
LEONARD BERNSTEIN'S BATON



The answers to the clues are as follows:

- Union between countries for mutual benefit (8) ALLIANCE
- Height above sea level (8) ALTITUDE
- Life-sustaining gases surrounding the Earth (10) ATMOSPHERE
- Penny (4) CENT
- Absentee, as a parent (8) DEADBEAT
- Profession of Little Shop of Horrors villain (7) DENTIST
- One who defies the orthodoxy of their faith (7) HERETIC
- Move away from the margin, as by using the Tab key (6) INDENT
- Zany (3 3 4) OFF THE WALL
- One way to be paid (3 4) PER HOUR
- Takes responsibility (5 2) STEPS UP
- Evening meal, slightly archaically (6) SUPPER
- Really steamed (6 3) TICKED OFF
- Controversial Duchamp art piece, a.k.a. "Fountain" (6) URINAL

Using the reference to "sax" and "boxes across the spectrum" in the flavor text, you are meant to find Berklee Books & Music, which has glass tiles above the door in two rows with one section of 5 tiles across, four of 6 tiles each, and then another of 5 tiles, with black borders between them. You can chain the above answers so that they fit into a grid based on the tiles:

I	N	D	E	N	T	I	S	T	E	P	S	U	P	P	E	R	H	O	U	R	I	N	A	L	T	I	T	U	D	E	A	D	B
E	A	T	M	O	S	P	H	E	R	E	T	I	C	K	E	D	O	F	F	T	H	E	W	A	L	L	I	A	N	C	E	N	T

Taking the first letters in each section produces IT'S **HADESTOWN**.