ACROSS

- 1 "___ Wine" (song covered by Nina Simone, Jeff Buckley, and Miley Cyrus)
- 6 Thwack
- 10 George Herriman's "Krazy" critter
- 13 Only state whose Great Seal was designed by a woman
- 14 "Pardon me," to Giuseppe
- **15** Dir. from the College Football Hall of Fame to the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame
- 16 Singer whose highest-charting hit was parodied as "Word Crimes" by Weird Al
- 18 Add end?
- 19 Metallurgy middle?
- 20 "Dynamite" hitmaker Cruz
- 21 "Interrupted Reading" painter Camille
- 23 Vermonty Python is in its "Flavor Graveyard"
- 26 In jeopardy
- 29 Paul who was named People's Sexiest Man Alive in 2021
- 30 With "humble," says something ostensibly humble but really not so humble
- 31 Yelled "Action!" to, say
- 33 Chain serving "Rooty Tooty Fresh 'N Fruity" platters
- 37 Doobie Brother with the memoir "What a Fool Believes"
- **40** NYC or London neighborhood
- 41 Pentagon Papers incident, e.g.
- **42** 2015 rap hit by Desiigner that went 5x platinum
- 43 Eye layer containing the iris
- 45 Traffic pressure points
- **46** Cabinet position held by Marcia Fudge until March 2024
- 51 Basketry willow
- 52 Edamame bean, to Brits
- **53** Wine term that's a homophone of 53-Down
- 56 Smokey, to a CBer
- 57 E Street Band guitarist inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame in 2014
- 61 Beginning to form?
- 62 Google Docs default font
- 63 "____ you the guy who tried to hurt me with the word 'goodbye'?" (Dua Lipa lyric)
- 64 Biden or Harris, once: Abbr.
- **65** Tax
- **66** Salon offering, slangily

DOWN

- 1 Florentine bread, once?
- **2** Show won by lam Tongi in 2023, informally
- 3 Culture centers?

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The meta for this puzzle is a famous pop singer.

- 4 Fish appearing in a megahit?
- 5 Italian noblewoman
- 6 Heir
- 7 Filmmaker Jean-___ Godard
- 8 "Too Much to ____" (Niall Horan or Avril Lavigne song title)
- 9 With "together," assembled
- 10 Bouillon cube brand
- 11 Harry
- 12 Activities taking place in 3-Down
- 14 "Transformers" star LaBeouf
- 17 Fishy place?
- 22 "___ Day" (Vanessa Carlton song)
- 23 Clink, by another name
- 24 Garbage
- **25** Either half of a noted country music duo
- 26 SALT subjects
- 27 Salt-N-Pepa, for one
- 28 Jennifer on "Friends," familiarly
- 31 Like much quartz
- 32 " Thurman" (Fall Out Boy song)

- 34 "___ On Sloopy" (McCoys hit that's Ohio's official rock song)
- 35 Quaint, quaintly
- 36 Kiss cam images, say
- 38 Utility bill abbr.
- 39 Met regular, maybe
- 44 Word before pool or equinox
- 45 Chicken salad ingredient
- **46** "___ Pocus" (song by the Dutch band Focus)
- **47** East Coast rte. that's the setting for Stephen King's "The Long Walk"
- 48 Cover with, as melted chocolate
- 49 60-Down section
- 50 Moving expense?
- 53 Word before neck or sock
- 54 Bring to tears?
- 55 "For ___ Us a Child Is Born" (movement from Handel's "Messiah")
- 58 It's vented in rage rooms
- 59 Ingrid co-star in "Autumn Sonata"
- 60 Hurdle for many Ph.D. hopefuls