Pointless host given DM gig

COMEDIAN Alexander Armstrong clearly proved he's the strongest, he's the quickest, he's the best... For the Pointless host has been handed his 'dream job' as the voice of Danger Mouse. The 'life-long fan', 44, will take over from Sir David Jason for the cartoon's reboot next year. Comic actor Kevin Eldon will be the secret agent's sidekick, Penfold. The original 1980s shows ran for more than ten years.

Putting Gandalf in the picture

ARTISTS were given a wizard opportunity to prove themselves - by painting a portrait of Lord Of The Rings star Sir Ian McKellen. The 75-year-old actor, who played Gandalf in the hit fantasy films, sat for finalists in the Sky Arts Portrait Artist of The Year at the National Portrait Gallery. Artists were given four hours to paint the star. The show will be screened on Sky Arts from November 4.



Ex-actress spends £40,000 on surgery

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MOST people of her age are worried about hip replacements and removing cataracts.

But 75-year-old Katy Bedford is so desperate to cling on to her film-star looks she spent £40,000 on plastic surgery.

Adamant she'd never have a 'face for radio', she has gone through 18 procedures. And the retired actress feels the only drawback of her surgical addiction is that people won't help her with luggage at train stations because they don't think she looks old enough.

'My worst nightmare would

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be getting "turkey neck". If I was 100 I would have that done - I think it's hideous,' said the mother-of-one, from Salisbury, Wiltshire.

'I just love it when the surgery is over and there's 3lbs of Katy left on the table.

Her nip and tuck fascination began in 1986 when she had a lower facelift.

'People think people who have been under the knife look plastic and stretched. I'm quite the opposite,' she said.

