

## All R. Artist 561

### Chapter 561: Redemption

Peter seemed to forget his own abilities, he even confessed to the girl he liked.

The result was not bad.

He and the girl named Gwen arranged to have dinner together.

But...

Just as he was about to leave, Spiderman saw the news on the TV.

The Green Goblin had appeared again.

He was recklessly devastating the city.

Panic was spreading, police were helpless against the Green Goblin's terrifying destruction power, mingled among the crowd were countless cries...

At this moment.

Spiderman suddenly thought of a conversation he had with his uncle.

"With great power, comes great responsibility."

He suddenly opened the long-sealed drawer, looking at the Spiderman battle suit he hadn't worn for so long.

Meanwhile.

In a certain coffee shop.

The girl Peter was dating kept checking her watch and finally couldn't help but send him a message.

Peter hesitated for a moment, then put back the battle suit.

He was going on a date.

The plot was short-lived, but the audience seemed to feel Peter's inner struggle.

However, just as everyone thought Peter was going on a date with the girl he loves, a red figure suddenly shot out of the window of his bedroom—

It was Spiderman!

He eventually gave up the date!

At this moment, the theater burst into a huge cheer!

Although he'd planned for that date for a long time.

Although he'd been looking forward to that moment immensely.

Although he really liked that girl.

But when the Green Goblin was wrecking the city, when the people were in desperation, he chose to fight.

Cliché?

Very Cliché!

Thrilling?

Very thrilling!

The audience's emotions were completely released!

At this time, a train that had been damaged by the Green Goblin had completely lost control.

Just when everyone in the car was in despair, Spiderman descended from the sky.

"It's him!"

"Spiderman!"

"Spiderman is back!"

"..."

The red figure appeared!

People's eyes suddenly brimmed with huge expectations, just like the audience in front of the big screen!

But...

As Spiderman's webs also failed to stop the runaway train and could only break powerlessly, the hope in everyone's eyes turned back into despair again.

In Spiderman's perspective.

Countless tracks, speeding up fast.

His mask had been damaged in the battle.

Then he furiously took off the mask, revealing his face!

Next.

Spiderman's figure appeared at the front of the train.

Amid the desperate gazes of all the passengers, he grabbed onto the buildings on both sides with his web!

Shush, shush, shush!

Countless webs shot out densely, grabbing onto the numerous skyscrapers on both sides, the unceasing force of the oncoming train almost tore Spiderman apart—

He was actually trying to stop the train with his body!

Under the terrifying force.

In Spiderman's hands were countless webs, his clothes started to shatter piece by piece due to the immense pulling force, spreading from his sleeves to his chest. His legs tried to resist but the iron rails broke one by one with numerous sparks!

The train didn't stop!

The entire theater let out countless gasps!

This scene was shocking!

The audience was on edge!

Some people even couldn't help but roar!

He was actually blocking the train by himself, the webs had reached their limit, Spiderman's body had also reached a certain limit!

It seemed like a mantis trying to stop a chariot.

He didn't choose to give up.

People in the carriage could hardly bear to watch, it was a force that could tear a person apart...

The roar of the train!

Spiderman's shattered battle suit!

The countless sparks spurting from his feet!

He had no strength left, resistance seemed like an instinct...

Finally.

The train stopped.

In front of the most extreme sea.

Spiderman's body, weakly fell down.

From inside the carriage, hands reached out, holding his falling body.

The music fell silent.

The carriage fell silent.

The people stretched out their hands one after another, lifting the unconscious Spiderman overhead, and finally gently putting him down.

People were already weeping uncontrollably:

“He saved us.”

“He saved us all.”

“He’s just a child.”

“The same age as my grandson.”

“...”

Men and women, old and young, countless eyes were on Spiderman, each filled with gratitude and heartache.

Peter finally woke up.

A little girl handed him his broken Spiderman mask.

“Thank you.”

He got up, put on the mask, and left the train.

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Long Yang suddenly heard sobbing nearby.

He turned his head to see his son, Little Tiger, crying and clumsily handing him tissues.

The scene had been deeply moving, even he had felt goosebumps all over him. There were no earth-shattering special effects, just a lone figure standing in front of a train, nearly torn apart by inertia to stop it!

The impact of the shot...

It came from a strong emotional resonance!

On the other side.

The assistant also began to comfort his crying wife.

Spiderman was injured.

He returned home to recover, but still had to hide it from his aunt, which made the audience even more distressed.

On the other side.

The Green Goblin's destruction continued.

The Green Goblin even made a battle suit for a robber.

As a result, the robber was causing havoc everywhere in the terrifying Mecha.

The police were holding on desperately.

Then a child rushed up.

The child, dressed in a small Spiderman battle suit, stood in front of the terrifying Mecha.

The robber inside the Mecha was stunned.

The child's mother was screaming in despair.

But the child adopted a fighting stance, and the audience recognized this child as one previously saved by Spiderman.

“Ha ha ha ha...”

The robber inside the Mecha laughed out loud, the scene was somewhat comical.

But the audience didn't laugh.

Even a child knew to protect the weak, despite being the weakest among the people.

The Mecha closed.

The robber was about to kill.

The crowd gasped in horror.

It was that same red figure.

Spiderman was back!!!

At this moment, everyone broke into smiles.

Unbeknownst to them, Spiderman had already created a sense of safety for them.

In the frame.

Even the police, who were lukewarm towards Spiderman, also smiled...



“Hey, Spiderman, thanks... the rest is up to me.”

Spiderman spoke, then bumped fists with the child, sent him back to the crowd, and rushed forward!

Some viewers had red eyes, smiling.

This image of a child dressed as Spiderman bravely standing in front of the villain was so touching that it almost brought tears to the eyes.

Spiderman had unknowingly influenced many people.

The following scenes were all about fighting.

When Spiderman defeated the robber's Mecha, the Green Goblin arrived, and a shocking battle ensued.

The fight lasted for eight minutes.

Most of the movie's special effects were showcased in this section.

The sharp camera work!

The dazzling destructive punches!

Two figures tangled furiously!

The audience simply felt extremely exhilarated!

Because of some unforeseen twists, the Green Goblin ultimately died at Spiderman's hands, but Spiderman also collapsed in the ruins of the great battle.

“Got him!”

“Catch Spiderman!”

The officers’ walkie talkies blared with their superiors’ excited voices.

“Sorry, officer, he got away.”

The police looked at each other and oddly started playing dumb.

Spiderman woke up, saw the police who ignored him, left in a sorry state.

He must have been confused.

Why didn’t the police catch him?

Suddenly the crowd erupted in applause, shouting:

“Spiderman!”

“Spiderman!”

“Spiderman!”

The superior officer roared over the walkie talkie: “He’s right behind you!”

No officer moved.

Even though at that moment, Spiderman was so weak that anyone could easily catch him.

Chapter 562: Civilian Hero

The movie has reached its finale by this point.

Spiderman wasn't able to make it to his date with Gwen.

There he was, hanging upside down like a spider, dressed in his battle suit, and holding a flower in his hand. On a moving night, he appeared before Gwen.

"I have a friend who wants to say sorry to you..."

Gwen was startled, then ventured to ask:

"Peter?"

"Yes...my friend, Peter."

"Why didn't he come himself?"

Spiderman looked ashamed: "Perhaps he should apologize to you in person, though he did have a reason for missing that date..."

Gwen seemed to realize something, her face filled with shock:

"It's you!"

"Not me..."

"It is you!"

Gwen snapped angrily: "You saved the train, my mum was on that train, she met you!"

Spiderman remained silent.

Suddenly Gwen laughed: “Just kidding, I just saw the news, but you’ve already admitted it.”

Spiderman fell silent again.

Suddenly, Gwen stepped forward, wanting to remove Spiderman’s mask, but when she reached his mouth, Spiderman held her hand back.

Gwen exerted strength.

So did Spiderman.

He did not want to remove Spiderman’s mask.

In the end, Gwen did not forcibly remove Spiderman’s mask, she gently kissed it instead.

Female audience members’ eyes sparkled with little stars.

Spiderman, hanging upside down, received a devilishly beautiful girl’s kiss beneath the moonlight!

Wow!

Too sweet!

Is there anything more romantic than this?

Couples in the audience secretly clenched each other’s hands.

On the big screen.

Long Yang's sense of dread fully fermented, finally turning into a bitter smile on the corner of his mouth.

This Xian Yu really knows what the audience wants to see!

The whole plot design, while cliché, was not entirely trite!

After the great battle, the hero received a victory kiss from the beauty, only he chose to do it in Spiderman's signature upside-down pose!

This shot was too romantic!

It gave off a dangerously romantic vibe!

Whether it was the death of his uncle, blocking the train with his body, or the child in Spiderman's suit standing in front of the mecha, all these shots were deeply touching!

There were tears.

There was laughter.

There was thrill.

There was emotion.

There was familial redemption.

And there was romantic flavor.

It had virtually everything a commercial film needed, yet it was not portrayed in a bloated manner, instead the scenes were shown with clear rhythm, providing the audience with one satisfying viewing experience after another.

Afterward.

Peter revealed the truth about his uncle's death to his aunt, her reaction was very thought-provoking.

She slapped Peter, then tightly embraced him.

In the end.

The scene was of a night sky.

Spiderman was lying in the center of a yin-yang shaped spider web, dressed in his battle suit.

His suit seemed to have undergone a new transformation.

Eyecatching!

More brilliant!

Riveting to the eyes!

The suit had come a long way from the simple one he originally made.

At this moment.

From an unknown source, a voice came over a walkie-talkie: "There's a murder, the culprit is fleeing towards First Avenue..."

Whoosh!

In the moonlight, a red silhouette leapt out, his legs spread wide apart with his feet together. A white spider-web was suddenly projected towards the screen. The web, like fingers, clung to the cinema screen!

This was the 3D experience.

The audience felt as if the spider-thread was flying towards them, some could not resist but to dodge, followed by laughter all around...

A glorious impact!

The figure seemed to be frozen in the moonlight, striking an eternal pose in a dramatic fashion!

So cool it was explosive!

The movie was over!

Someone stood up to applaud, and gradually more and more people followed suit.

“Dad, I want to be Spiderman!”

Little Tiger looked up at Long Yang, full of hope.

Long Yang felt a pang in his heart. He reluctantly said, “Sure, sure, sure ...”

A very helpless fact was lying in front of them:

The role of Spiderman was indeed likable in terms of character charm. The creation of a civilian hero proved to be very successful, and Xian Yu’s unconventional approach produced excellent results.

Meanwhile.

Long Yang’s assistant also stood up to applaud.

His wife’s voice suddenly heard faintly, “See if there are any Spiderman masks for sale later ...”

Clap.

The applause suddenly stopped.

The assistant slouched in his chair, looking at his wife in indignation.

Wasn't Prince of Lanling's mask enough !?

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Not many people noticed this.

The applause continued, interspersed with fragmented discussions.

"Spiderman is so cool!"

"I like him so much!"

"That scene with the train was so stunning!"

"The death of the uncle was really heartbreaking."

"With great power comes great responsibility. The movie was really funny, but I actually had tears in my eyes during that part. This movie has more depth than I thought."

"This is the best superhero!"

"Spiderman seems different from the other superheroes I know. Other superheroes are representative of all mankind, but Spiderman feels like he's right among us."

"The teary part was the little Spiderman at the end."



“That’s Xian Yu for you!”

“Even when Xian Yu makes a superhero movie, it’s completely different from others!”

“The lead actor is pretty good, is he a newcomer?”

“He played the role very well, I’ve started to like him now.”

“...”

In the midst of their discussions, many audience members left the theater.

Some people were feeling hungry and wanted to find a place to eat.

Just then.

Someone pointed to a restaurant in front and exclaimed, “Holy shit, isn’t that Spiderman?”

Far away.

There was a restaurant called “Flame Hot Pot”. At the entrance, a Spiderman statue was prominently displayed.

If you had not seen “Spiderman”, you would be completely puzzled by the statue.

But for audience who had seen “Spiderman”, seeing this theme made them feel an immediate sense of familiarity!

“Let’s go eat there!”

Everyone rushed in eagerly.

And that restaurant, was completely Spiderman themed.

All sorts of posters were stuck on the walls, making customers feel as if they had left the cinema and entered into the world of the movie...

This scene was playing out in many places.

At that moment.

Sun Yaohuo also stepped out of the cinema.

The movie by his junior was really good!

He nodded and glanced at his phone, finding the chat group for his store unusually lively:

“Business is so good today!”

“Several customers ordered the hot pot base with the Spiderman theme!”

“Do you have that?”

“Of course, I just made a mold in advance, is it that hard?”

“Don’t talk like Sherlock Holmes!”

“Our customers took pictures with the Spiderman posters after they finished eating!”

“The boss is really amazing!”

“The boss’s business thinking is always so visionary!”

“Simply a business genius!”

“When it comes to trend marketing, the boss is always the best!”

“...”

Sun Yaohuo was dumbfounded.

What marketing?

What business genius?

Isn't it just me supporting my friend's movie? Is it that complicated?

Chapter 563: Periphery

Some people went for hot pot after watching the movie.

Some people went home after the movie and even started writing film reviews. For a movie that hadn't been previewed, the first batch of hot-off-the-press reviews would inevitably come from the first audience members who have finished watching the movie—

“A commercial movie worth watching!”

“Xian Yu provides a new perspective for superhero movies. Whether it's the thought-provoking line [with great power comes great responsibility] in the movie, or his way of practicing his uncle's [last words] by using his body to stop a train, all of these are presented to the audience in the most pleasant way to convey the values the film attempts to instill in the audience.”

“Several scenes are perfectly framed.”

“The first fight in the subway car sets a comedic tone for the movie. I couldn't imagine a superhero desperately trying to save the world could be so funny, and Little Spider talks so much, I can't even remember exactly what he said. It must have been hard work for this new actor named Jian Yi to have to memorize all those lines.”

“A movie that will not disappoint!”

“Xian Yu managed to highlight the simplistic heroism without overshadowing the brilliance of Spider-Man. By choosing an ordinary little guy as the protagonist, the familial and romantic elements in the film not only enrich its emotional depth but also resonate with the audience. During those scenes depicting Spiderman freely shuttling between skyscrapers, I could savor the scent of youth and freedom. Those special effects were not overdone, but the shots were coolly configured, announcing Xian Yu’s prowess not only in art films but also in commercial cinema.”

“The ending is so romantic!”

“Spider-Man with half of his mask on and kissing the leading lady in the rain is a classic romantic scene. This might become an unforgettable screen kiss. Through this arrangement, Xian Yu might hint that Spider-Man does not want to admit he is Peter. Even though he and Gwen both know it, Spider-Man doesn’t want Gwen to be involved in his world. He knows how dangerous his future is and the instinctive need to protect his loved ones by hiding his identity.”

“Astounding characterization!”

“While other superheroes are busy saving the world, Spider-Man is committed to protecting civilians around him. His activities are confined within a city, making him a real people’s hero, as approachable as your next-door neighbor, with a bit of youthful mischievousness. After all, he’s just a diligent student off stage.”

“...”

StarNet’s review serves as a vane for onlookers. Despite the inevitable plot spoilers, many people skillfully avoid spoilers or just look at the movie rating.

At this moment.

This “Spider-Man” movie scores 8.8. Among all the films Xian Yu has made, this has the lowest rating. But this is in comparison to Xian Yu’s previous films. If we compare this movie alone or with other superhero films, this rating absolutely stands out!

Just so you know.

“Dragonman” next door only has a score of 7.9, which is already considered an above-average rating for superhero films. It’s always hard for these popcorn flicks to get both box office and ratings.

From this perspective.

This “Spider-Man” film has already won highly favorable public praise, setting a new rating limit for superhero films.

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The next day.

Lin Yuan woke up and checked the movie reviews on StarNet and was generally satisfied with both the audience’s ratings and the movie’s score, though he had once hoped that “Spider-Man” could score 9.

But that’s nearly impossible.

There’s basically no chance for a conventional commercial film to get this kind of score, even though Lin Yuan’s version of “Spider-Man” is different from any version on Earth, as it’s essentially upgraded to perfection!

Yes.

If Earth’s audience were here, they would surely exclaim that Xian Yu is a weirdo who consolidated several classic scenes from different Spider-Man versions into a brand-new one!

Spider-Man’s upside-down kiss.

This was a classic scene in the first “Spider-Man” movie by Toby. A Little Spider standing against the villain was the most touching scene in Garfield’s version of “The Amazing Spider-Man.”

Stopping the train?

That's also from Toby's version, but it's from the second installment of his "Spider-Man." This scene is arguably the highlight of the second installment, so much so that even the "Spider-Man: Homecoming" featuring Tom Holland pulled a large ship together with spider silk as a tribute to this classic scene. And that tribute was undoubtedly successful.

And in the end.

Spider-Man's battle suit.

The high-tech suit is designed based on the one Iron Man tailor-made for Holland's Spider-Man. In terms of splendor and functionality, the suit is undoubtedly the best. This also sets a foreshadowing for the movie "Iron Man."

It was all done in the flow.

Lin Yuan might not necessarily make "Iron Man," but he couldn't guarantee he won't definitely make it either. What if it turns out to be truly fragrant? Therefore, even though he hasn't set up a post-credit scene for the Avengers in the movie, the last shot was still this suit. It somehow amalgamates Spider-Men from three generations.

The awkward thing is...

After this version of "Spider-Man" was released, Lin Yuan's Spider-Man movie material library was nearly depleted, because all the classic scenes are integrated into this brand-new version. If there is to be a sequel, it will have to take a completely different path. It may even need to draw inspiration from the comics or Spider-Man's arch-nemesis, Venom.

Thinking about this.

Lin Yuan glanced at his phone and saw that he had received many messages. They're all from friends discussing his new movie. Everyone seemed to love this movie.

I wonder what the box office will be like?

Lin Yuan was looking forward to it. He felt that the box office of “Spider-Man” should be stronger than his previous three movies. His previous three movies were somewhat niche, while this one is more mainstream.

After browsing StarNet.

Lin Yuan went to his company.

Gu Dong’s car was already waiting outside his house. As soon as Lin Yuan got into the car, he heard Gu Dong’s excited voice, “A toy manufacturer wants to buy the rights to Spider-Man. The factory that made the Prince of Lanling mask last time also wants to sell Spider-Man suits. Even figurine companies and masters have expressed interest in creating a Spider-Man figurine...”

Lin Yuan’s eyes lit up!

Spider-Man can sell merchandise!

Chapter 564: Flaw

Mercandising, huh...

For some animated films, merchandising is definitely the biggest source of revenue. Those animations with billions of investment do not rely on box office revenue to make a profit. They rely on the merchandise. Do you have any idea how much money Disney has made off this on Earth?

The number must be horrifying!

However, not many live-action movies can sell merchandise, but “Spiderman” is one of them. Firstly, the design of Spiderman’s image is really cool. Secondly, the films have received good reviews. I wonder how much they made in box office sales and how the subsequent merchandising rights will be priced based on the influence of this film.

They’re going to make a fortune!

Lin Yuan was a bit excited. Even though he already has enough money to last him several lifetimes, considering the vast library of works from Earth, continuous adaptation is still like a bottomless pit. If Lin Yuan wanted to adapt all of Earth's classic works in one breath now, his current savings would not be enough!

So, he needs money!

More and more money!

Maybe some people's pursuit of money is engraved in their bones. Lin Yuan is no exception. He has made great progress by learning not to haggle with the system. But it is too much to expect him to see money as worthless. Compared with that, Lin Yuan doesn't aspire much for fame. The constant release of works is just to satisfy the system's task requirements for prestige.

"We'll talk later."

Lin Yuan said seriously.

It's the safest choice to discuss merchandising income when Spiderman's influence rises to another level. Lin Yuan doesn't believe this movie will flop. A commercially successful movie with a decent score has no reason to flop. Furthermore, Spiderman is like Marvel's own adopted son. In the period before the debut of Little Robert Downey Jr. and "Iron Man," the popularity of Spiderman almost overshadowed his colleagues. Even with the huge success of Iron Man, people's enthusiasm for Spiderman has never waned.

On the other hand...

With the premiere of Xian Yu's new movie "Spiderman," film critics also expressed differing views on this movie through major media outlets, indicating that the movie is really heating up.

There's this media outlet...

Called "Pioneer Entertainment."



This is a reputable entertainment magazine. Most of their reporting is reliable: “Many people are surprised that Xian Yu has started making traditional commercial films as well. But many people ignore the fact that comedy is also a commercial genre. Xian Yu started on a film journey with “Tang Bohu,” and he has already shown a commercial label then. It’s just that many people have gotten an impression of him as an art film creator as he pursued depth in his subsequent films.”

“Let’s talk about “Spiderman.”

“This is a very well-constructed commercial piece. The script is solid. The roof-jumping action and upside-down kissing scenes have sparked a lot of discussions among the audience. The scenes where Spiderman stops a train and Little Spiderman stops a villain are in sharp contrast. Their abilities are not on the same level, but their actions have the same meaning. The phrase ‘with great power comes great responsibility’ is the most memorable line for the audience after watching the film. Xian Yu still hasn’t forgotten to explore the depth of the film.”

“But there are flaws.”

“Xian Yu’s control of the budget is very conservative. Others are pursuing higher special effects, whereas Xian Yu feels that as long as the special effects are sufficient, they’re good. The special effects produced with a budget of one million are, of course, sufficient, but they’re just enough.”

“Furthermore...”

“While watching the movie, I always felt a regret. That is, the characterization of the villain is a bit flat. To highlight Spiderman, the villain ended up being a mere synonym for ‘villain’ without being endowed with a deeper meaning. It’s a pity indeed.”

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Lin Yuan saw the review.

He felt that “Pioneer Entertainment”’s evaluation of the villain part was quite reasonable. After all, it’s a hybrid movie; it can’t be perfect. After he had put together the best parts of several movies, it’s inevitable to sacrifice the characterization of the villain. Otherwise, the film would need to be half an hour longer. For a film, it’s too risky to just randomly add an extra half hour.

People watch movies to relax.

Without sufficient motivation, it's hard for people to patiently watch an excessively long movie. The Avengers dared to do so because of their strong foundation. Spiderman in Blue Star version neither has the foundation of the Avengers nor the build-up from comics. Lin Yuan definitely had to choose a compromise...

Yes.

The script for this "Spiderman" is not only the work of the system; Lin Yuan also added many of his own ideas. Having read so many film-related books, he finally got the opportunity to utilize them. After all, he has to do things himself eventually. Therefore, he had also ordered a few more versions of Spiderman—

This cost a lot of money.

The scripts provided by the system are not 100% perfect. They're only on par with the original version at best. If Lin Yuan were to rely solely on the system, he would find it less exciting. So being able to get more involved is definitely a worthwhile thing.

Moreover.

Many newspapers mentioned the concept of a "grassroots hero." "Spiderman" is truly a pioneer in this respect. Of all the superhero movies in Blue Star, only Peter Parker is genuinely from the lower class.

He's an orphan.

He doesn't come from a wealthy family and he's not a standout in school. In fact, he gets bullied. He, too, would rack his brain to pursue a girl and lose his way in the maze of growing up. These are the most appealing things about Spiderman.

He has a growth arc.

A more vivid image.

Although the villain is depicted in a one-dimensional way, the uncle's character was very successfully portrayed. Although the uncle doesn't appear much in the film, his death had a huge impact on not only Spiderman but also the audience. The reason people find it heartbreaking is that they have already accepted that character. If the uncle's character were not well-depicted, "with great power comes great responsibility" would be mere lip service.

The uncle leads by example.

He's just a helpless old man without Spiderman's agility and strength. But when he faced an armed robber, he didn't choose to stand by. Instead, he bravely stood up to the robber, albeit at the cost of his own life. Isn't this also a sense of "responsibility" given to oneself by ordinary people?

Anyway...

In order to ease this heartbreak, Lin Yuan magnified the joyful side of Spiderman. This idea also came from the Holland brother version. Toby's Spiderman is a bit melancholy, with a heavy taste of the loser-turned-hero storyline, even a bit artsy. But most superheroes have this bitter and deep-seated feeling. So Lin Yuan tried hard to create this contrast.

The truth is.

The effect is not bad.

In the next few days, "Spiderman" saw a surge in box office sales. More and more people went to the cinema to watch this movie, and more and more people fell in love with this talkative and playful Spiderman...

Chapter 565 Teacher Admirable Fish Understands the Most

"Lives up to the reputation!"

"After watching 'Hachiko', I got a bit of a shadow over Xianyu the Old Thief's movies, thank goodness Little Spider gave me plenty of joy. Although there were some torturous parts in the movie, they all fell within my tolerance level."

"A different kind of superhero!"

"I want to try the upside-down kiss!"

"Compared to Little Spider, the neighboring 'Legend of the Dragonman' seems lackluster. While Long Yang's skill level is high, the cliched story of hardship and revenge to save the world is really tiring. There's nothing eye-catching about it!"

"Fish Papa finally made a commercial film!"

"Fish Papa's movies in the past had good reputations, but I found them pretty average. Instead, his early work 'Flirting Scholar' hit the spot for me. This film has further proved this, he's really more suited to commercial films!"

"Spiderman was so goddamn cool!"

"Other superhero movies should learn from Spiderman. What it means to be cool, and grow up. Saving the world is just the result, we want to see the interesting process!"

"..."

There are more audience members!

Positive reviews increased!

The influence is continuously fermenting!

Xianyu's Tribe's comment section has straight up turned into a bragging party mode.

And in everyone's discussions, Long Yang's 'Legend of the Dragonman' was inevitably mentioned.

Being a film about a superhero as well as being released at the same time as 'Spiderman', 'Legend of the Dragonman' was overshadowed by the former's novelty and humor, so much so that its mediocrity became a flaw in the eyes of the audience.

No one was saying that Long Yang made a bad film.

But since the plot failed to break out of the stereotypical mold and met a superhero like Spiderman who doesn't play by the conventional rules, it was inevitable that this film by Long Yang would be eclipsed in the box office.

This contrast became even clearer when the first week's box office came out!

One had over 500 million in the first week!

Another just topped 400 million in the first week!

The first week's 500 million, of course, belongs to 'Spiderman'.

If you simply look at the numbers, Xianyu and Long Yang are tied, with little apparent difference between them.

But don't forget:

The production cost of Long Yang's movie is three times that of Xian Yu's!

It must be said.

The three hundred million-dollar effects certainly look great, coupled with Longyang's good reputation. His box office didn't crumble under the pressure of 'Spiderman'.

However...

When transitioning to the second week, the gap between the two films gradually grew. 'Spiderman' box office even increased!

Seven hundred million!

Meanwhile...

Long Yang's 'Legend of the Dragonman' fell below four hundred million.

In this contrast, the superiority of the two films, both of which tell the stories of superheroes, became clear!

At this point, 'Spiderman' was completely on fire!

In the following days, 'Spiderman' continues to heat up, even some entertainment shows started to frequently mention this superhero film...

Meanwhile...

Starlight finally gave out the rights to develop merchandise.

It's worth mentioning that...

Lin Yuan is the rights holder of Spiderman.

The company is just Lin Yuan's authorized agent.

Because merchandise development is an income stream many people hadn't anticipated, it wasn't mentioned in the contract beforehand. As a result, Lin Yuan received the majority of the merchandise profits.

There's no way Starlight would be foolish enough to cause a conflict with Xianyu over this.

The value of Xianyu is worth countless merchandise items!

For the next few days...

When Spiderman merchandise came out, many video bloggers posted videos of themselves wearing Spiderman battle suits...

Some were funny.

Some were cool.

And some were simply cosplaying.

The appearance of these videos garnered a great response, a wave of Spiderman imitations quickly swept across!

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It was expected that the movie would be a hit, but the emergence of the merchandise trend and the Spiderman imitation craze wasn't anticipated by Lin Yuan.

His thinking was too simplistic.

What happened later made Lin Yuan realize:

He really didn't have much of a business mind!

Even though he had a deeper understanding of Spiderman, he never conceived of how to fully develop Spiderman merchandise.

Here's what happened...

When the Spiderman imitation craze began to sweep across, Gu Dong suddenly asked Lin Yuan, "The merchandise developers want to make a female Spiderman battle suit. They need your authorization, will you accept?"

"..."

This is what Lin Yuan had overlooked.

Marvel has a Spiderman Universe!

And in the Spiderman Universe, there were a number of different Spiders.

They have Spiderman in different colours for both men and women, and even animal Spiderman...

Who would have thought that Lin Yuan, someone with such a forward-thinking mind, forgot to consider developing merchandise for the female Spiderman? Instead, the merchandising company suggested it!

The merchandising company didn't even know about the Spiderman universe...

Isn't it said that businessmen are supposed to be flexible-minded?

It looks like Lin Yuan should take some time to learn about business thinking from Senior Yao Huo!

"I agree!"

Of course, Lin Yuan wouldn't reject it.

He would never turn down money-making opportunities that don't involve selling his body or soul. In fact, he even voluntarily offered to take part in the design of the female Spiderman's battle suit.

Not just red!

Pink also works!

And black is a must!

And so, the merchandising company started working enthusiastically on this project.

However,



When this news was announced, Spiderman's fans weren't pleased!

What kind of joke is this?

Spiderman is a man!

What on earth is a woman doing in a Spiderman battle suit?

Absolutely outrageous!

Female Spiderman, is that still Spiderman?

The gender has been completely changed!

The loudest protests came from the male fans!

Because of the movies, male fans are convinced that Spiderman is male, they can't accept a female version!

There was none in the movies!

Peter Parker is a pure man!

The merchandising company reluctantly tried to explain: "Teacher Admirable Fish agreed..."

The male fans were outraged.

Teacher Admirable Fish has fallen!

He sold out Spiderman's image for money!

He's just a scriptwriter, what does he know about Spiderman!

Clearly,

The fans' resistance wouldn't stop the merchandising company from carrying out their project.

Soon,

The female Spiderman battle suit design was completed. The sales rate was pretty good, showing that women could accept it. It was just some male fans who were making a fuss.

Subsequently,

A not very famous cosplayer bought the new red, black and pink female Spiderman suits and uploaded some pictures of herself wearing them online.

At this time, the male fans were still protesting.

But soon, these pictures of the cosplayer in the female Spiderman suits went viral!

It was crazy, everyone was re-sharing!

"Holy Shit..."

Looking at these pictures, the male fans were dumbfounded. The same Spiderman suit, while worn by men looked cool, but on women...

It would be something like this (picture supposed to be here):

Her exquisite figure, framed by the Spiderman suit.

That enticing waist...

That unique charm...

Some were wearing a mask, mysterious and charming.

Some were not wearing a mask, with their long hair flowing down.

The soft and supple female body, fitting perfectly in the Spiderman suit -

Provocative, attractive, compelling!

So big, so round, so good looking... Many male fans silently swallowed their saliva.

After some thoughtful consideration...

No need to think anymore...

Quietly saving the picture.

A male fan silently typed out a sentence:

"Teacher Admirable Fish really understands Spiderman."

No more voices of resistance were heard. The female Spiderman suits were selling even better than the male suits!

The black one, in particular...

That day,

A post appeared on a forum: "My husband started forcing me to wear the female Spiderman suit after he put on his own Spiderman suit... It feels so weird..."

Chapter 566 - Our Song

Merchandisers: "..."

When the planning of the Spider-Woman battle suit design was announced, many male Spider-Man fans were boycotting it.

Vendors once doubted the value of this plan.

Even waving the big flag of 'Admirable Fish' did not help much.

But who knew...

The Spider-Women battle suits sold out as soon as they were available!

Weren't those male fans shouting about boycotting?

Fuck your boycott!

You beasts!

This saying 'harsh in words but supportive in deeds' describes you perfectly!

Those who boycott the most are you, and those who buy the most are still you!

What did a group of rough men like you buy it for?

LSP!

No wonder Steve Jobs said:

Customers don't know what they want.

Many years ago on Earth, Boss Jobs had already seen through everything.

The popularity of the merchandise was another proof of the success of the 'Spider-Man' movie.

The popularity of the merchandise also boosted the popularity of the movie to a certain extent, the two complemented each other.

Meanwhile...

Jian Yi, who played Spiderman, rose to fame!

This newcomer, who graduated and became the lead actor in Admirable Fish's new movie, became another instance of overnight celebrity in the entertainment industry.

Commercial endorsements...

Brand notices...

Celebrity interviews...

Jian Yi jumped to become the trending newcomer in the entertainment industry!

Of course, Jian Yi was ecstatic, he immediately renamed the small group he was in with Lin Yuan and Xia Fan to:

"Yongning Village Entertainment Group".

Xia Fan couldn't stand it: "What a shitty name?"

There are too many points to ridicule, and he doesn't know where to start.

First of all, there are only four people in the group. Why is it called a "big entertainment group"? Where did the "big" come from?

Furthermore.

Are they serious about the "Yongning Village" in the group name?

Jian Yi was dissatisfied: "We are all stars now. You should speak to me more politely in the future. Even the contemporaries in the company call me Brother Yi, which is homophonic to Number One Brother!"

Sister Wei bubbled up: "You are getting arrogant."

Jian Yi felt guilty: "Sister Wei misunderstood me, the main thing is that everyone in our group is in the entertainment industry. You write novels, I act in movies, Xia Fan sings, not to mention Lin Yuan. Isn't it an entertainment group?"

"Brother Yi?"

Xia Fan questioned from the soul: "Then do you know what Lin Yuan is called?"

Maestro...

Fish Papa...

These are all Lin Yuan's nicknames, not only do fans call him that, many people in the company also do so.

Jian Yi suddenly fell silent.

Xia Fan couldn't bear it and decided to leave some dignity for Jian Yi. He said to make peace: "No problem, Brother Yi, I've thought about it. You'll each have your own titles."

Jian Yi: "..."

He calls me brother, and I call him daddy?

At this moment.

The system message hints that "Learning Makes Me Happy" was invited by Sister Wei to join the group chat.

Jian Yi asked: "Who is this?"

Learning Makes Me Happy: "Call me Little Aunt."

Jian Yi: "..."

Such a quirky name could only belong to Little Aunt...

Damn!

It must be Lin Yao.

Jian Yi was very familiar with the sisters of Lin Yuan and Xia Fan.

At this moment, Lin Yao circled Lin Yuan, she seemed quite dissatisfied: "Why didn't you add me to the group earlier?"

Sister Wei explained for Lin Yuan: "You were not of age when this group was first created."

Lin Yao was even more disgruntled: "What does this have to do with whether I'm of age or not?"

Everyone was silent.

Lin Yao seemed to understand something when she saw those photos of Jian Yi in the fiery Spider-Woman costumes in the group album.

Legend has it...

Every group has a "porn guy".

And Jian Yi was apparently the porn guy of this group.

She silently uploaded several gigabytes of study materials in an attempt to cleanse the group's atmosphere.

...

In the following days, the box office for "Spiderman" showed no signs of cooling down, and its performance remained strong.

Almost every day news reports featured "Spiderman".

Mixed within these news articles was a story about how a certain restaurant brand was making a killing with a series of Spiderman-themed events, but it drew little attention.

Until August.

Only then did the hype around Little Spider gradually diminish.

While Lin Yuan was contemplating his next step, he suddenly received a call from Tong Shuwen—

Lin Yuan was puzzled.

The Masked Singer had already ended, what did Tong Shuwen want with him?

He answered the call.

Tong Shuwen laughed and said, "Teacher Admirable Fish, sorry to bother you again. I'm calling because we have another show...."

"A singing one?"



"Yes."

"I'm not interested."

After participating in The Masked Singer, Lin Yuan was not interested in participating in any other music shows.

Tong Shuwen paused, then forced a laugh, "This show doesn't need you to sing, primarily, it needs you to compose songs...."

"Composing?"

"Yes, our new show is called 'Our Song', it's program centered around composers."

Lin Yuan: "....."

Why did he encounter a familiar show name again?

He almost instinctively wanted to ask the system if something was wrong.

Until Tong Shuwen explained the details of "Our Song":

"In each episode of this show, we will invite different composers. Initially, composers will be randomly assigned singers, and in the later stages, the production team will give a theme, and the composers will create songs around that theme, then select singers to perform."

"Like a seasonal Music Chart?"

Lin Yuan associated it with the Chart, because the Chart was where composers wrote songs, then sought suitable singers for competitions.

"Exactly!"

"You can imagine this as turning the seasonal music chart competition into a variety show for the audience to watch, which can further popularize the composers. Additionally, you will have a wide range of singers to choose from, as we will invite the singers from the first season of 'The Masked Singer' ...."

Lin Yuan was lost in thought.

If it was a singer he didn't know, it would be okay, but if it was a singer who had participated in The Masked Singer, he knew quite a few of them. For instance, if he encountered Mu Shi or others, he could arrange songs that required their skills to be improved.

If he encountered Fei Yang, he could also arrange some heartfelt songs for him.

If he encountered Sun Yaohuo and others, even better.

Everyone was talking about the "Yu Dynasty", causing Lin Yuan to feel a sense of identity with the Yu Dynasty. He originally planned to arrange some works for the singers in the Yu Dynasty. If there were a variety show to increase the exposure, it would be not bad benefit for the songs.

"But I don't have much time ...."

"Of course, your time is the most precious. So most of the content of the show will be powered by the singers. We have also invited some other maestros to participate in the show, like Teacher Zheng Jing who you are familiar with, we are also contacting Teacher Yang Zhongming, but he has not responded yet."

"I will consider it."

Lin Yuan did not outright refuse, he was indeed a bit interested.

If this show would not take up too much time, he would need to think more about the specific situation.

"Don't worry!"

Tong Shuwen laughed and said, "Our show is definitely going to be a hit. With the foundation laid by 'The Masked Singer', the audience will definitely buy it. Actually, the idea for this show came from you. The audience now has a high demand for composers to step forward...."

"And the judges?"

"The judges are the audience!"

Tong Shuwen bitterly laughed and said, "Since the maestros are participating in the show, whoever is chosen as a judge would be a problem. Therefore, we could only hand the judging over to the public. This time, not only can the live audience vote, but the offsite audience also has voting rights. Everyone attached to an ID could vote....."

Totally public voting?

Lin Yuan suddenly felt that on this stage, he could present some different kinds of songs, because the gathered aesthetics of the public were the most inclusive.

"Of course."

Tong Shuwen laughed, "This is just the initial plan. Our production team is still discussing. If we make any adjustments in the future, we will inform you as soon as possible."

"Hmm."

This show seemed like a sequel to "The Masked Singer", but this time Lin Yuan would play a completely different role.

As a composer...

Participating in a show purely in this capacity to interact with the singers seemed quite interesting. When Lin Yuan previously participated in shows, he noticed many amusing participants.

Chapter 567 Turbulence Rises Again

Overlord...

Samurai...

Elf...

Robot...

School of Fish...

Many of the singers on "The Masked Singer" left a deep impression on Lin Yuan. Among them, there were some singers whom Lin Yuan felt regrettable for, including some who were eliminated in the early stages due to their inability to adapt to the competition. Lin Yuan would certainly not object to having a collaborative stage.

The next day.

Lin Yuan received a call from Yang Zhongming, inviting him to a meeting. Yang Zhongming had exchanged contact information with Lin Yuan when they first met, but this was the first time Yang Zhongming had phoned him.

Five minutes later.

Lin Yuan went upstairs.

Inside the meeting room were Yang Zhongming and Zheng Jing,

After exchanging greetings, Zheng Jing fishtailed into laughter and said, "Our company's representative composers are assembled. It's a pity that two of our composers left at the beginning of the year."

Starlight used to have five Maestros last year!

This was the backbone of Starlight's position as the No. 1 music company in the Qin, Qi, Chu, and Yan areas.

However, at the beginning of the year, two of the Maestros left Starlight for other companies, therefore the company's influence in the music industry declined somewhat. Despite that, with Lin Yuan's recent unmasking as the Prince of Lanling, Starlight regained some of its prestige as a music industry giant.

After all, Lin Yuan was very accomplished, aside from not having won any awards as a Maestro. So as long as Lin Yuan and Yang Zhongming stayed with Starlight, coupled with the presence of Zheng Jing, the company would continue to maintain a heavy influence in the music world.

Three maestros.

Quite an impressive lineup.

Lin Yuan had heard about this matter.

In Gu Dong's words, the senior management of the company had exploded with rage over this. However, it didn't have much to do with Lin Yuan, so he shrugged it off.

"Let's get down to business."

Zheng Jing said, "Little Fish, you should know why we asked for you? Tong Shuwen wants to do a new show and invited us to endorse it. Of course, the invited composers are not only us, but also Yin Dong and Ye Zhi Qiu. Additionally, Wu Long and others who didn't win the Maestro award, but are also very strong composers, should also appear in this program."

Lin Yuan nods.

As for Zheng Jing's calling him "Little Fish," he had no objection to it.

"Let's discuss our thoughts."

Zheng Jing said, "I think we three should all participate. Firstly, the company has this idea, hoping that we can consolidate the company's position. Ideally, we could meet the two who left and strengthen the company's image. Secondly, I have some accumulated songs that can be released in this show. After all, there are quite a few Kings and Queens of Singing in this show.

I quite like some of their voices. Of course, the most important thing is that I think the show is quite fun."

"What about you?"

Yang Zhongming looked at Lin Yuan.

Lin Yuan said, "I can go."

Yang Zhongming revealed a smile, "Then I'll go and play as well. Actually seeing you constantly releasing new songs through the competition, I've been itching to do the same."

"What do you mean!"

Zheng Jing stared at Yang Zhongming, "When I asked you to go, you said you would consider. When Little Fish said he would go, you immediately wanted to join the show. Are you two really going to create some relationship stir?"

Lin Yuan: "..."

Yang Zhongming: "..."

Zheng Jing sneered and said, "I must warn you in advance, I'm not going to get serious with you guys. Some of the songs I've written a long time ago, including those from my early years. You guys take it easy."

Yang Zhongming asked, "Are you suggesting that I should give you some leeway?"

Zheng Jing rolled her eyes, "Even if I don't give you leeway, do you really have that many good songs?"

Yang Zhongming was silent, admiring the sense in Zheng Jing's words.

The show didn't know how many episodes they had to run, or even how many songs they had to provide. Thus, he couldn't guarantee that each of his songs would be perfect.

Who could churn out so many good works one after another?

This was in line with what Lin Yuan was thinking.

He participated in the competition in order not to be eliminated. He had to come up with explosive songs to feel assured. However, some songs, despite certain flaws, were still somewhat appealing in their own ways.

It would be a shame not to release them.

It would be nice to release them through this show.

...

While the three of them were discussing, there came a burst of noise from outside.

"We need to use the conference room!"

"I don't see any department that has applied to use the conference room."

"Which department is so bossy, without a word, to seize this conference room?"

"There are so many people waiting to hold a meeting."

"..."

The door was pulled open.

A group of people looking like managers outside the door looked discontentedly at the meeting room:

Zheng Jing...

Xian Yu...

Yang Zhongming...

In such a large conference room, there were only three people.

Yet these three people scared a group of middle-level managers.

The leader apologized tremblingly, "I'm sorry for interrupting you, professors. We'll choose another room. Please go on..."

With that said, the door was closed again.

The hustle and bustle outside the door gradually disappeared.

The group of middle-level managers who had left looked frightened, their faces pale.

"Why are the three Maestros gathered together?"

"Are they planning on making major news?"

"I was so scared."

"I was wondering which department was so domineering, without saying a word, used such a large conference room. The chairman isn't in the company today."

"The three of them are equal to how many departments..."

"..."



In the conference room.

Neither Lin Yuan nor Zheng Jing nor Yang Zhongming minded this minor interruption.

The three of them continued to talk about the show.

About twenty minutes of discussion.

The three of them eventually returned to their respective offices.

Lin Yuan called Tong Shuwen, expressing his willingness to participate in the show.

Tong Shuwen laughed and said, "It's great that you have agreed to it. The composers are indeed the hardest to invite. The singer's side, however, is quite easy to handle. Basically, they all agreed to participate. Of course, those you find annoying will definitely not appear."

Lin Yuan: "???"

Who is the annoying person?

Without overthinking it, Lin Yuan hung up the phone.

Just then.

Lin Yuan began to receive calls from Sun Yaohuo and others. Even White Swan called.

These people had clearly also received program invitations.

"I'll participate."

Lin Yuan gave a definite reply.

And this reply will also become the reply of other singers. The presence of the Maestros is the biggest guarantee of this show!

A few days later.

The program group announced the program information of "Our Song," including the participating singers and composers...

Boom!

Instant explosion!

The topic shot straight to the trending list!

At this moment, the first season of "The Masked Singer" was still making waves. The scenes in the program are still being discussed over and over again by countless people.

Everyone was saying...

No matter what is done in the second season, it is impossible to surpass the first season. This even affected some people's expectations for the second season!

But...

The second season hasn't even arrived yet.

Instead, the sequel to the first season of "The Masked Singer" has come!

Or you could say...

This is a spin-off of "The Masked Singer"!

Now this is definitely more exciting than the uncertainty of the second season!

On this day.

The music world stirred once again!

Chapter 568 -Composer's Priority

This production team really knows how to play the game!

Everyone was worried about what the second season would bring.

But Director Tong announced:

The Masked Singer Season 2 is insignificant, isn't it better to keep riding the wave of Season 1?

Everyone was buzzing about this online.

Some joked:

"Previously, the Prince of Lanling only judged singers, now he will go hands-on and train them. In other words, I want to see the Prince of Lanling teaching Mu Shi and Illaoi how to breathe properly (sarcastic)."

"I blindly guess Fei Yang will be second!"

"Just imagine if Fish Papa and Fei Yang team up, would you still think their willpower is effective? Keep in mind that their willpower was given to Fei Yang by Fish Papa himself, but even when Fish Papa sang Fei Yang's song in the previous show, he couldn't escape his will (cynical)."

"..."

The novelty of this new show hit the internet users' conversation spots.

People were curious to see the sparks between the unmasked singers and composers.

And the unmasked Xian Yu, there's no doubt, carried the highest popularity.

So...

There's a ton of conversation around Xian Yu!

The public's curiosity surrounding the composers was also a key selling point for the show.

This was the first show focusing on composers and singers!

Over 90% of the original cast from The Masked Singer can maintain the heat from the previous season.

In addition,

The production team also invited some new faces

This is to bring a fresh feeling to some of the audience members.

A total of fifty singers were invited, including ten Kings and Queens of Singing!

Even Mao Xuewang and Liu Xu from The Masked Singer judging panel joined...

The remaining forty are from Qin, Qi, Chu, and Yan respectively.

Each place had ten top singers!

And as for the composer lineup...

The production team invited a total of twenty!

Out of which, officially certified Maestros were ten people!

The remaining ten, although not awarded the title of Maestro, were enough to compete with them!

Like Wu Long...

Like Xian Yu...

Prizes do not represent everything.

Like the Little Leo on earth, whether he wins an Oscar or not, his worth is almost the same.

Or Haruki Murakami, whether he wins the Nobel or not, his position in the literary world will not degrade.

Therefore,

This lineup is on par with The Masked Singer, and might even exceed it!

This is partly because of the popularity of The Masked Singer being too overwhelming.

Any singer who joined the show experienced a rise in value after being unmasked.

Some singers, who no longer enjoyed much attention, reignited their careers thanks to this show.

With the production team putting out a sequel spin-off, those in the industry who tasted success are naturally eager to join.

Those who didn't join earlier are now envious and would not miss this new opportunity.

Moreover...

Singers also want to use this show to intersect with top composers.

Because under normal circumstances, it's very hard to get a chance sing for top composers. Even for the King and Queen of Singing, it's not guaranteed, and even if it is, it comes at a hefty price for the company.

But with this show, everyone has a chance to work with different top composers.

Why wouldn't they gladly accept?

However, since the singers come from different continents, it's speculated that the show will present songs in various languages.

For example, the Qi language.

Or the Chu language.

To this end, the production team revealed a list of top lyricists, including Ni Hongwu and Rabbit Two.

By then,

These lyricists will be involved in the creation of different songs.

...

With The Masked Singer just having ended, the pace of the production team was very fast, even going as far as choosing the same Qin Continent Music Center for the stage.

At the end of July,

Recording began.

The singers were ready.

And the twenty composers, including Lin Yuan, were all present and gathered in the grand hall.

This production company is cheeky.

They even carried over the stage from The Masked Singer for this show.

Still the same music center...

Once again, Lin Yuan was back here and found it strangely welcoming.

On this stage, he once spent a memorable time under the guise of the Prince of Lanling.

And now.

He would resume his identity as the composer Xian Yu and continue to leave his mark on this stage.

There was a rhombus-shaped table in the hall.

Lin Yuan, Zheng Jing, and Yang Zhongming sat the closest to it.

On the right side of Lin Yuan sat Wu Long, who had previously been a judge on 'The Masked Singer'.

The seating arrangements were up to the participants.

The show's team hadn't set a specific seating order. The rhombus table design was quite clever of them—they couldn't exactly be blamed for being calculating.

The main reason was that it was tough to arrange.

Everyone already had high status within the industry. If an argument sprung up due to seating order, it would be extremely awkward.

Who should sit at the head of the table?

Just because Yang Zhongming, the most influential composer, was seated at the head of the table, did not mean the other composers were necessarily convinced. The room wasn't short of leading composers after all.

So, this table design was quite clever.

Some of the composers were familiar with each other and were whispering to one another.

Among them.

A few composers took the initiative to greet Lin Yuan.

Everyone seemed deeply interested in "Xian Yu" who had become quite popular in recent years. Occasionally, some eyes would turn to Lin Yuan.

Just as everyone took their seats.

The director, Tong Shuwen, appeared.

He spoke with a smile:

"Greetings old friends, once again we meet. Of course, I also offer a warm welcome to our new friends who have joined us. I hope you all have a great time on the show!"

Everyone joined in with a round of applause.

Then Tong Shuwen announced: "A total of fifty singers are ready in the hall. Twenty teachers, please follow me into the hall to freely select your first singer to cooperate with. If different



composers select the same singer, the singer will have the right to choose. If a composer is not selected by a singer, they can make another choice from the remaining singers.

This is the rule for our first competition..."

Everyone nodded in agreement.

Everyone's expressions were quite natural.

For a composer to have first pick of a singer is a usual occurrence in this industry.

And if a singer becomes too sought-after, they have the right to choose. This is also an understandable rule.

To an extent, this rule actually reflects the true nature of the music scene.

The top composers enjoy priority in...

Choosing rights.

If a singer's strength is exceptional, then they are more in demand.

Meanwhile.

In the hall.

Fifty singers stood in a line, as if they were "technicians" in a club waiting to be picked by the boss. Most of the singers looked both expectant and nervous.

Of course, it was expected.

Naturally, they were nervous.

Singers longed to be chosen...

The King and Queen of Singing, however, were rather relaxed.

Their strengths were well recognized, and they would be more likely to be favored by composers.

Suddenly.

The door was pushed open.

The bosses...

Oh wait no.

The composers finally walked in!

Each of them seemed to emit a dazzling aura!

Instantly!

All the singers looked fervently at the composers!

Especially the top composers were the targets of countless gazes!

Of course.

Lin Yuan also received a lot of attention from singers.

The Xian Yu brand was still quite bright, not at all weaker than the prestigious composers present.

In particular, Sun Yaohuo, Chen Zhiyu, Xia Fan, Jiang Kui, and Zhao Ying Ge immediately turned their eyes on Lin Yuan...

The camera diligently captured this moment.

When broadcasted, this scene would surely induce a knowing laugh from the audience.

Was this a singer selection?

It looked more like the daddies were choosing wives!

The high status composers held within the industry was vividly displayed in this scene!

Chapter 569 -Xian Yu's Choice

The host Anhong showed up.

It is no surprise that Anhong continues to be the host for "Our Song".

Because Anhong has been very successful as the host on "The Masked Singer".

Especially his ability to hold back laughter...

Now, with the original team back together, there's no way they wouldn't have Anhong as part of the lineup.

Right off the bat.

Anhong began hosting cheerily, "Dear composers, and singer teachers, now it's time for the composers to make their selection. The chosen singers will step forward."

The singers: "..."

This scene feels all too familiar.

Director Tong Shuwen is definitely a sly one!

Anhong announced loudly, "Now, composers please take your seats and choose your singers. You can circle the names of the singers you like in your notebook."

The composers sat down one after another.

The production team distributed notebooks to the composers.

The cover of the notebook was quite grand. Pens were placed on the tables, everyone just needed to write down the names.

Lin Yuan's notebook had the names of fifty singers in it.

Each singer's name was followed by a brief introduction.

For example, for Sun Yaohuo, it read:

Known for works like "Red Rose", participated in "The Masked Singer" as a fish-man and made it into the top twelve of the first season ...

After some deliberation, Lin Yuan circled a name.

Meanwhile.

The other composers were also making their selections.

Anhong collected the notebooks and announced with a smile, "Now, I'll read out the composers' choices."

The notebooks were shuffled.

Anhong randomly picked up a notebook, and announced with a smile, "This is Teacher Wu Long's choice. His final pick is Teacher Liang Ziyuan!"

Liang Ziyuan's eyes lit up as he stepped forward, receiving envious looks from the other singers.

The composers all smiled.

No one seemed to be surprised by Wu Long's choice.

Not even Lin Yuan.

Because Liang Ziyuan was the robot from "The Masked Singer", a King of Singing from Chu Continent!

Wu Long also hails from Chu Continent, so choosing Liang Ziyuan was like a local collaboration. Their musical philosophy should be pretty aligned, and the musical style of each region always has its unique flavors.

Next.

Anhong continued to read out the selections.

When Anhong announced Yang Zhongming's choice, the atmosphere among the singers became noticeably tense.

Although the Maestros didn't have official rankings, their competence was definitely acknowledged among the singers. Among all the composers invited by the show, Yang Zhongming was the most formidable!

Ultimately, Yang Zhongming chose Shu Yu!

This was another singer Lin Yuan recognized, because in "The Masked Singer", Shu Yu was:

The White Swan!

Shu Yu bowed excitedly and quickly stepped forward. Being selected by the most recognized composer on the scene was definitely something to be proud of!

Was there any higher recognition than being chosen by Yang Zhongming?

Some of the composers looked slightly dismayed.

Obviously, more than one person had chosen Shu Yu.

Since Shu Yu had a diverse range of styles she could perform and her talent was clear indeed, she was the choice of more than one composer.

But...

Even though other composers also chose Shu Yu, she chose Yang Zhongming without hesitation.

She didn't even avoid it.

If it were other female singers, they would definitely have put on a show of struggle then ultimately reluctantly declined the other composers. This would be the most diplomatic way to handle it, but she didn't.

The White Swan was, as always, genuine.

The rejected composers smiled and expressed their understanding.

...

Finally, Anhong pulled out Lin Yuan's notebook:

"Now, the next composer's choice is Teacher Admirable Fish..."

The singers became agitated once again.

Admirable Fish was clearly a top pick among the singers.

Especially people like Sun Yaohuo who were especially nervous.

The Fishmen had the strongest bond with Admirable Fish, so everyone hoped to be selected by him.

The other composers contemplated...

In the Fishmen, Jiang Kui was the strongest.

If limited to the Fishmen, Jiang Kui was the best choice. Would Admirable Fish choose Jiang Kui?

Or another Fish?

Or would he completely ignore the Fishmen and choose the more powerful King or Queen of singing?

Anhong looked at the circled name, seeming a bit surprised:

"Admirable Fish's choice is... Singer Chen Zhiyu!"

As soon as he finished.

Sun Yaohuo was stunned.

Zhao Ying Ge was stunned.

Jiang Kui and Xia Fan were also startled.

This was a choice that took everyone by surprise.

He did choose from within the Fishmen, which was true, but if everyone remembers correctly...

Among the Fishmen who participated in "The Masked Singer", Chen Zhiyu was the first one to be eliminated!

Admirable Fish didn't choose his favorite Sun Yaohuo, nor did he choose Zhao Ying Ge who had stayed with the Prince of Lanling the longest. He didn't even choose Xia Fan whom he was closest to, or Jiang Kui who was widely acknowledged as the most powerful singer in the Fishmen.

He surprisingly chose Chen Zhiyu who was eliminated first!

You see, after "The Masked Singer" was aired, people discussed the strength of the Fishmen online.

Netizens came to the following conclusion:

Chen Zhiyu used to be the most powerful singer in the Fishmen, but now he's the weakest.

He is even weaker than Sun Yaohuo.

At least Sun Yaohuo made it to the show's top twelve!

Even in that episode when the Yu Dynasty made their declaration, Chen Zhiyu couldn't attend because he was eliminated early-

He was left behind!

This made some people wonder whether Chen Zhiyu was really part of the Yu Dynasty, putting it into question.

The only discussion left about Chen Zhiyu seems to be the taunts about him being the "Perennial Runner-up."

Even that label has faded since Fei Yang emerged.



And so.

At this moment, the same question also appeared in many people's hearts.

Among all the kings and queens of singing and frontline singers, Chen Zhiyu, who seemed to have no presence at all, was slightly stunned.

His eyes suddenly turned red!

"Thank you, Teacher Admirable Fish!"

After stepping out, Chen Zhiyu's voice was even suffused with a hint of a sob.

He clenched his teeth tightly and bowed deeply!

Online public opinion.

Chen Zhiyu read all of them.

Every Fish made it to the Final 12 except him...

Did Chen Zhiyu not care?

Of course he did!

It was so humiliating!

At the time when other Fishes were unknown, Chen Zhiyu had already been a very successful frontline singer.

However, as other Fishes gradually advanced to the frontline, Chen Zhiyu was stuck in place, being surpassed one by one by others. How could he not feel anything?

He has experienced pain.

He also has been confused.

But all he could do was clench his teeth, practice his singing skills submissively, and tried his best to blend into this big family called Fish Dynasty.

He was afraid that one day everyone would no longer recognize him as a member of the Fish Dynasty.

After all, he only collaborated once with Admirable Fish, and it was because he proposed to Starlight a condition to join, that Admirable Fish wrote a song for him.

He had to squeeze hard into the Fish Dynasty.

Even so, he still felt like an outsider in this small circle.

But today!

Teacher Admirable Fish announced to everyone!

That he, Chen Zhiyu, has not been abandoned!

He is also a member of the Fish Dynasty!

Even if he seemed ordinary among these singers, even if he had the worst results in the Fish Clan!

No one knew that at this moment, Chen Zhiyu made a resolve:

From now on, "Fish" will be his lifelong belief!

If initially joining Starlight was because if you can't beat them, join them, and trying hard to squeeze into Fish Dynasty was for Admirable Fish's songs, then from now on, Chen Zhiyu will work harder to integrate into the Fish Dynasty for someone...

Behind Chen Zhiyu.

Sun Yaohuo, who was just lost in thought, suddenly smiled.

Jiang Kui, Xia Fan, and Zhao Ying Ge also smiled along.

This choice, is so Admirable Fish!

But it's probably because of this, everyone would stand firmly by their junior's side ——

The one who could understand Chen Zhiyu's feelings best was actually Sun Yaohuo.

Because he had also been chosen by his junior with such determination once.

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On the composer's seat.

One of the maestros suddenly laughed: "This is interesting."

The other maestro next to him seemed thoughtful: "I think I understand why all the singers that Admirable Fish has worked with are so loyal and even consider themselves part of the Fish Dynasty."

The Maestros have all worked with many singers.

But there seems to be only one "Fish Dynasty".

This once puzzled the Maestros. What kind of magic power does Admirable Fish have, that enables him to form a circle of singers around him?

Aren't we all merely cooperating with the singers?

Is Admirable Fish's song better suited?

That's not the case. Any maestro, throughout his professional career, has produced many good songs!

But seeing Admirable Fish's choice today, everyone understood.

There was applause at the scene.

This applause seemed to encourage Chen Zhiyu and simultaneously seemed to praise Admirable Fish's choice.

While applauding, Yang Zhongming laughed and said something to Zheng Jing, "This kid is very thoughtful."

Zheng Jing nodded, "If not for his choice, I wouldn't have thought about the pressure Chen Zhiyu was under when participating in the competition."

No one could understand Chen Zhiyu's feelings.

But when Admirable Fish made his choice, everyone understood Chen Zhiyu's feelings based on his reaction, as long as they considered it a little.

The pressure on Chen Zhiyu was actually immense.

Only Lin Yuan didn't understand...

Why did everyone suddenly applaud?

Was there something wrong with choosing Chen Zhiyu?

The next song I chose really suits Chen Zhiyu's style...

Okay then.

Someone chose the song, not the singer.

It was really just a beautiful misunderstanding.

So the picture in the camera was:

Everyone was clapping, but only Lin Yuan was serious.

Seeing Lin Yuan's serious look, everyone was more certain about what was in their hearts...

So warm!

This is heading for the rhythm of "Not one member of the Fish Dynasty can be less"!

Is Chen Zhiyu the weakest?

Was Chen Zhiyu eliminated early?

Is Chen Zhiyu not a legitimate member of the Fish Dynasty?

What could be more compelling in response to these claims than Admirable Fish's actions?

At the edge of the field.

Chen Zhiyu's agent silently wiped away her tears.

Zhiyu...

Your feeder goldfish was well worth it.

Teacher Admirable Fish has felt your sincerity.

Many stories don't reveal the ultimate outcome until the last moment. The person who has made you the perennial runner-up has eventually become your greatest benefactor...

Chapter 570 -Only Choose the Right, Not the Expensive

Finally, the selection is over!

Twenty composers have chosen the twenty singers they wish to collaborate with.

All ten Kings and Queens of Song have been selected.

The remaining thirty singers, all top-leaguers of the Qin, Qi, Chu, and Yan music circles, were not chosen by any composers.

The camera zooms in.

Their expressions are a complicated mix of embarrassment and disappointment.

Only on "Our Song" stage could such a scene of first-class singer being ignored occur.

This program also used this scene to showcase the priority of composers:

In front of top composers, even top singers can only passively wait to be selected.

Only by becoming a King or Queen of Song can they gain the attention of composers...

Next up is the group battle stage.

Twenty teams of composers and singers mean twenty songs, which are impossible to record in a single episode.

The production team plans to record it in two episodes.

Ten songs will be performed in each episode.

Ten songs would be divided into five competitions.

They would be performed in the form of head-to-head battles.

However, the production crew did not immediately reveal the list of battle participants. Instead, the composers were first instructed to take their chosen singers into the prearranged rooms.

"Everyone, relax."

Anhong said with a smile, "The upcoming battles may be tense, but no one will be eliminated in the early stages of the show."

Laughter rippled through the crowd.

"Let's move."

The composers, each with their selected singers, entered their rooms amid the jealous gaze of the thirty singers who were not selected.

Chen Zhiyu followed Lin Yuan at a measured pace.

Lin Yuan looked back at Chen Zhiyu:

"Are you nervous?"

Chen Zhiyu cautiously said, "I'm afraid I might hold Teacher Admirable Fish back, after all, my skills are not outstanding..."

Although no one would be eliminated in the early stages of the show, Chen Zhiyu was still anxious that his lack of skill could cause Admirable Fish to lose the battle.

"Relax."

Lin Yuan thought for a moment and said, "This is an easy-going song."

Chen Zhiyu nodded, but his nervousness didn't dissipate.

This competition is not necessarily won by those with stronger composing skills.

The result of the competition has a lot to do with the singers chosen by the composers.

Is Yang Zhongming awesome?

But if the weakest singer in the entire competition was assigned to Yang Zhongming, could he still guarantee his victory?

It is too suspenseful.

While Chen Zhiyu was not the weakest of the first-class singers, his overall strength was only mediocre amongst the singers, so it was understandable that he was worried about becoming a burden to Admirable Fish.

Lin Yuan fell silent.

It wasn't until they were in the room that he turned seriously to Chen Zhiyu and said, "Have you ever heard a saying?"

"What?"



"There are no useless heroes, only trash summoners!"

Chen Zhiyu: ???

Seeing that Chen Zhiyu didn't understand, Lin Yuan expressed it in a different way:

"There's no perfect music in the world, nor is there a strongest singer. The purpose of this stage is to let the right person sing the right song."

Lin Yuan planned to select singers based on the style of the song, rather than their achievements.

Since Chen Zhiyu was suitable for the song he was preparing next, he should naturally let Chen Zhiyu sing it.

This has nothing to do with whether Chen Zhiyu is a first-class singer or not.

When the song doesn't dictate the singer and anyone who sings it can achieve a decent result, Lin Yuan would also take into consideration people like Sun Yaohuo.

It's worth mentioning that.

Lin Yuan's room is pink.

When he walked in, he felt shocked by the "pinkness."

Chen Zhiyu chuckled: "Are the other teachers' rooms also pink?"

"No, each room is a different color."

The tour guide staff laughed: "Teacher Admirable Fish was too cold in 'The Masked Singer', so the production team wanted to use this warm tone to balance it a bit."

Lin Yuan: "..."

Of all the warm tones, why did it have to be pink? It felt like walking into Big Yaoyao's room, all pink and messy.

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Not arguing about the color issue.

Once he was seated, Lin Yuan took out the song he had prepared: "Here's the song you need to practice."

"Okay!"

Chen Zhiyu's breathing was slightly hurried.

This was the second time Chen Zhiyu had obtained one of Xian Yu's compositions since "Change Myself"!

He was extremely excited!

But when Chen Zhiyu saw the song title, he was a bit taken aback, "This song title..."

Lin Yuan said, "It fits the occasion."

The name of this song is "Our Song", the original singer is the earth singer Wang Lihong!

It's exactly the same as the name of the show.

Chen Zhiyu's voice is very suitable for singing jazz hip-hop and rock and roll, but not heavy rock, but the relatively cheerful type.

Obviously, Wang Lihong's "Our Song" is very suitable for Chen Zhiyu.

Previously, Lin Yuan gave Chen Zhiyu "Change Myself", which was also another work of Wang Lihong.

Chen Zhiyu nodded and looked at the lyrics. When he saw a certain line in the lyrics, he suddenly asked tentatively, "Can I slightly tweak the lyrics?"

"Which line?"

"Just a little bit..."

"You decide."

On stage, improvisation by singers is understandable by Lin Yuan as stages and recordings are different.

Moreover, Lin Yuan himself made a small adjustment to the lyrics of "Our Song".

Mainly in the English words part.

As the original singer is Chinese, there would always be one or two English words in the song.

Lin Yuan didn't think it was necessary.

Because it's not quite suitable for this stage.

The English lyrics in the original song included the names of Wang Lihong's other songs, which could only be sung by Wang Lihong himself.

At this point.

The loudspeaker in the room suddenly aired host Anhong's voice,

"The first round of grouping for the first episode is complete. The first round of the first episode is Teacher Wu Long and singer Li Ang Ziyuan versus Teacher Mike and singer Jiang Kui..."

The singer selected by Wu Long was Liang Ziyuan, also known as the Robot.

And Mike, who was a composer, not weaker than Wu Long, had selected singer Jiang Kui.

In the composers' preliminary selection.

In the Yu Dynasty only Jiang Kui and Chen Zhiyu were selected.

Anhong's voice continued,

"The second round of the first episode is Teacher Yin Dong and singer Sun Mengmeng versus Teacher Xian Yu and singer Chen Zhiyu..."

Chen Zhiyu was surprised, "The opponent is Rabbit?"

Sun Mengmeng appeared as a rabbit in "The Masked Singer" and competed against Zhao Ying Ge.

Although she lost the competition, Sun Mengmeng's strength was very well demonstrated in that match.

In addition.

Lin Yuan had critiqued Sun Mengmeng before. Sun Mengmeng didn't resist and her fans were quite Zen-like, they didn't heavily attack Prince Lanling.

But.

When the singers apologised to Xian Yu in the end, Sun Mengmeng also joined the apology squad, which seemed to suggest she was a soft-spoken female singer with a rising career.

However...

It was puzzling to many people why Yin Dong, as the Maestro, did not choose the King or Queen of Singing, but chose Sun Mengmeng, who wasn't the strongest.

On the other side.

Yin Dong also heard the announcement on the loudspeaker.

He showed a smile, "It's Xian Yu again, we are almost becoming old rivals..."

He collaborated with Fei Yang and participated in the War of Gods twice in a row, and both times they had lost to Xian Yu.

Now in "Our Song", he was once again up against Xian Yu.

At this moment.

Yin Dong felt that the show's producers were stirring things up, this match-up was not random.

Off to the side.

Little rabbit Sun Mengmeng weakly asked, "Teacher Yin Dong, why did you choose me..."

Sun Mengmeng was not the strongest among this batch of singers.

With Yin Dong's composition skills and experience, he could have easily chosen the King or Queen of Singing, and they generally wouldn't refuse his offer!

Fei Yang, for instance, was a good friend of Yin Dong's, and they got along well privately. Overlord Fei Yang's strength was self-evident, he was a top singer on this stage...

Yet Yin Dong did not choose Fei Yang!

This was probably the most surprising moment in the show since Xian Yu chose Chen Zhiyu.

"This is what Xian Yu taught me..."

As always, Yin Dong was expressionless.

Sun Mengmeng was stunned, "What?"

Yin Dong remained expressionless, "Choose the right one, not the expensive one."