Joe Ely, Indian Cowboy

If you ever go out to the circus Where the Wallendas walk on the wire I'Il tell you a tale to remember When the white horses leap rings of fire. It was a cold night in Oklahoma The show was about to begin The animals, they were all restless When the star pony broke from her pen. Now she was a mare of high spirit Like a whore on a saturday night Kickin' and buckin' past the men who were brushin' The elephants lyin' on their sides.

Close to the tents set a lantern Dangerously next to the hay

That mare headed straight for those lantern

Some fool had put there by mistake. Up stepped some Indian Cowboy His lasso he whirled through the air In the full dead middle of danger He roped that run-away mare.

The elephants raised up their trumpets Two of them broke from their chains Stampeded that Indian cowboy Who had saved the Big Top from flames.

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