

It's Only a Paper Moon (If You Believed in Me)

lyrics by Billy Rose and E.Y Harburg, music by Harold Arlen (1932)

G G#dim7 Am7 D9
Say, it's only a paper moon,
Am7 D9 G6 G6
Sailing over a cardboard sea,
G Bm7-5 C Am7
But it wouldn't be make believe,
D9 D9 G D13
If you believed in me.

G G#dim7 Am7 D9
Yes, it's only a canvas sky,
Am7 D9 G6 G6
Hanging over a muslin tree,
G Bm7-5 C Am7
But it wouldn't be make believe,
D9 D9 G G
If you believed in me.

Am7 G#9 Gma7 Gma7
Without your love,
D13 D13 G6 G6
It's a honky tonk parade,
Am7 G#9 Gma7 Gma7
Without your love,
Bm7 E9 Am7 D9+5
It's a melody played at a penny arcade.

G G#dim7 Am7 D9
It's a Barnum and Bailey world,
Am7 D9 G6 G6
Just as phony as it can be,
G Bm7-5 C Am7
But it wouldn't be make believe,
D9(½) Am7(½) D13(½) D9(½) G G6
If you be lieved in me.