



Afternoon Tea at the Conrad & British Telly Club Meeting

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NEW DRAMA CHOICES

BROKENWOOD MYSTERIES

4x90 | 2014 – Prime New Zealand



Detective Inspector Mike Shepherd (Neill Rea, *Go Girls*) arrives on assignment in Brokenwood, a small town where memories—and animosities—run deep. He's an experienced cop with a 1971 "classic" car, a collection of country music cassettes, and an indeterminate number of ex-wives. The new woman in his life is his assistant, Detective Constable Kristin Sims (Fern Sutherland, *The Almighty Johnsons*), a by-the-book investigator nearly 20 years younger than her boss's car, who quickly has to get used to his lone-wolf ways.

PARTNERS IN CRIME

6x60 | 2013 - BBC

Belgian detective Hercule Poirot and spinster sleuth Miss Marple weren't Dame Agatha Christie's only creations. She also invented Tommy and Tuppence Beresford, an ordinary married couple who stumble into spycraft and end up being rather good at it. In these sparkling new adaptations of two classic mysteries, set in 1950s Britain at the start of the Cold War, Tommy (David Walliams (*Little Britain*)) and Tuppence (Jessica Raine, *Call The Midwife*, *Wolf Hall*) return to the small screen, bickering, sweet on each other, and soon knee-deep in danger.



MISS FISHER MURDER MYSTERIES

3 Seasons, 34x60 | 2011 – Australian Broadcasting Corp



The Honorable Miss Phryne Fisher (Essie Davis, *Girl with a Pearl Earring*) is a thoroughly modern woman of the late 1920s operating in a mostly male world. The glamorous "lady detective" goes about her work with a pistol close at hand—and, more often than not, a male admirer even closer. Gorgeously costumed and evocatively shot, *Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries* also stars Hugo Johnstone-Burt (*Cloudstreet*), Ashleigh Cummings (*Tomorrow*, *When the War Began*), Miriam Margolyes (*Little Dorrit*), Nicholas Bell (*Shine*). Miranda Otto (*The Lord of the Rings*) guest stars.

NOW THROUGH JUNE 2016

DOC MARTIN

WFYI 3 | Tuesdays at 10pm | ongoing | 54x50

Dr. Martin Ellingham, a London-based surgeon, relocates to the picturesque seaside village of Portwenn, establishing himself as the area's general practitioner. He grew up in the area having been raised by his now widowed Aunt Joan Norton. His reasons for leaving London and the high-paid life of a consultant are not clear initially but related to a phobia he has recently developed. He soon meets several of the locals and eccentricity abounds. Martin's situation is made more difficult by what can only be referred as an almost complete lack of an acceptable bedside manner. He is gruff, abrupt and intolerant, not only in issues related to medicine, but to life in general. He and the headmistress of the local school, Louisa Glasson, are clearly attracted to each other and despite their awkwardness, slowly develop a relationship.



OUR ZOO

WFYI 3 | Wednesdays at 9pm | March 23 – April 27, 2016

The true story of Chester Zoo. When George Mottershead, an ex-serviceman still struggling to come to terms with the effects of the Great War, finds a monkey locked up in a quarantine cage, it sparks an idea that becomes a life-long mission. He dreams of building Britain's first zoo without bars. Unable to see a creature in distress, he soon starts buying up unwanted animals. But George lives with his parents Lucy and Albert Mottershead, his loyal wife Lizzie and his daughters Mew and June. The family home is bursting at the seams. Something has to change... George soon spies a large rambling estate in the countryside. In a poor state of repair, the house and land are up for auction. It's the perfect spot for his zoo. But how to raise the funds?



GRANTCHESTER ON MASTERPIECE Season 2

WFYI 1 | Sundays at 9pm |
March 27 – May 1, 2016

Reverend Sidney Chambers and Inspector Geordie Keating return for another round of mysteries. Together, the sensitive vicar and the hard-bitten cop make perfect crime-solving partners. James Norton and Robson Green star in a new season that focuses on matchmaking as well as murder.



MR. SELFRIDGE ON MASTERPIECE Season 4

WFYI 1 | Sundays at 10pm | March 27 – May 22, 2016

The clock nears closing time as mercantile genius Harry Selfridge faces creditors, swindlers, mob bosses, irate relatives, and spurned mistresses in the farewell season of Mr. Selfridge. Starring three-time Emmy® winner Jeremy Piven (*Entourage*) as the man who revolutionized the world's retail experience, Mr. Selfridge, The Final Season, airs on MASTERPIECE in nine nail-biting final episodes.



DEATH IN PARADISE Season 5

WFYI 1 | Saturdays at 8pm | April 2 – May 21, 2016



The long-running ratings hit returns. DI Humphrey Goodman is finally settled on the beautiful island of Saint Marie, but can't help feeling that something's missing from his life. When Humphrey decides buying a boat is the answer to his problems, Dwayne correctly diagnoses a mid-life crisis – the real root of Humphrey's malaise is a lack of love life. Confident there's a formula to finding love, Humphrey enlists the

help of Florence, only to discover the complexities of dating are more confusing than any case he's tried to crack. Humphrey's deductive powers may not be much use on the singles scene but, back on the job, his considerable intellect and experience are tested to the full, as he faces some of Saint Marie's most perplexing murders yet.

CAMBRIDGE SPIES

WFYI 1 | Saturdays at 9pm | April 2 – April 23, 2016

This is the story of Blunt, Burgess, Philby and Maclean, the most notorious double agents in British history. In 1934 at Cambridge University, they establish a spy ring fueled by youthful idealism, passionately committed to social justice and to fighting fascism. The four become embroiled in obtaining and passing on vital information, betraying their country to fight the evils of fascism. During almost 20 years of counter-intelligence, despite their personal journeys, the four are bound by their beliefs and their secrets. This is a thriller spy story that begins with a profound closeness based on a passion for a cause, and then moves on to shared sacrifices, stress, strain, and eventually breakdown and betrayal. Starring Toby Stephens (*Jane Eyre*), Samuel West (*Mr. Selfridge*), Tom Hollander (*Rev*), and Rupert Penry-Jones (*Silk*).



HOTEL SECRETS WITH RICHARD E. GRANT

WFYI 1 | Saturdays at 10pm | April 2 – April 23, 2016 | 14x50

Last chance to see!



Richard E. Grant returns with more stories and hidden secrets of the world's most famous and infamous hotels. The series combines beautiful cinematography, revealing archive footage, illuminating interviews, and deliciously witty insight from the award winning actor as he meets some of the extraordinary people who frequent some of the most expensive hotel rooms on the planet. This time each episode focuses on one particular city as Richard hops

from hotel to hotel to reveal the stories behind the glamorous facades. With its unparalleled access behind the scenes of the most exclusive and exotic hotels of Miami, Tokyo, Berlin, New Orleans, Venice and Hong Kong, this entertaining series is unadulterated escapism at its very best!

CALL THE MIDWIFE Season 5

WFYI 1 | Sundays at 8pm |

April 3 – May 22, 2016

It's 1961 and Poplar is beginning to feel the winds of social change, along with improvements in housing, sanitation and healthcare. Among the complex and challenging cases the nurses and midwives face are two babies born with severe deformities.



AFTERLIFE

WFYI 3 | Wednesdays at 10pm | April 6 – July 13, 2016



You don't choose the spirits. They choose you.

Robert Bridge (Andrew Lincoln, *Love Actually*) is a psychology lecturer, grieving the loss of his young son Josh, who was killed in a car accident three years ago. A specialist in the study of psychic mediums, Robert is invited to an 'evening of clairvoyance' where he meets Alison Mundy (Lesley Sharp, *Cranford*, *Scott & Bailey*). Reluctant and cautious, she is a far cry from the fraudulent psychics that sceptic Robert is used to. Alison is different. Ever since she was a child she has seen spirits and, after a near-death experience, they have taken over her life. Driven by a compulsion to help those around her, Alison seeks to resolve relationships torn apart by death.

THE CRIMSON FIELD (Masterpiece)

WFYI 1 | Saturdays at 9pm | May 4 – June 1 & June 15, 2016

In a tented field hospital on the coast of France, a team of doctors, nurses and women volunteers work together to heal the bodies and souls of men wounded in the trenches. The hospital is a frontier: between the battlefield and home front, but also between the old rules, hierarchies, class distinctions and a new way of thinking.



WALLANDER ON MASTERPIECE Season 4

WFYI 1 | Sundays at 9pm | May 8 – May 22, 2016



One of the world's most remarkable actors brings a stirring detective series to an end as Kenneth Branagh (*My Week with Marilyn*, *Henry V*, *Hamlet*) plays his last season as Inspector Kurt Wallander, based on the novels of Henning Mankell, who died in 2015. MASTERPIECE Mystery! charts the final exploits of the brooding Swede in three nail-biting concluding episodes, on Wallander, The Final Season.

ENDEAVOUR ON MASTERPIECE Season 2

WFYI 1 | Saturdays at 10:30pm | May 7 – May 28, 2016

ENDEAVOUR ON MASTERPIECE Season 3

WFYI 1 | Sundays at 9pm | June 19 – July 10, 2016

Actor Shaun Evans reprises his role as the young Morse who faces his toughest case yet. This new season picks up from the shocking events at the end of Season 2, in which Morse was left languishing in prison, framed for a crime he didn't commit, while his partner Thursday was close to death after getting shot in the chest.



THE C-WORD

WFYI 3 | Thursday, May 26 at 10pm



Love, laughter, loneliness – the struggle against cancer stirs the emotions in this poignant drama based on a true story. Lisa Lynch was 28 when first diagnosed with an aggressive, malignant tumour in her breast. Not exactly at the top of her list of things to do before 30. Not exactly at the top of any one's list. One minute her life was normal, then, just like that, the normality was gone forever. Told with warmth and humour, *The C Word* follows Lisa's journey, and the love and support she received from her

devoted husband, Pete, and her family. Powerful and heartfelt, it is a no-holds-barred yet tender portrayal of the reality of living with cancer, based on Lisa's defiant words which in turn became the bestselling novel *The C Word*. Equally, it is a story about the power of love.

HOUSE OF CARDS

WFYI 3 | Thursdays at 9pm | June 16 – July 14, 2016

Who would be a leader in this wicked world? Award-winning political drama *House of Cards* is a delicious tale of greed, corruption and burning ambition. At its heart is Francis Urquhart, a black-hearted villain with a smiling face, who shares with the viewers his estranged humour and innermost thoughts to destroy each of his political rivals. One by one his opponents tumble, until at last there is just one wild card left in the pack...



VICIOUS SPECIAL

WFYI 1 | Sunday June 19, 2016 at 8pm



Say farewell to aging partners Freddie (Ian McKellan) and Stuart (Derek Jacobi) in this one-hour special that closes out the sitcom series. These two men have lived together in their Covent Garden flat for nearly 50 years. Freddie was a budding actor and Stuart worked in a bar when they first met, but their careers are pretty much over and their lives now consist of entertaining their frequent guests, making sure that their aged dog Balthazar is still breathing, and hurling caustic insults at each other.

THE TUNNEL

WFYI 1 | Sundays at 10:30pm | beginning June 19 | 10x60



A British/French crime drama, adapted from the Danish/Swedish crime series *The Bridge*. The series stars Stephen Dillane (*Game of Thrones*, *The Hours*) and Clémence Poésy (*Harry Potter*, *The Hollow Crown*) as British and French police detectives Karl Roebuck and Elise Wasserman. The two detectives work together to find a serial killer who left the upper-half body of a French politician and the lower-half of a British prostitute in the Channel Tunnel, at the midpoint between France and the UK. They later learn that the killer -- who comes to be nicknamed the "Truth Terrorist" -- is on a moral

crusade to highlight many social problems, terrorizing both countries in the process. As the series progresses, the killer's true intention is revealed.

DANCING ON THE EDGE

WFYI 1 | Sundays at 8pm | beginning June 26 | 8x60

Written and directed by Stephen Poliakoff, This eight-part drama tells the story of a black jazz band in London in the early 1930s. The band is made up of British citizens, and American and Caribbean musicians on work visas, trying to crack the dance halls and radio playlists. But soon the story takes a more serious turn. The cast includes Chiwetel Ejiofor (*Endgame*, *12 Years a Slave*), Matthew Goode (*Downton Abbey*), Joanna Vanderham (*The Paradise*), Jacqueline Bisset (*Bullitt*, *Murder on the Orient Express*) and John Goodman (*The Big Lebowski*, *The West Wing*).



JULY – FALL 2016

INSPECTOR LEWIS (Masterpiece)

Summer 2016



For the final series of Lewis, Kevin Whately and Laurence Fox have, once again, reprised their roles as the 'perfect' detective team solving murders against the backdrop of the university spires of Oxford alongside Angela Griffin as DS Lizzie Maddox. A new Chief Superintendent soon clashes with Lewis over his more 'traditional' approach to detective work. Over the course of the final series, a revelation about his father causes Hathaway to feel tremendous guilt. In an attempt to avoid facing his father and his personal strife, Hathaway throws himself into his work. After years of avoiding the thorny issue of family

ties, has James left it too late to be reunited with the man his father once was?

THE HOLLOW CROWN (Great Performances) Season 2

Summer 2016 | 3x120

Tells the story of *The Wars of the Roses*, a medieval chronicle spanning rebellion in France, the rise and fall of Joan of Arc, the terror of England's Civil War, and the deceitful dynastic murders culminating in the infamous reign of Richard III. The three-part sequel series boasts an absolutely all-star cast that might actually be more impressive than the original: Benedict Cumberbatch (*Sherlock*) stars as King Richard III; Dame Judi Dench (*Cranford*, *As Time Goes By*) as Cecily, Duchess of York; Keeley Hawes (*Upstairs, Downstairs*) as Elizabeth Woodville; Hugh Bonneville (*Downton Abbey*) as Humphrey, Duke of Gloucester; Sophie Okonedo (*The Escape Artist*) as Queen Margaret of Anjou, Michael Gambon (*Page Eight*, *The King's Speech*) as Sir Edmund Mortimer.



HOME FIRES (Masterpiece) Season 2

Fall 2016 | 6x60



At the heart of a rural English village on the verge of the Second World War, a diverse group of women with personal struggles, conflicting views, and a shared mission forge a community that will inspire their finest hour.

INDIAN SUMMERS ON MASTERPIECE Season 2

Fall 2016 | 10x60

Set against the sweeping grandeur of the Himalayas and tea plantations of Northern India, this scripted drama tells the rich and explosive story of the decline of the British Empire and the birth of modern India, from both sides of the experience.



POLDARK ON MASTERPIECE Season 2

Fall 2016 | 8x60

Based on the Winston Graham novels, the series follows the rebellious Ross Poldark as he returns from the American War of Independence to Cornwall, discovering that his home country has changed since he has been away.



REMEMBER ME

Fall 2016 | 3x60



When pensioner Tom Parfitt, played by Michael Palin, stages a fall in his eerie Yorkshire home in order to escape into residential care, a chilling and macabre mystery unfolds.

It's been more than two decades since Michael Palin played it straight in a lead TV role. From the first scene you could see why Palin had chosen to make his grand re-entrance with the character of Tom Parfitt.

ROYAL WIVES AT WAR

Fall 2016 | 1x60

Royal Wives at War reveals the inside story of two women, Queen Elizabeth (Emma Davies, *Cambridge Spies*) and Wallis Simpson (Gina McKee, *The Forsyte Saga*, *Notting Hill*), from opposite ends of society, and a private dispute with seismic political, cultural, and constitutional repercussions.



TBA: LATE 2016 & BEYOND

SCOTT & BAILEY

22x50



A thrilling investigative drama exploring the personal and professional lives of two female detectives, from award-winning writer Sally Wainwright (*Last Tango in Halifax*). Detective Constable Rachel Bailey (Suranne Jones, *The Crimson Field*) is 30, down-to-earth, noisy, argumentative and single. Her partner, Detective Constable Janet Scott (Lesley Sharp, *Cranford*, *Afterlife*), is 40, a diplomat and a thinker, as well as being a wife and mother. They both work for Manchester Metropolitan Police's prestigious Murder Investigation Team and, despite the obvious differences between

them, the fact that they are often thrown together in difficult situations means they have developed a robust friendship. Each episode sees Rachel and Janet face a serious crime that is both challenging and emotionally difficult as well as cope with their own complex personal lives.

FATHER BROWN SEASON 4

10x50

Father Brown returns for a forth series, derived from the classic short stories of G K Chesterton. One of the most quirkily genial and lovable characters to emerge from English detective fiction, the kindly cleric with his large umbrella and numerous brown paper parcels, possesses a sharp intelligence, and limitless knowledge of men's evil. He works using intuition, shaped by his experiences as a priest and confessor.



CHURCHILL'S SECRET (Masterpiece)

2016 | 1x120



Set during the summer months of 1953, Churchill (Michael Gambon, *Page Eight*, *The King's Speech*)—now Prime Minister for the second time and in his late 70s—suffers a life-threatening stroke, which is kept secret from the world. Told from the viewpoint of his young Nurse, Millie Appleyard (Romola Garai, *The Hour*), the drama follows his battle to recover as his long suffering wife Clemmie (Lindsay Duncan, *Sherlock*, *The Hollow Crown*), desperately hopes the stroke will force Winston to retire while his political friends and foe scheme to plot who will succeed him. Meanwhile his adult children (Matthew Macfadyen, *Any Human Heart*, *MI-5* as Randolph Churchill; Daisy

Lewis, *Downton Abbey*, as Mary Churchill; Rachael Stirling, *The Bletchley Circle*, as Sarah Churchill; Tara Fitzgerald, *Game of Thrones*, as Diana Churchill) descend on Chartwell, unsure if he will pull through, as tensions within his family begin to surface.

VICTORIA (Masterpiece)

Winter 2017 | 8 episodes

Victoria, the highly anticipated new drama series about the epic life of Queen Victoria, will air on MASTERPIECE on PBS in 2017 in the Sunday night time slot which *Downton Abbey* has occupied for six years. Jenna Coleman (*Doctor Who*) stars as the young Victoria, a tiny (4' 11"), neglected teenager who overnight became Queen and eventually the most powerful woman in the world. The eight-part drama follows Victoria from the time she becomes Queen in 1837 at the age of 18, through her courtship and marriage to Prince Albert. Famous for her candor and spirit, she was the first woman who seemed to have it all: a passionate marriage, nine children, and the job of being Queen of the world's most important nation. Victoria's often tumultuous reign lasted for 63 years; she was England's longest-serving monarch until she was overtaken by Elizabeth II in September, 2015.



SIX WIVES OF HENRY VIII WITH LUCY WORSLEY (w.t.)

Winter/Spring 2017 | 3x60



Host Lucy Worsley revisits the court of the infamous Henry VIII to challenge the archetypes of his equally well-known wives and truly examine their individual stories. Featuring both drama and documentary aspects, this series provides a time-traveling guide to help viewers delve into one of the famously misunderstood periods of British history