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Across

- 1** “They fought me at every turn” Disturbed Naval Captain played by Humphrey Bogart in *The Caine Mutiny* memorable for unravelling with ball bearings court room scene
- 6** “That gun’s not licenced!”, “Neither am I!” Maverick, Seattle police detective played by John Wayne in gritty, action-packed, 1974 John Sturges movie (3, 3)
- 11** Angel (Hebrew אֲנִי־אֵל “El/G-d is my light”) with fiery sword placed at entrance of garden of Eden to keep mankind out after Fall (also to right of Mary in *Madonna of the Rocks* by Leonardo) (also character in *The Binding of Isaac* video game)
- 12** Loud, public clamour of alarm, protest or outrage (typically in conjunction with cry)
- 13** *Love Unlimited* or Lacey Underall or Leon Uris or Lars Ulrich (initials)
- 14** Improvised Explosive Device (initials)
- 15** Subgenre of hip hop from 2010s known for rejection of macho posturing typical in rap to focus on vulnerability, depression, drug addiction and heartbreak (mostly white) (3, 3)
- 18** *CU in ...* Edgy ad campaign promoting youth tourism to Northern Territory (banned)
- 19** Liberal, classical, platonic, noir, pop, con, Shoegaze etc.
- 20** Blend, merge or combine two or more things into a single, cohesive entity (Vulcan mind ... etc.)
- 22** Controversial Howard Hughes production with John Wayne as Genghis Khan known for witty *YouTube* comments such as “He really nailed that Mongolian accent” and “If you ever feel like you suck at what you do, just remember there was a casting director that thought this was a good idea” etc.
- 26** *The Comedy of ...* Early play by Shakespeare about two sets of identical twins mixed up during storm at sea meeting when grown in ancient Ephesus (with 1957 adaptation *A Merry Mix-Up* starring The Three Stooges in slapstick short about three sets of identical twins with madcap finale as nine Stooges meet at bar!)
- 27** *Cat ... Hot Tin Roof, Snakes ... Plane etc.*
- 28** Iconic Australian cracker with holes for butter and vegemite to squeeze out of
- 29** Innate ability to detect secret sexuality
- 31** Enigmatic initials adopted by screenwriter and Billy Wilder collaborator Diamond (*Some Like It Hot, The Apartment, Kiss Me, Stupid, Fedora Buddy Buddy* (with Klaus Kinski as Dr. Hugo Zuckerbrot) etc.
- 33** Umberto Eco or “Uli” Edel (initials)

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- 34** Wartime pilot feted as national hero for number of enemy planes shot down such as Manfred Von Richthofen, Richard “Dick” Bong and Giora “Hawkeye” Epstein
- 36** Biblical book attributed to King Solomon with famous opening, “It is useless, useless, said the Philosopher. Life is useless, useless. You spend your life working and what do you have to show for it?” (*Easy-to-Read Version*)
- 40** “As we set out this year to defeat the divisive forces that would take freedom away, I want to say those fighting words for everyone to hear and to heed “FROM MY COLD, DEAD HANDS!!!” Controversial US organization known for impassioned peroration in famous speech at May 2000 National Convention by then president Charlton Heston
- 41** Nathan Leopold or *New Labour* (initials)
- 42** Commonplace vehicular infringement
- 43** ... *in the NT* Edgy ad campaign promoting youth tourism to Northern Territory (banned)
- 44** 6th June 1944 (also catchy *King Gizzard & the Lizard Wizard* track from 2017 debut album *Sketches of East Brunswick*) (1-3)
- 46** *A ... with a View* Beloved Merchant Ivory film adaptation of E. M. Forster novel memorable for beauty of Florence, breakout performance of Helena Bonham Carter as adorable heroine Lucy Honeychurch and genitals of Simon Callow (in role of Reverend Mr. Beebe)
- 48** Lavish spectacle characterized by opulence and theatricality such as André Rieu’s *Love in Venice*, halftime Super Bowl entertainment, *Aida* at Baths at Caracalla or Beyonce’s 2026 *Renaissance World Tour*)
- 8** Distinguished British director (*The Man Who Never Was, The Poseidon Adventure* etc.)
- 9** “Czar” Lepke (initials)
- 10** Latin for Lent (signifying fortieth) echoing days in Judaeen desert Jesus spent fasting and enduring temptation by Satan
- 16** International organization founded at Oxford in 1946 for people of extremely high IQ with membership including Marilyn vos Savant, Norman Schwarzkopf and Jimmy Saville (sic)
- 17** Dramatic climax of speech designed to stir emotion such as “We will fight them on the beaches”, “The only thing we have to fear is fear itself”, “Ich bin ein Berliner!”, “Can you dig it? Can you dig it? CAN YOU DIG IT?!!!”, “Ich frage euch: Wollt ihr den totalen Krieg?!!” “FROM MY COLD, DEAD HANDS” or “Well may we say God save the Queen because nothing will save the Governor General!” etc.
- 21** French, Teale, Bernstein, Cohen, Briscoe etc.
- 23** Revolutionary third symphony of Beethoven in E-flat major, Op. 55 from 1804 dedicated to Napoleon
- 24** Carl Orff or Count Orlok or Conan O’Brien (initials)
- 25** Scary monsters which are deceased but animate
- 30** Soulful, Japanese singer songwriter (*Feel My Soul, Life* etc.) and lead singer of new group *FLOWER POWER* (after hiatus due to panic disorder)
- 32** Albert Langer or Adolf Loos or Avigdor Lieberman or Anni-Frid Lyngstad (initials)
- 35** Charles Evrémonde or Chuck E. (initials)
- 37** The most vital, decisive or central part of an issue, argument or problem (also prominent asterism in southern sky known for millennia and visible in Europe in 4th century)

Down

- 1** “... of dust” Gloomy characterization of human life in Act 2, Scene II of *Hamlet*
- 2** Vital anatomical part (in pelvis)
- 3** Islamic festival (occurring twice in year)
- 4** *Eight Elvises* or Ethan Edwards (initials)
- 5** Arresting, 1953 exploration of cross dressing by Ed Wood Jr narrated by Bela Lugosi (sic) regarded widely as the worst film ever made (4, 2, 6)
- 6** Assisted readymade by Marcel Duchamp of 1919 using postcard of *Mona Lisa* with added moustache, goatee and risqué caption translated loosely by artist in late interview as “there is fire down below”
- 7** *Father, Lady, Town, Don Bradman, Man Flint* etc.
- 38** *Sex, Lies, and Videotape* (initials)
- 39** Sad Unicorn Rainbow Art (initials)
- 44** Divine retribution or Dan Rather (initials)
- 45** Yigal Amir or Yasser Arafat (initials)
- 47** Rock, plottation, Land of, Boy from, Frank, Amos, Doctor etc.

