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Across

- 1** Sumptuous, 1965, Vincente Minnelli drama about growing relationship between repressed clergyman headmaster (Richard Burton) and free-spirited Californian artist (Elizabeth Taylor) known for Big Sur locations, Johnny Mandel theme *The Shadow of your Smile* and arresting Charles Bronson cameo as beatnik (21% rating on *Rotten Tomatoes*) (3, 9)
- 12** Marvelous French master of Rococo (*The Embarkation for Cythera*, *Pierrot* etc.)
- 13** Enclave within western Russian Empire encompassing Belarus, Lithuania, Moldova and parts of Poland and Ukraine where Jews were segregated from the general population to control economic competition from 1791 until Bolshevik revolution in 1917
- 14** Isaac Stern or Islamic State (initials)
- 15** "This long ..., my life" Gloomy assessment by Alexander Pope to friend Dr. Arbuthnot
- 16** Sinister club drug in 90s known as "Liquid E"
- 17** Town in Texas known for grueling, 51-day siege of Branch Davidian compound by ATF in 1993 (also *Dr Pepper* Museum)
- 18** Sit-in (initials)
- 20** Protest in which demonstrators refuse to leave a particular place until their demands are addressed esp. (in 60s) (3-2)
- 21** Japanese warlord appointed by emperor such as Minamoto no Yoritomo as depicted in masterly portrait by Fujiwara Takanobu of 1179 in Kyoto
- 24** International Socialists or Irish stew (initials)
- 25** "Well, let me tell you 'bout the way she looked / The way she had to have the colour of her hair / Her voice was soft and cool, her eyes were clear and bright / But" Poignant paean to loss by *The Zombies* (from 60s)
- 28** The (French) (*Mépris*, *Samourai*, *Specs* etc.)
- 29** 17th letter of Greek alphabet constituting (with X) Christogram seen in vision by Constantine and displayed on shields and labarum of victorious army at Battle of Milvian Bridge of 28th Oct 312
- 30** Sound made by cartoon dog
- 31** Seminal French artist known for photo leaping out of window, monochromatic paintings in blue, *Monotone Silence Symphony* involving a single D chord played for twenty minutes followed by twenty minutes of silence and fatal heart attack during screening of *Mondo Cane* at Canne Film Festival in 1962 (sic)
- 34** Light greyish-yellowish brown colour such as a jumper from *A.P.C.* or *Muji*
- 36** Indifferent Russian artist regarded as inventor of abstraction
- 38** Ted Logan or Tina Louise (initials)

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- 39** Coarse way of getting someone's attention (also rousing singalong chant in *T.N.T.* by *ACDC*)
- 40** Joint State Political Directorate Secret Police of Soviet Union from Nov 1923 to July 1934 associated with Felix Dzerzhinsky and Red Terror (acronym)
- 41** Acclaimed singer from Mullumbimby (*Guided by Angels*, *GFY* etc.) (first name) (without middle initial resulting in amusing stage name)
- 43** What did Professor Noam Chomsky do on 7th December 2018?

Down

- 1** British Jamaican singer songwriter dancer known for ethereal videos and breaking off engagement to Robert Pattinson after racist trolling by diehard fans of English heartthrob (without baffling prefix FKA)
- 2** Mind-altering drug associated with murderous sect from Persia
- 3** Movie blockbuster about special bond between stranded alien and fatherless earth child in 80s
- 4** Seize the day (initials)
- 5** Vowels, where are you? **WARNING** Cryptic
- 6** Seminal East Coast rapper (*N.Y. State of Mind* etc.) (from 90s)
- 7** Epic, psychological western by King Vidor about fatal attraction between hot-blooded mestiza (Jennifer Jones) and smoldering, bad seed "Lewt" (Gregory Peck) known for torrid shootout finale in desert leading to industry nickname *Lust in the Dust* (with Lillian Gish, Lionel Barrymore and Butterfly McQueen) (also silent star Harry Carey as old-timer Lem Smoot) (sic) (4, 2, 3, 3)
- 8** Location of family fish and chip shop of Pauline Hanson
- 9** Heartfelt, rhapsodic celebration or tribute to something remembered fondly
- 10** Ernst Lubitsch (initials)
- 11** "Ensanguining the skies / How heavily it dies Into the west away / Past touch and sight and sound / Not further to be found / How hopeless under ground / Falls the ... day" Poem by A. E. Housman in touching final episode of *Inspector Morse*
- 19** Greek god of the sea played by Welsh character actor Jack Gwillim in *Clash of the Titans* with Lawrence Olivier as Zeus, Ursula Andress as Aphrodite and Harry Hamlin as Perseus known for arresting underwater scene showing release of Kraken to devour Judi Bowker (*Andromeda*) chained to rock
- 20** ... *Angelica* Extremely sad, single act, Puccini opera with famous aria "Senza mamma, o bimbi, tu sei morto" sung by heartbroken sister sent to convent by wealthy family as punishment for youthful indiscretion on being told her child born out of wedlock and taken from her seven years earlier had died leading grief-stricken mother to mortal sin of suicide and final intercession by Mary reuniting mother and son in Heaven (as seen in touching episode of *Inspector Morse* about death of little girl)
- 22** Beautiful Spartan queen taken by Paris to Troy launching a thousand ships (also burning the topless towers of Ilium)
- 23** George Negus or Gary Numan or Greg Norman or Gamel Nasser (initials)
- 24** Inscrutable text in *Siebzehn* by Paul Klee (1923) (German for insane)
- 25** Torah-commanded Jewish holiday known as the Feast of Booths beginning 15th day of Tishri in commemoration of sojourn in wilderness and observed by eating and sleeping in hut with palm-frond roof in backyard (also waving Four Species of plant tied together in esoteric mitzvah outlined in Leviticus 23:40)
- 26** Onomatopoeia associated with working of clock
- 27** ...-*de-Nil* Lovely, pale, light-greenish colour associated with Tippi Hedren in *The Birds*
- 32** King of Thebes killed by son on fork in road without end **WARNING** Cryptic
- 33** Affectionate hypocorism (Tufnell, Molesworth, Bruce, Farage etc.)
- 35** Seacrest, Gosling, O'Neal, *Von ... 's Express* etc.
- 37** Narcissistic Personality Disorder (initials)
- 38** Popular, on-line current affairs program with impassioned hosts Ana and Cenk (initials)
- 42** Meister Eckhart or Mister Ed (initials)