

Across
1 "No! You're alone! You're all alone. And you won't be able to be free of that feeling of being alone until you look death right in the face. I know this sounds like bullshit, some romantic crap, until you go right up into the ass of death, right up his ass, and feel the womb of fear" Marlon Brando character (with colourful phraseology) in controversial 70s movie
4 Collective term for Cantos LXXIV-LXXXIV of Ezra Pound written (on toilet paper) while detained as a fascist collaborator (in a steel cage) in Northern Italy after end of WW2
9 Sid and Nancy (initials)
10 Addendum alerting reader to error in text such as for Kate Blanchett read Cate Blanchett
11 Veil covering entire face (except eyes) worn by women in conservative Muslim countries
12 Claude Rains role in classic of 1933 (initials)
13 Meister Eckhart or Mister Ed (initials)
14 Ankle-length vestment worn by priests at mass difficult to remove in heat of passion
15 Haughty, snobbish and condescending $(5,5)$
19 Ye ... Shoppe
20 The state of proudly and publicly embracing one's homosexuality
21 Palestinian Authority or Peter Allen (initials) 5
22 Intellectual titan lauded in native France ${ }^{1}$
26 Purpose, goal, intention, desired outcome, point firearm at target one wishes to hit

25 Town in rural New South Wales known for annual, world record holding "Ute Muster" (also Ute on the Pole sculpture and other notable ute-related attractions) (nickname)
27 Fragment of parchment inscribed with verses from Torah (in decorated case) attached to doorposts (often on jaunty slant) of Jewish households (fulfilling biblical injunction revealed to Moses on Sinai)
30 One blood (initials)
31 "I have of late - but wherefore I know not lost all my mirth, forgone all custom of exercises, and indeed it goes so heavily with my disposition this goodly frame, the earth, seems to me a sterile ..." characterization of world by gloomy Dane

## Down

1 Figure from mythology which guides souls of newly dead to the afterlife such as Charon, Anubis, Azrael and Valkyries
Small battery (for smoke detector or Walkie) Not spoken about, though thought or felt Elite guard employed to protect emperor in ancient Rome
5 Irritate, annoy, peeve
Cryptic dedication in Seven Pillars of Wisdom by T. E. Lawrence fueling speculation about mystery beloved $(1,1)$

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7 At a precarious angle (endangering structure)
8 Weak, insipid and ineffective $(5,5)$
10 Prestigious award for excellence in TV
14 Greek for "cause" in philosophy of Aristotle regarding nature of reality
16 Controversial Mumbai-based, ride-sharing franchise with very poor TripAdvisor rating
17 Early Christian hymn set to music by many great composers including Handel, Mozart, Dvořák, Bruckner and Wilhelm Furtwängler (named after incipit of introit) $(2,4)$
18 Father, Town, Man Flint
23 Italian first name (Ferrari; Aguello, the baker from The Godfather etc.)

24 French fashion designer known for post-war "new look" criticized by Coco Chanel ("Only a man who never was intimate with a woman could design something that uncomfortable") (also "Look how ridiculous these women are, wearing clothes by a man who doesn't know women, never had one and dreams of being one" etc.)
5 Tibetan bovid (not yak)
(initials)
Only leader to have authorized use of atomic weapons against civilian populations (to demonstrate paradigm shift of new post-war global hegemony) (initials)

