Dark Times

ACROSS

- 1. Heart or diamond alternative
- 6. Epic tales 11. Studio with a lion
- mascot (abbr.)
- 14. Ready for laser tag,
- 15. Braid
- 16. Home to the Burj Khalifa (abbr.)
- 17. Lead singer of Blondie
- 19. "Tick, Tick... Boom!" director ___-Manuel Miranda
- 20. "Eat my shorts!"
- 21. Prepared potatoes or carrots
- 23. British bathrooms
- 24. "Grazie" response
- **27.** Dole (out)
- 28. "You can even marry Harry//But mess around with ____" (Lyric from the musical "Chicago")
- 29. Flying reptile often mistaken as a dinosaur
- **31.** Just
- 33. She can do it!
- 34. Makeup mogul Lauder
- **35.** Like a certain tea party
- **36.** Original "Who Wants to be a Millionaire?" host Philbin
- 40. Morocco's capital
- 42. Tahini ingredient
- **43.** Hotels that can be found in Hyannis and Falmouth on the Cape
- 47. Impossible baseball result
- **48.** Lake by Buffalo
- **49.** Hot winter beverage
- **50.** Star of The Supremes
- 51. ____ Joe (Nickname for Biden)
- 53. Long pointy weapons

- 55. One looking for a buck?56. What happens
 - leading up to the winter solstice... and throughout this puzzle

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- 60. "To ____ is human"
- **61.** Give energy to
- 62. Person who never shows up to the theater
- 63. Word of enthusiatic consent
- 64. Duvernay-directed civil rights movie
- 65. Outdo slightly

DOWN

- Having a blue Christmas, say
- 2. Puts pie crust in the oven
- 3. One who neither gains nor loses energy through social interaction
- 4. Owed amounts
- 5. Actress Falco

- 6. The earth, or a beach ball
- 7. Letters before "mode" or "carte"
- 8. Toothy fish found in AVANT GARDE
- 9. Certain wireless headphones
- **10.** Eye affliction
- **11.** "Party in the back" hairstyle
- 12. Festivity
- 13. "The Father of Genetics"
- 18. In need of a refill
- 22. Hosts
- 23. It's often squeezed on fish tacos
- **25.** All over the place
- 26. Evil's opposite
- **29.** Beg
- **30.** Buenos _____ **32.** Spookier (or,
- phonetically, more like 48–across)
- **35.** Ingredient in many a cold lobster roll

- **37.** Contents of a shower taken by Superbowl winners
- **38.** "Wish we were together now"
- 39. Looks at
- **41.** Piece of construction equipment
- **42.** Hogwarts potions professor
- **43.** ^{''}Game of Thrones" actress Lena
- 44. "... And that's just the start!"
- 45. Units of soda
- **46.** Cosa ____
- **50.** Gaseous element than can be a household danger
- 52. Poisonous snakes
- 54. "Therefore", in Latin
- **57.** Bird in the Hundred Acre Wood
- 58. Sleep stage when dreams happen
- **59.** Brand of fuel additive

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