

STUDIO K. U. T. E

CREW

MALVEY, Sound, always fooling around with a boom mic and sound pack.

MARIA, Camera. Has a pet snake around her neck all of the time.

TOBY, Stage Manager, shy and timid, but the only one who has it together

ANDI, Hair/ Make-up, always powdering with an oversized puff.

ANDI: Have you been hearing the rumors?

MARIA: Oh no, not that again. Don't worry. Suzy Ssssnake and I are NOT joining the circus.

ANDI: Well, you may need to. I heard the station may be closing down for good in 12 days.

MALVEY: Dude, what would I do with this boom mic? I've found that, unless we're in the studio, people don't like the boom mic held over their head. As a matter of fact, the other day in "produce" some woman threw an apple at me, just because I was trying to mic her.

MARIA: Toby, is this true? I'm just joking around about the circus. We really don't want to join. Suzy Ssssnake would never want to share the spotlight like that, right uSuzy? (the snake "hisses") See? It's okay, baby, you will always be the star. Right, you guys?

ALL: (trying to play along, but not really meaning it- Ad. lib) "Sure". "Yeah". "Uh...okay"

MALVEY: Toby, is it true?

TOBY: It is true. (ALL gasp) It seems the audiences have dwindled lately.

ANDI: I kind of get it. I mean who wants to watch an angry, sad clown like Feste, or learn about bugs from "Ingrid's Insects"?

MARIA: Suzy enjoys that show, but not for the reasons other viewers might. She just wants to eat the bugs.

MALVEY: That makes sense. So, what do we do Toby? (Puts the boom over TOBY'S head for the answer).

TOBY: First of all, we don't let on that we know anything is wrong. We keep doing our jobs with the same skill and professionalism that we always do.

ANDI: You mean like this? (Hits TOBY in the face with the powderpuff).

TOBY: (Coughing from the powder) Yes, Andi, like that.

MARIA: We've got to save the station.

ANDI: But, how?

TOBY: We need to find a new show that's sure to bring in viewership. Who could bring that fresh, new vibe that we need? Who would guarantee a built in viewership? (They think about it for a moment, then...)

ALL: Vivi and Seb!!