

Bands Together by David Van Houten

Universal Crossword edited by David Steinberg

13x13 crossword grid with numbered squares for clues.

- ACROSS: 1 Worm's dream home? 6 Type of poker 10 Steam baths' sites... DOWN: 1 Land measure 2 It may have five acts...

HOROSCOPES BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2021 Partnership Propositions



The sun and Mars align in Libra, inviting proposals and partnerships. Thinking about what you might be able to do for another person is an exciting creativity challenge.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You'll think strategically and outwit those who act on selfish impulse.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). People have different rules. Even close friends may not completely understand yours.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Mingle with those whose credentials and connections could plug beautifully into your plans.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You'll be attracted to people and situations outside your usual pattern.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Delegating well is not about telling people what to do so much as matching the right people to the job.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Your vision of a luxurious life is unique, but there are people with similar goals.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You'll let go of what you don't need. Getting rid of things creates a vacuum.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You are drawn to people who have a sense of humor and the confidence to use it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You work as well in an ensemble as you do as a solo artist.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). New responsibilities will be laid at your feet as though they were a gift.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Because you're a part of the natural world, too, you have an instinct for recognizing when things are ripe.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You see so many around you who don't act on their beliefs.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Oct. 8). Your talents are needed, and you can get top dollar for them once you figure out how to position yourself.

Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.

9x9 Universal Sudoku grid with some numbers pre-filled.

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

9x9 grid for solutions to the first puzzle.

SOLUTIONS

9x9 grid showing the solutions for the first puzzle.

Big Talk by Jake Houston

Universal Crossword edited by David Steinberg

12x12 crossword grid with numbered squares for clues.

- ACROSS: 1 "Becoming" author Michelle 6 Hot tub feature 9 One is full of garbage... DOWN: 1 Miner's discovery 2 Word with "music" or "voice"...

HOROSCOPES BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2021 Solar Conjunction to Mercury



The sun and Mercury align to clarify feelings, sort out the details of partnership and bring sharpness to the vagaries of love.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You deserve to be rewarded for your hard work. The question is, who is going to do this?

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Because you show up when expected and do what you said you would, you gain the trust and respect of others.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Loved ones seem strong, but they need an advocate.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). A person who seems to have it all together is struggling in ways you wouldn't imagine.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You are able to dial the emotional intensity up or down at will.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Theoretical knowledge isn't going to help much. Wherever possible, apply the answer, try things, put plans in motion.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). It takes discipline to listen and love at the level you do.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You can exchange much without words and will in fact do it constantly today.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). There are times to avoid the pressure, but right now, you're better off welcoming it.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). There is a treasure inside each person, and if it's your intention to get to it, you will.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You really have come a long way, paid your dues, and are more than deserving of the bounty drifting your way.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Love really can change everything, heal the hurts and conquer all.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Oct. 9). Your cosmic gift is a superpower for manifesting what's best for the whole crew.

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