

Raising the Bar

Across

1. Popular toaster waffles
6. "Yeah, no kidding!" (2 words)
11. "If I ___ You", Adam's hit song
14. Haka dancers of New Zealand
15. Mazda MX-5, familiarly
16. Bard's brouhaha
17. Hippies' passive resistance slogan (2 words)
19. "... hide ___ hair"
20. Stepbrother of Phineas on a Disney animated series
21. Not any, in law
22. "Iron Chef America" chef Cat ___
23. Go downhill
25. Diner dessert (2 words)
28. It might hold a typical retirement gift
30. Org. guarding against meltdowns

31. Ogled probably
32. The Harlem Shake or the Dougie
35. "Decorates" on Halloween, say
38. Regional music genre of Snoop Dogg, Dr. Dre and MC Hammer - but not Adam (3 words)
42. Sizzling sound
43. Mount for Lady Godiva
44. "Piece of cake!"
45. Painter's medium
46. Enthusiastic fan (and not in a good way)
49. Persona non grata at the blackjack table (2 words)
54. Sign outside a hit show
55. "Zounds!!!"
56. Bearded African antelope
57. It might mean "+ Adam Lambert" in Latin?
59. Merch purchase size
60. Special night for Adam and Roger in WeHo, or a hint to the first words highlighted in green and purple (2 words)
64. "I'm so excited!" squeal

65. Endorse, as an online form
66. Staff errand runner
67. Queen or king, e.g.
68. Girl singing group suffix
69. "30" artist currently in residency at the Colosseum at Caesars Palace

Down

1. Techno-funk band with the 1991 hit "Unbelievable"
2. Wonder Woman star Gadot
3. Silly behavior on stage, perhaps
4. "You pass ___ pay" (test-prep guarantee)
5. Club that preserved Yosemite as a national park
6. Mini-mischief maker
7. Moon of Saturn whose name means "goddess"
8. Escorted to the penthouse, say (2 words)
9. Had a midday meal (2 words)

10. "Talk Like a Pirate Day" syllable
11. Vietnamese city where Anthony Bourdain and President Obama dined on noodles
12. Bejewel, e.g.
13. Rapper's headwear, sometimes
18. Baseball sluggers' stats, for short (anagram of RIBS)
22. Govt. flu-fighting org.
23. Gushes, as a volcano
24. Daniel who wrote "Flowers for Algernon"
26. Fragrant coniferous tree
27. Crowd in Cologne? (anagram of RIDE)
29. Chicago summer time: Abbr.
33. "But when you shake your ___..." (George Michael line)
34. Underground experiment, briefly
35. Sinatra standard with "I pick myself up and get back in the race" (2 words)

36. Model or pretender
37. Jazz group ___ Gyra
39. Hot, fashionwise
40. One studying birds' eggs (anagram of GO TO SOIL)
41. "Un ___" (response to "Parlez-vous francais?")
45. Bizarro
47. 1970s rockers Uriah ___
48. "Rocky Horror Picture Show" TV special director Kenny
49. "People" person, for short
50. Feel likewise
51. Ranted and raved
52. Like a darkened room
53. Wake-up poke
58. "And giving _ ___ up the chimney he rose"
60. Teensy
61. Walk-___ (cameo roles)
62. "Volare (___ Blu Dipinto di Blu)"
63. Test requirement for a Ph.D. program

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