

# Behind the Microphone

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## ACROSS

- 1 Creator of Moonbeam McSwine
- 7 No-star review
- 10 Late Saudi king
- 14 Closing passage
- 18 Creator of Dr. Fu Manchu, Sax \_\_\_\_
- 19 Lover of Psyche
- 21 Tom yum gai cuisine
- 22 Easy-Off target
- 23 *Start of a quip about a certain radio personality*
- 27 Irregular, as if gnawed on
- 28 Big name in auto painting and repair
- 29 Cry shouted at a vampire
- 30 Chancellorsville combatant
- 31 *Quip, Part 2*
- 36 After dark, to Jeanne D'Arc
- 37 Waiting rm. of a sort
- 38 Suppressed
- 39 Finger food of the islands
- 40 Is friendly to felons
- 42 Short cut?
- 45 1960s critic of U.S. policy, Madame \_\_\_\_
- 46 Tussive outbursts
- 49 Failed to beat the throw, e.g.
- 51 Downer
- 53 He sparked George's interest in Indian music
- 55 Old Cabinet dept.
- 56 Portland ME is on it
- 57 Dance segment?
- 59 Cortes quest
- 60 Narrow neckwear
- 62 *Quip, Part 3*
- 65 Some buck it
- 66 Cornfield crops
- 69 *Quip, Part 4*
- 71 Cutting tool
- 72 Leading
- 74 *Quip, Part 5*
- 76 Nickname
- 78 Immoderate imbiber
- 79 It's steeped in tradition
- 80 Canyon feature
- 83 Eagle-eyed Ernie?
- 84 Alerting wd. on a letter
- 85 Shoe-fitters may feel yours
- 87 Eye part
- 89 Flower parts
- 91 Barney, to Bamm-Bamm
- 94 Proper partner?
- 96 Hometown-related
- 97 Addams Family cousin
- 98 Alice's chronicler
- 100 Broadcasting base of this puzzle's subj.
- 102 Dryer outlet
- 103 *Quip, Part 6*
- 108 Setting of a Newhart show
- 109 Subzero?: abbr.
- 110 Vegas lights
- 111 Wee whelps
- 112 *End of the quip*
- 118 Lois portrayer

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- 119 Bathe
- 120 Writer Jorge \_\_\_\_ Borges
- 121 Boob tube
- 122 Approximately
- 123 Watchful one
- 124 Conservative intro
- 125 Album protector

## DOWN

- 1 MGM motto word
- 2 Chop (off)
- 3 Most inferior
- 4 Nut-flavored liqueur
- 5 Type of 79 Across
- 6 Spectrum producers
- 7 Place to hang things
- 8 Kitchen magnet?
- 9 Sprat's restriction
- 10 Texas city nicknamed Cowtown
- 11 "I see the problem!"
- 12 Ty of movies or John Wesley of the West
- 13 Won!
- 14 Storable sleeper
- 15 FedExed, perhaps
- 16 Freedom from govt. control
- 17 Davis of *The Brady Bunch*
- 20 Mideast VIPs, once
- 24 Hornets' homes
- 25 Danny played by Clooney
- 26 Crucial juncture in tennis
- 31 Deeply admiring (of)
- 32 Big horns

- 33 John Galt's creator
- 34 \_\_\_\_ July
- 35 Marker
- 41 "No \_\_\_\_ thing"
- 43 Writer with a twist
- 44 Babysitter caller
- 46 Twice LIII
- 47 Hunt's rival
- 48 Nobel was one
- 50 Man's nickname
- 52 Most like hot fudge
- 54 Playground argument retort
- 58 Went to a diner
- 60 Frugal one
- 61 Mortarboard hurler
- 62 Ivan was one
- 63 Insulted
- 64 TV comedy set in a fort
- 66 Legal workload
- 67 Beatles tune, "Fixing \_\_\_\_"
- 68 Spiders
- 70 Takes to court
- 73 Phone sound
- 75 Salt, symbolically
- 77 Ice cream amts.
- 80 Like some genes
- 81 Tabriz resident, variantly
- 82 Fountain treats
- 86 \_\_\_\_ Fein
- 88 "How do I \_\_\_\_?"
- 90 Dough dispenser
- 92 "We have \_\_\_\_!"
- 93 Cut into cubelets

- 95 Mug: "Let's go, sister!"  
Dame: "Ow, you're hurting \_\_\_\_!"
- 98 Shade of hair: abbr.
- 99 Nightclub singer's prop
- 101 Oil and vinegar containers
- 103 Loretta Young film, *The Men \_\_\_\_ Life*
- 104 Black Panther Bobby
- 105 As a joke
- 106 Actor Davis
- 107 Chip maker
- 108 "Leave \_\_\_\_ me"
- 113 Grande opening?
- 114 The night before
- 115 Bear, in Bogota
- 116 Home of Nellis AFB
- 117 "Golly!"

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