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**Super Bowl  
cost: \$4M**

**Tale of two taxis**

# The New York Times

## Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz

No. 1204

## ACROSS

- 1 Big drop of water  
6 Putting out a lot  
14 Superman, for one  
15 Axe in a bathroom  
16 One showing resolution?  
18 "Any ideas?"  
19 Some British autos  
20 It's delivered freshly  
21 School in development?  
22 Lead-in to "la la"  
24 Where tequila originated: Abbr.  
25 Start of a protest  
27 B.C. setting
- 30 Focus of industrial science  
36 Old nickname for China  
37 The Who's only U.S. top 10 hit  
38 Scopes Trial city  
39 Lead-in to Balls or Caps  
40 Enterprise letters  
41 Wander  
42 "On Point" broadcaster  
44 Sharp as a bowling ball  
45 Enormous, informally  
49 Contents of some pockets  
51 Opposite of a shaggy-dog story
- 53 Hardware manager  
57 Hoarders' disorders  
58 Candy counter eponym  
59 Immoderate behavior  
60 Made a bad call

## DOWN

- 1 The right stuff?  
2 Coming or going acknowledgment  
3 Line at the Oscars  
4 Hare constellation  
5 Figure-hugging  
6 Taken alone  
7 DVD trailer?  
8 2004-11 Lakers forward  
9 Like some roses and wineglasses  
10 Partiers on March 17  
11 Broad and then some  
12 Rescuer of Odysseus  
13 Snapper on a field: Abbr.  
15 Trendy cleanses  
17 Pretty good poker hand  
23 Taxing times
- 24 Their state song is a waltz  
25 Property  
26 Handles online  
28 Cliffside detritus  
29 \_\_\_ days (now)  
30 Vinegar and others  
31 Praline ingredient  
32 Take selfish advantage of
- 33 Quitting time?  
34 Actor Spall of "Life of Pi"  
35 Egyptian bull god  
38 Diagram grammatically  
39 \_\_\_  
40  
41  
42  
43  
44 Inadvisable behavior  
45 Skinflint  
46 Rap response
- 47 Featherbrains  
48 Piece-keeping?  
49  
50 Map lines: Abbr.  
51  
52 Strings of yore  
53 Rock band?  
54 Time of wide-ranging stability  
55 It can reduce a sentence  
56 Final finale in Britain?

PUZZLE BY MARTIN ASHWOOD-SMITH

## ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
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## KEN KEN

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| 360X |    | 3÷  |    | 2-  |     |
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|      |    | 10+ |    | 30X |     |
| 1-   |    | 1   |    |     | 20X |
|      |    |     |    |     |     |
| 3+   | 6  | 75X |    |     |     |
|      |    |     |    |     |     |
|      | 1- |     |    | 2   | 3÷  |
|      |    |     |    |     |     |
| 5    | 5- |     | 1- |     |     |

## RULES

- Each row and each column must contain the numbers 1 through 6 without repeating.
- The numbers within the heavily outlined boxes, called cages, must combine using the given operation (in any order) to produce the target numbers in the top-left corners.
- Freebies: Fill in single-box cages with the number in the top-left corner.

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| 3 | 12X | 4- | 1 | 5 | 3÷ | 2 | 6 |
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| 1 | 2   | 4  | 3 | 6 | 5  |   |   |
| 5 | 6   | 3  | 1 | 4 | 2  |   |   |
| 2 | 5   | 6  | 4 | 1 | 3  |   |   |
| 6 | 1   | 5  | 2 | 3 | 4  |   |   |

## SUDOKU

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| 5 | 2 |   |   | 9 |   | 4 |   |   |
| 9 |   |   | 1 |   |   |   |   |   |
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| 8 | 3 | 7 | 9 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 1 |
| 7 | 8 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 9 | 4 | 2 |
| 5 | 9 | 1 | 7 | 4 | 2 | 6 | 3 | 8 |
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Complete the grid so that every row column and box contains 1-9

# Clay Aiken says Last 'Idol' season begins with yawn

**A**merican Idol" season 2 runner up **Clay Aiken** had a few harsh words about the first episode of the show's 15th and final season: "Well... now I know why the ratings are down," he tweeted, adding that he missed former judge **Simon Cowell's** gibes.

"I've watched root canals more entertaining than these judges," referring to **Jennifer Lopez**, **Harry Connick Jr.** and **Keith Urban**.

In other "American Idol" news, Forbes released its list of 2015's top-earning "Idol" contestants: **Adam Lambert**, who was fronting **Queen** (\$10 million), **Carrie Underwood** (\$8 million), **Chris Daughtry** (\$6 million), **Phillip Phillips** (\$5 million), and, tied for fifth, **Scotty McCreery** and **Kelly Clarkson** (both \$4 million).

Meanwhile, at Wednesday's People's Choice Awards, **Vin Diesel** gave a heartfelt tribute to **Paul Walker**, **Dakota Johnson** had a wardrobe malfunction and serial event crasher **Zacari Nicasio** (a Kanye West wannabe) was kicked off the stage by **Sharon Osbourne** after stealing the microphone from "The Talk" hosts during their acceptance speech.

**Ellen DeGeneres**, after winning the favorite humanitarian honor, said, "It's a little strange to actually get an award for being nice and generous and kind which is what we're all supposed to do with one another."

## NEW PEET'S THEATRE

On Thursday, Berkeley Repertory Theatre staffers and supporters celebrated the opening of its new Peet's Theatre (formerly the Thrust Stage) after a renovation that included installation and demonstration of a high-tech Meyer Sound system, complete with thunder effects.

On hand were **John and Nancy Meyer**, Berkeley Mayor **Tom Bates**, Peet's Coffee CEO **David Burwick**, Berkeley Rep board president **Stewart Owen**, artistic director **Tony Taccone** (who thanked patrons and likened the event to "inviting people over to see the work done on the foundation") and managing director **Susan Medak**, who got a laugh when she likened the theater to "a lady who's been well loved and ridden hard."

**QUICK TAKES**  
**Beyonce** is slated to join **Coldplay** at the Super Bowl halftime show in Santa Clara. ... **Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco** curator **Esther Bell** is taking a moment today to chat with art lovers about Raphael's "Portrait of a Lady with a Unicorn," a 16th century painting on loan from Rome's Galleria Borghese and the subject of a show opening Saturday at the Legion of Honor.

## QUICK TAKES

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**  
Actress **Sarah Polley** is 37. ... Baseball player **Jason Giambi** is 45. ... Singer **R. Kelly** is 49. ... Singer **David Bowie** is 69. ... Guitarist **Robby Krieger** of The Doors is 70. ... Scientist **Stephen Hawking** is 75. ... Designer **Carolina Herrera** is 77. ... Game-show host **Bob Eubanks** is 78. ... Singer **Shirley Bassey** is 79.

—Staff, wire report