

Mystical Keith

DAME GERTIE LEADS HER CIRCUS IN ALL ITS HAPHAZARD GLORY!

MUSIC CUE: CIRCUS UNDERSCORE

DAME: Thank you ladies and gentlemen! You know, I can always tell whether an audience are going to be good or bad...goodnight!

SHE GOES TO WALK OFF.

DAME: Only joking! It's good to be back here in Cannyville. Are you ready for our first astounding act? Put your hands together for...Magical Keith!

MUSIC CUE: MAGICAL KEITH'S ACT UNDERSCORE

MAGICAL KEITH ENTERS. HE HAS A LARGE PLAYING CARD ON AN EASEL.

MAGICAL KEITH: Ladies and Gentlemen, I am Magical Keith. For my first mystifying illusion I will present the world's quickest magic trick. [*Brief pause.*] Would you like to see it again? And now, I need a willing volunteer. You madam! Yes, that's how volunteering works... What is your name? This is [NAME OF WOMAN] everyone. Now, I predicted we would meet [NAME OF WOMAN] and wrote your name on that card. Would you be amazed if your name was written on that card? Yes? Drum roll please...

SFX CUE: DRUM ROLL

HE TURNS THE CARD. IT HAS THE WORDS 'YOUR NAME' WRITTEN ON IT.

SFX CUE: TA DAH!

MAGICAL KEITH TAKES A BOW AND EXITS. SILLY BILLY ENTERS

SILLY BILLY: Give it up for Magical Keith! How does he do it!? *Why* does he do it? And now, something you've all been longing to hear... it's nearly over! No, only joking...there's another two hours of this! But now, a special treat; our star act. He's Russian...but next time he's promised he'll set off sooner! Direct from the Mariinsky Ballet, please put your hands together for the *crème de la Kremlin*: Rudolf Near-enough and the beautiful, Margot What's-her-name in... Swine Lake.

SONG CUE: BALLOON BALLETT

COLOSSUS IS PUSHED ON IN BALLETT GEAR. HE PRESENTS DAME GERTIE WHO ENTERS IN AN OUTLANDISH TUTU WEARING A PIG SNOOT. COLOSSUS ENTERS WITH A SMALL BALLOON BUT ACCIDENTLY LETS IT GO. GERTIE ENTERS WITH ONE DEFLATED BUT CAN'T BLOW IT UP. COLOSSUS ENTERS WITH A LONG MODELLING BALLOON WHICH HE HOLDS IN A SUGGESTIVE PLACE. DAME GERTIE SHAKES HER HEAD AND HE LETS IT DEFLATE! DAME GERTIE BRINGS ON A LARGE BALLOON AND THEY HOLD IT BETWEEN THEM WITH THEIR STOMACHS FACE TO FACE. DAME GERTIE CRAWLS BETWEEN COLOSSUS' LEGS WHILST KEEPING THE BALLOON BETWEEN THEM UNTIL THEY ARE BACK TO BACK! THE ROUTINE IS THEN