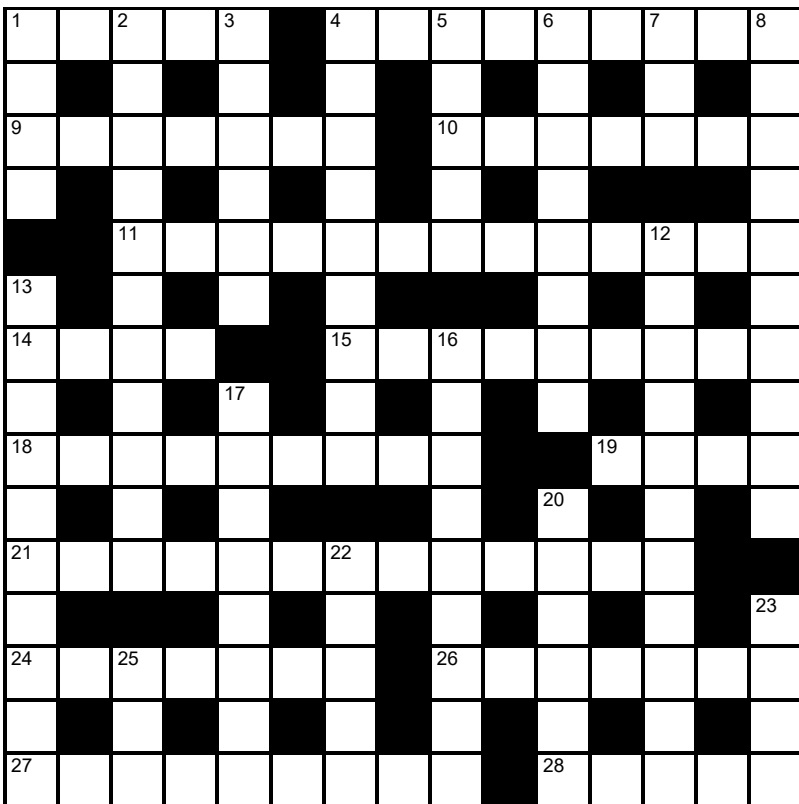


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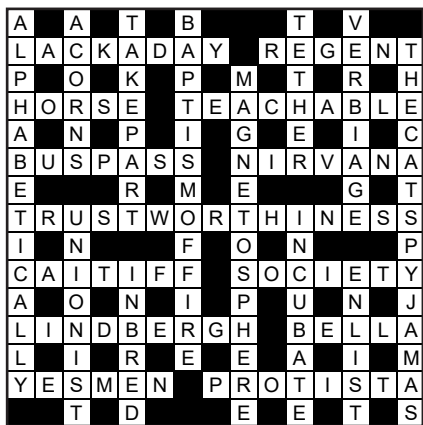
- 1 Foreign character was first to return thanks (5)
- 4 Go and risk getting beaten up in once-trendy street (5,4)
- 9 Speech forecast 30% cut (7)
- 10 The middle of Angela's ticket is flexible (7)
- 11 Bimbo I rescued could be a terrorist (7,6)
- 14 Get time with international head of government (4)
- 15 Protective gear which horses get put through in clubs? (9)
- 18 Local government funder once a rare type, surprisingly (9)
- 19 Tungsten layer, at which point... (4)
- 21 ... things fall apart, dancing bear and Elvis in top form (8,5)
- 24 Tequila in planter's punch initially left old queen drunk (7)
- 26 Artist's productions penetrated by old insects (7)
- 27 As a non-citizen, don't say as much (9)
- 28 A transitory form of life rotting flesh (5)

DOWN

- 1 Father beginning to appreciate artists' movement (4)
- 2 Crawler not much impressed by bad picks (11)
- 3 Sour policemen stop spies turning up (6)
- 4 Artist preserved, it's said, where eagles fly? (9)
- 5 Pleasant to welcome English relative (5)
- 6 Tailed fish over 24 hours (8)
- 7 Unable to see you asleep (3)
- 8 Dog certain to disrupt home improvement (10)
- 12 Broker shuts rebellious artists' movement (11)
- 13 Traits tube artist represents (10)
- 16 American silverware deteriorates (9)
- 17 Director's disturbed sleep inspiring Turner? (5,3)
- 20 People eating asparagus starter for eastern cash (6)
- 22 Managed to climb over someone's extremities being tender (5)
- 23 Oafs clumsy at a specific time (2,2)
- 25 Pulse exercise first-rate (3)

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