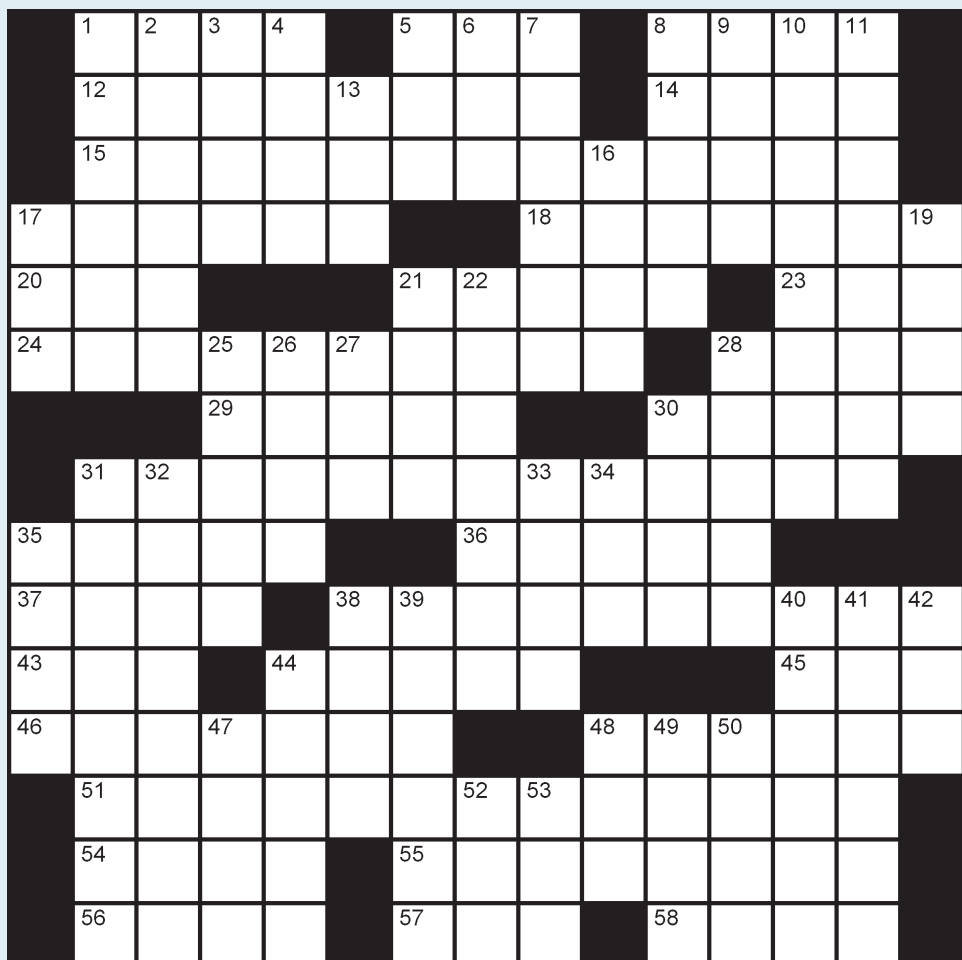


Outside of Work by Garrett Herzfeld

Universal Crossword edited by David Steinberg



- ACROSS
1 He was slain by Cain
5 Chomped down
8 Apt-sounding surname for a child
12 Odd
14 Lenovo competitor
15 *Went separate ways
17 Smooth transitions
18 Mocked
20 Pen ___ (distant correspondent)
21 Avoid, as an issue
23 Ocean State sch.
24 *Packer's status before moving?
28 Makeup of some muffins
29 "The Color Purple" Pulitzer winner Walker
30 Response to "Am not!"
31 *Captain Kirk's conveyance
35 Starts a poker pot
36 Word after "puff" or "puzzle"
37 X's, to Athena
38 *Holds out
43 Treat, as leather
44 First sound in "GIF," some say
45 Bathroom, in Bath
46 Vexing
48 Remained in hiding
51 Is serious, or a hint to the end of each starred clue's answer
54 "Jane ___"
55 Leave, like a crowd after a show
56 Totally exhausted
57 Big name in jewelry
58 Renders speechless
DOWN
1 Become visible
2 Snoopy, e.g.
3 Pale color that's French for "unbleached"
4 Renaissance Faire instrument
5 Abet's partner in crime
6 Tic-___-toe
7 Like a sensual novel
8 Done for
9 "___ Has Cheezburger?" (early meme)
10 Bedside glass fillers
11 Like some boards and markers
13 Paul dubbed the "Thomas Edison of music"
16 Singer ___ J. Blige
17 Beach lotion letters
19 Ankylosaurus or iguanodon, informally
21 Church camp?
22 Bit of protection for a Rollerblader
25 Simplifies
26 Golden or pale drinks
27 Martini ingredient
28 Fleeting
30 Curved paths
31 Safe and sound
32 Dirty look
33 Wrestling venue
34 Street crosser, for short
35 Theater opening?
38 ___ Club (warehouse store chain)
39 Alex who hosted 37 seasons of "Jeopardy!"
40 Legal threat
41 Chickens' perches
42 Cut, as grass
44 Perfected
47 Ramirez who portrayed Dr. Callie Torres
48 Like an exciting party
49 Taylor-Joy of "The Queen's Gambit"
50 Cartoonish cry of pain
52 Actress Thurman
53 Plant or mole

HOROSCOPES BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 2022 Social Observances from a Gemini Moon



Television is a form of people-watching, though not a realistic one. Even in reality programming, the scripts elevate, the lighting beautifies, the situations are beyond the bounds of realism.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You may be grappling with something unpleasant and yet cannot bring yourself to regret what's happened.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Enthusiasm is potent. The right amount can grow projects, people and bonds.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). There's fun on offer, with one caveat: You lose all self-consciousness.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Just because you find exceptions to a rule doesn't mean the rule is wrong.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Inside you, there's a deep reservoir of strength and determination.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). There will be no available instruction manual or check list, however all will organize around your clear objectives.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Check in with the past but keep the visit short. Look in on the future, too -- you'll have an easy time imagining a few different versions.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You'll want to give to someone, but if the gift is unnecessary, it will only cause more problems.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). It takes courage to try new things. You're brave. Remember that knowing what you're doing is not a requirement.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). It's a day to notice what you are feeling, but be open to interpretation, too.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Here comes a wave of activity propelled by forces beyond your control.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (April 6). You are the beholder in whose eye beauty is born.

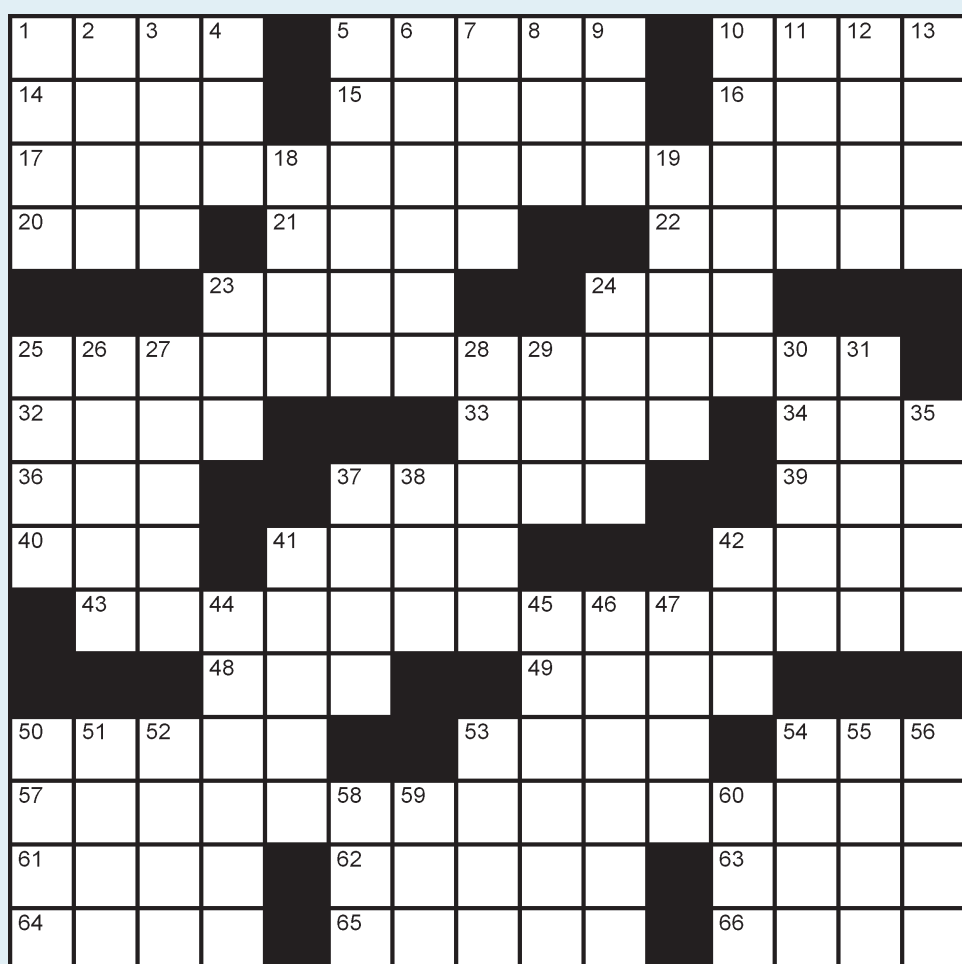
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Universal SUDOKU
Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.
Difficulty Rating: ★★☆☆☆

SOLUTIONS
Grid with numbers 1-9 for the Sudoku puzzle.

Musical Composition by Paul Coulter

Universal Crossword edited by David Steinberg



- ACROSS
1 Polish for English class
5 King with a golden touch
10 Dec. holiday
14 Fishing string
15 Comforting comment
16 Bang-up
17 Save an idea for later
20 Like a certain grin or wink
21 Wrestling hold
22 Became less intense
23 Credit card company
24 Disobedient
25 Temporary solution
32 They may blow off on a windy day
33 Terrifying giant
34 "Best in Show" org.
36 Had a meal
37 Back with a wager
39 Knight's title
40 Self starter?
41 Island east of Java
42 ___ Reader (magazine)
43 Bat mitzvah and first communion, e.g.
48 Spanish "Bravo!"
49 China setting?
50 Type of bar with live music
53 Got gray, say
54 Clear the tables
57 Loose collective advocating peace
61 Clickable image
62 One is beautiful on the inside
63 Kind of clef
64 "Drat!"
65 Schindler of "Schindler's List"
66 Farmer's furrow former
DOWN
1 Trees that shade streets
2 Old phone feature
3 Jet-black
4 Peg on a golf course
5 Brunch beverage
6 North Pole covering
7 Like a dungeon
8 Verb after "thou"
9 Watery expanse
10 Place described in "Kubla Khan"
11 Cows' comments
12 Penny, perhaps, in poker
13 Apple product?
18 Sacha Baron Cohen character
19 Apartment contract
23 No. 2 execs
24 Owl's hangout
25 Bygone Iranian royal
26 Spud
27 Comic Cheri
28 Recurring theme
29 Word before "surfing" or "trip"
30 Person who believes Africa is the promised land
31 Squeezing (out)
35 Alberta native
37 Monument's bottom
38 "Strange Magic" band, to fans
41 Not up on deck
42 Philly's country
44 Firming up, as muscles
45 Chinese temple
46 "Yours truly" alternative
47 Fries, for instance
50 Treated at a restaurant
51 Cuzco citizen, once
52 Gobs and gobs
53 Frenziedly
54 It rings in a ring
55 Golden Rule reposition
56 Load, like luggage
58 Before now
59 Hi-___ graphics
60 Weather report graphic

HOROSCOPES BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 2022 Lunar Tides of Emotion



Emotions are information. There are no bad emotions, just inaccurate interpretations of them, unhelpful reactions to them or questionable reasons they are triggered in the first place.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). The one you would love to avoid is the same one you would most benefit from talking to.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Wherever you go, you notice the vibes. You have the power to change the tone of a place.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The demand exceeds your current skill. You'll be asked to do what you haven't done before.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). There are judgment calls to be made. Good manners can be a little dishonest, but better to go with kindness and tact than to risk causing offense or hurt feelings with a sharp truth.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). If the reward rained down from the heavens, everyone would go outside with open hands.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You'll be attuned to the various ways people demonstrate their status and power.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Shame, blame and complaining can hurt productivity. That's not to say they should be avoided entirely.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). When you are fully engaged in what you're doing, it's like you are one with the sea of life.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). These conditions, for better or worse, do not define you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Those who aim to impress will do the opposite because working for approval is off-putting.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). The glamorous trappings that others make a big deal over inspire nothing but skepticism in you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). One way to deal with stress is to avoid it entirely. That's not a solution that works every day, but today it will work like a charm.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (April 7). You'll align yourself with that which delights you and shed what didn't work for you last year.

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Difficulty Rating: ★★☆☆☆

SOLUTIONS
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