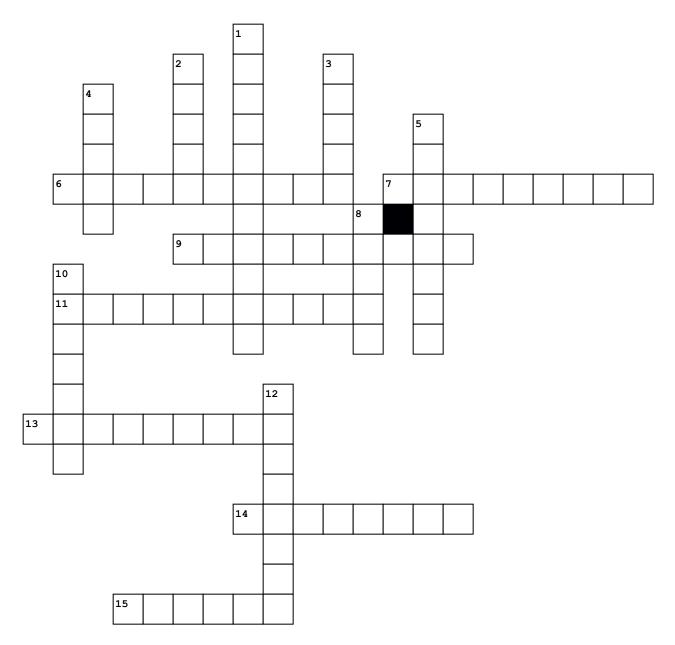
The Vibrant Culture of New Orleans



Across

- **6.** Pleasing to the ear; harmonious. This term characterizes the overall sound quality of New Orleans' diverse music scene.
- 7. Lively and animated; used to describe the energetic and spirited nature of New Orleans' culture.
- **9.** Following a winding course. Describes the Mississippi River as it flows through New Orleans, symbolizing the city's dynamic and evolving nature.
- **11.** Sweetly or smoothly flowing; pleasing to the ear. In the context of New Orleans, it describes the

Down

- **1.** Impossible to subdue or defeat. Reflects the resilient and enduring spirit of New Orleans and its people.
- 2. A spicy, stew-like dish that originated in Louisiana, typically containing meat or shellfish, and thickened with okra or filé powder. It is symbolic of New Orleans' culinary diversity.
- **3.** A connection or series of connections linking two or more things; in the article, it refers to New Orleans as a central point where various musical styles converge.

harmonious and pleasant sounds of jazz music that permeate the city.

- **13.** A Creole and Cajun dish of Spanish and French influence, typically consisting of meat and vegetables mixed with rice. It's a staple in New Orleans cuisine, known for its bold flavors and hearty nature.
- **14.** A complex or intricate combination of things. In the article, it's used metaphorically to describe the rich and varied cultural fabric of New Orleans.
- **15.** Relating to people of mixed European and black descent, especially in the Caribbean. In New Orleans, it refers to a culture and a distinctive style of cooking that blends French, African, Spanish, and Caribbean influences.

- **4.** Relating to the French-speaking Acadian people deported by the British from Canada to Louisiana in the 18th century. It also refers to their spicy, robust cuisine which is prevalent in New Orleans.
- **5.** A French pastry made from deep-fried choux pastry, often served with powdered sugar on top. A popular treat in New Orleans, particularly associated with the Café du Monde.
- **8.** A yellow alloy of copper and zinc, commonly used in musical instruments. Refers to the brass bands that are a signature element of New Orleans' music scene.
- **10.** A mixture or blend. Used to describe how New Orleans' cuisine combines elements from different cultures to create unique dishes.
- **12.** So intense as to seem almost tangible. Refers to the strong, noticeable presence of culture and spirit in New Orleans.