

SATURDAY 02 NOVEMBER 2024

SAT 00:00 Soul Music (m000y6n2)

The Parting Glass
"But since it falls unto my lot
That I should rise
And you should not
I'll gently rise and softly call
Goodnight and joy be to you all"
The Parting Glass was written in Scotland and has criss-crossed the Irish Sea, becoming a popular song among Celtic peoples around the world.

Folk singer Karine Polwart, talks of its fragile beauty as a song that can be a rousing drinking song at the end of the night but equally a poignant farewell at a funeral.

For Alaskan Fire Chief Benjamin Fleagle, there was no more fitting song to honour his mentor and colleague at his Fire Department when he passed away over a decade ago.

Alissa McCulloch 'clung' to the song when she heard the Irish singer Hozier sing a version of it at the start of the pandemic in March 2020. At the time, Alissa was mentally unwell at home in Australia and was admitted to hospital where she listened to the song over and over finding comfort in its timeless beauty.

After Canada's worst mass shooting in its history, Pete MacDonald and his sisters recorded an acapella version of the song as a musical tribute to those who lost their lives. It's a tradition in Nova Scotia to sing in the kitchen at parties, wakes and celebrations and they wanted to pay their respects to the dead.

Irish singer Finbar Furey has performed the song with his band the Fureys and talks about its appeal not only in Scotland and Ireland but throughout the Scots-Irish diaspora.

Series about pieces of music with a powerful emotional impact
Producer for BBC Audio in Bristol: Maggie Ayre
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2021.

SAT 00:30 A Fine Defence Of Enid Blyton (b00fm031)

Despite enjoying the stories in her childhood, as an adult, writer Anne Fine ignored the work of Enid Blyton.

This was partly because of the drip-drip of disapproval that's accompanied her books for many decades. But, going back to her battered old Blytons, she realised exactly why she had found the books so captivating - they are remarkably good reads - real page turners.

Anne Fine does not deny that Blyton is the creator of creaking plots, cardboard characters who often used non pc language. An author of jolly adventures, in which the most enormous amounts of food and drink are consumed by children who never put on weight. And yet her books have outsold all other children's authors.

In 2008, Blyton was voted the UK's best-loved writer. Her work has been translated into 40 different languages and she's sold over 500 million books worldwide.

Featuring extracts from a rare interview with Blyton's only surviving daughter, Imogen Smallwood
With contributions from:

* Enid Blyton's biographer, Barbara Stoney
* Leading Blyton scholar, Dr David Rudd [Professor of Children's literature at Bolton University]

Plus archive recordings of Enid herself, her elder daughter Gillian Baverstock and her brother Hanley who explains how the siblings comforted each other during parental rows.

Reader Miriam Margolyes

Producer: Helen Lee

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2008.

SAT 01:00 Whodunnits (m000w6lw)

Dalziel & Pascoe - Exit Lines

5. The Comedy is Over

Three old men dead.

Two unsolved problems.

Has Detective Inspector Pascoe got one answer?

Donald Gee and Philip Jackson star as detective duo, Andy Dalziel and Peter Pascoe.

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Conclusion of Reginald Hill's detective thriller.

Dramatised by Betty Davies.

Detective Inspector Pascoe Donald Gee

Superintendent Dalziel Philip Jackson

Charley Charles Simpson

Mrs Escott Barbara Atkinson

Detective Constable Seymour Paul Downing

Sergeant Wield Michael Graham Cox

Police Constable Hector Stephen Garlick

Abbyss John Bull

Corporal Gillott Joe Dunlop

Major Kassell Vincent Brimble

Sir William Brian Miller

Charlesworth David King

Elite Tara Dominick

Ruddlesdin Danny Schiller

Moody Dale Rapley

Director: Matthew Walters

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1990.

SAT 01:30 Limelight (p00yht4r)

Dead Hand

5: Ceasefire Babies

A contemporary thriller set in Northern Ireland written by Stuart Drennan.

Greg is the host of a true crime podcast dedicated to uncovering

the identity of a serial killer, last active over 20 years ago, known only as Dead Hand.

A killer named after a mysterious radio transmission which has been broadcasting an indecipherable code in the years since Dead Hand vanished. A code told in the voices of Dead Hand's victims: including Greg's missing father. However, when a new voice is added to the code, Greg realises that Dead Hand is active again.

With time already running out, can he finally crack the code and catch the killer?

Cast:

Greg ... Paul Mallon

DS Murray ... Michelle Fairley

Kate ... Roisín Gallagher

Lucy ... Hannah Eggleton

Stacey ... Eimear Fearon

May ... Julia Dearden

Control ... Louise Parker

Police Officer ... Andrew McCracken

TSG lead ... Patrick Buchanan

Marc Sheene ... Conleth Hill

All other roles played by members of the cast.

Writer ... Stuart Drennan

Script Editor ... Philip Palmer

Producer ... Michael Shannon

Executive Editor ... Andy Martin

A BBC Northern Ireland production for Radio 4.

SAT 02:00 Trapped (b0076mpz)

Series 1

Sow Cottage

The new residents of the village of Little Latchmere are having a bit of trouble fitting in...

Starring Robert Webb.

Six black comedies by Mark Maier and Daniel Maier.

Edward Andrew Burt

Rev Fraction Duncan Wisbey

Adam Robert Webb

Paul Daniel Maier

Producer: Alex Walsh-Taylor

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2003.

SAT 02:30 Doctor in the House (b007jsw0)

St Swithin's

Simon Sparrow dithers over registering to train as a doctor as St. Swithin's hospital in London.

The misadventures of a student doctor.

Starring Richard Briers

Adapted by Ray Cooney from Richard Gordon's 'Doctor in the House', first published in 1952.

Simon Sparrow Richard Briers

Sir Lancelot Spratt Geoffrey Sumner

Tony Benskin Ray Cooney

Secretary Erik Chitty

Sister Beth Boyd

Padre Michael Deacon

The Dean John Le Mesurier

Producer: David Hatch

Recorded at the BBC Paris studio in London.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1968.

SAT 03:00 Michael Spicer: Before Next Door (m000k32m)

Pilot

What happens when a socially awkward and neurotic part-time comedian becomes a global internet sensation?

Series charting Michael Spicer's real-life progress - sort of - as his Room Next Door videos amass tens of millions of views online and win him acclaim for his comedy, at last.

But how will Michael cope?

Will this married father of two ever be able to quit his day job as a copywriter for a kitchen worktop company? Why is the broadcaster Peter Curran in his house? And could hang-gliding with BBC Radio 5Live presenter Emma Barnett be a way to advance his career?

After 20 years of making comedy under the radar, Michael is now on the cusp of leaving the office behind and - with the help of his wife Roberta - making a living out of being funny.

But will an ordinary person like Michael be able to successfully navigate the unpredictable road to fame?

Well, probably not, no.

Starring Michael Spicer.

With:

Ellie Taylor

Joanna Neary

Peter Curran

Emma Barnett

Written by Michael Spicer.

Producer: Matt Tiller

* TalkRadio interview with Boris Johnson from TalkRadio / News Licensing.

A Starstruck production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in June 2020.

SAT 03:30 The Haunting of Alma Fielding (m000nw9k)

5. An Encounter with Sigmund Freud

Explanations for Alma's supernatural experiences prove controversial.

With questions still to be answered - is the real reason for her haunting knowable?

This is the story of a young and vivacious housewife whose London home and family are assailed by a lively and frightening poltergeist in 1938.

Reports in the papers pique Nandor Fodor's interest, and the

chief ghost hunter of the International Institute for Psychical Research embarks on a quest to establish the authenticity of Alma's experiences.

Against these events, war looms large over Great Britain, with popular culture and a deepening interest in spiritualism reflecting the anxieties of the day.

Kate Summerscale's acclaimed book, abridged by Julian Wilkinson.

Concluded by Emma Fielding.

Producer: Elizabeth Allard.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2020.

SAT 03:45 Victor Hugo - Les Misérables (b007jn05)

25. Finale

Thenardier attempts to blackmail Marius. Meanwhile, Jean Valjean is dying. How he longs to be reunited with Cosette.

Victor Hugo's epic story of social injustice.

Dramatised by Sebastian Baczkiewicz.

Victor Hugo Joss Ackland

Jean Valjean Roger Allam

Cosette Lucy Whybrow

Marius Jonathan Forbes

Thenardier Henry Goodman

Toussaint Annette Badland

Basque Ewan Bailey

Azelma Helen Longworth

Directed by Jeremy Mortimer.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2002.

SAT 04:00 All the Way from Memphis (b00mdy19)

Series 2

Episode 4

James Walton and the music quiz for all the young, and not so young, duces.

Regulars Tracey MacLeod and Andrew Collins are joined by:

* Comedian, Dave Gorman

* Broadcaster, Mary Anne Hobbs

Reader: Beth Chalmers

Written and researched by James Walton

Producer: Dawn Ellis

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2006.

SAT 04:30 Lucky Heather (b0075smn)

6. High Noon

16 years ago, Heather's best friend Dawn ran off with Heather's man Joe.

Now Dawn has the cheek to ask Heather to check if Joe is having an affair!

Just this side of nosey, Heather is western movie-mad. She's also the Sherlock Holmes of the rundown Sutter Estate.

Starring Lindsey Coulson.

Conclusion of Sue Teddern's sitcom.

Heather Lindsey Coulson

Dawn Tessa Peake-Jones

Maev Dearbhla Molloy

Natalie Abigail Hart

Ryan Ben Crowe

Joe Gavin Muir

Lou Gerard McDermott

Waiter David Holt

Director: David Hunter

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2000.

SAT 05:00 Fyodor Dostoevsky - The Idiot (b00srvmn)

4. Feelings and Fear

Nastasya and Aglaya meet to talk over their feelings for the Prince.

Although still emotionally involved with Rogozhin, Nastasya is determined to marry the Prince.

This is heartbreaking news for Aglaya who really loves him.

The Prince's health is on a knife-edge, and he begins to fear for his life...

Conclusion of one of Fyodor Dostoyevsky's most famous and personal novels

The vivid inner life of Prince Myshkin, who has returned from years abroad spent trying to treat his epilepsy.

It takes courage to reintroduce himself into Russian society...

Starring Paul Rhys

Dramatised by Melissa Murray

Paul Rhys Prince Myshkin

Roger Allam Rogozhin

Alex Jennings Ganya

Lia Williams Nastasya

David Swift General Yepanchin

Gerard McDermott Lebedev

Paula Jacobs Mrs Yepanchin

Tracy-Ann Oberman Aglaya

Carl Prekopp Kolya

Jemma Churchill Varya

Martin Hyder Footman

Producer: Cherry Cookson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2002.

SAT 06:00 The Sheffield Picasso (b0670716)

On a dark, cold November day in 1950, influential artist Pablo Picasso came to Sheffield for a World Peace Conference.

What was the effect of his visit?

Starring Olivier Pierre.

Dave Sheasby's play is based on a true event.

Picasso Olivier Pierre

Tomas Sandor Eles

Barbara Kathryn Pogson

John Paul Copley

Irene Julia Ford

Mr Lockridge Ronald Herdman

Jackie Danny Cunningham

Ken Steve Hodson

Arthur James Tomlinson

Father George A Cooper

Mrs Bruce Natasha Pyne

Mr Bruce Derek Waring

With :

Ian Masters

Becky Hindley

Jonathan Keeble

Director Janet Whitaker

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1995.

SAT 07:30 The Boundless Sea: A Human History of the Oceans (Omnibus) (m0024kzn)

David Abulafia's epic history of our relationship with the oceans, for which he won the prestigious Wolfson History Prize in 2020.

Charting maritime networks from the earliest seafaring societies, Abulafia explores how mankind has used the oceans to travel, trade and survive – for ends both noble and wicked. The story begins with the Polynesians of the Pacific.

It concludes with an examination of the effect on global power of access to shorter routes around the world.

Omnibus of five episodes abridged by Laurence Wareing.

Read by Colin McFarlane.

Producer: Eilidh McCreadie

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2020.

SAT 08:45 Alan Coren - Core Coren (b007jrmn)

1. Cricklewood - A Scene Setter

Home to potato crisps and the machine gun - humourist, writer and broadcaster Alan Coren muses on his beloved part of London.

Alan Coren's book 'A Bit on the Side' was first published in 1996.

Abridged and read by the author in five-parts.

The son of a builder, Coren won a scholarship to Oxford, and also studied at Yale and the University of California.

He planned to become a professor, but his experiences in the USA prompted him to take up comic writing.

He was editor of 'Punch' magazine from 1978-1987.

Alan was also a regular panellist on BBC Radio 4's The News Quiz and a team captain on BBC TV's Call My Bluff.

Producer: Aled Evans

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1997.

SAT 09:00 The Men from the Ministry (b0175m69)

This VAT and the Other

The bungling bureaucrats are helping to collect VAT - how taxing can that be?

A weekly tribute to all those who work in government departments.

Written by Edward Taylor and John Graham.

Lennox-Brown Deryck Guyler

Lamb Richard Murdoch

Mildred Murfin Norma Ronald

Sir Gregory Pitkin Ronald Baddiley

With John Graham.

'The Men from the Ministry' ran for 14 series between 1962 and 1977. Deryck Guyler replaced Wilfrid Hyde-White from 1966

Producer: Edward Taylor

First broadcast on the BBC Radio 4 in June 1975.

SAT 09:30 The Morecambe and Wise Show (m0024kzq)

Episode 3

Eric and Ern explore Swinging 1960s London, before recreating a classic monster.

Starring Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise

A radio romp written by Eric Merriman.

With:

Elaine Taylor

Peter Hawkins.

Music from:

Anita Harris

The Mike Sammes Singers

Burt Rhodes and his Orchestra

Producer: John Browell

First broadcast on BBC Light Programme in August 1966.

SAT 10:00 Billy Bragg's Changing Times (m000lg63)

2. A Beautiful Day

These are fractious times.

But there have been fractious times before.

And of all the ways of looking at history, the instinctive reactions of artists, specifically musicians, to changing times, is one of the most fascinating.

From Hamish Henderson to Stormzy, protest music has come a long way.

In the second of two programmes, Billy Bragg takes time to savour and share the stories of great moments where musicians were inspired by unfolding events to protest, to perform and to preach of an alternative way.

Featuring:

'A BEAUTIFUL DAY' - first broadcast on BBC Radio Ulster in 2008

Producer: Dan Quick

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in July 2019.

SAT 11:00 The Sheffield Picasso (b0670716)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SAT 12:30 The Boundless Sea: A Human History of the Oceans (Omnibus) (m0024kzn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

SAT 13:45 Alan Coren - Core Coren (b007jrmn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 today]

SAT 14:00 The Men from the Ministry (b0175m69)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SAT 14:30 The Morecambe and Wise Show (m0024kzq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

SAT 15:00 Billy Bragg's Changing Times (m000lg63)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

SAT 16:00 Frederick Pohl - The Midas Plague (m0024kzs)

In the future, the poorest citizens have the most things.

People have to spend most of their waking hours consuming and wearing out what the robots have produced.

Only the most successful are allowed to live a simple life of moderate consumption.

Morey Fry discovers a way out, but it means breaking the law...

Frederick Pohl's futuristic novel, first published in 1954 in US magazine 'Galaxy Science Fiction'.

Starring Michael Drew and Dyanne White.

Dramatised by Mark Power.

Morey Fry Michael Drew

Cherry Fry Dyanne White

Howland Alan Covenay

Henry/Porfirio Geoffrey Collins

Judge Elon Eric Allen

Grace Elon Caroline Hunt

Semmelweiss/Newman Nick Chivers

Fairless/Sam Clarence Smith

Blaine/Wally Richard Pearce

Wainwright Fraser Kerr

Tanaquil Catherine Neal

Directed at BBC Bristol by Alec Reid.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1991.

SAT 16:45 The Slumber King by Kevin Crossley-Holland (b0185b1b)

Owen's walking stick unlocks the door to a journey beneath the Welsh mountains.

Plus an astounding discovery...

Kevin Crossley-Holland's short story read by Andy Hockley.

Producer: Nigel Bryant

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1990.

SAT 17:00 The Sheffield Picasso (b0670716)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SAT 18:30 The Boundless Sea: A Human History of the Oceans (Omnibus) (m0024kzn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

SAT 19:45 Alan Coren - Core Coren (b007jrmn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 today]

SAT 20:00 The Men from the Ministry (b0175m69)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SAT 20:30 The Morecambe and Wise Show (m0024kzq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

SAT 21:00 Billy Bragg's Changing Times (m000lg63)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

SAT 22:00 Angstrom (b0910ds8)

Series 1

The Man Who Wasn't Dead

Matthew Holness stars as Knut Ångström, a brooding, alcoholic,

maverick Swedish detective from the tough streets of Oslo.

Scandinavian detective yarn adapted from the bestselling

Ångström trilogy by Martin English (writing as Bjorgen

Swedenssonsson).

Following the death of his wife, Ångström is posted to the

Njalsland peninsula where he becomes embroiled in a

labyrinthine murder (or possibly not-murder) case which bears

an eerie similarity to the Askeladden killings - a case from his

distant past.

A body goes missing from a crime scene, but was it ever even

there in the first place?

Written by Joel Morris and Jason Hazeley.

Knut Ångström Matthew Holness

Nina Oblong Nadia Kamil

Narrator Simon Kane

Also starring:

Morgana Robinson

David Reed

Freya Parker

The writers have also written the Ladybird Books for Grown

Ups, Charlie Brooker's Wipe, That Mitchell and Webb Look

and A Touch of Cloth.

Producer: Lyndsay Fenner

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

SAT 22:30 The Secret World (b031s15z)

Series 4

Episode 4

The Queen hatches a plot to get Pippa Middleton out of the

way.

Ed Miliband is so keen to pally-up with some builders that he

ends up helping them do their work.

And Russell Crowe has a bizarre fixation with sprouts.

The Secret World is the impression show with a difference.

With:

Margaret Cabourn-Smith

Jon Culshaw

Julian Dutton

Lewis MacLeod

Jess Robinson

Debra Stephenson

Duncan Wisbey

Written by Bill Dare, Julian Dutton and Duncan Wisbey.

Produced and created by: Bill Dare.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2013.

SAT 23:00 Two Episodes of Mash (b01mx27s)

Series 2

Episode 4

Diane, Joe and David have to do 30 minutes of community service as punishment for their crimes against radio.

Look out for an animation of their Fishing Sketch by Tom Rourke on the BBC Radio 4 Extra website.

A mix of silly, surreal sketches and banter starring Diane Morgan and Joe Wilkinson.

With:

David O'Doherty

Paul Harry Allen

Bobbie Pryor

Gary Newman

Aled Jones.

Producer: Clair Wordsworth.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2012.

SAT 23:30 Rigor Mortis (b007k419)

Series 1

Episode 1

Dr Webster realises that he recognises the man he's just performed a routine autopsy on, but where from?

His colleague, Professor Donaldson is aghast at the medical ethics of the situation whilst Dr Anderson is convinced that there's some kind of conspiracy going on.

Dr Webster can't understand what all the fuss is about...

Laurence Howarth's sitcom set in the fascinating, but misunderstood world of the pathology lab.

Dr Anthony Webster Peter Davison

Dr Ruth Anderson Tracy-Ann Oberman

Professor Donaldson Geoffrey Whitehead

Gordon Tom Price

Chloe Marianne Levy

Simon Gus Brown

David/Patient Stephen Critchlow

Elaine Beth Chalmers

Music by Paul Mottram and Stephanie Benavente.

Producer: Dawn Ellis

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2003.

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SUN 06:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m0024ld2)

Booker Prize Castaways

Bernardine Evaristo

Writer Bernardine Evaristo is castaway by Lauren Laverne.

Bernardine won the Booker Prize in 2019 for her novel, *Girl, Woman, Other*. She is Professor of Creative Writing at Brunel University London.

She was born in May 1959, the fourth of eight children, to an English mother and a Nigerian father. She grew up in Woolwich in south London, and was educated at Eltham Hill Girls' Grammar School.

She spent her teenage years at the Greenwich Young People's Theatre and, after deciding that she wanted to be a professional actor at the age of 14, did a Community Theatre Arts course at the Rose Bruford College of Speech and Drama.

After graduation she founded the Theatre of Black Women with two fellow students in the early 1980s and they began to write roles for themselves.

By the late 1980s, she had decided that it was the writing she enjoyed most.

Her first poetry collection was published in 1994, followed by a semi-autobiographical verse novel called *Lara* three years later.

More books followed, experimenting with form and narrative perspective, often merging the past with the present, prose with poetry, the factual with the speculative, and reality with alternate realities. *Girl, Woman, Other* is her eighth book.

A longstanding activist and advocate, Bernardine has initiated several successful schemes to ensure increased representation of artists and writers of colour in the creative industries.

She is married to David, who she met in 2006, and lives in London.

DISC ONE: Malaika by Angélique Kidjo

DISC TWO: Zombie by Fela Kuti

DISC THREE: Breaths by Sweet Honey in the Rock

DISC FOUR: I Wish I Knew How It Would Feel To Be Free by Nina Simone
 DISC FIVE: Woyaya by Osibisa
 DISC SIX: Köln, January 24, 1975, part I by Keith Jarrett
 DISC SEVEN: Things Have Changed by Bob Dylan
 DISC EIGHT: Fight The Power by Public Enemy
 BOOK CHOICE: The Norton Anthology of Poetry by Margaret Ferguson), Tim Kendall and Mary Jo Salter
 LUXURY ITEM: A hologram of Bernardine's husband
 CASTAWAY'S FAVOURITE: Köln, January 24, 1975, part I by Keith Jarrett
 Producer: Cathy Drysdale
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2020.
SUN 06:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b00zf648)
 Series 2
 Cicada
 One of the great wild sounds of North America is the purring of insects in the evening, especially that of Cicadas, one of the great stridulating sounds in the wild.
 This is the tale of one Cicada; the 17-year periodic Cicada that stunned the community in New England 13 years after the Pilgrim Fathers had landed. There was a plague of insects, all with red eyes on stalks - and all emerging continuously out of the soil.
 When the plague subsided a few weeks later the people of Plymouth Rock were braced for another onslaught, but nothing happened until 17 years later.
 Sir David Attenborough recalls a filming trip to New England to film this species of Cicada with both fascinating natural history and a hilarious twist.
 Written and presented by David Attenborough
 Producer: Julian Hector
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2011.
SUN 07:00 Poetry Extra (m0024ld5)
 A Portrait Of... Andrew Motion
 Poet Daljit Nagra revisits the BBC's poetry archive and selects A Portrait Of... Andrew Motion.
 This takes us into the artist's studio to follow portrait painter Fiona Graham-Mackay as she paints the former poet laureate. A personal, immersive journey exploring art unfolding, this is an insight into the private encounter of two acclaimed artists, and we listen in to what this process is like for both the painter and the painted.
 It's a unique relationship, a little like being in the therapist's chair – the painter stripping away the layers to reveal the true likeness of her subject, the sitter under the microscope, exposed and studied.
 Fiona Graham-Mackay shares the secrets of the portrait painter as she captures the sitter on canvas; the sitter reflects on what being painted reveals and contemplates the prospect of being immortalised in oil.
 Fiona has painted hundreds of portraits, including Prince Michael of Kent, Seamus Heaney and Lord Carrington. In all her sittings she has always been fascinated by her conversations with her subjects and continues to be amazed by how people open up in ways that surprise even themselves as she paints them.
 What is revealed goes beyond anything you might expect in an ordinary interview.
 Producer: Eve Streeter
 A Pier production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in 2014.
 * Plus Daljit selects his Poetry Extra Book of the Month: The recently published Battery Rocks by Katrina Naomi - exploring the life of a swimmer on the Cornish coast.
SUN 07:30 The Haunting of Alma Fielding by Kate Summerscale (Omnibus) (m0024ld7)
 The compelling story of London housewife Alma Fielding whose home and family are assailed by a lively and frightening poltergeist in 1938.
 Reports in the papers pique Nandor Fodor's interest, and the chief ghost hunter of the International Institute for Psychical Research embarks on a quest to establish the authenticity of Alma's experiences.
 Alma undergoes investigations at the Institute involving sitting and seances before its members.
 But when the proceedings take an unsettling turn, Fodor turns to the methodologies pioneered by Sigmund Freud.
 Against these events, war looms large over Great Britain, with popular culture and a deepening interest in spiritualism reflecting the anxieties of the day.
 Kate Summerscale's acclaimed book Omnibus of five episodes abridged by Julian Wilkinson.
 Read by Emma Fielding.
 Producer: Elizabeth Allard
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2010.
SUN 08:40 Inheritance Tracks (m0024ld9)
 Candice Brathwaite
 Author Candice Brathwaite chooses Never, Never, Never by John Holt and Vivaldi's Four Seasons re-composed by Max Richter.
SUN 08:50 Victor Hugo - Les Miserables (Omnibus) (b007jtwl)
 Episode 5
 Once more Jean Valjean puts his life into Inspector Javert's hands.
 Conclusion of Victor Hugo's epic story of social injustice.
 Starring Joss Ackland, Roger Allam and David Schofield.
 Omnibus of episodes 21 to 25 of 25.
 Dramatised by Sebastian Baczkiewicz and Lin Coghlan.

Jean Valjean Roger Allam
 Victor Hugo... Joss Ackland
 Cosette ... Lucy Whybow
 Marius ... Jonathan Forbes
 Javert ... David Schofield
 Gillenormand ... Leslie Phillips
 Toussaint ... Annette Badland
 Mme Gillenormand ... Shuna Snow
 Basque ... Ewan Bailey.
 Producer: Sally Avens
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2002.
SUN 10:00 Beyond Our Ken (b008yrvn)
 From 15/07/1958
 Kenneth Horne finally has his request played on Housewives' Choice, and Horerama looks at 1908.
 A madcap mix of sketches and songs written by Eric Merriman and Barry Tox
 Starring:
 Kenneth Horne
 Kenneth Williams
 Hugh Paddick
 Betty Marsden
 Ron Moody
 Music from Pat Lancaster, the Malcolm Mitchell Trio and the BBC Review Orchestra conducted by Harry Rabinowitz.
 Announcer: Douglas Smith
 Beyond Our Ken hit the airwaves in 1958 and ran to 1964 - featuring regulars like Arthur Fallowfield, Cecil Snaith and Rodney and Charles.
 The precursor to 'Round The Horne' - sadly only 13 shows survive from the original run of 21 episodes in Series 1.
 Audio restored using both home and overseas (BBC Transcription Service) recordings.
 Producer: Jacques Brown
 First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in July 1958.
SUN 10:30 The Enchanting World of Hinge and Bracket (m0024ldc)
 Series 2
 Evadne's Pantomime
 The dear ladies have a Vicar's meeting.
 Starring Dame Hilda Bracket and her lifelong companion Dr Evadne Hinge.
 Brought to you from the genteel setting of the Suffolk village of Stackton Tressel, where the musical duo reside.
 Written by Mike Craig, Lawrie Kinsley and Ron McDonnell.
 Dame Hilda Brackett Patrick Fyffe
 Dr Evadne Hinge George Logan
 Maud Daphne Heard
 Jean Pierre Andre Maranne
 The Vicar David Mahlowe
 Three series ran on BBC Radio 4 between 1977 and 1979, with further spin-off seasons on BBC Radio 2 until 1990.
 In the early 1980s, they expanded over to BBC TV with the series Dear Ladies
 Produced at BBC Manchester by James Casey.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1978.
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SUN 16:00 Alan Garner - The Weirdstone of Brisingamen (b096p58m)
 3. Fighback
 Can Colin and Susan recover the Weirdstone and escape the clutches of Selina Place?
 Alan Garner's fantasy novel.
 Starring Robin Bailey.
 Dramatised by David Wade.
 Cadellin Robin Bailey
 Grimmer Robin Bailey
 Susan Andrea Murphy
 Colin Mark Kingston
 Selina Rosalind Knight
 Durathror Ronald Herdman
 Fenodyree George Parsons
 Stromkarl Edward de Souza
 Bess Patsy Byrne
 Directed at BBC Manchester by Caroline Smith.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1989.
SUN 16:30 Catch My Breath (b007k3bt)
 5. The Truth
 The truth about Isla is revealed.
 Will Kate and Colleen finally manage to escape...?
 Starring Claire Knight and Suzanne Donaldson.

Conclusion of Marty Ross's supernatural thriller.
 Kate Claire Knight
 Colleen Suzanne Donaldson
 Strachan Liam Brennan
 Old Strachan John Shedden
 Donnie Lewis Howden
 Isla Eileen McCallum
 Octavia Lucy Patterson
 DC Carbeth James Bryce
 WPC Briggs Jill Riddiford
 Dennis Finlay McLean
 Producer: Bruce Young
 Made for BBC 7 by BBC Radio Scotland.
 First broadcast in December 2007.
SUN 17:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m0024ld2)
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SUN 22:00 On the Town with the League of Gentlemen (b0081tbs)
 A Kind of Loving
 Reg finds Barbara through the local Close Encounters dating agency.
 The first incarnation of the award-winning black comedy, about the "local people" of the town of Spent - before it hit TV.
 Starring:
 Mark Gattis
 Reece Shearsmith
 Steve Pemberton
 Written by the cast and Jeremy Dyson.
 The League of Gentlemen won a Perrier Edinburgh Festival award in 1997 and this radio series debuted in the same year.
 They also won a Sony Radio Award. The cult series switched to TV for three series on BBC 2 from 1999, plus stage shows and a feature film.
 Producer: Sarah Smith
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1997.
SUN 22:30 Electric Ink (b011vmd9)
 Series 1
 Episode 5
 While Freddy introduces buzzwords to the paper, Maddox uncovers a top story about the Prime Minister, will the story be spiked?
 Starring Robert Lindsay and Alex Jennings.
 Old hacks meet new media in Alistair Beaton's satire set in the changing world of the newspaper industry.
 Maddox Robert Lindsay
 Oliver Alex Jennings
 Amelia Elizabeth Berrington
 Tasneem Zita Sattar
 Masha Debbie Chazen
 Freddy Ben Willbond
 Announcer Matt Addis
 PM's Wife Janice Acquah
 With additional material by Tom Mitchelson.
 Director: Sally Avens
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2009.
SUN 23:00 Old Harry's Game (b007k1fk)
 Series 1
 Rebellion
 Gary leads a demon rebellion against the Prince of Darkness. Meanwhile Satan ponders the meaning of happiness - and Elvis Presley gets locked in a crate...
 Andy Hamilton's devilishly funny sitcom set in Hell.
 Satan Andy Hamilton
 The Professor James Groust
 Thomas Jimmy Mulville
 Gary, The Demon Steven O'Donnell
 Other characters played by:
 Philip Pope
 Penelope Nice
 Michael Fenton Stevens
 Nigel Pegram
 Producer: Paul Mayhew-Archer
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1995.
SUN 23:30 The Absolutely Radio Show (b08wmyc7)
 Series 2
 Episode 2
 More from Stoneybridge Town Council, Little Girl and the News News News team.
 The cast of TV's hugely popular sketch show are back, revisiting some of their much-loved sketch characters, while also introducing some newcomers to the show.
 Starring:

Peter Baikle
Morwenna Banks
Moray Hunter
Gordon Kennedy
John Sparkes
Gus Beattie

In 2013, the group that made their name on Channel Four in the 1980s and 90s got back together for BBC Radio 4's Sketchorama: Absolutely Special - which won the BBC Audio Drama Award for Best Live Scripted Comedy.
Producers: Gordon Kennedy & Gus Beattie
An Absolutely/Gusman production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in July 2017.

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MON 26:00 The Navy Lark (m0024ls5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 today]

the 1962 Eurovision Song Contest, the musical double-act are back in the big time.

Starring June Whitfield and Roy Hudd.

The return of Mike Coleman's six-part sitcom.

Tommy Franklin Roy Hudd

Sheila Parr June Whitfield

With:

Pat Coombs

Julian Eardley

Edward Halstead.

Music by Frido Ruth.

Producer: Steve Doherty

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1999.

MON 07:30 The Navy Lark (m0024ls5)

Series 11

The Security Clampdown

When espionage is suspected in the dockyard, Commanding Officer Murray's furtive behaviour makes him a suspect...

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/Commander Weatherby Jon

Pertwee

The Commanding Officer Stephen Murray

Captain Povey Richard Caldico

Rita Ffont-Bittocks/WREN Chasen Heather Chasen

LS Goldstein/The Admiral Tenniel Evans

Admiral Ironbridge 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 February 1970.

MON 08:00 North by Northamptonshire (b0184vh8)

Series 2

Episode 3

A visiting choir sets hearts aflutter amongst the ladies of

Wadenbrook, while Mary's dad, Norman, has an adventure of

his own.

Sheila Hancock narrates the bittersweet adventures of the

residents of a small town in Northamptonshire.

Written by Katherine Jakeways.

Keith John Biggins

Rod Mackenzie Crook

Jonathan/Ken Kevin Eldon

Narrator Shelia Hancock

Helen Jessica Henwick

Esther/Jacqui Katherine Jakeways

Jan Felicity Montagu

Norman Geoffrey Palmer

Angela Lizzie Roper

Mary Penelope Wilton

Frank Rufus Wright

Producer: Victoria Lloyd

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2011.

MON 08:30 Lizzie Siddal (m0024ls7)

1. New Beginnings

Struck by her good looks and her pale copper hair, the Pre-

Raphaelite painters made Lizzie Siddal one of the best known

faces of the Victorian era.

An artist's model from the London slums, she also made her

mark as a poet and artist.

This is her extraordinary story - written in five parts by Lucinda

Hawksley

Read by Susannah Harker.

Producer Elizabeth Allard

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2004.

MON 08:45 One Down (b00750lf)

1. Mystery Crossword

Clue: Newspaperman in refusal to admit it's all over (3,4).

When a mystery crossword appears in The Rainswick Mercury

the staff are flummoxed, but a local property developer thinks

it's personal.

Five-part puzzling drama written by Alison Joseph.

Julian Nicholas Le Prevost

Mary Adjoa Andoh

Abbie Helen Longworth

Ian Anthony Glenn

Tara Jasmine Callan

Gavin John Douqall

Trent Simon Treves

Pete Harry Myers

Newsreader Simon Treves

Newsreader Rachel Bavidge

Newsreader Joanna Pinnock

See the crossword grid and clues online via BBC Radio 4

Extra's website.

Director: Paul Arnold

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2007.

MON 09:00 Yesterday in Parliament (m0024lsc)

Susan Hulme reports on how one of this week's Budget

announcements will affect people hoping to return to work. And

how did the Conservatives choose their leaders in the past?

MON 09:30 The Animals' VC (b0076m24)

1. Brave Beginnings

Since 1943, 60 animals have been awarded the PDSA Dickin

Medal.

This is the animal equivalent of the Victoria Cross.

Dylan Winter traces the history of the award and hears the extraordinary stories of its first recipients - some plucky pigeons during the Second World War.

Producer: Sheena Duncan

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2004.

MON 09:45 Daily Service (m0024lsj)

Hymn Writers: Timothy Dudley-Smith

Pam Rhodes reflects on the life and work of hymn writer

Bishop Timothy Dudley-Smith, who died recently at the age of

97.

Reading: Colossians 3: 12-17

Music:

Tell out, my soul (All Souls Choir and Orchestra)

When the Lord in glory comes (All Souls Choir and Orchestra)

As water to the thirsty (International Staff Songsters of the

Salvation Army)

Lord for the Years (BBC Songs of Praise recording)

Producer: Andrew Earis

MON 10:00 Sounds Natural (b07k0ts9)

Bernard Cribbins

From the Meadow Pipit to the Red-Backed Shrike.

Actor Bernard Cribbins talks to Derek Jones about his love of

bird watching, fishing and the importance of conservation.

Aided by recordings from the BBC Sound Archive.

Producer: John Burton.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1972.

MON 10:30 The Actor's Gang on the Outside (b0736vty)

We followed actor Tim Robbins' work with prisoners on the

inside of LA's tough prison system in THE ACTOR'S GANG .

Three of the actors who we heard in the first documentary have

now been released.

Rajesh Mirchandani catches up with them to hear their stories.

Has taking part in The Actor's Gang Prison Project helped

them turn their lives around?

Has the acting course had any long term effects on helping with

their rehabilitation and adapting to life outside prison?

This promises to be a compellingly gritty portrait of crime,

second chances and the power of drama.

Produced in Edinburgh by Kate Bissell.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2016.

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John Learmonth Alan McMahon
 Dr William Connor David Bowen
 Mrs Austin Joyce Latham
 PC Downing Jez Thomas
 Walter Brooke David Acton
 Director: Jenny Stephens
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MON 22:00 Paul Sinha's Perfect Pub Quiz (m0024dg9)
 Series 3
 Bradford - Why West Yorkshire Is the Best Yorkshire
 Paul takes his Bradford audience on a quizzing tour of Yorkshire, from below the banks of the Aire to the top of the tallest tower.
 What was the biggest sporting legacy of the Brontes? Who was the film industry's first ever nepo-baby? Why is West Yorkshire the Best Yorkshire? And how many Bradfordians have had number one singles - the correct answer may surprise you (as, indeed, it surprised Paul).
 Written and performed by Paul Sinha
 Additional material: Oliver Levy
 Additional questions: The Audience
 Original music: Tim Sutton
 Recording engineer: Richard Biddulph
 Mixed by: Rich Evans
 Producer: Ed Morrish
 A Lead Mojo production for BBC Radio 4
MON 22:30 Alexei Sayle's Strangers on a Train (m001b3vr)
 Series 1
 Hull to Liverpool
 Alexei Sayle takes another train journey and breaks the golden rule of travelling by train in the UK - by actually talking to his fellow passengers.
 In this episode, he travels from Hull to Liverpool.
 Among his many fellow travellers, he meets:
 * Oscar who hopes to become a barrister specialising in human rights cases.
 * Nick and Rachel who've taken up a more simple life after Nick's stressful career as a consulting engineer working on huge projects like the Shard in London
 * Mother and daughter Jill and Isobel reveal how their lives have changed after they both lived through the Ariana Grande concert bombing in Manchester.
 Producers: Peter Lowe & Nick Symons
 A Ride production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in August 2022.
MON 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m0024y9x)
 Leigh Francis 1/3
 From 10pm until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Paul Garner speaks to the comedian Leigh Francis.
MON 23:00 Dead Ringers (m0024fnl)
 Series 25
 Dead Ringers: Ep.1. Budget Politicians
 What was Rachel Reeves' real inspiration for her budget? What advice is Kamala Harris giving to Joe Biden, and what exactly is a 'working person'? JD Vance and Tim Walz make their first appearances on the show and Rishi Sunak probably his last. This week's impressionists are Jon Culshaw, Jan Ravens, Lewis Macleod, Jess Robinson and Jason Forbes.
 The episode was written by: Tom Jamieson and Nev Fountain, Laurence Howarth, Ed Amsden and Tom Coles, Cody Dahler, Rob Darke, Edward Tew, Sophie Dickson with additional material by Jennifer Walker.
 Sound design: Rich Evans
 Executive Producer: Richard Morris
 Produced and created by Bill Dare
 Production Coordinator: Caroline Barlow
MON 23:30 Mark Watson Talks a Bit About Life (m000gmgh)
 Series 3
 Winter
 Multi-award winning comedian and author Mark Watson continues his examination of the four seasons of the year and the seasons of a human life, as Mark.
 Reaching the halfway point of his expected lifespan - he

considers what might come next.
 Mark and his guests take on Winter, of which the pros are Christmas. And the cons - the end of the year reminds us that all things must die.
 With the sardonic musical brilliance of Flo and Joan and special guest Jess Fostekeew.
 As always, there's a huge number of jokes, some songs, and an awful lot of other stuff crammed into each show as the much-loved comic and his guests make their way through life at dizzying speed.
 Producer: Lianne Coop
 An Impatient production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in March 2020.

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TUE 06:00 Whodunnits (b007jpk)
 Hercule Poirot - Death on the Nile
 2. Vendetta
 The Belgian sleuth senses the atmosphere of evil afloat, as Jackie's vendetta continues.
 Agatha Christie's whodunnit stars John Moffatt as Hercule Poirot.
 Dramatised by Michael Bakewell.
 Hercule Poirot John Moffatt
 Colonel Race Donald Sinden
 Mrs Allerton Rosemary Leach
 Pennington Stratford Johns
 Linnet Ridgeway Elaine Pyke
 Simon Doyle Robert Daws
 Tim Allerton Nicholas Boulton
 Jacqueline de Bellefort Amanda Barton-Chapple
 Mrs Otterbourne Shirley Dixon
 Rosalie Otterbourne Emma Woodvine
 Miss Van Schuyler Irene Sutcliffe
 Cornelia Teresa Gallagher
 Fanthorp Robert May
 Richetti Ioan Meredith
 Ferguson Robert Portal
 Guide Ben Thomas
 Steward Christopher Scott
 Director: Enyd Williams
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1997.
TUE 06:30 Paul Temple (b007jp92)
 Paul Temple and the Vandyke Affair
 2. The Marlow Incident
 With Queenie dead - will her clue help the debonair detective and wife Steve find the missing baby?
 Francis Durbridge's thriller stars Peter Coke and Marjorie Westbury as BBC radio's smoothest investigator and his glamorous wife.
 Paul Temple Peter Coke
 Steve Marjorie Westbury
 Sir Graham Forbes Richard Williams
 Inspector Eden Frederick Treves
 Charlie James Beattie
 Terry Palmer Peter Wilde
 Mary Desmond June Tobin
 Sergeant Digby David Spenser
 Bill McCall John Stott
 Roger Shelly Richard Hurdall
 George Jeffrey Segal
 Waiter James Thomason
 Sergeant Hugh Manning
 Telephone Girl Hilda Schroder
 Producer: Martyn C Webster
 First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in January 1959.
TUE 07:00 Living with Betty (b09hzzpf)
 Episode 4
 Muriel fails to impress the neighbours with Bill's truck parked up outside.
 The East End meets Cheshire in Arline Whittaker's six-part sitcom.
 CAST:

Betty Barbara Windsor
 Harold Peter Sallis
 Bill Glynn Edwards
 Muriel Rosalind Knight
 Trevor Simon Molloy
 Katherine Diana Mather
 The Mechanic Chris Ellison
 Mrs Brightwell Rosalie Williams
 Producer: Mike Craig
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in 1986.
TUE 07:30 The Goon Show (b007jn16)
 Series 6
 The Tales of Montmartre
 Paris, passion and duplicity abound in the tangled lives of two talented painters.
 Ground-breaking, surreal BBC radio comedy written by Spike Milligan and Eric Sykes.
 Starring:
 Peter Sellers
 Harry Secombe
 Spike Milligan
 With Special Guest Charlotte Mitchell as Fifi.
 First billed as Crazy People, ten series of The Goon Show were recorded between 1951 and 1960, but sadly many of the earliest shows weren't kept in the archive.
 With the Ray Ellington Quartet and Max Geldray.
 Orchestra conducted by Wally Stott.
 Announcer: Wallace Greenslade
 Producer: Peter Eton
 First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in January 1956.
TUE 08:00 Lemn Sissay's Social Enterprise (m000bshx)
 Episode 2
 Every year since 2013, the poet, broadcaster and author Lemn Sissay has arranged a Christmas dinner for people aged 18-25 who have left the care system and have no one with whom to have Christmas dinner. No one to give presents or receive them. No-one on the other end of the cracker.
 This is not a charity. It isn't even an organisation. It's a project Lemn undertook because he understands how it feels - at 18 he was released from a children's home and given an empty flat in Wigan, with no one in the world who had known him for longer than a year.
 Lemn Sissay's Social Enterprise is a four-part series for BBC Radio 4, considering what these dinners have taught him about charity, social enterprise, and people, through stand-up, interview and poetry.
 In this episode, he explores the idea of food - with the help of Garry Lemon, the Policy Director of the charity The Trussell Trust, and comedians Alexander Bennett and Dan Cardwell.
 Written and performed by Lemn Sissay.
 Produced by Ed Morrish.
 A Somethin' Else production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in December 2019.
TUE 08:30 Lizzie Siddal (m0024znf)
 2. Fame as Millais' Ophelia
 Lizzie falls in love but quickly finds herself in a vulnerable position. Her life as an artist's model reaches new heights when she poses for John Everett Millais' portrait of Ophelia. Read by Susannah Harker.
 Written by Lucinda Hawksley
 Producer Elizabeth Allard
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2024.
TUE 08:45 One Down (b007s1d7)
 2. More Than a Prank
 Runs drug boxed with explosive at the river (5).
 Ian thinks the mystery crossword may be more than just a prank.
 Julian Nicholas Le Prevost
 Mary Adjoa Andoh
 Abbie Helen Longworth
 Ian Anthony Glennon
 Tara Jasmine Callan
 Gavin John Dougall
 Trent Simon Treves
 Produced and directed by Paul Arnold.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2007.
TUE 09:00 Yesterday in Parliament (m0024nzz)
 The latest news from Westminster - and beyond.
TUE 09:30 The Animals' VC (b0076m57)
 2. The Cat Among the Pigeons
 Alongside the 32 messenger pigeons awarded the PDSA's Dickin Medal for devotion to duty during wartime, sits just one cat.
 Simon was the captain's cat on-board HMS Amethyst and in 1949 he became caught up in what was to become known as the "Yangtze Incident" in China.
 Dylan Winter finds out how, during the 100 days when the ship was held captive, Simon ensured himself a place in history and his medal.
 Producer: Sheena Duncan
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2004.
TUE 09:45 Daily Service (m0024nzz)
 Hymn Writers: Patrick Appleford
 Rev Dr Sam Wells reflects on the life and work of hymn writer, and family friend, Patrick Appleford, including his most famous hymn, Living Lord.
 Reading: John 20: 1, 11-18
 Music (sung by St Martin's Voices):
 - Jesus our Lord, our king and our God

- Living Lord
- O Lord all the world belongs to you
- Jesus is with us
Producer: Andrew Earis
TUE 10:00 A Good Read (b09fy5xd)
Alexei Sayle and Meg Rosoff
Meg Rosoff, Alexei Sayle and Harriett Gilbert choose books by Richard Hughes, Carol Tavris and Elliot Aronson, and Donna Leon.
Why do we find it so hard to own up when we've got something wrong? The writer and comedian Alexei Sayle's choice for A Good Read - Mistakes Were Made (But Not By Me) by Carol Tavris and Elliot Aronson, explores the psychology of self-justification and how politicians (and everyone else) sleep at night.
Novelist Meg Rosoff's book choice is A High Wind in Jamaica by Richard Hughes - her favourite book of all time. She argues that while it might seem like a tale for children of pirates and adventure on the high seas, there is so much more going on beneath the surface.
And Harriett Gilbert shares a favourite holiday read - Donna Leon's Friends in High Places.
A High Wind in Jamaica by Richard Hughes
Publisher: Vintage
Mistakes Were Made (But Not By Me) by Carol Tavris and Elliot Aronson
Publisher: Pinter & Martin
Donna Leon's Friends in High Places
Publisher: Arrow
Producer: Mair Bosworth
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2017.
TUE 10:30 Evita's Odyssey (b01105dq)
When Eva Peron, Argentina's most famous First Lady died in 1952, her body was embalmed. Three years later in 1955, her widower, Juan Peron, was deposed in a coup.
Evita was the most potent symbol of Peronism, and military officers feared her corpse could become a rallying point of protest against the new government.
So they stole it. It probably spent time in a van parked in Buenos Aires, the city's waterworks, behind a cinema screen, and in the offices of Military Intelligence. But wherever it stayed, it is said that candles and flowers appeared. Clearly a more long-term solution was required...
Linda Pressly tells the stranger-than-fiction tale of what happened to her body over the next two decades - in Argentina and Europe.
It's an extraordinary story - one that takes in more grave-robbing, kidnap, murder, a revolutionary guerrilla group, and the occult.
Through interviews with key players - like the man who repaired the damage to Evita's body when it finally returned to Argentina in 1974 - this is a fascinating glimpse of Argentina before it descended into its darkest and bloodiest days of military dictatorship in the 1970s.
It is a story that will stay with you.
Producer: Linda Pressly
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2012.
TUE 11:00 Whodunnits (b007jp19)
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TUE 11:30 Paul Temple (b007jp92)
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TUE 13:45 One Down (b007s1d7)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 today]
TUE 14:00 Act Your Age (b00ftb87)
Series 1
Episode 3
Simon Mayo hosts a three-way play-off to establish which generation of comedians is the funniest.
Captains Jon Richardson, Lucy Porter and Roy Walker are joined by guests Josie Long, Justin Edwards and Mick Miller and Ed Byrne.
Producers: Ashley Blaker and Bill Matthews
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2008.
TUE 14:30 Getting Nowhere Fast (b00mqgr)
Series 3
Episode 2
Burglars have struck at the CyberPass bistro. So Merv sits up alone to confront them.
Who is it? What do they want? And what will he actually do when they come?
Someone has got Merv by the Delias.
Sitcom set in the Cyber Pass' internet café.
Written by and starring Mervyn Stutter.
Merv Mervyn Stutter
Pam Lill Roughley
Dibden John Challis
Nev Gyuri Sarossy
Chantal Tracy-Ann Oberman
Dilkes Chris Ettridge
Various Geoffrey McGivern
Songs by Mervyn Stutter. Performed by Swamp Things.

Producer: Simon Nicholls
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2004.
TUE 15:00 Kevin Wong - Green Fingers (m0024nzc)
When Lucy inherits her grandfather's allotment, her knowledge of all things horticultural fits on the bottom of a flower pot. But before long she is treating chrysanthemums and marrows with tender loving care and she can tell a hydrangea from a hosta.
Starring Jane Hazlegrove and Roy Hudd.
Written by Kevin Wong.
Lucy Jane Hazlegrove
Roy Roy Hudd
Gordon Jason Done
Malcolm/Ernest David Holt
Albert Donkin Stephen Thorne
Robert Penrose Christopher Scott
Quentin Alcock Gavin Muir
Announcer/Customer Alex Trinder
Director: Tracey Neale
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2000.
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TUE 22:00 Sarah Kendall: Talking Story (m000x6w9)
Sharon Horgan
Sarah Kendall talks to three different storytellers about what 'story' means to them.
How have they developed their own style of storytelling in their respective mediums?
In this episode, Sarah talks to writer and director Sharon Horgan about finding the perfect writing partner, how her writing reflects her life and a disastrous audition with Ricky Gervais.
Sarah started out as a stand-up comic in late 1990s Australia. After performing for 15 years around the world, she transitioned into storytelling.
Sarah wanted to create something on stage that felt like the sort of films she loved to watch, so she wrote an hour-long show with a single personal story. She reimagined her teenage years as though they had been directed by John Hughes, giving her memories a full, cinematic makeover.
This connected Sarah to her audience in a more meaningful way compared to her original joke-based routines.
Producer: Carl Cooper
A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in June 2021.
TUE 22:30 The Penny Dreadfuls (b00gpbcl)
The Brothers Faversham
Theseus Faversham
The story of Victorian Britain's most respected detective - Theseus Faversham.
The comedy sketch trio present swashbuckling tales of four brothers born into the same privileged aristocratic family - Horatius, Theseus, Leonidas and Augustus.
Written by and starring The Penny Dreadfuls:
Humphrey Ker
David Reed
Thom Tuck
Alexandra Faversham ... Ingrid Oliver
Narrator... Miles Jupp
Producer: Julia McKenzie
Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in January 2008.
TUE 23:00 Clare in the Community (b061tppy)
Series 10
Family Values
A family funeral reveals some uncomfortable home truths for the Barker family.
Brian meanwhile has enthusiastically embraced a new fitness regime.
Sally Phillips is 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.
Clare continually struggles to control both her professional and private life In today's Big Society there are plenty of challenges out there for an involved, caring social worker. Or even Clare.

Written by Harry Venning and David Ramsden.
Clare Sally Phillips
Brian Alex Lowe
Nali Nina Conti
The Celebrant Richard Lumsden
Bernard Andrew Wincott
Sarah Barker Sarah Thom
Mrs Barker Brigit Forsyth
Roxy Alex Tregear
Producer: Alexandra Smith
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2015.
TUE 23:30 Jason Cook's School of Hard Knocks (b03w32c0)
Asking Out and First Dates
Comedian Jason Cook uses his life experiences to help us better navigate the choppy waters of life.
In this episode, he examines how to successfully ask someone out.
Discover the traps to be avoided when going on a first date - using Jason's trademarked "Place, Face, Case" methodology. Stories from the audience help to throw more light on the matter in hand.
With:
Zoe Harrison
Neil Grainger
Producer: Sam Michell
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2014.

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Hercule Poirot - Death on the Nile
3. Murder
Feeling a great sense of impending doom, the Belgian sleuth's holiday cruise is turning into a nightmare afloat.
Agatha Christie's whodunnit stars John Moffatt as Hercule Poirot.
Dramatised by Michael Bakewell.
Hercule Poirot John Moffatt
Colonel Race Donald Sinden
Mrs Allerton Rosemary Leach
Pennington Stratford Johns
Linnet Ridgeway Elaine Pyke
Simon Doyle Robert Daws
Tim Allerton Nicholas Boulton
Jacqueline de Bellefort Amanda Barton-Chapple
Mrs Otterbourne Shirley Dixon
Rosalie Otterbourne Emma Woodvine
Miss Van Schuyler Irene Sutcliffe
Cornelia Teresa Gallagher
Fanthorp Robert May
Richetti Ioan Meredith
Joanna Southwood Joanna Monro
Monsieur Blondin Sean Baker
Louise Colleen Prendergast
Simon Doyle Robert Daws
Dr Bessner Keith Drinkel
Rockford Ed Bishop
Steward Christopher Scott
Thomas Cook Agent Timothy Alcock
Waiter Chris Pavlo
Director: Enyd Williams
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1997.
WED 06:30 Paul Temple (b007jp9h)
Paul Temple and the Vandyke Affair
3. Introducing Mr Droste
More mystery, as the debonair detective sets out to unravel the secret behind Mrs Desmond's gloves.
Francis Durbridge's thriller stars Peter Coke and Marjorie Westbury as BBC radio's smoothest investigator and his glamorous wife.
Paul Temple Peter Coke
Steve Marjorie Westbury
Sir Graham Forbes Richard Williams

Terry Palmer Peter Wilde
 Bill McCall John Scott
 Roger Shelly Richard Hurdall
 Philip Droste Simon Lack
 Vanessa Droste Grizelda Hervey
 Eddie John Cazabon
 Taxi Driver Leigh Crutchley
 Charles Marett John Bryning
 Telephone Girl Beryl Calder
 Producer: Martyn C Webster
 First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in January 1959.
WED 07:00 Winston (b007tbrv)
 Winston in Europe
 Don't Gush, Nancy
 Father wants to move again. He's got the wanderlust. He's had enough of England.
 You can't get decent eccles cakes here any longer...
 Peter Tinniswood's bawdy six-part comedy serial.
 Winston Bill Wallis
 Father Maurice Denham
 Nancy Shirley Dixon
 Rosie Liz Goulding
 William Christian Rodska
 Director: Shaun MacLoughlin
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1992.
WED 07:30 Hancock's Half Hour (b00j283q)
 Series 3
 The Jewel Robbery
 The Lad's getting a new car, so Sid decides to make the most of the opportunity.
 Ray Galton and Alan Simpson's classic comedy about the life and times of Anthony Aloysius St John Hancock.
 Starring Tony Hancock.
 With:
 Bill Kerr
 Sidney James
 Kenneth Williams
 Andree Melly
 Theme and incidental music written by Wally Stott.
 Music recorded by the BBC Augmented Revue Orchestra conducted by Harry Rabinowitz.
 Producer: Dennis Main Wilson
 First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in October 1955.
WED 08:00 The Architects (b051rjpp)
 Series 2
 Refurb
 Matt and Tim are dispatched to Watford to restyle a Premier League footballer's mansion.
 Meanwhile Sir Lucien must negotiate a press interview without putting his foot in it.
 Comedy set in a struggling architectural practice.
 Written by Jim Poyser with Neil Griffiths.
 Sir Lucien Geoffrey Whitehead
 Tim Alex Carter
 Sarah Anna Crilly
 Matt Dominic Coleman
 Danny Richie Campbell
 Sean Jude Akwudike
 John Ian Coningham
 Computer Caddie/Tony Sam Dale
 Directed by Toby Swift
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2015.
WED 08:30 Lizzie Siddal (m0024nj3)
 3. A New Saviour
 Lizzie's lover Dante Rossetti introduces her to John Ruskin, and her own career as an artist takes off.
 Read by Susannah Harker
 Written by Lucinda Hawksley
 Producer Elizabeth Allard
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2004.
WED 08:45 One Down (b007s1w4)
 3. Fighting for Survival
 Wrestling hold is murder no less: second missing nightclub chief (6).
 Mary is pushing Julian to fight for the survival of his paper.
 Julian Nicholas Le Prevost
 Mary Adjoa Andoh
 Abbie Helen Longworth
 Ian Anthony Glennon
 Tara Jasmine Callan
 Gavin John Dougall
 Trent Simon Treves
 Produced and directed by Paul Arnold.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2007.
WED 09:00 Yesterday in Parliament (m0024nj6)
 The latest news from Westminster - and beyond.
WED 09:30 The Animals' VC (b0076m88)
 3. Man's Best Friend
 The majority of dogs awarded PDSA Dickin medals for bravery and devotion to duty won them between 1943 and 1949 as a result of the Second World War and its aftermath.
 Dylan Winter hears the stories of Rob, Beauty, Judy and Gander - just a few of the many courageous canines who proved they were truly "man's best friend".
 Producer: Sheena Duncan
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2004.
WED 09:45 Daily Service (m0024nj8)
 Hymn Writers: Bernadette Farrell
 Revd Dr Sam Wells introduces the next in this week's series on

hymn writers, with music and reflections from Bernadette Farrell.
 Reading: John 20: 1, 11-18
 Music:
 Christ be our light - Bernadette Farrell
 St Martin's Voices (BBC recording)
 Wherever there is love - Bernadette Farrell
 CD: Love goes on - Farrell
 Restless is the heart - Bernadette Farrell
 CD: Restless is the heart - Farrell
 O God you search me and you know me - Bernadette Farrell
 St Martin's Voices (BBC recording)
 Producer: Andrew Earis
WED 10:00 Archive on 4 (m00013md)
 How We Remember Them
 From 2014 to 2018, the world reflected on the centenary of the First World War.
 The atrocities of the conflict have been well-covered.
 So historian, Dan Snow looks at how and why our perceptions of the conflict have changed over time, and how that's affected the way we commemorate the event.
 With powerful accounts of veterans, from the iconic 1964 BBC series The Great War and the Imperial War Museum's sound archive, as well as moving early commemorations at the Cenotaph.
 With:
 Dan Todman
 Lucy Noakes
 Helen McCartney
 Jean Seaton
 Peter Hart - who interviewed many veterans on behalf of the IWM.
 Producers: Megan Jones and Glyn Tansley
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2018.
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WED 13:45 One Down (b007s1w4)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 today]
WED 14:00 Counterpoint (b02x66zq)
 Series 27
 2013 Heat 7
 Paul Gambaccini chairs the general knowledge music quiz.
 The questions and musical extracts cover territory as diverse as Wagner, Lionel Bart, Handel and Culture Club. As ever, the contestant who can demonstrate the widest range of musical knowledge stands to win a place in the semi-finals, which begin in a few weeks' time.
 There are plenty of musical extracts to identify, both familiar and surprising.
 This trio of competitors battling it out at the BBC's studios in Maida Vale, London are:
 Stephen Bliss from Woodstock, Oxfordshire
 Bob del Quiaro from South London
 Roland Matthews from Romsey, Hampshire
 Producer: Paul Bajoria
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2013.
WED 14:30 Smelling of Roses (b007jzm2)
 Series 1
 Out To Launch
 Rosie's company is set to launch the autobiography of the country's most famous footballer, Lloyd Gratton.
 The lives of Rosie and her granddaughter Jo are shaken by the return to Rosie's daughter Kate after a long spell working abroad.
 The trials and tribulations of Rosie Burns and her event management company, based in Brighton.
 Prunella Scales stars in Simon Brett's sitcom
 Rosie Prunella Scales
 Kate Arabella Weir
 Jo Rebecca Callard
 Bob Duncan Preston
 Tess Annette Badland
 Greg Turnball Jon Glover
 Lalage Croxton-Sackville Tracy-Ann Oberman
 Lloyd Gratton Will Ing
 Producer: Maria Esposito
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2000.
WED 15:00 John Bunyan - The Pilgrim's Progress (b00fcd6c)
 1. Setting Out
 The adventures of Christian, a pilgrim who embarks on a perilous journey to the Celestial City.
 John Bunyan's enduring 17th century classic novel.
 Starring Anton Rogers.
 Dramatised in three parts by Brian Sibley.
 Bunyan Anton Rodgers
 Christian Neil Dudgeon
 Evangelist Alec McCowen
 Beelzebub Don Warrington

Interpreter Anna Massey
 Caged Man Peter Bowles
 Elizabeth Caroline Lee Johns
 Jailer Ioan Meredith
 Judge Derek Waring
 Pliable Philip Fox
 Obstinate Chris Moran
 Help Jaimi Barbakoff
 Goodwill Lydia Leonard
 Angel Cherie Taylor-Battiste
 Child Sophie Levy
 Child Nyla Lev
 Director: Pam Fraser Solomon
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2004.
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WED 22:00 Ivo Graham's Obsessions (m0024f3x)
 5. Kat Sadler & Felix White
 Comedian and obsessive Ivo Graham welcomes another two celebrity obsessives to talk about their greatest loves.

 This week, Ivo is joined by writer and star of the BAFTA-winning Such Brave Girls, Kat Sadler, and former Maccabees guitarist and current Tailenders host, Felix White. Kat has seen Friends more times than you can count, but which of the friends is she most like? Felix discovered his love of Baseball whilst touring the states, and explains to Ivo why he should be just as obsessed with it as he is.

 Ivo also finds out what the studio audience's obsessions are, before being joined by a Very Obsessed Person, or VOP. Aaron Carty is a Beyoncé obsessive, and has toured the world as a Beyoncé drag impersonator - can you get more obsessed than that?

 Hosted by Ivo Graham
 Featuring Kat Sadler, Felix White and Aaron Carty

 Written by Ivo Graham and Matthew Crosby

 Additional Material by Cameron Loxdale, Christina Riggs and Peter Tellouche

 Recorded at RADA Studios by Chris MacLean
 Sound edited by Charlie Brandon-King
 Production Coordinators: Katie Baum and Jodie Charman
 Executive Producer: Pete Strauss

 Produced by Gwyn Rhys Davies, a BBC Studios Audio production for Radio 4

 An EcoAudio certified production
 Show image: Matt Stronge
WED 22:30 Mark Thomas: The Manifesto (b01lrirj)
 Series 5
 Bridport
 Comedian and activist Mark Thomas travels to Bridport, Dorset to compile a People's Manifesto using policies suggested by his studio audience.
 Producer: Colin Anderson
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2013.
WED 23:00 The Big Fun Show (b00lbgwk)
 Episode 4
 Sketch series with Paul Merton, Julian Clary, Tony Hawks and Josie Lawrence - before they hit the big time.
 Written and presented by Paul Merton, John Irwin and Neil Mullarkey.
 Also starring:
 Josie Lawrence
 Tony Hawks
 Julian Clary
 Music by Tony Hawks.
 Producer: David Tyler
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1988.
WED 23:30 The Skewer (m0024f4c)
 Series 12
 Episode 8
 The week's biggest stories like you've never heard them before.

Jon Holmes remixes the news into a satirical concept album.

This week - Budget, Bluffs, and Fight Club.

Producer: Jon Holmes

An unusual production for BBC Radio 4

WED 23:45 Self-Storage (b007zmbd)

Series 1

House Hunting

Still homeless and separated from his wife, Dave plans to move

out of The Storage Garden, while Geoff plans to move in.

Stars Reece Shearsmith and Mark Heap.

Sitcom written by Tom Collinson and Barnaby Power.

Dave Reece Shearsmith.

Geoff Mark Heap.

Ron Tom Goodman-Hill.

Judy Rosie Cavaliero.

Sarah Susan Earl.

Estate agent Phil Nichol

Producer: Ed Morrish

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2007.

THURSDAY 07 NOVEMBER 2024

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THU 06:00 Whodunnits (b007jpmf)

Hercule Poirot - Death on the Nile

4. Discovery

A grisly discovery leaves the Belgian sleuth baffled.

But the main murder suspect couldn't possibly have committed the crime?

Agatha Christie's whodunnit stars John Moffatt as Hercule Poirot.

Dramatised by Michael Bakewell.

Hercule Poirot John Moffatt

Colonel Race Donald Sinden

Mrs Allerton Rosemary Leach

Pennington Stratford Johns

Linnnet Ridgeway Elaine Pyke

Simon Doyle Robert Daws

Tim Allerton Nicholas Boulton

Jacqueline de Bellefort Amanda Barton-Chapple

Mrs Otterbourne Shirley Dixon

Rosalie Otterbourne Emma Woodvine

Richetti Ioan Meredith

Joanna Southwood Joanna Monro

Monsieur Blondin Sean Baker

Rockford Ed Bishop

Ferguson Robert Portal

Steward Christopher Scott

Stewardess Janet Maw

Thomas Cook Agent Timothy Alcock

Waiter Chris Pavlo

Director: Enyd Williams

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1997.

THU 06:30 Paul Temple (b007jp9x)

Paul Temple and the Vandyke Affair

4. Boulevard Seminaire

The mystery glove trail leads the suave detective and his wife to a rendezvous in Paris.

Francis Durbridge's thriller stars Peter Coke and Marjorie

Westbury as BBC radio's smoothest investigator and his glamorous wife.

Paul Temple Peter Coke

Steve Marjorie Westbury

Sir Graham Forbes Richard Williams

Bill McCall John Scott

Philip Droste Simon Lack

Vanessa Droste Grizelda Hervey

Charles Maret John Bryning

Luke Jon Farrell

Telephone Operator Betty Baskcomb

Louis Franz Rolf Lefebvre

Waiter David March

Receptionist Beatrice Ormonde

Producer: Martyn C Webster

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in January 1959.

THU 07:00 Are You From the Bugle? (b01jqz5m)

Butterthwaite White Hell

Will snow play havoc with Graham's chances of landing a story?

John Gradwell's six-part sitcom about life in Butterthwaite's local newspaper office.

Bert Ball Jeffrey Holland

Graham Carpenter Robert Beck

Brenda Thistlethwaite Frances Jeater

Arnold Beasley David Ryall

Vicky Cox Sue Devaney

Lawrence Stevens Dean Williamson

All other parts played by Rachel Atkins, Mark Gatiss, Peter

Silverleaf and Carolyn Bonnyman.

Producer: Kathy Smith

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1996.

THU 07:30 It Sticks Out Half A Mile (b007jq15)

9. The Fancy Dress Parade

Frambourne-on-Sea's pier restoration fund-raising costume

party is going well, until Pike brings a piano.

Starring John Le Mesurier, Ian Lavender and Bill Pertwee.

A seaside saga of pier perpetuation.

Written by Harold Snoad and Michael Knowles.

Arthur Wilson John Le Mesurier

Frank Pike Ian Lavender

Bert Hodges Bill Pertwee

Miss Perkins Vivienne Martin

Mrs Pike Janet Davies

Ernest Wolcott Michael Knowles

Mrs Briggs Hilda Braid

Willerby Smallpiece Gordon Clyde

Waitress Miranda Forbes

Based on the Dad's Army characters originally created by

Jimmy Perry and David Croft.

Producer: Martin Fisher

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in January 1984.

THU 08:00 Alex Edelman's Peer Group (m000f77v)

Series 3

Bubbles

Award-winning comedian Alex Edelman discusses the different

bubbles he lives in and how he tries to break out of them.

With help from his "peer group" at the University of Arts

London, he examines how living in bubbles defines us all, and

how sometimes they need to be burst.

Written and presented by Alex Edelman. With additional

material from Alfie Brown, Rebecca Nicholson, David

Burstein, Catherine Brinkworth and Kat Sadler.

Producer: Sam Michell

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

February 2020.

THU 08:30 Lizzie Siddal (m0024p8b)

4. A Trip Abroad

A trip to France sees Lizzie's health improve. However, Dante

Rossetti's philandering sounds a note of discord in their

troubled relationship.

Read by Susannah Harker

Written by Lucinda Hawksley

Producer Elizabeth Allard

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2004.

THU 08:45 One Down (b007s27l)

4. Confronting the Enemy

Plant entraps criminal mafia leader, resulting in untidy fight (9).

Julian confronts his enemy.

Julian Nicholas Le Prevost

Mary Adjoa Andoh

Abbie Helen Longworth

Ian Anthony Glennon

Tara Jasmine Callan

Gavin John Dougall

Trent Simon Treves

Pete Harry Myers

Produced and directed by Paul Arnold.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2007.

THU 09:00 Yesterday in Parliament (m0024p8f)

The latest news from Westminster - and beyond.

THU 09:30 The Animals' VC (b0076mcc)

4. Dogged Defence

Dylan Winter learns about the bravery back in 1941 of life-

saving Gander the Newfoundland dog in Hong Kong.

But what does it take to train military dogs, horses and their

handlers today? Will this year's four-legged recruits be Dickin

Medal winners in the future for their gallantry? Dylan visits an

army base to find out, and meets a recent winner.

Producer: Sheena Duncan

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2004.

THU 09:45 Daily Service (m0024p8h)

Hymn Writers: Ally Barrett

A service from Cambridge led by Ridley Hall ordinand Olivia

Davies, in which the priest and hymn writer Ally Barrett

reflects on what it means to write new hymns for today's world.

Reading: Romans 12.9-18

Music (sung by St Martin's Voices)

- Be in our midst, and gather us together

- You came to raise the last and least

- O God of all salvation

- Hope of our calling

Producer: Andrew Earis

THU 10:00 Great Lives (b00scvqk)

Carl Sagan

Physicist Brian Cox tells Matthew Parris how Carl Sagan's

Cosmos tv show changed his life.

As a young boy of 13, Brian Cox stared at his TV screen every Wednesday evening, as Carl Sagan took him on a journey across the Cosmos. The programme was a ground-breaking piece of television by a brilliant young scientist who could be inspiring and infuriating in equal measure.

Sagan was a complex character. Driven to succeed, he came from a relatively poor background to become a millionaire, and one of the most influential scientists of his era. His popularity left him open to both criticism and jealousy amongst his colleagues, and whilst he was passionate about the need to educate the populace, he could also be arrogant and dismissive of his fellow scientists.

So just how good a scientist was he, and what is his legacy?

Producer: John Byrne

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2010.

THU 10:30 Feel the Chant: The Brit Funk Story (b01r5lms)

In the 1970s and early 80s, Jazz Funk music swept the UK's dance floors and clubs.

This new musical sound emerged from the shadows of disco and had a fascinating impact in Britain.

Vocalist and presenter David Grant was part of the UK soul outfit Linx. So who better to revisit this unique era, which saw artists experimenting with a fusion of jazz, funk, urban dance rhythm and pop hooks.

David reveals how the origins of Brit-Funk heralded a new dawn of dance music, cutting through racial boundaries in the clubs.

Featuring:

Mark King of Level 42

Gee Bello of Light of the World

Bill Sharpe and Jill Sayward of Shakatak

DJ's Chris Hill and Snowboy

Paul P of Hi-Tension

Southern Freeez singer, Ingrid Mansfield Allman

Producer: Stephen Garner

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2013.

THU 11:00 Whodunnits (b007jmbb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

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THU 13:45 One Down (b007s27l)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 today]

THU 14:00 Dilemma (b05r3ssw)

Series 4

Episode 3

Sue Perkins presents another edition of the show that puts the big moral and ethical questions to a mixed panel, finding the tipping point of their personal morality.

In this episode, it's the turn of comedians Jo Brand and Michael Legge, musician and Radio 3 presenter Mara Carlyle, and journalist Matthew Parris.

They discuss, among other things, unfortunate children's names and bad birthday presents, and help the audience with their real life dilemmas - although with "help" like this...

Devised by Danielle Ward

Produced by Ed Morrish.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2015.

THU 14:30 Robin and Wendy's Wet Weekends (b007jrwc)

Series 1

The Heinrich Manoeuvre

Robin and Wendy are a childless couple with an unhealthy obsession with Mayfield - a model village they've built that's now the centre of their lives.

Written by and starring Kay Stonham and Simon Greenall.

Robin Simon Greenall

Wendy Kay Stonham

Maureen Debra Stephenson

Derek Phil Cornwell

Heinrich Tony Gardner

Producer: Mario Stylianides

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2001.

THU 15:00 John Bunyan - The Pilgrim's Progress (b00fd2td)

2. The Valley

Christian is determined to reach the Celestial City even though

it means passing through the Valley of The Shadow of Death.

John Bunyan's enduring 17th century classic novel.

Starring Anton Rogers.

Dramatised by Brian Sibley.

Anton Rodgers ... Bunyan

Neil Dudgeon ... Christian

Alec McCowen ... Evangelist

Don Warrington ... Beelzebub

Caroline Lee Johnson ... Elizabeth

Cherie Taylor-Battiste ... Piety
Graham Crowden ... Faithful
Stephen Thorne ... Cobb
Eve Karpf ... Discretion
Rachel Atkins ... Talkative
Damian Lynch ... Timorous
Director: Pam Fraser Solomon
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2004.
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THU 21:00 John Bunyan - The Pilgrim's Progress (b00fd2td)
[Repeat of broadcast at 15:00 today]
THU 22:00 Unspeakable (m0024fk4)
Series 1
1. Slang, Wang and apps that harangue
Ever struggled to find the right word for a feeling or sensation? Unspeakable sees comedian Phil Wang and lexicographer Susie Dent invite celebrity guests to invent new linguistic creations, to solve those all too relatable moments when we're lost for words. This episode we hear Jack Dee's new word for when you try to sound cool but end up sounding exactly your age, Miles Jupp's new word for being fed up by a world in which there is an app for everything, and Ria Lina's new word for something that is damp, limp, a bit pathetic.
Hosts: Phil Wang and Susie Dent
Guests: Jack Dee, Miles Jupp and Ria Lina
Created by Joe Varley
Writer: Matt Crosby
Recorded by Jerry Peal
Producer: Jon Harvey
Executive Producers: Joe Varley and Akash Lockmun
A Brown Bred production for BBC Radio 4
THU 22:30 Sami Shah's Beginner's Guide to Pakistan (b06d8pql)
Episode 1
Sami Shah is an award-winning comedian and best-selling author, and one of Pakistan's most successful comedians. Yes, Pakistan has comedians.
Sami's travelled to Birmingham - or, to give it its full name, the Islamic Republic of Birmingham - to give a quick guide to the country which has directly and/or indirectly provided the UK with 1.8% of its population: Pakistan.
In this first episode, he looks at the country's political history, from its foundations in British-ruled India right up to the present day.
It's a litany of coups and assassinations, in the middle of which Sami grew up, moved away and came home - to a very different Pakistan from the one he left. Which isn't to say that there weren't more coups and/or assassinations.
Written and performed by Sami Shah.
The Voice of the Guide: Anita Anand
Producer: Ed Morrish
A BBC Radio Comedy production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in September 2015.
THU 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m0024y9z)
Leigh Francis 2/3
From 10pm until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Paul Garner speaks to the comedian Leigh Francis.
THU 23:00 I've Never Seen Star Wars (b01q8np2)
Series 5
Jenni Murray
Dame Jenni Murray cooks her first ever healthy meal, using tofu and lentils and watches her first violent film.
She also samples the delights of controversial comedian Frankie Boyle.
Series in which guests experience new things and give their verdicts to Marcus Brigstocke - and explain why they've waited so long to do it.
Producer: Bill Dare
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2013.
THU 23:30 The Hudson and Pepperdine Show (b007jnyr)
Series 1
Episode 1
Mel and Vicki battle to keep the show going despite constant interruptions from the Dirty Sloanes and the Goatee Beard Men's Group.
Variety meets sitcom meets sketch show.

Written and performed by Mel Hudson and Vicki Pepperdine.
With:
Martin Hyder
Jim North
Script editor: Graeme Garden
Producers: Claire Jones and Helen Williams
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2000.

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FRI 05:00 John Bunyan - The Pilgrim's Progress (b00fd2td)
[Repeat of broadcast at 15:00 on Thursday]
FRI 06:00 Whodunnits (b007jpm)
Hercule Poirot - Death on the Nile
5. Suspicions
The Belgian sleuth's holiday has become a hideous nightmare. Can he finally fathom out the murderous events afloat?
The conclusion of Agatha Christie's whodunnit.
Starring John Moffatt as Hercule Poirot.
Dramatised by Michael Bakewell
Hercule Poirot John Moffatt
Colonel Race Donald Sinden
Mrs Allerton Rosemary Leach
Pennington Stratford Johns
Linnet Ridgeway Elaine Pyke
Simon Doyle Robert Daws
Tim Allerton Nicholas Boulton
Jacqueline de Bellefort Amanda Barton-Chapple
Mrs Otterbourne Shirley Dixon
Rosalie Otterbourne Emma Woodvine
Joanna Southwood Joanna Monro
Monsieur Blondin Sean Baker
Rockford Ed Bishop
Fanthorp Robert May
Miss Van Schuyler Irene Sutcliffe
Dr Bessner Keith Drinkel
Thomas Cook Agent Timothy Alcock
Waiter Chris Pavlo
Director: Enyd Williams
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1997.
FRI 06:30 Paul Temple (b007jpm)
Paul Temple and the Vandryke Affair
5. Roger Shelley Makes a Suggestion
Debonair detective Paul Temple and his wife Steve are in Paris, when the telephone rings with a long distance call...
Francis Durbridge's thriller stars Peter Coke and Marjorie Westbury as BBC radio's smoothest investigator and his glamorous wife.
Paul Temple Peter Coke
Steve Marjorie Westbury
Sir Graham Forbes Richard Williams
Inspector Eden Frederick Treves
Terry Palmer Peter Wilde
Mary Desmond June Tobin
Bill McCall John Scott
Philip Droste Simon Lack
Telephone Operator Betty Baskcomb
Louis Franz Rolf Lefebvre
Dr Foy John Graham
Roger Shelly Richard Hurdall
Producer: Martyn C Webster
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in January 1959.
FRI 07:00 Trapped (b0076h2t)
Series 1
The Art Class
Art tutor Mark is having commitment issues until he meets a model who should be committed...
Black comedy set in the art class at a local Adult Education centre - by Mark Maier and Daniel Maier.
Mark Alex Lowe
Moira Wendy Wason
Janice/Elspeth Tracy-Ann Oberman
Donald Sam Kelly
Alan Roger Sloman
Bob Roger Sloman
Peter Mark Maier

Producer: Alex Walsh-Taylor
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2003.
FRI 07:30 Doctor in the House (b007jxsl)
Digs
Student medic Simon Sparrow gets saddled with vampish landlady, Mrs Robinson.
The misadventures of student doctor, Simon Sparrow.
Starring Richard Briers
Adapted for radio by Ray Cooney from Richard Gordon's 'Doctor in the House' published in 1952.
Simon Sparrow Richard Briers
Sir Lancelot Spratt Geoffrey Sumner
Tony Benskin Ray Cooney
Taffy Evans Edward Cast
Vera Norma Ronald
Mrs Robinson Ann Murray
Producer: David Hatch
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1968.
FRI 08:00 Michael Spicer: Before Next Door (m000xmg7)
Series 1
Marketing Genius
What happens when a socially awkward and neurotic part-time comedian becomes a global internet sensation?
Should this married father of two quit as a copywriter for a kitchen worktop company to follow a calling that shows no sign of paying the mortgage, the bills or for a variety of bafflingly expensive anthropomorphic steam trains? Or should he keep juggling the increasingly unmanageable balls of office work, family life and comedy?
As Michael's Room Next Door videos amass tens of millions of views online, he finally wins plaudits for his comedy. But it also leads to awkward encounters with fans, stressful award ceremonies and an audition to play an upbeat cheese string.
Michael's wife Roberta pushes him to take chances, wanting him to build on his success while also being desperate to leave her own disappointing job and manage him full-time.
After twenty years of making comedy under the radar, can an ordinary person like Michael successfully navigate the unpredictable road to fame? Only you can decide. By listening to the show. Please.
Performers: Michael Spicer with Ellie Taylor, Joanna Neary, Peter Curran, Kiell Smith-Bynoe and Greig Johnson.
Writer: Michael Spicer
Producer: Matt Tiller
A Starstruck production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in July 2021.
FRI 08:30 Lizzie Siddal (m0024m1g)
5. Torment
Lizzie's ill fated love affair with Dante Rossetti and her poor health finally take their toll.
Concluded by Susannah Harker
Written by Lucinda Hawksley
Producer Elizabeth Allard
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2004.
FRI 08:45 One Down (b007s442)
5. Publication Day
Uproar created by extortion at tennis club, maybe? (6).
It's publication day for The Rainswick Mercury. Will it be the last one?
Julian Nicholas Le Prevost
Mary Adjoa Andoh
Abbie Helen Longworth
Ian Anthony Glennon
Tara Jasmine Callan
Gavin John Dougall
Newsreaders Simon Treves, Rachel Bavidge, Joanna Pinnock
Produced and directed by Paul Arnold.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2007.
FRI 09:00 Knowing Knowing Me, Knowing You: Alan Partridge Documentary (b00800kh)
Multiple award-winning chat show host Alan Partridge opens his private keyhole and allows you to kneel at it.
This behind-the-scenes documentary charts one hectic week in the life of Alan Partridge and his production team as they make an edition of his hit chat show 'Knowing Me, Knowing You'.
And meet the man running the show, Glaswegian-Italian series producer, Mario Santini.
With thanks to Alan's chief researcher Steve Coogan.
Alan's assistants are Armando Iannucci, Patrick Marber, Doon MacKichan, Rebecca Front and David Schneider.
Producer: Sioned William.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1993.
FRI 09:30 The Animals' VC (b0076mg9)
5. A Brave New World
Dylan Winter hears the stories of the extraordinary devotion to duty displayed by working dogs caught up in the events of September 11th 2001.
Author Jilly Cooper talks about her campaign for brave animals.
Producer: Sheena Duncan
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2004.
FRI 09:45 Daily Service (m0024m1k)
Hymn Writers: Bob Chilcott
Revd Dr Ayla Lepine introduces the next episode in this week's series on hymn writers. Today, the composer Bob Chilcott speaks about his work in composing new melodies for well-loved hymn texts.
Reading: John 15. 1-5

Music

There is a green hill (from 'St John Passion') - Bob Chilcott
St Martin's Voices
When I survey the wondrous cross (from 'St John Passion') - Bob Chilcott
Choir of Wells Cathedral
As with gladness men of old (from 'Christmas Oratorio') - Bob Chilcott
Choir of Merton College, Oxford
Come ye thankful people, come (from 'The Song of Harvest') - Bob Chilcott
BBC Singers, with the audience of the Celebrate Voice Festival, Salisbury at St Mary and St Nicholas Church, Wilton, Salisbury
Producer: Andrew Earis
FRI 10:00 Soul Music (b04nrw25)
Series 19
A Shropshire Lad
"Into my heart an air that kills
From you far country blows:
What are those blue remembered hills,
What spires, what farms are those?
That is the land of lost content,
I see it shining plain,
The happy highways where I went
And cannot come again."
So wrote the poet AE Housman lamenting the loss of his brother in the Boer war in his epic poem A Shropshire Lad. It harks back to a simple idyllic rural way of life that is forever changed at the end of the 19th century as hundreds of country boys go off to fight and never return. George Butterworth adapted his words to music in 1913 just before the outbreak of the Great War.
We hear from those whose lives continue to be touched by the loss of so many young men between 1914 and 1918.
Broadcaster Sybil Ruscoe recalls visiting her Great Uncle's grave in a military cemetery in France with Butterworth's Rhapsody as the soundtrack to her journey.
A concert at Bromsgrove School in Worcestershire where Housman was a pupil remembers the former schoolboys killed in action, and singer Steve Knightley discusses and performs his adaptation of The Lads In Their Hundreds.
The Bishop of Woolwich connects his love of the countryside and Butterworth's music with his father's battered copy of Housman's poems which comforted him while held captive in Singapore during the Second World War.
Contributors:
James McKelvey
Phillip Bowen
Tish Farrell
Michael Igrave
Steve Knightley
Stephen Johnson
Sybil Ruscoe
Sam Adamson
Series about pieces of music with a powerful emotional impact

Producer: Maggie Ayre

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2014.

FRI 10:30 The Price of a Pint of Milk (b00jhf6)

Following Derrick Weaver, who has been a milkman in Birmingham for 44 years, as he makes his deliveries around the Harborne area of the city.

He provides an insight into his job. His day starts early at **2.1 5am** when he loads his float at the depot, and he delivers milk until **10.30am**.

On the way he has been known to be chased by poodles, asked to change old peoples' light bulbs and even find the odd corpse.

Producer: Rosie Boulton

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2009

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FRI 13:45 One Down (b007s442)

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FRI 14:00 All the Way from Memphis (b00mpqkn)

Series 2

Episode 6

James Walton tests and tickles the knowledge of industry pundits and people passionate about pop music.

Regulars Tracey MacLeod and Andrew Collins are joined by:

Singer, Clare Grogan

Journalist, Danny Kelly

Reader: Beth Chalmers

Written and researched by James Walton

Producer: Dawn Ellis

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2006.

FRI 14:30 All the Young Dudes (b007ncd1)

Series 1

Homeward Bound

After 20 years away, Patrick finds himself back in a place he

once called home.

But what are the chances of running into your best mates from school?

Comedy-drama written by and starring Jim Sweeney.

Patrick Jim Sweeney

Billy Steve Steen

Joe Stephen Frost

Moir Sadie Shimmin

Maria Flaminia Cinque

Charlie Izzy De Rosario

Removal Man Alex Lowe

Producer: Steve Doherty

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2001.

FRI 15:00 John Bunyan - The Pilgrim's Progress (b00f62f)

3. Giant Despair.

Christian is coming to the end of his eventful journey to the Celestial City.

But, as he gets closer to his destination, he strays from the right path and trespasses onto land belonging to Giant Despair.

Conclusion of John Bunyan's enduring 17th century classic novel.

Starring Anton Rogers.

Dramatised by Brian Sibley.

Anton Rodgers ... Bunyan

Neil Dudgeon ... Christian

Alec McCowen ... Evangelist

Don Warrington ... Beelzebub

Caroline Lee Johnson ... Elizabeth

Ioan Meredith ... The Jailer

Derek Waring ... The Judge

Philip Fox ... Sincere

Chris Moran ... Knowledge

Jaimi Barakoff ... Angel

Lydia Leonard ... Angel

Cherie Taylor-Battiste ... Deceiver

Graham Crowden ... Faithful

Stephen Thorne ... Giant Despair

Rachel Atkins ... Ignorance

Damian Lynch ... Experience

Paul Medford ... Hopeful

Frances Jeater ... Mrs Despair

Declan Wilson ... False-Confidence

Director: Pam Fraser Solomon

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2004.

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FRI 22:00 Call Jonathan Pie (m0024ljm)

Call Jonathan Pie: US Election Specials

American Dream: Part 2

Pie's rival has mysteriously fallen ill and Pie is unleashed live across America. On air he battles Democrats and Republicans

abroad whilst navigating the BBC's ridiculously stringent impartiality rules. Off-air the team must pull together to hide

some dark secrets from Roger.

Written and performed by Tom Walker.

Additional material by Daniel Abelson and Will Franken

Jules Lucy Pearman.

Sam Aqib Khan

Roger Nick Revell

Callers Maria Shehata, Will Franken, Benjamin Davis,

Daniel Abelson, Willow Bennisson and Ed Kear

Original Music Jason Read

Voiceover Bob Sinfield

Producer Alison Vernon-Smith

Executive Producer Julian Mayers

Production Co Ordinator Ellie Dobing

A Yada-Yada Audio Production for BBC Radio 4

FRI 22:30 The Jason Byrne Show (b01dtjh4)

Series 2

Food

Award-winning Jason Byrne grills the topic of food - revealing

his love for an animated rabbit, and his hatred of baguette

nibbling.

Fast-paced stand-up comedy and sketch show

With:

Laurence Howarth

Anna Bengo

Producer: Julia McKenzie

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2009.

FRI 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m0024yb1)

Leigh Francis 3/3

From **10pm** until midnight, seven days a week, the Comedy

Club has two hours of comedy. Plus Paul Garner speaks to the

comedian Leigh Francis.

FRI 23:00 Small Scenes (b071x4ny)

Series 3

Episode 1

More overblown, melodramatic scenes from modern life.

Meet the woman who uncovers the conspiracy behind cryptic

crosswords, a saxophonist who is tortured by his inability to

play the solo from Baker Street and what happens if you buy

Chris de Burgh's old house.

Award-winning sketch show.

Starring:

Daniel Rigby

Mike Wozniak

Cariad Lloyd

Henry Paker

Jessica Ransom

Written by Benjamin Partridge, Henry Paker and Mike

Wozniak, with additional material from the cast.

Producer: Simon Mayhew-Archer.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2016.

FRI 23:30 Bird Island (b0421xt)

Series 2

Episode 1

Ben, a young scientist working in Antarctica, tries to adapt to

the loneliness by keeping a cheery audio diary on his

Dictaphone.

In this episode, Ben is all consumed by a new cereal bar while

Jane and Graham are completing the Penguin Census.

Ben Reece Shearsmith

Graham Julian Rhind-Tutt

Jane Katy Wix

Beverley Alison Steadman

Atmospheric sitcom written by Katy Wix.

It's Ben's trip of a lifetime, but in a vast icy landscape with

doggy internet. Feeling lonely, he shares his thoughts via an

audio 'log' on his dictaphone.

Graham is a fellow nerdy scientist so their exchanges are

mumbled. Ben's even more awkward around new arrival Jane,

though he's not entirely sure why.

Producer: Tilusha Ghelani

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2014.

FRI 23:45 Jigsaw (b04fc70t)

Series 2

Episode 1

Cocktail bar confusion - and a load of bollards.

The return of the rapid-fire and surreal sketch show series.

Starring award-winning stand-up comedians Dan Antopolksi,

Tom Craine and Nat Luurtsema

Producer: Colin Anderson.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2014.