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SCENE FOUR

(Duloc Performers magically appear, and start performing. On HOLIDAY FOR DULOC, we transition to the palace of Lord Farquaad.)

PERFORMER

Welcome to the Duloc Fetch a Princess Festival! The show's about to begin!

#4 – What's Up, Duloc? (Part 1)

[TRACK 10]

PERFORMERS

WELCOME TO DULOC.
SUCH A PERFECT TOWN.
HERE WE HAVE SOME RULES,
LET US LAY THEM DOWN.
DON'T MAKE WAVES, STAY IN LINE,
AND WE'LL GET ALONG FINE.
DULOC IS A PERFECT PLACE.

PLEASE KEEP OFF THE GRASS.
SHINE YOUR SHOES, WIPE YOUR...FACE.
DULOC IS, DULOC IS, DULOC IS A PERFECT PLACE.

PERFORMER

And here's the man who made it happen! That towering colossus of moxie!
Loooooooooord Farquaad!

(A door far upstage is thrown open to reveal a terrifying, back-lit figure. A spot-light hits him – KA-CHUNK! We see that Lord Farquaad is only four feet tall.)

FARQUAAD

Oh, it's you! What a terrific surprise! Speaking of surprises, you're in for a treat!
Bring in the cookie!

#4a – Farquaad's Chamber

[TRACK 11]

(A shrouded cart is wheeled in.)

VOICE OF GINGY

No! No! I won't speak! I won't.

(The shroud is whipped off to reveal the petrified Giny on a cookie sheet. His legs have been broken off.)

GINGY

(sees Farquaad)

Ohhhhh, it's *you*...

FARQUAAD

"Run, run, run as fast as you can, you can't catch me – I'm the Gingerbread Man!"

GINGY

Look what you've done to my legs! You're a monster!

FARQUAAD

I'm not the monster here, you are. You and the rest of that fairy tale trash poisoning my perfect kingdom.

GINGY

It's *not* a kingdom! Because you're not a king!

FARQUAAD

Oh, but I will be. Just as soon as I find a princess to marry. And I hear you know of one. Tell me where she is!

GINGY

Bite me!

FARQUAAD

That's it! My patience has reach its end! Present the devices of torture!

(Thelonius offers up an array: rolling pin, giant spatula, an egg beater, a carton of milk, etc.)

GINGY

(stalling)

Uh-uh, uhh, now what a minute. Let's not get crazy. Maybe I have heard *tell* of a princess.

FARQUAAD

From who?

GINGY

Do you know the Muffin Man?

FARQUAAD

The Muffin Man?

GINGY

The Muffin Man.

FARQUAAD

Yes. I know the Muffin Man. Who lives on Drury Lane?

GINGY

Well, I heard it from the Muffin Man.

FARQUAAD

The Muffin Man?!

GINGY

The Muffin Man!

FARQUAAD

(thoughtful, to himself)

He heard it from the Muffin Man...

GINGY

Can I go now?

FARQUAAD

You haven't told me where she is!

GINGY

I can't!

FARQUAAD

You must!

GINGY

I won't!

FARQUAAD

Tell me or I'll—!

(reaches for Gingly's buttons)

GINGY

No! Not the buttons! Not my gumdrop buttons!

FARQUAAD

Then where is the princess?!

GINGY

(broken)

Okay...I'll tell you. She's a day's walk from here. In a dragon-guarded castle, surrounded by hot boiling lava.

FARQUAAD

Well that sounds dangerous.

GINGY

Ya want a princess or not?!

FARQUAAD

Go on.

GINGY

In the highest room in the tallest tower, you'll find a fiery red-head named Princess Fiona.

FARQUAAD

Ooo, Princess Fiona. She's sounds perfect.

(thinking)

Except for that dragon and lava thing. I'll have to find someone else to go...

GINGY

(to himself)

Big surprise.

FARQUAAD

(in his own revelry)

I shall make Fiona my Queen, and Duloc will finally have the perfect King!

(to his underling)

Thelonius, send this cookie to the swamp!

GINGY

Swamp?! That's the thanks I get?!

FARQUAAD

My loyal subjects! We're going to get a queen! Maestro!

(Gingy is taken off by Thelonius. Farquaad sings and dances with the loyal Dulocians.)

#5 – What's Up, Duloc? (Part 2)

[TRACK 12]

FARQUAAD

THINGS ARE LOOKING UP HERE IN DULOC.

PERFORMERS

JUST TAKE A LOOK!

THE THINGS I'M COOKING UP HERE IN DULOC.

HE LIKES TO COOK!