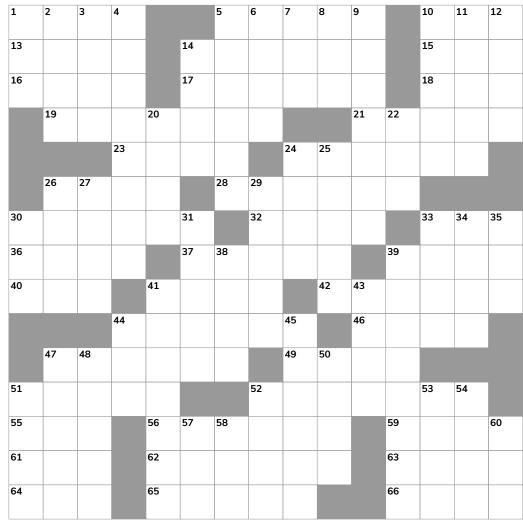
"Allow me to introduce..." ACROSS

- 1 Level
- 5 Creator, to about a fifth of the world
- 10 Stan of many cameos
- 13 One way to stand by
- 14 Oft-conquered Rhine region
- **15** As per
- 16 Wearing mail or armor
- 17 Mick's only wife
- 18 Purveyor of fine beverages
- 19 Specialty, in a way
- **21** The 411, updated
- 23 Hamlet or Falstaff, e.g.
- 24 Vigorous struggle
- 26 Brasi with marine bedfellows
- 28 Slices of films
- 30 Unabridged
- 32 The Romans called it sinister
- 33 "Who turned down the heat?"
- 36 Type of canine or human review?
- 37 Title for a certain title character
- 39 "Va-va-___!"
- 40 Placeholder
- **41** Component of your visual system, or a pretty thing to view with it
- **42** Resides
- **44** The elven ones of Eregion were particularly skilled
- 46 Wary of
- 47 War-torn Syrian city
- 49 Abrupt
- 51 One response to "What are you having?"
- 52 Only a little bit
- 55 A small hydrocarbon, for example
- 56 Fire up, in a way
- **59** Common event in "The Wire" or the armed forces
- **61** "Rogue One" star Ahmed, with a convenient first name
- **62** Son of Chaos, per the Greeks
- **63** Move slowly, or where to find four of five important entries
- 64 Famously industrious sort
- **65** Garb
- 66 Relax

DOWN

- 1 Half a refreshment
- 2 Eric who played "brave [sic] Sir Robin"
- 3 Carrier with especially tight security
- **4** A famous example took place in Brookline, MA

The meta answer is an event involving introductions.



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- 5 Flared skirts
- 6 One of its letters stands for School
- 7 Small network
- 8 Michael Jordan's collegiate conference
- 9 Accessory for which demand likely spiked in 2020
- 10 Feature of beer cans and bottles, but not mugs
- 11 Fill with joy
- 12 Bugs and Dumbo have prominent ones
- 14 Early victim
- 20 Boundary (one often breached on Tuesdays, if "xword-muggles.com" is any quide)
- 22 Letter favored by cruciverbalists
- 24 Person with a high confidence-to-wisdom ratio
- **25** Status of a 60-Down that might increase sound frequency?
- 26 Singer Lisa who hit number one before getting a record contract
- getting a record contract **27** Campus with few if any snow days
- 29 A band or a battle
- 30 Spelling Bee organizer?

- 31 Piece of land or type of steak
- 33 Usain with an apt last name
- **34** Filled chocolate candy with no peanut butter
- 35 Apt. bits
- **38** Say ___ (greet)
- 39 One who puts themselves out there
- 41 Intended to suggest
- 43 Early bird's reward
- 44 Rev.'s oration
- 45 Grp. of nine who work at 1 First Street
- 47 Deleting this word corrects a famous "Casablanca" line that's usually quoted wrong
- **48** Hungarian composer
- 50 Indigenous people with a state named after them
- 51 Site of a famous tomb
- **52** Fountain pens have them
- 53 Surrender
- 54 Expressions of affection
- 57 "Why can't I figure out this meta!?!"
- **58** Once upon a time
- **60** See 25-Down