

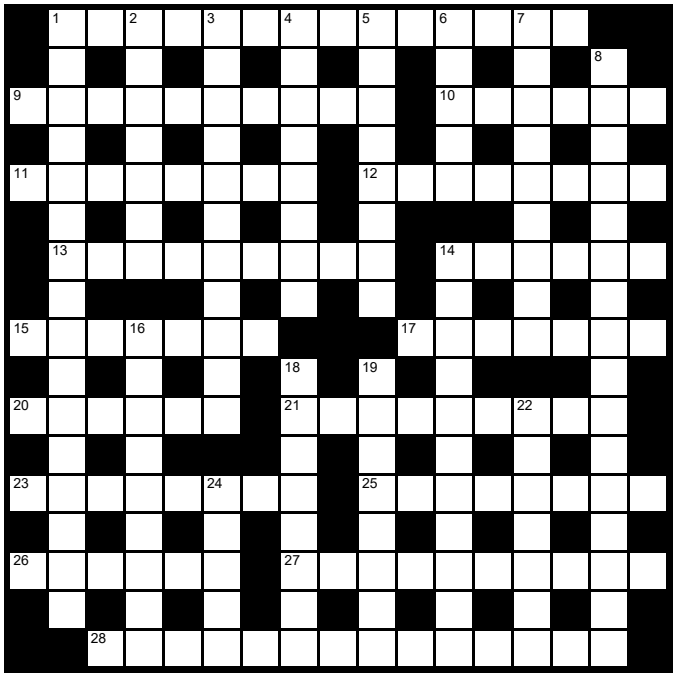
POLYMATH 1,344 by GOZO

ACROSS

- 1 Schoenberg's string sextet, Op. 4, known as *Transfigured Night* (9,5)
- 9 Capital city of Slovakia since 1918 (10)
- 10 Simon the ____, an apostle of Jesus (6)
- 11 Silver coin of ancient Rome, often called a penny in translation (8)
- 12 An introductory part of an oration or discourse (8)
- 13 The tenth Savoy opera, subtitled *The Witch's Curse* (9)
- 14 River in a Strauss waltz (6)
- 15 Large swivel cannon formerly used in naval warfare (4,3)
- 17 Ruined city in north central Crete, famed for its remains of the Minoan Bronze Age civilisation (7)
- 20 White herons (6)
- 21 Hen's product which gives off a sulphurous smell (6,3)
- 23 The brightest star in the constellation Boötes (8)
- 25 A critical interpretation of a biblical text (8)
- 26 A verbal noun, such as 'leaving' in the sentence 'My leaving her was unwise' (6)
- 27 From December 2010, when democratic reforms in Tunisia, Egypt, Libya and Yemen were sought (4,6)
- 28 Composer of *An American in Paris* (6,8)

DOWN

- 1 Han van Meegeren's artistic copies (7,9)
- 2 The smallest historical English county (7)
- 3/14D Epistolary novel by Choderlos de Laclos (3,8,11)
- 4 Antiques ____, BBC Sunday evening programme hosted by Fiona Bruce (8)
- 5 Stands with open shelves for displaying ornaments (8)
- 6 Italian fishing port on the Tyrrhenian Sea where Allied troops landed in January 1944 (5)
- 7 Large advertising posters called billboards in the USA (9)
- 8 Casserole with vegetables and herbs, cooked in red wine (5,11)
- 14 See 3
- 16 River rising in Northamptonshire flowing through Godmanchester and St Neots to the Wash (5,4)
- 18 Queensland's capital city (8)
- 19 Cheapest accommodation on board a passenger ship (8)
- 22 It's raised when giving a quizzical look (7)
- 24 ____ Cup, the trophy awarded in golf's competition between Europe and the US (5)



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