

Why Not - August 3, 2018 by Janie Smulyan / edited by Brad Wilber

ACROSS

1. Welcome display after emerging from a dead zone
5. Become unfocused
9. Traditional tartar-sauce nugget
14. Risqué
15. Artsy maverick, informally
16. Focused, in a way
17. Breeding horse that could still race?
19. Iridescent mosaic element
20. Tough tissue
21. King Ethelred, who pooh-poohed books?
23. Seminole War major in Florida toponyms
25. "Case of the Ex" R&B chanteuse
26. Ancient holy scroller?
29. Trial of lots of free apps?
31. Festive
35. Sass
36. Currency honoring Curie and Chopin
38. Like many porridges
39. Bonbon made for Marie Antoinette?
42. "The Lady's Got Potential" musical
43. Word before or after mother
44. Avail oneself of
45. Sonic the Hedgehog creator
46. Parcel drop-off points, for short
47. Wrote an online 56 Down, maybe
49. P on fraternity row
51. What's "draggin'" in Miranda Lambert's "Little Red Wagon"
52. "Back off ... I'm the one they'll cast!"
57. Endures
61. ___ mania (botanical phenomenon of the Dutch Golden Age)
62. One in EPA enforcement?
64. Ten sawbucks
65. "The ___ that men do lives after them": "Julius Caesar"
66. Apt rhyme with "O'Hara"

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67. Felled with an ax
68. Keister
69. Harbinger

DOWN

1. Events with pits and spits, briefly
2. His, in Le Havre
3. Damage beyond repair
4. Tennessee was the final member of a group to do this
5. Shot from an air gun
6. Singing Lehmann or Lenya
7. "Negatory!"
8. Made continual demands on, say
9. Shrewd
10. Gelatin alternative in many Asian desserts
11. Tempo
12. Actor Miller of 2017's "Justice League"
13. Clarinet or bassoon
18. December observance with candle-lighting
22. Verbal stumbles
24. Where sub assembly happens
26. Icelandic lore's Huldufólk, e.g.
27. Aging brain, facetiously
28. Sign of spring
29. "Cloud ___" (David Mitchell novel)
30. New blonde, say
32. Couldn't get enough of
33. Alamo compact?
34. Put in a minimum stake
37. Quaint cake-recipe word
38. Bardic off-Broadway role for David Oyelowo
40. Kodak Brownie model of the 1960s
41. River braved by Orpheus
46. Catch the eye, as a neon color
48. Trailside shelter
50. Promoted heavily
51. Pieces of your heart?
52. Symptom of some bites
53. Adjust, as at the concertmaster's bidding
54. Dawdling
55. Dollar bills, in slang
56. Pan antithesis
58. Rip off
59. Ripped
60. Reach over
63. It's lighter than most clubs