It’s Only a Paper Moon
by Harold Arlen, Billy Rose and E.Y. Harburg (1933)

It’s only a paper moon, sailing over a cardboard sea.
But it wouldn’t be make believe if you believed in me.

Yes, it’s only a canvas sky, hanging over a muslin tree.
But it wouldn’t be make believe if you believed in me.

Chorus: With out your love, it’s a honky tonk parade.
With out your love, it’s a melody played in a penny arcade.

It’s a Barnum and Bailey world, just as phony as it can be.

Instrumental: (with kazoo, or silly scatting)
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