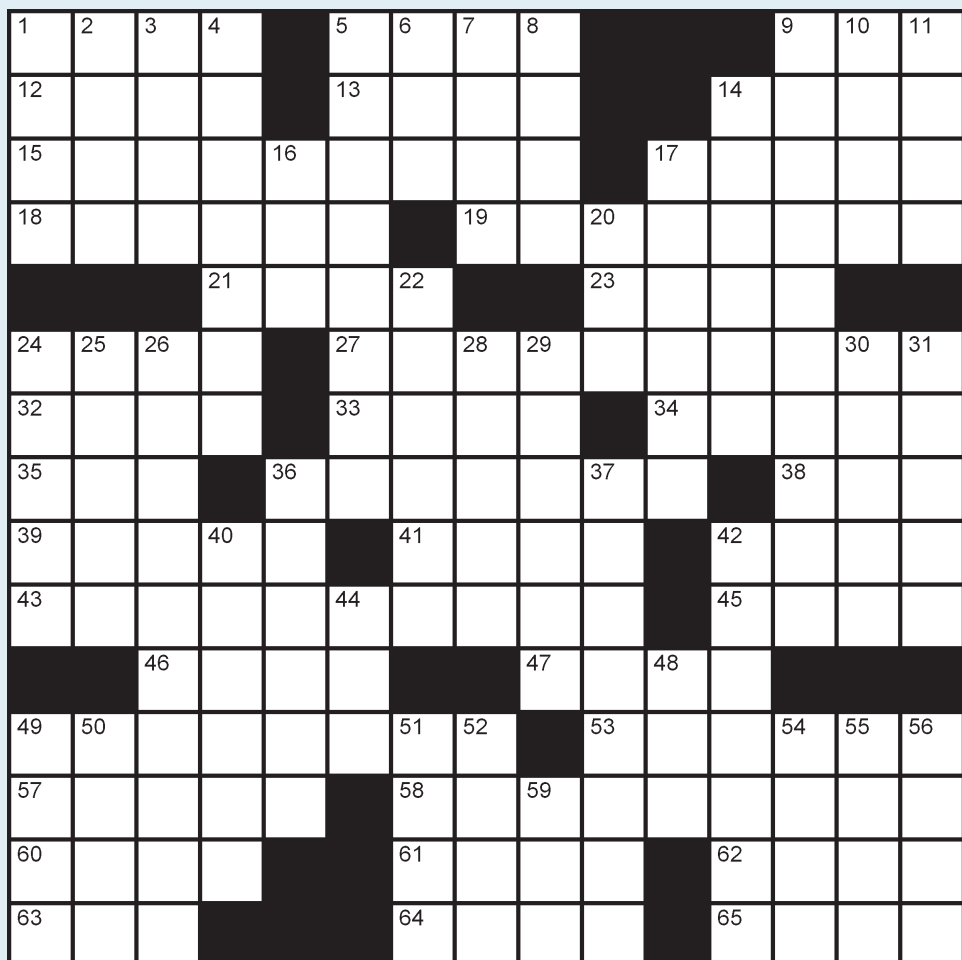


Particle Emission by Billy Bratton

Universal Crossword edited by David Steinberg



- ACROSS: 1 Previously mentioned, 5 Exterminator's target, 9 One may condense into a liquid, etc. DOWN: 1 Noodles in kamo nanban, often 'Ain't that the truth!', 3 Passionate about, etc.

HOROSCOPES BY HOLIDAY MATHIS SUNDAY, AUGUST 1, 2021 As Saturn Opposes the Sun and Mercury...



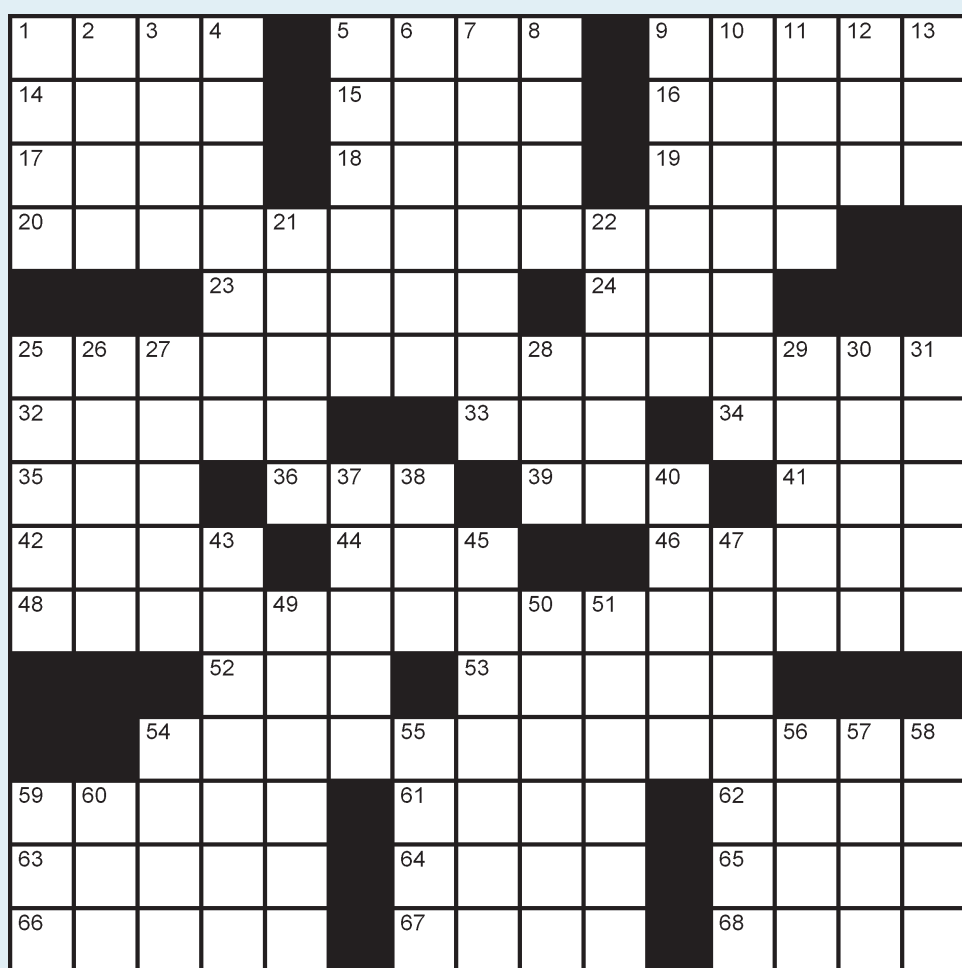
The solar conjunction to Mercury in opposition to Saturn welcomes you to a once-in-a-lifetime experience. But is there any other kind really? Many activities are repeated day-to-day, month-to-month... and yet, each time is distinct. Different days, different moods, different reasons... however slight, the variations can make a world of difference. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your muse prefers beautiful surroundings and will gladly grace you with an abundance of inspiration once you tidy up. And your muse isn't the only visitor you'll have in your sparkling clean and organized environment. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Oh, the trouble you'll see! You don't need to have all the answers to be of help. Your willingness to be present and listen will do more good than you can imagine. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You won't know how you feel until you start trying to put it into words. The best way is to work it out privately first, because your words have more power than you think. They can unite, define, create, uplift or end. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You may feel unclear about what to do, and a little foggy on your "why" as well. No matter. Your time is best spent mastering the realm of "how," focusing on technique, practicality and production. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). The day comes with jerky twists -- although exciting, you'll also need to balance things out. A straightforward, clear-cut task with a beginning and an end will return you to your center. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Riddle of the day: What gives you more energy than anything you could possibly drink? Answer: letting go. A long-held expectation no longer applies. Release it. What takes its place will be an invigorating, achievable aim. TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Aug. 1). Life's enrichments present like secret ingredients, ground into powder and stored in unmarked bottles. A glance won't tell you from whence they originate, so you'll try things out -- even things that don't seem like they'd work. You'll be surprised at what delicious healthiness becomes vital to your best life. Gemini and Libra adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 7, 40, 1, 18 and 11.

Universal SUDOKU Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively. Includes a 9x9 grid with some numbers pre-filled and a difficulty rating of five stars.

SOLUTIONS A 9x9 grid showing the completed numbers for the Sudoku puzzle, with a difficulty rating of five stars.

Twice as Nice by Brook Husic

Universal Crossword edited by David Steinberg



- ACROSS: 1 Unpaved road's surface, perhaps, 5 Supervisor, 9 Bands make T-shirts for them, etc. DOWN: 1 "You weren't very stealthy", 3 Nickname of Fenty Beauty's founder, 4 Like some Hindu scriptures, etc.

HOROSCOPES BY HOLIDAY MATHIS MONDAY, AUGUST 2, 2021 Lesson of a Solar Opposition to Saturn



Animals care little about reciprocity. Good will, fairness, sacrifices to the gods and other behaviors to engender a sense of justice beyond the immediate interaction is mainly the domain of human culture. Most people don't feel good about living in bounty without contributing to its attainment and cultivation, as today's transactions will reflect. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). There is an extra-dimensionality to the events of the day, available to experience or not, at whatever level you prefer. There's no punishment, benefit or personalization of any kind that applies here. Do what pleases you. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Let people know what you want. Your intensity on the matter will make a huge difference in how you're received. Adjust to the atmosphere. In gravity-strong environments, go heavy. On the moon, a light touch will send it. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You're in a mood to embrace all the schmaltzy, gooey romance of life as though its unfolding in cinematic format. One heads up: Lines that work on screen seldom transfer in the full dimension of reality. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). What can you edit down to its essence? A drawer? A business plan? A motto? Your personal life? "Simplicity is the ultimate sophistication," Leonardo da Vinci said. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Someone should be happy. Why not you? Furthermore, you've been so flexible and accommodating lately, so consider going the other direction -- ruthless in your pursuit of joy. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Children either give themselves over to an experience or run from it without a complicated thought process. You can keep it simple today by handling things with brilliant childishness. TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Aug. 2). How do you feel about receiving the gift of stability? It's one that the very fortunate tend to take for granted and the very unfortunate define differently. Celebrate this monumental gift. Stability is never cheap, always cultivated over time and will be the springboard from which much magic will blossom. Sagittarius and Capricorn adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 5, 30, 22 and 12.

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