Crossword Puzzle

Across

- 1 talented
- 4 careful and persevering
- 9 sea nymph
- 10 opera introduction
- 12 Catalan artist
- 13 afraid
- **15** decompose
- 18 excessive (prices)
- **21** rare
- **22** one of four Holy Roman emperors
- 24 kind of power
- 25 'The Aloha State'
- 26 flexible
- 27 e.g.: Madame Tussauds

Down

- 1 largest of Jupiter's satellites
- 2 fort
- **3** guitarist ___Clapton
- **5** energizing
- **6** pique
- **7** of a horse
- 8 in, smart
- 11 indecision
- 14 unforeseen
- **16** capital of the Vandal Kingdom
- **17** doctrine of pleasure
- 19 well-timed
- 20 weak, decadent
- 23 bird endemic to New Caledonia

