

# Tom Waits

## "Table Top Joe"

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I knew one day  
One, one, two, one, two, three

Well my mama didn't want me  
On the day I was born  
I was born without a body  
I got nothing but scorn  
But I always loved music  
All I had was my hands  
I dreamed I'd be famous  
And I'd work at The Sands

Singing, Tabletop Joe, Tabletop Joe  
Now everyone will know  
That I'm Tabletop Joe

I had trouble with the pedals  
But I had a strong left hand  
And I could play Stravinsky  
On a baby grand  
I said, 'I'm gonna join the circus  
Cause that's where I belong'  
So I went to Coney Island  
I was singing this song

Tabletop Joe, Tabletop Joe  
Now everyone knows  
Yeah I'm Tabletop Joe

They gave me top billing  
In the Dreamland show  
I had my own orchestra  
Starring Tabletop Joe  
And the man without a body  
Proved everyone wrong  
I was rich and I was famous  
I was where I belonged, yeah

Tabletop Joe, Tabletop Joe  
Now everyone knows, yeah  
Tabletop Joe

Take it home boy

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