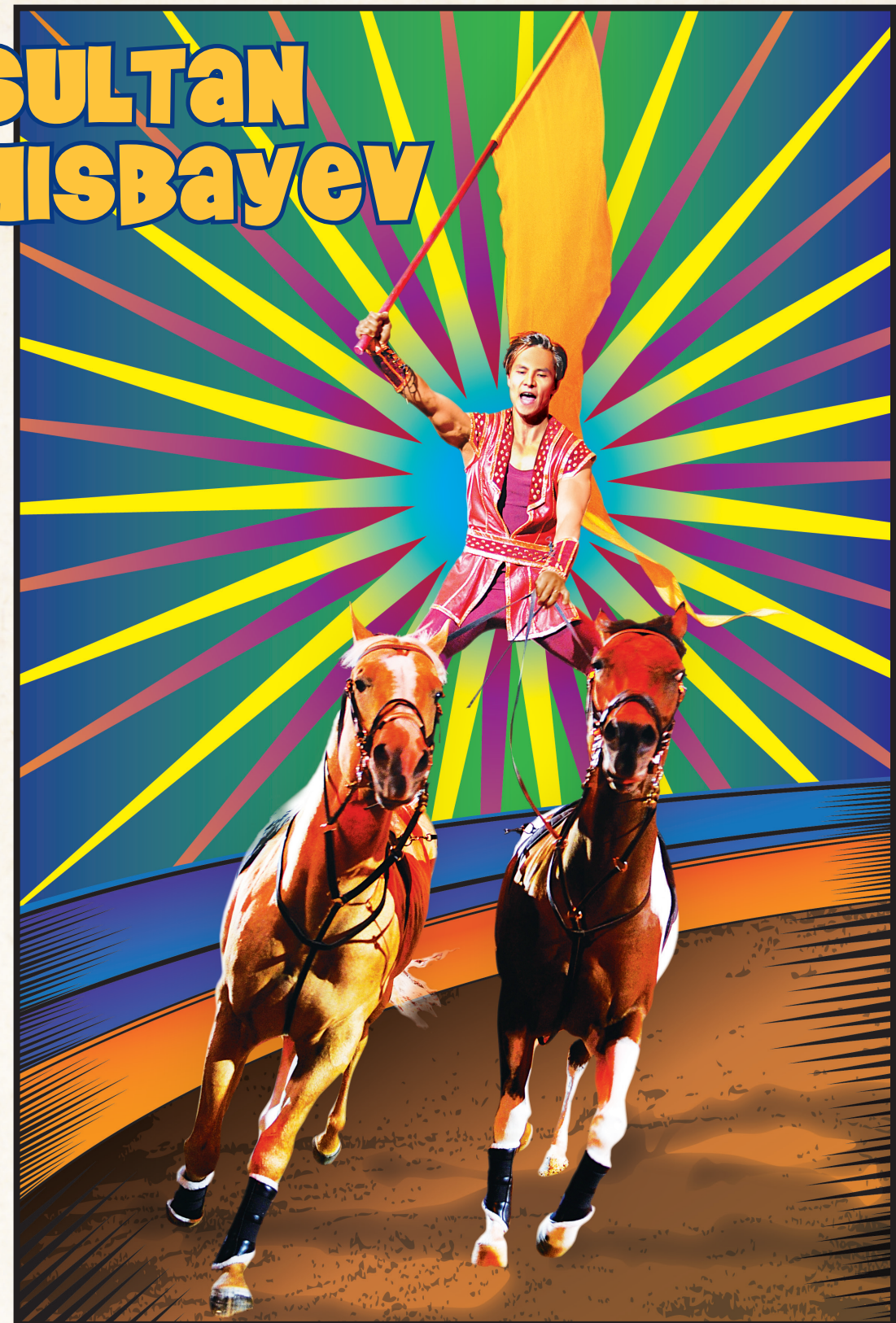


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CARING FOR OUR ANIMAL PARTNERS

THE BIG APPLE CIRCUS HAS BEEN PRESENTING AND PRESERVING THE TRADITION OF CLASSICAL CIRCUS FOR MORE THAN TWENTY-EIGHT YEARS. ONE ELEMENT OF CLASSICAL CIRCUS IS PERFORMING ANIMALS. WE CONTINUE TO EXPLORE AND ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF OUR ANIMAL PARTNERS AND INSIST UPON SENSITIVITY TO QUALITY OF LIFE BOTH IN AND OUT OF THE RING FOR ALL OF OUR PERFORMERS. THE PROFESSIONAL TRAINERS WHO WORK WITH THE ANIMALS REPRESENT DECADES--IN SOME CASES, GENERATIONS--OF EXPERIENCE IN WORKING WITH PERFORMING ANIMALS. DAY OR NIGHT OUR TRAINERS PATIENTLY AND GENTLY PRESENT EACH NEW SITUATION UNTIL THE ANIMAL GRASPS ITS MEANING. SUCCESS BRINGS LAVISH PRAISE, PATS OF CONGRATULATIONS AND, OF COURSE, EDIBLE TREATS. SHOULD THE ANIMAL NOT GRASP WHAT IS REQUIRED OF IT, ANOTHER, MORE UNDERSTANDABLE SITUATION WILL BE ATTEMPTED.

