

## Solution to Puzzle #53 – October, 2005 "Dada"

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

The omitted letters (in parentheses in the list below) spell **DUCHAMP**, creator of **NUDE DESCENDING A STAIRCASE**.

### Across

1. NUBILE
2. DECEASE
3. DEN(D)RITE
4. ESCAROLE
5. SPENT
6. STEREOS
7. DIARY
8. PIANO
9. F(U)NGUS
10. ELE(C)T
11. DIANA
12. START
13. HEELS
14. RETAIN
15. PEED
16. ESTOP
17. MIRE
18. ARM
19. AVES
20. MEAN
21. C(H)ARD
22. PLAT
23. KEEN
24. ROSE

### Down

1. NESTLE
2. P(A)LTER
3. DUDE
4. EERIE
5. HEMP
6. BEDE
7. SEATED
8. (M)ALICE
9. SPONDEE
10. VALENCE
11. SOIL
12. SETA
13. RAND
14. FAST
15. SKIRT
16. INN
17. ROMEO
18. SAGA
19. EPEE
20. TRUST
21. MANY
22. STAIN
23. RE(P)AIR
24. CORNEA
25. SPARE

Kevin Wald solved the puzzle in two hours.  
(And without the benefit of the correct grid!)