

Gruen, Sara: *1969

Water for Elephants, 2006 – Characters

Jacob Jankowski

The protagonist and narrator, a 93-year-old man reminiscing about his time working as a veterinarian for a circus.

Marlena

A beautiful equestrian performer who works closely with the animals.

August

The cruel and paranoid ringmaster who is Marlena's husband.

Rosie

An elephant that Jacob and Marlena develop a close bond with

Walter/Kinko

A little person who performs as the clown “Kinko.”

Uncle Al

The unethical but charismatic owner of the Benzini Brothers circus.

Camel

An elderly circus worker.

Pearl and Pop Watson

Owners of the town market who allow customers to buy on credit.