



# Clarissa Clutterbuck

Circus Owner & Goldilocks Mother



## AUDITION SCRIPT EXTRACT

Scene 1: Page 2. Outside the Big Top

**Music cue 6:** “Bozo’s Song” **Enter Clarissa [MSL]**

**CLARISSA:** Stand by your beds, the star with the big top has arrived! **[hoists bosom]** I’ve been really busy all morning polishing dozens of clown’s shoes, which is no small feet. **[laughs]** Get it? Clowns’ feet are big? Forget I said it.

**SILLY BILLY** Have you decided whether I can be a clown yet, Clarissa?

**CLARISSA:** Yes I have Billy, and the answer’s no.

**SILLY BILLY** But I’ve been practicing my juggling and everything.

**CLARISSA:** Show me it then.

**SILLY BILLY** Hold on while I’ll get my balls out.

**CLARISSA:** I beg your pardon!?

**SILLY BILLY** My juggling balls. **[produces three juggling balls]** Watch this.  
**SFX-0:** (SFX - Drumroll) **[juggles, drops one and continues with two]**

**CLARISSA:** You’ve dropped one Billy.

**SILLY BILLY** **[wafting]** Sorry about that, I’m a bit nervous.

**CLARISSA:** I meant, one of your juggling balls!

**SILLY BILLY** So I have. **[picks it up]** Don’t worry, a bit more practice and I’ll be brilliant.

**CLARISSA:** How about a quick tumble, Billy?

**SILLY BILLY** I’d rather we just stayed friends Clarissa.

**CLARISSA:** I meant a clown tumble, you twit!

**SILLY BILLY** Okay, here goes then. **[does a clumsy forward roll on the floor, then stands and wavers]** Oooh! I’ve gone a little dizzy.

**CLARISSA:** You’ve always been dizzy, and more than a little.

**SILLY BILLY** Have I got the job of clown then?

**CLARISSA:** No Billy, just carry on mucking out the animal cages.

**SILLY BILLY** I'll never impress a girl if I always stink of animal poo.

**CLARISSA:** Try wearing a better deodorant.

**SILLY BILLY** Like what?

**CLARISSA:** Brut. **[laughs]** Brute? Animals? Do you get it Billy?

**SILLY BILLY** No, but I'm hoping to.

**CLARISSA:** You're not the type that girls go for Billy.

**SILLY BILLY** Why not? I'm not bad looking am I boys and girls?

**CLARISSA:** You're not in the same league as Rocco now, there's a real manly hunk.

**SILLY BILLY** Girls prefer a man who can make them laugh.

**CLARISSA:** That's a double whammy for you then. **[laughs]**

**SILLY BILLY** One day I'll make circus clown, and then nobody will laugh at me. **[exits MSR]**

**CLARISSA:** Poor deluded soul. I can sympathise with him though because I used to have trouble finding love. It's hard to believe isn't it? Because of my ravishing beauty most men thought I was unobtainable. In the end I had to dress down to get a man, although I did keep my socks on.

**Enter Squire Hectare [MSL]**

**SQUIRE:** Clarissa Clutterbuck, I want a word with you!

**CLARISSA:** Squire Hectare, what can I do for you?

**SQUIRE:** It's about your ground rent.

**CLARISSA:** What about it?

**SQUIRE:** I want it!

**CLARISSA:** Well, you can want.

**SQUIRE:** Now look here...

**CLARISSA:** Where?

**SQUIRE:** What?

**CLARISSA:** Don't say what, say pardon!

**SQUIRE:** Pardon?

**CLARISSA:** Granted.

**SQUIRE:** I've had enough of this nonsense.

**CLARISSA:** You're not alone.

**SQUIRE:** I only want what's mine!

**CLARISSA:** Fine, you can keep it.

**SQUIRE:** I've never heard such gibberish.

**CLARISSA:** Stick around.

**SQUIRE:** You have large arrears.

**CLARISSA:** **[grabs her bum]** My arrears are no bigger than anybody else's!

## MUSIC

### Sing the Rocco Part

1: "I'm A Believer" **Music Cue 29 - Page 54, Ensemble** (from Shrek the Musical version)

Cue: CLARISSA: "*No, it was my common sense leaving my body. But I'm sure you'll be fine.*"

### Sing the Rocco Part

**Rocco** I thought love was only true in fairy tales  
Meant for someone else but not for me.  
Love was out to get me  
That's the way it seems  
Disappointment haunted all my dreams.

**Rocco** And then - **I saw her face (with 3 Bears)**  
**3 Bears** Now I'm a believer.

**Rocco & 3 Bears** -Yes, I saw her face

**Rocco** There's not a trace

**3 Bears** - No there's not a trace

**Rocco** Of doubt - **in my mind. (with 3 Bears)**

**Rocco** I'm in love

**Chorus** oooooo/ahhhhh

**Rocco** I'm a believer, I couldn't leave her if I tried

## 2: THE WALKDOWN

"All I Want For Christmas Is You" **Music Cue 31 - Page 56, Ensemble** (Mariah Carey)

Cue: B. BEAR: "*Now dance off and we'll see you next year...*"

I don't want a lot for Christmas  
There is just one thing I need  
I don't care about the presents  
Underneath the Christmas tree