

Boss Is Reborn 191

Chapter 191. Linkage

Little Flower (Xiao Hua) was the name of Ding Shan's character in "Little Town Girl".

Ding Shan was only about eight or nine years old at that time. Her character was an abandoned orphan who her kind grandfather adopted. Her grandfather was not well-educated. When he picked up the child, he was a baby girl wrapped in a cotton quilt, so he named her little Flower (Xiao Hua).

Little Flower had a rough life. She and her grandfather depended on each other for survival. It was not easy for him to raise her. The days were so hard that the audience's hearts were beating. One after another, they cried. However, the little Flower was so sensible that it made people's hearts ache. The little girl went to school independently; she cooked and cared for her grandfather. Her face was always filled with a bright smile.

In the drama's second half, Xiao Hua ignored her biological parent's goodwill and resistance. She cried and ran home to find her grandfather. That was the first time in the drama that Xiao Hua cried her heart out. Her feelings for her grandfather moved the audience.

Ding Shan acted very well. Every expression was genuine, and there was no trace of acting. It was as if she was Xiao Hua, the girl raised by her grandfather. Bean-sized tears fell like beads because she cried too hard; her whole body trembled. She tried her best to break free from her biological parent's shackles and even rolled on the ground. She was panting, but her lines were noticeable.

"Grandpa is my family. Xiao Hua can't live without Grandpa, and Grandpa can't live without Xiao Hua." Ding Shan flawlessly performed this line, and it made people's hearts break. The audience wanted to run to the TV to help Xiao Hua go home.

Then, Xiao Hua ran home with her petite body and hugged her grandpa, who was so old that his eyes couldn't see anymore. This long sequence of scenes, accompanied by the theme song, was shot to the end, and little Ding Shan perfectly controlled it then.

This episode surpassed the works of many big shots in the same year. Little Ding Shan's acting skills and exceptional talent were also displayed, and she was named "National Daughter."

It wasn't until a long time later that the plot and theme song of the movie "Little Town Girl" became one of the segments that would be on the leaderboard of the tear-jerking action. It could be said that it was deeply rooted in the hearts of the people, and the audience was broad.

Therefore, when Ding Shan finished singing this song, everyone present revealed feelings of nostalgia, relief, surprise, and other emotions. It was like what Li Yang had said; seeing Ding Shan and Xiao Hua interact once again in their lifetime was a great regret.

In the movie, the plot stops at the part where Xiao Hua chooses to return to her grandfather's house and stay in the small town to study, leaving the audience with endless fantasies.

And now, everyone believed that Xiao Hua was like Ding Shan. Even though she had experienced hardships, she had already grown into a dazzling young lady!

Even Chen Xi could not help but praise, "I didn't expect teacher Ding Shan to act so well and sing so well. How are we singers going to live like this?"

Chen Xi was a discreet person and had a very likable personality. Her joke at this moment could be considered a disguised acknowledgment of the show's success. Regardless of whether there was any technique or how good her singing was, it could move the audience; this meant that the show was a success.

Su Yan was still sitting at the side. He did not have any intention of speaking, but his expression had softened quite a bit. Even a faint smile on his face was difficult to detect. His gaze was evident as he looked at Ding Shan on the stage. It was rare for him to be so severe.

Chen Tong heard everyone praising Ding Shan and secretly gritted her teeth. However, Chen Tong also understood that from the moment the recording started, she was destined to be compared with Ding Shan. She originally wanted to use this comparison to step on Ding Shan's body, she wanted to perform well, but unfortunately, she failed and allowed Ding Shan to seize the initiative.

Since things had come to this, other than Su Yan, who did not like to speak and did not express his stance, she was the only one among the four coaches who had not spoken. If she did not tell her stance, it was inevitable that others would think that she could not see Ding Shan's good side and would be jealous of Ding Shan. Compared to her initial performance, Ding Shan's performance could be considered to have grasped the audience's hearts. It was cunning, and she could not help but admire it.

Chen Tong took a deep look at Ding Shan and thought, I have underestimated you. I did not expect you to be such a difficult opponent. As expected of an old senior in the industry. I did not even realize that you had such a move in the past!

Chen Tong picked up the microphone and smiled brightly. She teased, "Sister Shan, you hid it from us!" It was as if she had a perfect relationship with Ding Shan.

Chapter 192. Younger Sisters

The host did not know what Chen Tong was up to this time, so he could only follow Chen Tong's words and continue to ask, "Looks like little tong is also very surprised. Previously, no one had heard Ding Shan sing, right?"

Chen Tong pretended to be angry and glared at Ding Shan; she said shyly and timidly, "It's all sister Shan's fault for being too stingy. She didn't even reveal that she was so amazing. Previously, I was worried that Sister Shan would not be used to participating in the talent show variety show. Now, it seems like I'm worrying too much!"

After saying this, it seemed that Ding Shan was not sincere and deliberately hid it from everyone.

Ding Shan raised the microphone and replied to Chen Tong with a smile, "Little Tong entered the industry late, so she probably doesn't know me very well. I've always liked singing. I'm also very excited to be able to participate in the show this time."

Chen Tong still wanted to say something, but Ding Shan didn't give her a chance and turned her face away; she looked at the camera and said, "But I can't blame Little Tong for feeling surprised. Indeed, I

rarely appear in front of everyone in such a way. It's been a long time since I've seen everyone. I hope that the new Ding Shan will be able to bring everyone a surprise."

The host promptly supported her. "Wow, I'm so looking forward to it! Ding Shan's variety show debut is much more enjoyable than watching it on the big screen! Everyone must lock onto our show and see what kind of surprises Ding Shan will show us."

Ding Shan bowed slightly and walked off the stage with a smile.

When she passed Chen Tong's seat, Chen Tong turned her body to avoid the camera and looked at Ding Shan meaningfully. "Sister Shan is hiding her abilities. Being an actress means she's smart and plays the emotional card."

Ding Shan looked down at Chen Tong from above. The camera could still record Ding Shan's expression. Ding Shan heard Chen Tong's sarcastic remark that she did not have the ability and only knew how to play the emotional card to stir up the audience's memories.

Ding Shan knew that Chen Tong was panicking. She pretended nothing had happened, but deep down, she was extremely jealous. However, she could only call her sister Shan and pretend to be on good terms with her in front of the camera, Ding Shan; Ding Shan did not bear to do that.

At most, they would not have any interactions. Why would she make things difficult for herself?

However, since Chen Tong was willing to do that, Ding Shan could not embarrass her in public. The two of them could only move in secret and play Tai Chi.

Ding Shan felt tired and did not want to play this fake game of the two sisters with Chen Tong. However, it could not be denied that sometimes, Chen Tong's eccentricity could bring some convenience to Ding Shan.

For example, just now on stage, Ding Shan was agonizing over how to introduce her original intention of participating in the show to everyone. After the four coaches finished performing, the show ended immediately. If she said too much on stage, she would inevitably be suspected of stealing the scene.

Fortunately, there was Chen Tong, who could not keep her calm and took the initiative to say that it was hard for Ding Shan to hide it from everyone. While Ding Shan explained, she also expressed her stance and aroused the audience's expectations.

It had to be said that although Chen Tong was emotionally unstable and extraordinarily jealous and annoying, she could still be of some use at times.

On such an occasion, Chen Tong should have decided to treat her as a competitor. Although the directing team would not step on one of them, it was customary for them to use some of the scenes of the two of them as an excuse.

Ding Shan thought, why not push the boat with the current and use Chen Tong's competitive mentality and the arrangements made by the director team to perform well? It would be a pity she did not receive the benefits delivered to her door.

Ding Shan had an idea in her heart, and a wicked smile faintly appeared on her face. She gently put her hand on Chen Tong's shoulder and smiled with a rare bit of sincerity. "Then you should learn well. I have a lot more to teach you, Sister."

After saying that, she strode back to her seat, leaving Chen Tong baffled.

What nonsense was Ding Shan talking about?

Being called Little Sister was originally a pleasing thing. Who wouldn't wish to be taken care of at a young age? However, this was the first time that Chen Tong felt that this title was so uncomfortable. For some reason, she was shorter than Ding Shan; what was her tone of comfort and sympathy?

Chen Tong rolled her eyes. What the hell? Why is Ding Shan so weird? Who's her sister? Who wants to learn from her?

Chapter 193. Lin Si's appearance

The director team was delighted.

After Ding Shan's performance, she received a good response after the recording. A hot search could be reserved, "Movie Queen Ding Shan's variety show returns, singing tearjerker to trigger memories" what a good title. Ding Shan was indeed the queen of topics. She had won this round!

Director Sun laughed so hard that he couldn't even see his own eyes. Compared to Chen Tong, who only knew how to stir up trouble, Ding Shan's clever way of winning his favor and bringing topics to the Show was the dream of all directors.

If all the artistes were as brilliant as Ding Shan, there would be no need to worry about the Show's popularity!

In the beginning, Director Sun didn't have high expectations for Ding Shan. After all, he always thought that professional people should do professional things.

However, today's recording broke Director Sun's prejudice. Chen Tong, who came from a variety show background, did not bring out her professional qualities. Instead, it was Ding Shan, who came from an actress background, who was at ease on this stage; she had adapted well to the stage performance from the beginning. It was a pleasant surprise.

Director Sun was highly grateful for Yin Hui's decision at this moment. It was a great idea to invite Ding Shan over. Perhaps she would be able to collide with this program and create an inspiring spark!

Yin Hui, who was upstairs, was also smugly banging his shoulder against Xiang Hong. "How is it? This decision of mine is too brilliant! Ding Shan is too amazing!"

Xiang Hong moved his body away in disdain. He frowned and glanced at Yin Hui, who was restless beside him. He unceremoniously exposed him. "Your decision? Brilliant?"

Yin Hui quickly pretended to be obedient. "It's you who's brilliant! Thank you, Xiang, for your advice. That's why I'm signing Ding Shan, this treasure girl! She doesn't have stage fright at all. She's just like a real singer."

Only then did Xiang Hong smile proudly. "She's still smart and has some ability, but she's still a little nervous. She can still perform better."

Yin Hui gave a mischievous smile. "Oh, what a strong sense of family. You seem to be praising your daughter. You're too fatherly, and girls don't like it."

As he spoke, the door was pushed open, and a tall man walked in. He was dressed in a suit and leather shoes, and his leather shoes reflected the light. He wore a pair of gold-rimmed glasses on the bridge of his nose, and his entire person exuded a strong domineering CEO aura; however, compared to Xiang Hong, he was a little more reserved.

Yin Hui was speechless and teased, "Which big Boss is this? Is he here for an international conference? I think he's in the wrong place!"

Lin Si's face was cold as he replied thoughtfully, "He just ended a conference and didn't have time to change his clothes."

Yin Hui rolled his eyes and mumbled, "At least this is an entertainment variety show's recording studio. All of you are so serious. Don't you feel that you don't fit in? With the two of you together, there's no way I can stay in this room. I'll either freeze to death by your stinky faces or be bored by your serious expressions."

Lin Si and Xiang Hong ignored Yin Hui and exchanged a look. Everything was said without a word.

Xiang Hong nodded at Lin Si. "Long time no see."

A smile appeared on Lin Si's face. "Yeah, I've been too busy recently. You look pretty good."

Xiang Hong nodded. "Why are you here?"

Lin Si walked over to the sofa and sat down. "I heard that there was a commotion, so I came over to take a look. I saw someone singing, so I didn't dare to disturb them. I only came up after listening to them. Is this... The reason why you're working overtime?"

Xiang Hong raised his eyebrows and looked at Yin Hui with a knowing smile. "You told them?"

Yin Hui's face was filled with embarrassment. Sweat was almost dripping down his forehead. "That... I couldn't hold it in for a moment..."

Xiang Hong continued to smile. "Well done."

Yin Hui resigned himself to fate and closed his eyes. With a solemn expression, he said, "Brother, I was wrong. Can you stop smiling? I'm scared."

Xiang Hong snorted coldly. In his heart, he was thinking about how to deal with Yin Hui.

When Lin Si saw this scene, he laughed evilly. "Yin Hui spread the news in the group. Lu Chen is already on his way. He just sent me a message and got on the plane."

Yin Hui glared at Lin Si fiercely. "You sassy scum! Can you hold it in if you don't speak? You sold me out so quickly. Weren't you and Lu Chen the ones who forced me to tell you?"

Although Lin Si did not like to laugh or talk, he had a very sullen personality. Therefore, Yin Hui was not as afraid of Lin Si as he was of Xiang Hong. Instead, he kept calling him a refined scum.

Lin Si was not annoyed. He tilted his head and smiled evilly. "Do you want me to show Ah Hong our chat logs?"

Chapter 194. Prejudice

Yin Hui pressed Lin Si's hand and widened his eyes. "Are we still brothers? Are you asking me to be tortured to death by the big devil?"

Xiang Hong held his forehead helplessly and sighed. "Does that mean that Lu Chen will be arriving soon? One person is already boisterous, and another brainless one is coming. This is really..."

Yin Hui disagreed. "What do you mean noisy? Do you want us to be like you guys and act like we're not familiar with each other when we meet? We've been brothers for so many years. It's normal for us to gossip occasionally. Everyone is just concerned about you."

Yin Hui said obediently, "That Kid Lu Chen is indeed brainless, but I'm brilliant. Although I talk a little too much, I'm the one who created such a good show. I even gathered the four of us together. Brother, don't be angry." After saying that, he winked at Xiang Hong.

Yin Hui's expression almost showed that he was a lackey. Lin Si watched from the side and sneered, "Kid, you're still so afraid of Xiang Hong. Can you have some backbone?"

Xiang Hong snorted coldly, "I'm his investor. He sold my privacy just like that. He doesn't have to be afraid. It's not even worth it to die to apologize."

Lin Si kindly advised him, "I haven't heard from you in such a long time. I heard that you're moved. Don't you want to come and take a look? Please don't blame him. Your little girlfriend is that Ding Shan who just sang, right?"

Seeing Lin Si speaking up for him, Yin Hui quickly changed the topic to Ding Shan, "Yes, yes, yes. How is she? Isn't she perfect? She's a perfect match for our Xiang!"

Xiang Hong stared meaningfully at Yin Hui and sneered. However, he did not say anything else.

Yin Hui heaved a sigh of relief. According to his understanding of Xiang Hong, Xiang Hong had been pleased by his words and had temporarily let him off. He did not expect that he still had to rely on Ding Shan at this crucial moment. As long as he praised Xiang Hong and Ding Shan for being a good match..., he would be able to please the great devil and escape this calamity.

However, Lin Si was silent for a moment at the side. He looked at Xiang Hong with an unknown meaning. "Are you sure? A female artiste?"

Xiang Hong also looked at Lin Si. The corners of his lips curled up into a smile. He did not say anything, but his expression explained everything.

Lin Si frowned slightly. On the way here, Lin Si had already found out about Ding Shan's information.

At their level, they naturally found not the scandals that were exposed on the internet, but a more detailed introduction, including all of Ding Shan's previous performances.

Although she was a movie queen, she was not outstanding. Instead, she was a doormat. Although some of her recent actions could have changed, she was still a female artiste who toyed with people's hearts.

In the past, Ding Shan was too cowardly. Now, Ding Shan revealed her cunning and ability. No matter what it was, Lin Si did not think highly of her.

Lin Si did not want to admit that he was biased against the entertainment industry. Still, experience told him that the women in the entertainment industry were too good at acting, not to mention that Ding Shan was also the best actress. Regardless of whether she had a pitiful background, such a person was not suitable for a simple-minded person like Xiang Hong.

Lin Si knew that although his brother was invincible in the field of business, he had no experience in love. Lin Si did not want Xiang Hong to fall in love for the first time and be hurt by the women in the entertainment industry, especially Ding Shan. Her personality had changed too quickly, and she was very suspicious. Even though she had experienced a blow, it was understandable. However, Ding Shan's background was too complicated. Once such a woman became smart., it would be terrifying.

Xiang Hong had countless wealth, and his strength was extraordinary. In the eyes of any woman, he was a dazzling existence. Lin Si was worried that Ding Shan's intentions were not pure.

Initially, he had intended to probe Xiang Hong, but when he saw Xiang Hong's expression, Lin understood that he was being serious. When he thought about how Yin Hui kept praising Ding Shan, Lin Temple glared at Yin Hui.

Yin Hui was confused. What's wrong? Ding Shan was indeed pretty good!

Lin Si sighed and did not try to persuade Xiang Hong anymore. Instead, he quietly hid this worry in the bottom of his heart.

Lin Si's face was cold as he looked at Ding Shan, smiling like a flower, talking to Li Yang beside her in a low voice. Lin Si curled the corners of his lips, and cold silver light was reflected from his lenses.

Ding Shan, let me see what you are capable of to be able to move Xiang Hong. If I discover that you have evil intentions, your career will be cut off!

Xiang Hong looked at Lin Si and sensed that something was wrong with Lin Si. He frowned slightly. He knew Lin Si had always been biased against people in the entertainment industry, but he had never mentioned the reason. Xiang Hong patted Lin Si, which was rare, "Relax, she's fine."

Chapter 195. Was Enough

Yin Hui noticed something as well. Lin Si was usually the same as Xiang Hong. No, it should be said that he was the same as Xiang Hong before. He avoided female artistes in the entertainment industry and had no interest in them. He even despised them.

However, Xiang Hong had changed entirely because of Ding Shan. Although it seemed that he was still not interested in other people in the entertainment industry, at least for Ding Shan, he had come to watch the variety show's recording, and even Chen Tong, who had a conflict with Ding Shan, could remember it.

However, Lin Si did not look too good. His expression showed that he did not have a good view of Xiang Hong and Ding Shan's relationship.

Yin Hui advised, "Aiya, Lin Si, don't worry about it blindly. When has our President Xiang ever suffered a loss? It's already good enough that others have not been toyed with to death by his hands. It would help if you were thankful that Ding Shan is a female artiste with a tenacious character. That's how she can move our President Xiang's heart. Do you think that he would be interested in an average person? Ding Shan is not bad. She's pretty and has a good personality. You've heard the song she just sang, right? How is she not worthy?"

Lin Si smiled noncommittally. "You know her quite well. You're almost praising her to the point of flowers. Is she that good?"

Lin Si still had something to say. For people in the entertainment industry to be able to get to where they were today, which one of them was a simple character? Ding Shan's previous actions on the internet also proved this point.

When faced with dirt, not only could she retreat unscathed, but she could also turn the tables. A woman with a pitiful background and intelligence was indeed tempting, but it was different when it came to relationships.

Lin Si retreated to advance. "Since you and Ah Hong have said so, let me see what ability this Miss Ding Shan has to conquer both of you."

Yin Hui glanced at Xiang Hong; he promptly said to Lin Si, "Don't talk nonsense. What do you mean by subjugating both of us? It's enough that Ding Shan subjugated Xiang Hong. I'm purely looking forward to Miss Ding's business ability. We're partners!"

Xiang Hong narrowed his eyes and smiled faintly.

Lin Si shook his head and laughed. "Why are you so afraid of him? Fine, fine, fine. You're not subjugated. It's just a simple partnership."

Yin Hui let out a long sigh and looked at Lin Si resentfully. This Lin Si only knew how to spout nonsense without knowing the situation. Just wait and see. There would come a time when he would be shocked! Xiang Hong's feelings for Ding Shan were not ordinary. If he had not been quick-witted and quickly drew the line, Xiang Hong might have done anything out of jealousy.

Yin Hui did not want to challenge his and Ding Shan's position in Xiang Hong's heart. Although he had been Xiang Hong's brother for many years, Yin Hui was very experienced when it came to love. Under the influence of hormones., men did not necessarily use their brains to think. If they were involved, the consequences would be unimaginable.

Yin Hui did not want to take the risk at all. It seemed that Lin Si still had a prejudice against Ding Shan. However, Yin Hui trusted his excellent brother's character very much. He knew that Lin Si, as a man, would not dare to make things difficult for Ding Shan; at most deliberately, he would say some unimportant words to try to interfere with Xiang Hong's operation. However, that was not something that he could interfere with, Yin Hui thought wickedly.

Lin Si did not understand the situation, yet he dared to challenge Xiang Hong, the man who had been restless during the blooming of the ten-thousand-year-old iron tree. If he said the wrong thing, Xiang Hong would punish and take revenge for him. He asked Lin Si to leak his secret the moment he arrived!

Yin Hui raised his eyebrows in an excellent mood. He crossed his legs and looked at Ding Shan downstairs.

Ding Shan, you have to perform well. I have given you my guarantee. Please don't disappoint me.

I look forward to seeing Lin Si's face smacked and Xiang Hong's mesmerizing look. It was simply outstanding.

Downstairs, the five coaches had finished their performances. The production team confirmed that there were no problems with the recording. The host went on stage and pushed the next step forward. He let the contestants in the waiting room write their favorite coaches on the cards as the instructors for their future training and learning; they would then be divided into groups to go on stage for the first performance. The coaches would choose against each other. If some coaches and contestants chose each other, the groups would be successfully divided. The coaches would then assign the remaining contestants.

The contestants in the waiting room were all rubbing their hands together. They racked their brains and began to choose the instructor they liked.

Chapter 196. Mentor Selection

The styles of the five mentors were pronounced. The contestants who were good at rapping naturally thought of Su Yan, and those who were good at singing pop songs worshipped Chen Xi very much.

The difficulty was that each of the mentors had a limited number of spots. The competition between Su Yan and Chen Xi would be fierce, and most contestants would lose; it would be better to target the other three female coaches from the start.

But who would be the best choice?

Li Yang was a gold-medal manager in the industry, and her training in style, aesthetics, and typhoons was worth mentioning. Moreover, even if you did not learn anything, you would still have countless benefits in the future. The resources flowing from Li Yang's fingers were not accessible to ordinary people!

Chen Tong could be considered everyone's senior sister. As a talent show artiste, Chen Tong had more experience and could give the most comprehensive advice. However, Chen Tong's performance just now was unsatisfactory; this made many contestants who had wanted to choose Chen Tong from the start hesitate.

Many people began to think about Ding Shan. Although everyone was more interested in Ding Shan, in the beginning, few people chose Ding Shan. Everyone knew that Ding Shan was the youngest movie queen of the generation, and her acting skills had been questioned in recent years, but it could not be denied that Ding Shan's influence was undeniable. Moreover, after the incident a while ago, the misunderstanding was resolved, and her popularity was even higher.

The waiting room was in uproar when they saw Ding Shan's figure appear in the camera. They could see Ding Shan in person. One had to know that Ding Shan was famous for being a loner in the past. She would only appear when acting; her sudden appearance on the variety show stage was so beautiful that it couldn't be described with words. The contestants were all young people who were full of vigor. Who wouldn't be excited?

However, even though they were excited about participating in the talent show competition, these contestants quickly calmed down. After all, these contestants weren't kids who had just entered society. When they came to participate in the talent show competition, no one was without ambition; the competition system determined the importance of a mentor. Who would not want to go to the end with a strong mentor? Ding Shan was indeed beautiful, and her acting skills were good. However, what could she teach them on the stage of the talent show? Acting? It was useless!

That was why the contestants did not choose Ding Shan at the beginning.

However, this thought was quickly broken. Ding Shan's song onstage completely shattered everyone's prejudice against her. Who said that an actor could not sing well? Who said that an actor couldn't participate in a variety show?

Ding Shan used her strength to prove to everyone that she still had many surprises waiting for the show to explore slowly.

Indeed, in the past, other than acting and advertising endorsements, Ding Shan rarely appeared in front of the public. Everyone saw the various roles that Ding Shan played, and they all ignored what kind of person Ding Shan was.

No one knew that Ding Shan could sing.

Then, did she have other skills that she did not show?

All the contestants were intrigued.

Although Ding Shan might not be the most professional singer among the five coaches, she was the most comprehensive.

Chen Xi and Su Yan were the help with singing skills, Chen Tong was the help with experience, and Li Yang was the help with style and temperament. Thinking about it carefully, only Ding Shan could combine all of these and give her singing advice; she also had the unique aesthetic skills of an actor. Moreover, Ding Shan had been an actress for many years, so her ability to perform on the spot must be excellent. There was nothing to say about her experience!

The more the contestants thought about it, the more they felt that Ding Shan was the most comprehensive coach. Many changed their minds and silently wrote Ding Shan's name on the small card.

At the recording studio, everyone was waiting for the contestants to decide to perform on stage finally.

After a short break, Su Yan sat down at his phone in boredom. Chen Xi was busy confirming his performance with his manager and wanted to send a video to warm up his version. Meanwhile, Li Yang

took out her phone and quickly processed her work. She kept making calls to see if the artistes she was responsible for had completed their work.

Only Ding Shan and Chen Tong were left sitting there. Ding Shan did not want to talk to Chen Tong, so she closed her eyes to rest and acted as if she did not want to be disturbed by strangers.

However, Chen Tong did not know what was good for her and insisted on coming over. "Sister Shan, are you tired? I told you. This recording variety show is not something that ordinary people can handle."

Chapter 197. Harsh Words

Ding Shan's brows twitched slightly, but she was still too lazy to open her eyes to deal with Chen Tong. She only said indifferently, "If you spoke a little less, I would be more relaxed. Recording variety shows isn't tiring. My head hurts from your noise."

Chen Tong was stunned. She did not expect Ding Shan to be so straightforward. Was she directly declaring war on her?

Ding Shan sighed and raised her eyelids slightly. She glanced coldly at Chen Tong, "I like to speak frankly. If you are willing to record a variety of shows, honestly, we can still work together on the same stage. If you continue to look for trouble everywhere, don't expect to get any good looks from me."

Chen Tong was at a loss for words. Ding Shan exposed her hidden thoughts in front of her, making her seem like a clown.

Chen Tong's face gradually turned red, and she seemed to be at a loss.

The corners of Ding Shan's mouth curled up, "You're right. I don't have any experience in recording variety shows. If it's because I don't understand the rules or can't learn your fake flattery, Miss Chen, please don't take offense. Director Yin invited me here to perform well and bring out the champion team. Everyone will rely on their abilities. If you're that energetic, put all your energy on the stage. Could you not come and talk to me? Am I clear enough?"

Ding Shan did not avoid looking directly at Chen Tong. Although she looked lazy, her eyes were full of vigor and hidden danger.

Chen Tong looked into Ding Shan's eyes and thought of the feeling of being suppressed by Ding Shan. She knew that Ding Shan was serious. She could do something to embarrass her in public.

Chen Tong was a little timid. Could she resolve the crisis in front of everyone and the cameras? Could she beat Ding Shan? Thinking of these few exchanges, Ding Shan always had the upper hand. Chen Tong was not confident.

However, Chen Tong was not willing to admit defeat just like that. It was as if she was terrified of Ding Shan.

Chen Tong curled her lips, "Alright, you said it. Everyone will rely on their abilities. If we have the ability, we will meet on stage. Don't think that you are amazing just because you sang a song. Aren't you still relying on your popularity in the past? There will be many more stages in the future. Those contestants know who will be able to bring out the champion team. We'll wait and see!"

Ding Shan closed her eyes again and gave a bored smile. "Sure, we'll just wait and see then."

Chen Tong rolled her eyes. Ding Shan always had such a confident look on her face. It was as if nothing would make her afraid. It was wishful thinking. Could it be that those contestants were blind enough to choose Ding Shan as their mentor?

Following Ding, Shan was not as good as following her. She was well-versed in the unspoken rules of variety shows. She knew how to arrange the stage shows that the audience liked. The champion team would be born from her hands!

The recording had already begun. This was not only a competition between the contestants but also a competition between the mentors. There was a lot of knowledge in deciding who was more capable and who would be able to bring out the final champion team to debut smoothly; every detail was important. Every single factor could lead to the impact of popularity. This was also a reflection of the coach's ability.

Chen Tong was very confident. In terms of the talent show, no one understood it better than her. Even Chen Xi was only a singer who could sing. On the stage, those who sang well might not have the chance to be seen. There were many other ways to be outstanding, not to mention Ding Shan, who was only a half-baked singer! She would choose some people to accompany her onstage to perform the drama. Humph, what a joke!

The cameras recorded the conversation between Ding Shan and Chen Tong at the side. As the material for the tidbits, it was saved by the director. Naturally, the director would not send out all the content for the audience to see; however, if they were slightly edited, the scene of Ding Shan and Chen Tong's harsh words being cut into the tidbits and placed in the promotional film would attract a lot of attention.

For a variety show like this, the most needed thing was conflict. Without conflict, how could the audience enjoy watching it?

For a variety show like Ding Shan and Chen Tong, the undercurrents were surging, and each of them was full of confidence. It was most suitable to attract the audience to watch. The atmosphere between the coaches could be considered a good start. Next, they only needed the contestants to perform well and retain the audience. The audience would then choose the contestants they liked as if they were betting; then, they would follow the coach's team and watch the contestants learn and grow bit by bit. Then, the program would stand still!

After making some adjustments, the contestants in the waiting room had already chosen the coaches they liked and were ready to go on stage to perform.

Chapter 198. Participants

The recording continued. The host walked up to the stage and announced the rules. He allowed the five coaches to show their results based on the contestants' performances. He also gave them an invitation card to invite the contestants to join their team directly. The contestants could also refuse; each would propose to their favorite coach that he wanted to join his team.

However, there was a limit to the number of spots on the team. If the contestants were selected too quickly, they could only watch the contestants they liked to fall into the hands of other coaches. If the contestants were chosen too slowly, the spots would not be filled after the end of the performance; then, those who failed to make the selection would be automatically assigned to join the team.

This would depend on which of the coaches had the best foresight.

Chen Xi laughed to liven up the atmosphere. “Aiya, this is going to be difficult for me. I will think that everyone is good, and I don’t know how to reject people.”

Li Yang also said humorously, “That’s great. Hurry up and fill up your slots. The remaining outstanding seeded contestants will all belong to me!”

Li Yang did not forget to interact with Ding Shan. “Ding Shan, you have to keep your eyes open. We will ally and beat those two brats!”

Chen Xi shook his head and could not help but laugh. Su Yan also smiled. He looked like he was in a good mood.

Ding Shan blinked and nodded playfully. “Sis, Keep your voice down. Don’t let them hear our plan!” She cooperated with Li Yang and Chen Xi to liven up the atmosphere.

In this kind of talent show competition, the role of the host in the performance segment was not very important. The primary purpose was to push the process forward. The atmosphere at the venue still had to be controlled by the five coaches.

Su Yan did not like to talk. He had a socially fearful look on his face. He would nod and smile at most, but Chen Tong always said shocking things. Moreover, perhaps because of Ding Shan’s presence, Chen Tong seemed to be venting her anger. she did not talk as much as she used to. Moreover, Li Yang and Chen Xi did not initially have a good impression of Chen Tong. They did not want to take the initiative to provoke her, so in the end., only Ding Shan, Li Yang, and Chen Xi were left chatting and laughing merrily, trying to liven up the atmosphere.

Chen Tong held back a smile at the side and did not say anything. When Ding Shan spoke, Chen Tong gave her a meaningful look. Then, as if she had been isolated, she smiled alone in a lonely manner and did not participate in it.

Li Yang noticed it and asked Chen Tong, “How is it? Is little Tong confident?”

Chen Tong smiled reservedly. “Sister Li, Don’t tease me. What confidence can I have? I still have a lot to learn with seniors like sister Shan and you. I can only say that I will try my best.”

Li Yang gave Chen Tong a shot to speak and stopped there. She did not want the audience to think they were isolating Chen Tong. Li Yang did not want to talk to Chen Tong.

Ding Shan lowered her eyes and smiled silently. This Chen Tong was good at making polite remarks. No one would have thought she would have such a willful and domineering personality in private.

The first group of contestants was ready. The performance officially began. Ding Shan quietly supported her face with her hands and seriously enjoyed the contestant’s performances.

Some of the contestants were particularly outstanding. The directing team would give them a few extra shots. At this time, the coaches understood and asked a few more questions to interact with each other. They silently memorized the names of the contestants.

Everything went smoothly. In the blink of an eye, more than half of the contestants had gone on stage.

Chen Tong was delighted because many of these contestants had chosen her as their favorite coach. Chen Tong had half-pushed and had also recruited many strong people. There were many strong singers among them; the high notes were steady and accurate. Those who did not choose Chen Xi also praised Chen Tong highly.

The only thing Chen Tong was not satisfied with was that there were people who chose Ding Shan. Moreover, there were quite a number of them. Although they did not surpass her overall, Chen Tong still felt unhappy. They should have embarrassed Ding Shan so that no one would choose her. She was kind enough to give a few to her. That would be more interesting. The directing team did not know how to market at all.

Ding Shan had always been very calm in accepting the adoration of the various contestants. She seriously kept a record of it on a piece of paper. She gave suitable suggestions according to the direction that everyone was good at. One of the contestants was a rapper. Moreover, she said that she was a fan of Ding Shan. It was likely that Ding Shan had persuaded Ding Shan's team to hand it over to Su Yan.

Ding Shan was clear that her team did not depend on the number of people, and not everyone had to be outstanding. However, they had to have a balanced strength to be able to complete all kinds of stages.

Apart from that, giving reasonable suggestions to the contestants who were unsuitable for her team was also a piece of cake. Delaying the future of others would attract hatred.

Chapter 199. Jealous

Although more than half of the contestants had gone on stage, Ding Shan had been waiting in her heart.

Most of the spots in her team had been filled up, but Ding Shan had not forgotten that her "Excellent" ex-boyfriend had not gone on stage yet.

Ding Shan was looking forward to meeting him on this show.

Wen Xiu did not know her at the moment, so he probably just thought of her as the star, Ding Shan.

She recalled that Wen Xiu had treated her respectfully and fawningly when they first met in her previous life. His gentle and refined appearance quickly broke her defenses, making her feel that he was different from others. Then, he took advantage of this good impression; he walked closer to her step by step, not to mention the difference in their statuses. He only quietly protected her, making her feel that he did not seek fame and fortune, did not want fame and class, and only adored her.

That was why she was willing to find resources for Wen Xiu. In the end, this poisonous snake tasted the sweetness and became increasingly excessive. From time to time, he would complain in front of her.

However, she was already unprepared at that time. Every step she took was wrong. Every time, she would take the initiative to take over everything. She did not ask for anything in return and only hoped he could be as happy as he was at the beginning and treat her better.

Ding Shan looked at the list in her hand. Wen Xiu was about to go on stage. This time, he had signed up as a rookie from an entertainment company. In his previous life, it was after this show that he had a little fame and had the opportunity to get to know her.

In this life, she had come to participate in this show and pushed the time he had met Wen Xiu forward by quite a bit. She looked forward to how Wen Xiu would react when he met her at this time. Would it still be the same as in her previous life?

Ding Shan smiled and looked at the stage with her eyes flashing. A whore did not differentiate between men and women. A man like Wen Xiu, who pretended to be a gentleman, who was gentle and fawning, who acted to be pitiful and relied on women to get to the top, was not only a whore., he was also a slut who only knew how to eat women's food.

Tearing a slut apart with her bare hands was the most enjoyable.

Let her have a good time with this ex-boyfriend in this program!

Ding Shan sneered. In the past, she was the butcher's meat. Now, Wen Xiu's chance to debut was in her hands. She had the strength, so why would she need a man with a beast's heart? She was so stupid in her previous life that she didn't even understand this logic. What a pity. Didn't Wen Xiu want to debut and become famous? She had to ask if she would agree to it!

Xiang Hong, who was on the second floor, was very sharp. He sat up slightly and looked downstairs.

Ding Shan's condition was a little different. The stage performance was already more than half done. Ding Shan's performance had always been professional and gentle. When she met someone who was not good, she would frown slightly and give advice; when she met someone compelling, she would smile and give him a few words of praise. However, she had never been like this before. It was as if she was looking forward to something. Even her eyes lit up a little. The smile on her face was no longer gentle. Instead, Xiang Hong was very familiar with a hint of craftiness.

Yin Hui was a little curious. "What's wrong? What did you see?"

Xiang Hong asked, "Who's going to go on stage next?"

Yin Hui was confused. There were already so many people on stage, but he had never seen Xiang Hong show any concern. Didn't he keep staring at Ding Shan? Why was he asking about this?

However, he still flipped through the name list in his hand; he mumbled, "There's nothing special about them. They're just a few people signed by entertainment companies and sent here. Oh, there's one who's a little special. I even mentioned it to you before. There's one who's pretty good-looking, clean, and handsome. He's the type that girls like nowadays. We had quite a lot of expectations for him during the auditions."

Xiang Hong frowned slightly. "What's his name?"

Yin Hui took Wen Xiu's information and handed it to Xiang Hong. "It's here. Wen Xiu. His name is pretty good too. What's the matter?"

Xiang Hong took the information and roughly flipped through it. He put it aside without much interest. "Do girls like men who look like this nowadays? If you punch him, he'll probably fall to the ground and look for his teeth. What kind of weird aesthetic sense is that?"

Yin Hui curled his lips unwillingly. "Then who asked him to be so marketable? He won't be able to withstand a punch from your bodyguards, but his face can arouse a little girl's desire to protect him."

Xiang Hong said disdainfully, "You still need bodyguards to beat him up?"

Yin Hui looked puzzled. "No, did he provoke you? Why do you want to beat him up?"

Chapter 200. For me to Participate in The Competition

Xiang Hong then remembered that Wen Xiu had indeed not provoked him. The reason for Ding Shan's change in condition was not necessarily because of this man, but when he heard Yin Hui say that all the girls nowadays liked this style., Xiang Hong could not help but compare Wen Xiu to himself.

Subconsciously, Xiang Hong was afraid that Ding Shan was also like what Yin Hui had said and was interested in this man who was completely different from him. Otherwise, why would it be when it was Wen Xiu's group's turn to go on stage, and Ding Shan's performance was so unusual?

Xiang Hong was irritated by this sudden worry about gain and loss. He frowned in annoyance and sat on the sofa with a sad expression. It was as if someone owed him money, exuding a thick sense of irritation.

Yin Hui did not understand what was going on. He looked at Xiang Hong a few times and did not dare to ask any more questions. He was afraid that he would get into trouble.

Xiang Hong was not someone who could release his emotions. It was rare for him to be able to make his feelings change so obviously.

Usually, someone would be in trouble if Xiang Hong acted like this. However, the program was currently being recorded. Why was he unhappy after mentioning a contestant?

Yin Hui guessed that the reason why Xiang Hong's emotions had changed so much was most likely related to Ding Shan. However, he suddenly asked about Wen Xiu and belittled a person he did not know. Why was that? Was it like what he said? Was he afraid that Ding Shan would be snatched away by a younger and handsome boy and became aware of the danger? That was not to the extent that he would suddenly lose his temper for no reason to a person who had yet to go on stage. It was extraordinary.

Yin Hui was not a meticulous person. He did not know why Xiang Hong was suddenly unhappy. However, Lin Si observed from the side from the beginning to the end.

Xiang Hong was not interested in a stranger for no reason, nor did he have such malicious intentions toward Wen Xiu. He was feeling uneasy because of Ding Shan's unusual behavior. Xiang Hong's keen insight allowed him to smell danger, but this sense of trouble came from nowhere. Xiang Hong had nowhere to vent the hostile fire in his heart and could only suppress his anger toward himself.

Lin Si looked at Ding Shan downstairs with a complicated expression. He did not expect this woman to be able to influence Xiang Hong to such a terrifying extent. She had such a great charm.

However, compared to Xiang Hong's attitude, Lin Si was more curious about why Ding Shan was so excited all of a sudden. Yin Hui did not notice it, but Lin Si was the same as Xiang Hong. He realized that Ding Shan's mental state was different from before; it was as if she was waiting for someone. Could it be that Ding Shan knew someone coming up on stage next? Or... ? ... someone who was interested?

On the stage, music started playing. A few boys began to perform. The three men upstairs, who were rarely distracted, began to watch the performance.

Ding Shan immediately saw Wen Xiu in the crowd. At this time, Wen Xiu was still young, and his face had lost much of the maturity and philistinism of the later stages. There was also a hint of innocence in it. His eyes were shining brightly, but Ding Shan knew that.., that was Wen Xiu's ambition.

The performance ended, and the effect was perfect. Wen Xiu's forehead was slightly sweating. He panted and tidied his messy hair, revealing his smooth forehead.

It had to be said that Wen Xiu's appearance was outstanding, especially after the intense dance. This panting appearance was very good at pinching the little girl's infatuation.

The photographer felt Wen Xiu's advantages and gave him a few more shots. Wen Xiu smiled gently and shyly at the camera. He was as clean as a piece of white paper. He was the popular image of a "Milk dog".

Ding Shan's eyes flashed, and she smiled at Wen Xiu.

Wen Xiu was straightforward. He took a step forward and looked at Ding Shan shyly as if he was looking at an idol he adored.

He bowed sincerely and expressed his thoughts to Ding Shan generously. "Teacher Ding Shan, you have always been the goddess in my heart. Please give me a chance to join your team. I will win a championship for you!"

Everyone was waiting for Ding Shan. According to Ding Shan's habit of choosing people, she would probably smile and thank them. Then, she would slowly analyze and give her opinion. However, this time, Ding Shan was exceptionally efficient. She smiled brightly and said directly, "Welcome!"

"Peng!" Just as Ding Shan finished her words, Xiang Hong, who was upstairs, threw the teacup on the table with a blank expression, making a loud sound.

Yin Hui looked at Xiang Hong in confusion, his heart trembling. "What... What's wrong?"

Xiang Hong said something shocking, "I'm going to participate in the competition too. I'd like to see who dares to snatch the champion from my hands and give it to him."