

Guest Puzzle—March 2016 "Look Ma, No Hands" by Arthur Schless

Instructions: Guess the words defined by the cryptic clues (answers vary in length from three to eleven letters, and eight are capitalized) then enter them in the grid one after another in the same order as their clues, starting in the upper left corner. Across words that don't end at the right continue on the next row, and down words that don't end at the bottom continue in the next column. Five across words and six down words won't fit in the grid unless one of their letters is omitted. Those eleven letters, taken in order as they occur in across and down words, spell a three-word phrase related to the mystery entries.

Across

1. *Mystery entry*
2. Neuropathy overwhelms Phoenician princess
3. Movement-disorder patient's cap sits precariously
4. Arthur okayed including impresario
5. Gamete's for each initiation of mitosis
6. Inappropriate trope for drunkard
7. Don't initiate a desire for getting paid
8. Mistruth buried in belief
9. Crumbly bay litter is scattered
10. Prosecutor in the morning is Smith
11. Elder's upset about a new distribution of cards
12. Heavenly body has been twinkling after start of day
13. Forbid entitlement inclusions for politician
14. Feudal lord lobbied initially for beheading of serf in military blockade
15. Rationale is partly psychological
16. Sea chill disconcerted Greek warrior
17. Powers emanating from a supreme being for a very long time
18. Leon, unfortunately, is unaccompanied
19. Thane's turbulent dash
20. Fellow loses the first of his headwear
21. Host argued with celebrity
22. Provocative and positive about embracing the unknown
23. Cops lose scuffle in waste pit
24. *Mystery entry*

Down

1. Entrance a pup when unruly with accessory equipment
2. Prenatal disturbance relating to mother or father
3. Hug one hundred pals when reassembled
4. Henry doesn't take part in the excitement for birdcall
5. Disoriented bishop loses bible in restaurant
6. I'm in the outskirts of London to paint
7. Irrational need for paradise
8. Examine bit of poison in bug
9. The French following group move awkwardly
10. Hot lode mined for purchase
11. Sea creature in sheltered area facing west
12. Ring initially had a lovely onyx
13. Skin eruption from the syrup I ate
14. Dim part of unreadable article
15. Tart, without a bit of humility, had clothes on
16. Stamp design embellished some with surroundings of brass
17. Plant fluid with gold taste
18. Ship, large, with royal leader on board
19. Gratify a list of candidates excluding Labor leader
20. Buyer has time for father of charlatan
21. Fisher gave up daughter for Sedgwick
22. Unnecessary part of complex Cessna
23. Without limits, colleen embraces helper
24. Easy task to substitute oxygen for iodine in shell