

A Circus Heritage Ringmaster Joseph Bauer, Jr.



Circus Sarasota is proud to welcome back as it's Ringmaster the renowned Joseph Bauer, Jr., a star of Bauer's Circus Maximus and a 15th generation member of one of Switzerland's oldest circus families. His father came to the United States to perform in 1954. Since then, this illustrious Swiss Family has called Sarasota Home. The Sarasota-born Bauer, has been a performer since a very young age, when he joined the family daredevil act. The Fabulous Fearless Bauers. In his early teens, he was performing such thrilling acts as the Motorcycle on the incline wire, Skywalks on the highwire, the death-defying 90 foot swaypoles and the challenging 50 foot Whirling Wheel of Destiny.

The multi-Talented Bauer is not only known for his Death-defying bravery, but also for his elegance and prodigious skills as a Ringmaster. His accomplishments have taken him all around the globe to many illustrious Circus venues, TV appearances and competitions.

And now, in the dazzling spotlight of Florida's Famous Circus Sarasota, Joseph Bauer, Jr. presents artists from all around the world to thrill and delight "Children of All Ages" in southwest Florida.

Caroline Williams

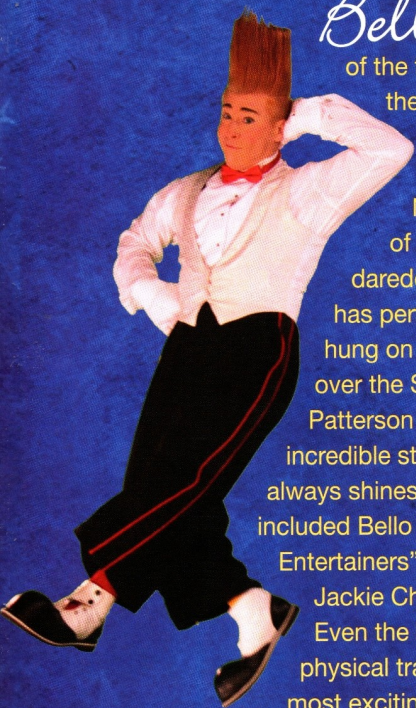
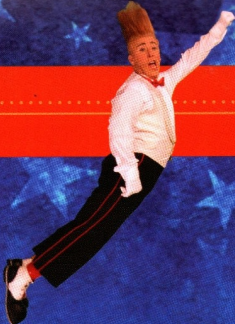
Caroline is the 8th generation of a well known European circus and equestrian dynasty. Her grace and beauty only serve to heighten the amazing presence she projects, but, Caroline's heart beats with that of the horse. She is very grateful that all of her life and career has revolved and evolved around these majestic and multifaceted animals. She takes great pride in the fact that she has accomplished so many disciplines of the equine world. She has spent much of her time at prestigious European equine academies learning the intricate and demanding art of horsemanship. She has been fortunate to also have had the opportunity to work with so many different breeds and characters from the super intelligent Miniature Horse, the gentle giants the Percherons, the strong willed Lipizzaners, the fiery Andalusians, and above all the proud and magnificent Friesians. What you see before you is the culmination of a lifetime spent caring and respecting these magnificent and complex animals.



Semeon Krachinov

Semeon Krachinov is a 20 year old Juggler who has been featured at the Russian State Circus. He has been training since he was 11. The art of juggling is one of the most demanding in the Circus World. All world class jugglers spend hours each day practicing and honing their amazing skills. Semeon Krachinov is no exception, his practice schedule is rigorous and demanding. Recently, he won a coveted medal at the Festival Mondial du Cirque De Demain in Paris, and also medaled at the Prestigious Soly Circus Festival in Germany.





Bello Nock is a seventh generation circus performer, a descendant of the family that founded Switzerland's Circus Nock in the 18th century. Nock began performing at age 3. Growing up, Bello loved to try anything that was physically challenging and debuted on the Nock family's trademark Swaypoles at the age of 15. Bello slowly progressed from clown to daredevil, learning all he could along the way. Bello has performed every daredevil stunt imaginable. He's hung on a trapeze suspended from a helicopter flying over the Statue of Liberty and walked 300 feet across Patterson Falls on a thin steel cable. But whatever incredible stunt Bello's performing, his unique personality always shines through. So much so that TIME Magazine included Bello in their list of "America's Best Artists and Entertainers" as "America's Best Clown". Bello is the Jackie Chan of physical comedy, it's all real, all the time. Even the hair! Bello's natural comic wit and extreme physical training make him one of live entertainment's most exciting stars!

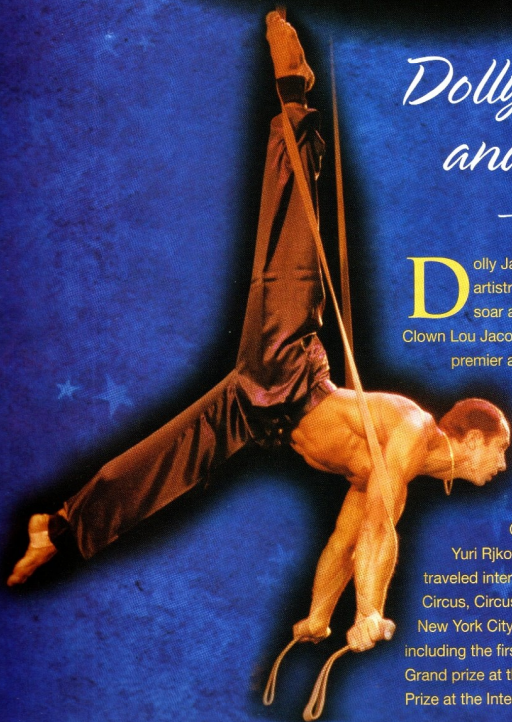




Dolly Jacobs and Yuri Rjkov - Aerial Pas de Deux

Dolly Jacobs and Yuri Rjkov combine their world class artistry into an exquisite aerial Pas de deux, as they soar above the crowd. The daughter of legendary circus Clown Lou Jacobs, Dolly is acclaimed as one of the world's premier aerialists. Dolly holds the rare distinction of not only being invited twice to the prestigious International Circus Festival of Monaco, but of winning two of the festival's most coveted awards—The Silver Clown and Le Dame du Cirque. She has toured extensively throughout the world, and in 1998 became the co-founder and Associate Director of Circus Sarasota.

Yuri Rjkov, a graduate of the Moscow Circus School, has traveled internationally and performed with the Moscow Bolshoi Circus, Circus Scott in Sweden, and the Big Apple Circus in New York City. He is the recipient of many honors and awards, including the first place at the Moscow All-Union Circus Festival, Grand prize at the Gran Premio Del Circo in Rome and a Special Prize at the International Festival of Monaco.

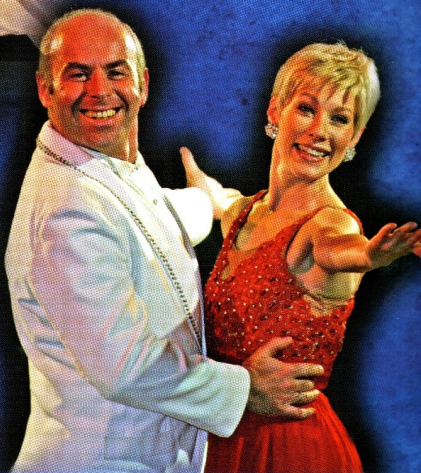


Vladimir & Olga Smirnov

- Quick Change Illusionists



In a recent e-mail poll of the Circus Sarasota audience, our circus patrons overwhelmingly expressed their desire to experience Quick Change Illusion at our performances. This year, by popular demand, the audience will witness Mrs. Smirnov model her entire wardrobe! Vladimir and Olga Smirnov are quick change artists and illusionists in the classic Russian style. Elegant, mysterious and smoothly entertaining, the *haute couture* illusions they present will easily achieve the impossible before your eyes.





David Rosaire & his Perky Pekes

David Rosaire and his *Perky Pokes* have performed all over the world in such venues as the London Palladium, Ceasar's Palace in Las Vegas, New York's Lincoln Center and the Cirque d'Hiver in Paris. Rosaire joined the circus when he was just two years old, as his parents were the Principle acts of Circus Rosaire, one of England's largest shows in its day. His father and mother were both animal trainers, and his mother also performed as a bareback rider and aerialist. A devout animal lover, David Rosaire's training methods have been lovingly passed down through five generations.



Wang Hong

Wang Hong—Antipodist (foot juggler)
A Chinese pixie with black Rapunzel hair, this antipodist, Wang Hong of China, is winner of a Gold Medal at the Seventh Festival Mondial du Cirque de Demain for her "Magic Feet of the Orient" routine. Wang Hong ("rainbow" in English) is 25 years old. She was raised in the cold, far northeast province of Jilin on China's Russian border.





Alexey Goloborodko

This amazing contortionist from Tula, Russia, he has been training since the age of 5.

He practices classical and modern dance as well as wushu in addition to his 3 hours of daily training. He is trained by Vladislav Rodin, the same trainer of the famous Vovka Gagarin. Mr. Rodin puts emphasis on the dancing aspect so that the art of contortion becomes a very graceful event. Master Goloborodko is simply the sensation of the century and the most flexible contortionist ever. Alexey represents the pure art of contortion, as the history of contortion begins a new chapter!

