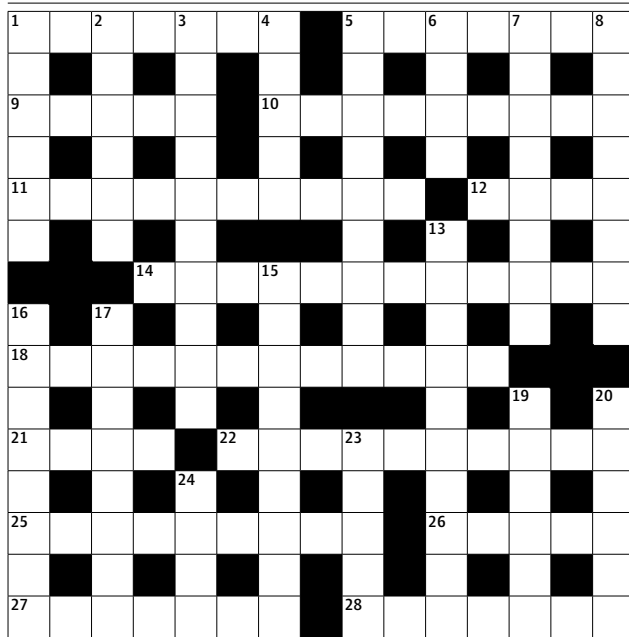


Guardian cryptic crossword



No 25,882 set by Orlando

Across

- 1 Animals from a cold area in The Sound of Music setting (7)
- 5 Medusa's snakes taken upon oneself (7)
- 9 Art of jazz – change backing endlessly (5)
- 10 About one degree Fahrenheit – sign for actress (3,6)
- 11 Worried composer accepts one-note instrument (10)
- 12 Don't eat such food from a takeaway (4)
- 14 Wow! Folk learn new song – possibly (3,3,2,4)
- 18 Song from one who's intended to entertain 24 getting married – certainly not 24 in service (1,4,7)
- 21 Mormon's last seen by salt lake (4)
- 22 Rolling Stone with first-class stuff in US city (10)
- 25 Jodie heads for island, needing gentle care (9)
- 26 Divers in Amarillo on springboards (5)
- 27 Teaching the children in français? (7)
- 28 Year-end frolics in clergyman's home (7)

Down

- 1,20 Bogey's mate is playing song (2,4,4,2)
- 2 Place provided by school governors changed by this? (6)
- 3 Band of gold in furniture for officers (10)

- 4 Winner of Nobel Prize climbing a tree (5)
- 5 Unaccompanied, a top lady of jazz without piano (1,8)
- 6 Transport announced for butcher (4)
- 7 Lavender planted in battle for girl (8)
- 8 Song writer's first to enter abbey (8)
- 13 Tell singer to provide dish (5,5)
- 15 Sea mail at sea with no exceptions (9)
- 16 Carol's invitees? True, but 7 would need another 50 (8)
- 17 Record producers? One's in Tardis after doctoring (8)
- 19 Middle section of serenade? Play it again! (6)
- 20 See 1
- 23 Very strict cook, marginally improved (5)
- 24 Fiddler, it's said, turned on when hugging the leading lady (4)

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