedrovc (Mel and Sue, Bake Off, Let It Shine) and Dave Mounfield (Count Arthur Strong, This Is Jinsy).

The house band is Jason Hazeley and David Reed - The Penny Dreadfuls.

Produced by Jim North.

A Top Dog production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in May 2017.

FRI 23:00 Absolute Power (b007nf8w)

Series 1

Episode 2

Prentis McCabe - the machiavellian doctors of spin - attempt the impossible.

Can they relaunch The Sun newspaper as the beacon of the pro Euro movement while retaining the newspaper's traditiona readership nurtured on a healthy diet of extreme xenophobia? Mark Tavener's comedy about the two specialists in government and media relations.

Starring Stephen Fry as Charles Prentiss and John Bird as

Martin McCabe.

Tony Gardner

Siobhan Haves

Roger Blake

Neil McCaul

Producer: Paul Schlesinger First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2000.

FRI 23:30 All the World's a Globe (b007jwt1)

5. The Male Nude and Charlton Heston

From St Francis to Buddhism

The history of mankind from the first amoeba to the Second World War.

Presented by the entire cast of the National Theatre of Brent -Desmond Olivier Dingle and Wallace, aided by Mr Barker. Written by Patrick Barlow, with additional material by Jim Broadbent and Martin Duncan.

With guest star Peter Barker.

With thanks to Patrick Barlow

Jim Broadbent

Martin Duncan

Producer: Lissa Evans

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1990.

FRI 23:45 Before They Were Famous (b05y0qlc)

Series 3

Episode 5

Ian Leslie presents the show which brings to light the often surprising first literary attempts of the world's best known writers.

The episode begins with Jane Austen's first employ as a bailiff's clerk penning exceptionally sweet letters to unfortunately late paying debtors.

To follow, we hear Edward Lear's indecipherable missives on behalf of the British Intelligence services and a Radio 4 stalwart, the Shipping Forecast, is re-imagined in a submission found in the archives from a young Martin Amis suggesting how to update the format.

To end, there's another of Henrik Ibsen's unexpected offerings of jokes for a Christmas cracker company.

Producer: Claire Broughton

A Hat Trick production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in June 2015.