

"Gee, What Could I Have Been Thinking? ... Ohh!" a metapuzzle by Peter Washington

ACROSS

1. London neighborhood known for its botanical gardens
4. Concordes, e.g.
8. It was a major problem at the Beijing Olympics
12. Williams College athletes
14. Booze, in medical charts
15. Cauliflower cousin
16. Sprung
18. Melody for a sitarist
19. ___ go Bragh
20. NPR game show host
22. Darken
23. Wood for English longbows
24. "___ Hollywood"
26. Word with side or stink
29. Mystic Judaism
33. ___ pro tunc
35. Snappy numbers
39. Epidural givers, in many L&D wards
41. Red or Yellow, among others
42. ___ evidence rule (first-year law topic)
43. Shooter known for shimmying
46. Wall Street executive and erstwhile National Security official Powell
47. Excited shout for a teenage girl, upon seeing another with the same fashion sense
49. Small, sandy island
50. Robin's paramour
53. Old English textile measurement
55. Makeshift knife
56. Hastings's county
63. Take 'Em Down ___ (campaign against Confederate statues)
64. Tiny parasite
65. North-central Asian
66. Professional wrestler Hart
67. Vox and Lovelace, for two
68. Slovenian river known for its endemic strain of large trout
69. Survey with nefarious intent
70. Declares
71. To what end

DOWN

1. It grows in forests and beds

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This grid sat in my drafts for a long time and when I came back to it, I had forgotten what the metapuzzle was! I leave you with the same task; I hope it doesn't take you too long. Go!

2. Thrusted thing
3. "Say again?"
4. Repeated word in some musical motherly advice
5. Dateless
6. Senatorial garb
7. Clinton cabinet member Donna
8. Place to jot or doodle
9. Callender girl
10. Actress Lena and industrialist Franklin, for two
11. Ladies' partners
13. Scots river that gave rise to a specialized fly-fishing technique
17. Arduous journey
21. Tactical team
25. Cartoonist Al
26. Envelope extras (abbr.)
27. Fancy tent
28. Feminizing suffix
30. Certain petty officer, informally
31. Cold ones
32. Former defensive back Bigby
34. Enthral
36. Middle Trump child
37. Gossip columnist Barrett
38. Get lots of laughs
40. It's heard in lots of words, including heard and word
44. Places to see "Notting Hill" in Notting Hill
45. Many entries toward the back of a Hong Kong phone book
48. Epithet connoting shameful promiscuity
50. Maddow ainer
51. En este instante
52. Agitates
54. Alkaloids thought to cause the psychedelic effect of some mushrooms
57. Big role for a soprano
58. Put down roots
59. Hardy heroine
60. Squirrel away
61. Per unit
62. Way to get insights?