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Across

- 1** Courageous, Irish rap trio from West Belfast with Mo Chara, Móglaí Bap and DJ Próvaí (in Irish tricolour balaclava) (*C.E.A.R.T.A.*, *3CAG*, *H.O.O.D.*, *MAM* etc., etc.)
- 7** Treeless, grassy plain (esp. in South America)
- 8** “Beware of March” Haunting warning of blind soothsayer in *Julius Caesar* played by character actor Richard Hale (also Nathan Radley father of Boo in *To Kill a Mockingbird* and tribal elder Goro in *Star Trek* episode in which Captain Kirk loses his memory and is hailed as a god by extraterrestrial descendants of Native Americans)
- 10** Artificial mound of stratified debris created by accumulated refuse of human activity over many years (Arabic for hill)
- 11** A part of the Underworld in Greek mythology for deceased heroes to live in perfect peace such as where Maximus Decimus Meridius went at the end of *Gladiator*
- 13** New German opera (initials)
- 14** Underrated *Monkees* album (initials)
- 15** “Ain’t it foggy outside / All the planes have been grounded / Ain’t the fire inside? / Let’s all go stand around it” Haunting 1971 song by *America* with quality of ineffable yearning

Down

- 1** Popular images on Instagram (not sunsets)
- 2** Hebrew name of G-d literally G-d Most High (2, 5)
- 3** Name shared by Biblical high priest known for the wickedness of his sons (who took the best bits of meat from the sacrifices and fornicated with the women serving at the sanctuary entrance) and unusual death falling off chair backwards and breaking neck when told the Philistines had defeated the Israelite army and captured the Ark of G-d and leading US exponent of torture porn (*Hostel* etc.)
- 4** Vibrant red colour associated with Matisse
- 5** A new Eden (initials)
- 6** “They threw me off the hay truck about noon” 1934 James M. Cain classic *The ... Always Rings Twice* with baffling twist at end about fate
- 9** Old Norse name meaning “blessed” or “holy” such as founder of Hogwarts’ Hufflepuff House in *Harry Potter*
- 12** Troubled muse of Quentin Tarantino

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