IT’S ONLY A PAPER MOON  

w. E.Y. Harburg, Billy Rose  
m. Harold Arlen

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Say, 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.

Without your love, it’s a honky-tonk parade.

Without 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

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If you… be….lieved… in me.
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C  C#dim  Dm7  G7  Dm7  G7  C  
Say, it’s only a paper moon         sailing over a cardboard sea  

Gm7  C7  F  D7  G7  C  G7  
But it wouldn’t be make-believe if you believed in me.  

C  C#dim  Dm7  G7  Dm7  G7  C  
Yes, it’s only a canvas sky         hanging over a muslin tree  

Gm7  C7  F  D7  G7  C  C7  
But it wouldn’t be make believe if you believed in me.  

F  F#dim  C  C6  Dm7  G7  C  C7  
Without your love, it’s a honky-tonk parade.  

F  F#dim  C  C6  Em7  A7  Dm7  G7  
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C  C#dim  Dm7  G7  Dm7  G7  C  
It’s a Bar-num and Bailey world, just as phony as it can be  

Gm7  C7  F  D7  G7  G#7  
But it wouldn’t be make believe if you believed………. if you believed……….  

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G7  C  Bb  B  C  
If you… be….lieved… in me.  
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