The Magic Flute

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Fifteen answers get modified before entry; 26 Across identifies the responsible party.

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Across

- 1 Surgical instrument starting to penetrate gown
- 5 Adjusting heat aboard train somewhat
- **8** We hear singer Natalie is black?
- 12 Time out, receiving ball before end of every half
- 14 Printed mistakes are holding sailor back
- 15 Certain flyers eventually see nurses
- 16 Barker hugs German actor George
- 17 Observes Beetle cars crashing
- 19 Rebukes retreating Southern soldier running east
- 20 On a roll following second chance
- 22 He's back, taking time for Adam's son
- 25 Spoke to dear Dotty
- **26** See instructions
- **29** Lieutenant, gaining one pound, quit certain weight-loss program (2 *wds*)
- 31 Disney packaging Greek character in wood
- 32 Reagan's acquiring a couple of time-shares
- 33 Additionally including one date for liqueur flavoring
- 36 Brain, perhaps, from wild orang
- 39 Tells of headset arranged backwards, in part
- 41 One Democrat gets into backing conservationist element
- **42** Automaton designer Christian's genetic make-up reflected
- **43** Start the bidding for old writing instrument
- 44 School official upset about prank ultimately is exposed
- **45** Troupe assessment is emasculating

Down

- 1 Steals crowns containing iridium
- 2 Indians love wise men
- 3 Second-rate painters reproduced jewelry
- **4** Listening devices entrapping fifty members of the nobility
- 5 Boss hit on comedian Margaret
- 6 Ignoring the odds, Hermes dashes
- 7 Trollop damaged certain desk cover
- **8** It reacts badly with some acid salts
- **9** Apparatus tendering money, primarily!
- 10 Developed realty shaped like an instrument
- 11 Reportedly, come out of the water like a whale's rump
- 13 Plant in northern Maine garden plot
- 18 Trimming and reinforcing about ten
- 19 Certain African boy, almost brown, catches bird
- 21 Ms. Hawn dropping \$1000 for blast from the past
- 23 Corners Republican surrounded by supporters
- **24** Mistakenly quit, per a clearance from a port's health authority
- 27 Rambling and imploring, having a change of heart
- 28 Disallow one piece of atrophied fruit
- **30** More than one electronic device fails, absorbing more than can be handled
- 34 Father Junipero essentially grateful for having teeth
- 35 Wandering one climbs inside rocky crater
- 37 Successful comic's interest in nonsense
- **38** Unusual name for the last word?
- 40 Parties coming up with grass