

CIRCUS OVERTURE

Producers John and Brigitte Pugh, and Cole Bros. Circus, Incorporated welcome you to the 116th Edition of the World's Largest Circus Under the Big Top and to an evening of the extraordinary! Let the house lights dim and the drum roll begin as Ringmaster Jimmy James and Singing Ringmistress Bonnie Bale welcome you in grande American Circus fashion, accompanied by the musical score of Leigh Ketchum, Director of Music.

THE CLOUD SWING

A daring duo of East European cloud swing swashbucklers are evenly matched in this sweeping and supernal aerial dual – the quest for the title of Cloud Swing Supremacy.

RING 1

Aleksander

RING 3

Pamoukov

SUSAN LACEY AND THE HAWTHORN WHITE TIGERS

The most celebrated and sizeable assemblage of rare and endangered white tigers appearing anywhere under a Big Top today is displayed in an awesome and commanding performance by internationally famous wild animal trainer – Ms. Susan Lacey.

THE MOTOR-PSYCHOS

Masked and wired for action, this daredevil pair kick-starts tonight's excitement in a hell-bent, two wheel trajectory of high wire motorcycle thrills.

THE CASALINOS CLOWNS' COMICAL CO-DEPENDENCY

Clownish curmudgeons and well-intentioned dolts make up this comedy team whose decided lack of self-esteem seems to turn any situation into one more chaotic and comical confrontation. Witness as yet another chance encounter ends in uproarious results as our handful of self-helpless harlequins help put the "fun" back into dysfunction!

THE BEATTY-COLE PERFORMING LIBERTY HORSES

A procession of proud and spirited chestnut Arabian purebreds is presented in a Center Ring spectacle of expert equestrian expression by the genteel Gloria Bale. The pomp and pageantry of this pure poetry of palfrey motion is enhanced with the debut of the delightful, diminutive "Nikki."

CHARIVARI

Energetic gymnastic hi-jinx, acrobatic antics, and a multiplicity of frenzied physical schtick are offered-up in a rollicking revival of a vaudeville classic in this rebirth of hurly-burly burlesque. From Bulgaria, we welcome the Dukovi Troupe.

WHERE JUGGLING WONDERS NEVER CEASE

Superstar jugglers Jason Walker and Yevgeni provide the mainspring for this masterpiece of split-second timing and clockwork collaboration. Joined by the all-girl junior league of jugglers, the Rhythmic Gymnasts, we offer you a magical and mesmerizing manifestation of superlative sleight of hand.

AERIAL LADDERS

A captivating chorus-line of Beatty-Cole's Big Top Beauties adorns the arena in this inspiring aerial ladder cadenza, ascending to encircle the empyrean, suspended in an enchanting swaying aerial serenade.

THE STRAP MASTERY OF MIRO

Assounding stamina and superhuman strength are showcased in a staggering and unforgettable solo performance by a one-man tour de force: Miro, Master of the Straps.

THE CIRCUS ON PARADE

You'll treasure your children's delight as a living spectacle of the make-believe comes to life before their eyes! The entire cast of the 116th Edition presents a star-spangled procession around the hippodrome in a festive and musical panoramic portrait of an old-time circus street parade that your family will never forget!



No Smoking Please

In cooperation with prevailing local ordinances, no smoking is allowed inside the Big Top. Thank You.



THE HERRIOTT PERFORMING ANIMAL FANTASY

Laura Herriott's hereditary handicraft at animal handling techniques is undeniable. Under her magical touch this unlikely legion of mixed breed species is transformed into an animal fantasy, providing a center ring full of surprises, in all imaginable shapes and sizes, featuring camels, llamas, and the miniature stallion - "Shiro."

CLOWNS THAT COME WITH STRINGS ATTACHED

Slapstick, surprises, and a predictable unraveling of best laid plans are all in the wind this season, as those Casalinos Clowns, at long last, go fly a kite.

THE DUKOVI TROUPE'S ROYAL RUSSIAN SWING

This family of acrobats perpetuates their propensity for propulsion and goes truly ballistic in a supercharged series of carefree catapults off the undulating pendulum of the Royal Russian Swing.

THE RUSSIAN AIR FORCE

Expect the incredible! The astonishing strength of acrobatic casting and centrifugal turnik-bar revolutions highlight this one-of-a-kind fusion of the flying trapeze. Witness a powerhouse overhead performance of soaring aerial solidarity and sheer "air force."

★★★★★ Intermission ★★★★★

Stretch your legs, enjoy a cold soft drink, or perhaps a tasty snack. We invite you to stroll about our "circus city," ride an elephant or get acquainted with the clowns at the autograph party in Center Ring. But don't stray too far, the action's soon to start!

SINGLE TRAPEZE

A unique Mother and Daughter pair of sensational single trapeze virtuosos performs an alluring celestial sequence of aerial articulations.

RING 1

Stanyts

RING 3

Jana

THE COMICAL CABALLEROS

The Casalinos Clowns once again find themselves facing more bull than they bargained for, in this south-of-the-border saga of bumbling bullfighting buffoons.

GONE TOTALLY TEETERBOARD

Boundless backflips, super-somersaults, and the towering five man high are just a few of this family's terrific teeterboard tricks. The Dukovi Troupe is back once again and springs into action in a true test of teamwork, in which each family member's reliance upon the shoulders of the others, must be total and complete.

THE COLE BROS. CIRCUS ELEPHANTS

In this year's all-new earth-trembling revue, we introduce the undisputed centerpiece attraction of any circus – the performing pachyderms. In a musical mega-mobilization of these mighty mastodons, Mr. Adam Hill presents a monumental moment, in an expansive exhibition of this menagerie-to-the-max.

THE HUMAN CANNONBALL

Cover your ears and brace yourself. The countdown is about to begin. The Circus legacy continues as Miro Pamoukov takes his shot at the most dangerous of all thrill acts under the Big Top as he prepares himself to be blasted from the World's Largest Cannon across the entire length of the football field-sized area.

★★★★★ Finale ★★★★★

Our entire international cast of artists returns to assemble for this season's finale celebration – and to offer a heartfelt "Thank You America!" We sincerely appreciate your continued patronage of this timeless family entertainment and are grateful to have had this opportunity to once again, allow our Circus family to amaze yours.

We Bid You Farewell, Offer Our Sincere Thanks, And ...

SEE YOU NEXT TIME!

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