

A CUT ABOVE The American artist Thomas Allen works with illustrations from old books, cutting and folding them into a three dimensional illusions. Allen made his name with pieces using characters from pulp fiction, but his latest series forages amongst educational science books from the 1950s to convey the wonders of astronomy, biology, physics and electricity. The work is on show at New York's Foley Gallery until October 14. See foleygallery.com

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Anthony Andrews actor
This week I'm...

Watching Smash, a must-see American series if you like musical theatre. It's about two women fighting for the lead role in a musical about Marilyn Monroe. Funny and completely cliché-driven, it's full of wonderful moments. Reading The Rape of the Constitution?, an absolutely extraordinary book about Tony Blair that blows the lid off of his persona.

Visiting Le Musée Rodin in Paris to gaze at *The Kiss*. He never fails to move me with the sheer beauty and creativity of his frozen moments. *musee-rodin.fr* **Using** the **Virtual Piano app** on my iPhone. My generation has had a baptism of fire with this sort of thing, but it's great for hitting the right note. When I'm trying to sing something in the car I use it to find A.

Listening to John Wilson, a classical conductor who decided to restore the great MGM movie musical scores after they were lost in a fire. It took him two-and-a-half years and the results are brilliant.

Buying a Nespresso machine, after seeing the advert with George Clooney. I think of George when I drink my coffee. Eating at The Club at The Ivy. I'm afraid I'm a creature of habit and as such I go there for a lot of meetings, too. Drinking wine; I like all kinds but my most recent discovery is a French summer rosé called Whispering Angel. Irresistible because of the name and oh-so drinkable in a hot climate.

Anthony Andrews stars in 'Bully Boy' at St James Theatre from Sept 18-Oct 27. stjamestheatre.co.uk; 0844 264 2140

