

It's Only a Paper Moon

Standard Key for Viola

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Medium Swing [Nat King Cole 1944] ($\text{♩} = 142$)

A1 G_{MA}⁷ E⁷ A_{MI}⁷ D⁷ A_{MI}⁷ D⁷ G_{MA}⁷ A_{MI}⁷ D⁷

Say, it's on-ly a pa-per moon,— Sail-ing o-ver a cardboard sea,—

5 D_{MI}⁷ G⁷ C_{MA}⁷ A_{MI}^{7(♭5)} D⁷ G⁶ A_{MI}⁷ D⁷

But it wouldn't be make-be-lieve,— If you be-lieved in me.—

A2 G_{MA}⁷ E⁷ A_{MI}⁷ D⁷ A_{MI}⁷ D⁷ G_{MA}⁷ A_{MI}⁷ D⁷

Yes, it's on-ly a can-vas sky,— Hang-ing o-ver a mus-lin tree,—

13 D_{MI}⁷ G⁷ C_{MA}⁷ A_{MI}^{7(♭5)} D⁷ G⁶ G⁷

But it wouldn't be make-be-lieve,— If you be-lieved in me.— With —

B C_{MA}⁷ C^{#07} G_{MA}^{7/D} E^{7(♯5)} A_{MI}⁷⁽⁵⁾ D¹³ G⁶ G⁷

out your love, It's a hon-ky-tonk pa-rade, With —

21 C_{MA}⁷ C^{#07} G_{MA}^{7/D} B_{MI}⁷⁽⁵⁾ E⁷ A_{MI}⁷ D⁹

out your love, It's a mel-o-dy played in a pen-ny ar-cade.

A3 G_{MA}⁷ E⁷ A_{MI}⁷ D⁷ A_{MI}⁷ D⁷ G_{MA}⁷ A_{MI}⁷ D⁷

It's a Barnum and Bai-ley world,— Just as phony as it can be,—

29 D_{MI}⁷ G⁷ C_{MA}⁷ A_{MI}⁷⁽⁵⁾ D⁷ G⁶ (A_{MI}⁷ D⁷)

But it wouldn't be make-be-lieve— If you be-lieved in me.—