#### Boss Is Reborn 321

Chapter 321. Chen Tong's Appearance

Ding Shan vaguely felt that Chen Zhao's fans' way of doing things was dangerous.

The relationship between a celebrity and their fans should be healthy and cheerful, but Chen Tong's behavior was like raising poisonous insects. Her fans were getting more robust, but the backlash would be even more severe if an accident happened one day.

After the trailer ended, the show's first episode officially went live. On the screen, beams of lights lit up on the dark stage, and the commentator's deep and emotional voice sounded. "The stage of dreams is about to open. Young people, there is wind on your shoulders, and on the wind are the billions of stars that light up your dreams. Young people should be fearless, like Eagles soaring in the blue sky. Even if there are countless unknowns in the future, you must be yourself that is not defined!"

The lights flickered, and the music started playing.

" Welcome to the Idol Creation Camp!"

Ding Shan's emotions were also affected. The commentator's last sentence, "You have to be yourself that can not be defined," touched her deeply. She used to be a celebrity with many labels on her. Being stared at by so many people, Ding Shan felt like she was standing on the peak of a mountain with a strong wind blowing. Under her feet was a bottomless abyss; if she were not careful, she would be crushed into pieces.

At that time, she didn't dare to be herself. She only knew how to be the perfect idol in everyone's imagination. She didn't dare to cry or laugh in front of others. She didn't dare to vent her anger. She could only choose to digest all the negative emotions quietly.

Her rebirth gave her a chance to choose again, but the more important thing she learned was to be herself! She was no longer afraid, no longer afraid of others not acknowledging her. She had found her confidence!

The program officially kicked off. After the host said a few official words, the performance of the five coaches of the Festival Group began.

"She's a new generation of capable female singers. Her voice is as melodious as a lark, and she looks sweet and pretty. As the first female coach to appear, she will bring us a song from her new album. Let me give a round of applause to mentor Chen Tong!" After the host finished speaking, he waved his hand and directed the camera to the center of the stage.

The stage dimmed, and a beam of light shone down. Chen Tong stood in the middle of the stage in a long dress. Her makeup was exquisite. She smiled sweetly at the camera. Her smile was pure and lovely.

"Wow, Tongtong is so beautiful. I'm already moved even before she starts singing! You're my wife!"

"I don't need to tell you who's the most beautiful today, right? I can blow on Tongtong's makeup for a year. I have material for tonight's dream!"

"Yeah, she's much better looking than Ding Shan. Who said that our Tongtong is little Ding Shan? It's Ding Shan's honor to be associated with our Tongtong!"

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The screen was filled with comments from Chen Tong's fans, giving Zhao a headache. She was so angry that she crushed the bag of chips, "Who wants to have anything to do with her? She was the one who claimed that she was little Ding Shan when she had just stepped out of the industry. Did her fans not have any memory, or were they blind? I'm so angry; being compared to her is simply the unluckiest thing in the world!"

Ding Shan was forgiving and did not argue with Chen Tong about her popularity. However, Chen Tong's fans seemed to think that Ding Shan was easy to bully. Every time they praised Chen Tong, they would always bring Ding Shan along and step on her to set off Chen Tong.

# This was too disgusting!

Xiao Zhao was furious. She took the remote control and was about to press the fast-forward button. "I can't take it anymore. Sister Shan, let's hurry up. Her fans are just as annoying as her!"

"No need, we'll just continue watching." Ding Shan held Xiao Zhao's hand.

Fast forward to what? She still wanted to see Chen Tong's singing go out of tune later.

On the screen, Chen Tong was about to reach the high notes. As expected, she made a mistake on the first high note. Although she lowered the pitch later on, the song looked ordinary after that. It lost the charm of the original version.

Some of the more sensitive audience members in the live comments asked, "Chen Tong seemed to have gone off-key just now. I thought I heard it wrong, so I went back and listened to it two times. It was off-key, and she lowered her tone at the end."

Those who weren't Chen Tong's fans were already tired of their madness, so they started to echo, "It sounds like her voice cracked, and she went off-key after that. I'm a professional musician, I'm sure of it."

"Isn't Chen Tong a professional singer? How could she make such a mistake on stage? This song shouldn't be that difficult, right? It's even her song, and she's the first to appear on stage. If she makes a mistake when she appears, it won't be good for the show's reputation."

## Chapter 322. Mistake

Seeing that someone said that Chen Tong's singing was out of tune, Chen Tong's fans were instantly enraged, and their aggression was immediately revealed.

"Do you have a problem with your ears? I think it's quite nice! I'm also a music professional so I won't mishear you. You're trying to find an excuse to defame our Tongtong, right?"

"You're Ding Shan's fan, right? Was she anxious? Are you jealous of our Tongtong? That's right; your Ding Shan doesn't know how to sing, and who knows what she will perform later? Is she afraid of embarrassing herself, so she's slandering Chen Tong first?"

In an instant, the audience who said that Chen Tong's singing was out of tune were all ridiculed and insulted by Chen Tong's fans. Some were even forced to say that they were Ding Shan's fans.

Some of Chen Tong's fans were too mean, so the website automatically blocked some words. The screen was filled with comments like "You \*\*\*\*" and " Your whole family \*\*\*".

In the beginning, Xiao Zhao was pleased when the audience said that Chen Tong had made a mistake in her singing. She opened a bottle of Coke to celebrate. However, she was shocked when she saw Chen Tong's fans shamelessly denying that Chen Tong had made a mistake.

"Can these people still be called fans? Were they brainwashed? It's fine if you don't want to admit it, but you're even scolding the ordinary audience?"

Ding Shan also didn't want to see those cursing bullet comments, so she took the remote control and selected the 'Bullet screen filter' mode.

After the screening, the bullet screen would only show the comments of the higher-ranked users on the Pomodoro web. To a certain extent, a large portion of Chen Tong's fans were filtered out, and the bullet screen suddenly became much cleaner.

Xiao Zhao took out her mobile phone and clicked on the Weibo topic square of 'Idol Creation Camp'. She found that the square had also started to quarrel.

Because 'Idol Creation Camp' had just been broadcast, many marketing accounts and netizens wanted to ride on the popularity of this show. The show had only been online for a few minutes, and some people had already posted some discussion topics.

Chen Tong was the first coach to perform. After she made a mistake, someone immediately posted the video of her singing on Weibo square with the words: Chen Tong, the first female coach of Idol Creation Camp, made a mistake. The professionalism of the program is questionable!

The marketing accounts were not Chen Tong's fans. They only wanted popularity. Even the title was rushed and dragged into the deep level of 'program professionalism.'

Xiao Zhao wanted to give these marketing accounts a round of applause. Still, when she thought about how these marketing accounts had once spread rumors and slandered Ding Shan, she immediately held back her impulse.

"Sister Shan, you see, the audience's eyes are clear. Many people can tell there's a problem with Chen Tong's performance. However, facts speak louder than words. It's useless if they want to distort the truth. Not everyone in the world likes Chen Tong brainlessly!" Xiao Zhao felt extremely comfortable. She opened the can of Coke and took a big gulp. She felt refreshed.

"The audience will naturally be able to tell. That's why I said that celebrities do not need to scheme against each other in private. It's better to think about how to perform well in front of the audience." Ding Shan said in a calm tone.

Chen Tong wanted to make a stunning appearance and crush Ding Shan, so she specially chose a difficult song, but in the end, she made a mistake.

If she had not been so insistent on competing with Ding Shan and had participated in the show with a normal heart, she might not have caused much trouble in the end.

Now that the audience was questioning the professionalism of the program because of Chen Tong's mistake, the Festival team would probably not have a good impression of her.

Not to mention, Chen Tong had changed the song behind the Festival team's back, which caused a lot of accidents during the recording.

The performance ended, and the camera was pointed at Chen Tong. Chen Tong seemed to know that she had made a mistake. An annoyed expression appeared on her face. Then, she seemed to be saying something to the Festival Group's director with a dissatisfied expression.

The camera didn't record the content of their conversation, but the scene changed to the waiting room.

The director's words came out of the loudspeaker in the waiting room, "Including in the future, no matter how many times the contestants perform, they can only have one chance to appear on the stage. Success or failure is a problem that you have to overcome on your own. You can't blame anyone. This is the value that our stage wants to convey. I hope the newcomers can cherish the stage and show the audience the most realistic picture!"

Then, the camera zoomed in on a few trainees. After the shock, the trainees' expressions became severe. Someone nodded to the person next to him. "That's how it should be. You have to respect the stage."

Chapter 323. An Unprofessional Coach

When this scene was played, a new round of discussion was set off on the bullet screen.

"Could it be that Chen Tong requested a second recording? It should be like this, right? Otherwise, the director wouldn't have said those words."

"I'm convinced. It's bad enough that this woman's fans are arrogant, but why is she overboard herself? She even planned to record it a second time. Are we here to watch a rehearsed performance? We want to see the most realistic talent show, a talent show without any rehearsals or malicious editing!"

"Perhaps Chen Tong's professionalism is questionable, but I feel this show is real now. Chen Tong's singing broke and went out of tune on stage. Post-production could have fixed this, but the Festival team didn't do that. Instead, they put the coaches' mistakes in the show. The coaches don't have the privilege of faking it, so the scenes of the trainees must be the most realistic!"

"So excited! I've finally seen a talent show without a script. I came here to watch Chen Xi, but now I think this show is good. I'll continue to follow it!"

" The singer I like is also participating in this show. I was worried that he didn't have any backing and would end up being cheated. But now, this kind of phenomenon won't happen on this show. I can rest assured."

On Weibo's square, the discussion about the program clip quickly became a hot search. Most of the ordinary audience had the same thoughts as the bullet comments. Everyone felt that through these clips of Chen Tong's performance, they could see the reality and honesty of this variety show.

"The most realistic talent show in history: Idol Creation Camp.

This topic quickly made it to the entertainment hot search list. Although the Festival Group might have bought this hot search for marketing, the content of this hot search was still recognized by the netizens.

Everyone said it was fine, even if the coaches were not that professional. The most important thing was that the program had no shady dealings!

At this moment, Chen Tong, called an 'Unprofessional Mentor' by the netizens, was so angry that her lips were trembling. She clenched her skirt tightly, and her long nails dug into her flesh.

The Festival Group didn't even let her do the post-editing! She was a teacher invited by the Festival team, but the Festival team had gone too far!

"Clang!" The fish tank on the table was thrown to the ground by Chen Tong, and the little goldfish inside struggled helplessly on the floor.

The loud noise startled Chen Tong's assistant, who edited Chen Tong's selfie. The assistant rushed out and saw the little goldfish Chen Tong had liked a few days ago struggling on the ground.

The assistant hurriedly found a basin and put the goldfish. She was nervous and afraid. She suddenly felt that her fate was similar to the goldfish.

When Chen Tong was in a good mood, she happily fed the goldfish. The goldfish would be the first to suffer when she was in a bad mood.

No, she wasn't even as good as this goldfish. She was a poor worker who met a bad-tempered employer who continuously caused trouble.

Sometimes, she envied Ding Shan's manager, Xiao Zhao. She seemed to have a good relationship with Ding Shan, and Ding Shan was always gentle with her. She even saw the two of them eating snacks together.

This was something she didn't even dare to dream of.

"Why are you in a daze? Get over here!" Chen Tong's irritable voice came from behind, like an active volcano about to erupt.

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After Chen Tong's performance, it was Su Yan's turn.

Su Yan's performance was very professional. Someone on the bullet screen said, "Just now, Chen Tong's fans said that there was a problem with the Festival Group's equipment, which was why Chen Tong made a mistake in her singing. Then, how could Su Yan's performance is so perfect? Can't Chen Tong's fans admit Chen Tong's mistake?"

"I can see that the logic of Chen Tong's fans is: It is better to slander Ding Shan than to admit her mistake. They've already started to change the topic, saying that Ding Shan's performance will be much worse than Chen Tong's later. They probably think that Ding Shan is unprofessional in singing and dancing, so Chen Tong's mistakes will not be so obvious after Ding Shan is involved." Ding Shan didn't open all the bullet comments. The high-level users' comments were probably directed at Chen Tong's fans.

"Again and again, " said Xiao Zhao in disgust. "It's her mistake, and she's dragging you into it. I think she shouldn't be called little Ding Shan anymore. She should be called a little parasite."

However, although Chen Tong's fans' words were disgusting, they were not completely useless.

At this moment, the audience had some doubts about Ding Shan.

"Ding Shan is neither a dancer nor a singer. She is just an actress."

Chapter 324. Diverting Attention

If Ding Shan's performance was terrible, then Chen Tong's fans were right, and the audience would think that Ding Shan was out of place as a coach.

Although instructor Li Yang wasn't even a celebrity, she had been a manager before and had opened an entertainment company. She had a lot of experience in training trainees. Her judgment of people was more accurate than other instructors. It was customary for her to come here to pick trainees with the potential to train.

Where's Ding Shan? What did she have?

After Su Yan's performance, Chen Xi and Li Yang went on stage to perform together. Li Yang recited a love poem in the interlude of Chen Xi's singing. The two coaches completed their first stage of cooperation through this ingenious performance combination.

"How creative. Instructor Li Yang doesn't know how to sing or dance. It's already very sincere of her to participate in the instructor's performance."

"I don't think Ding Shan's program will be a recital, right? If she didn't perform with the other coaches, would she have to perform alone later? But she's an actress; how can she control the situation? Won't it be awkward later?"

"It's going to be awkward. I've never heard of Ding Shan singing or dancing. Although her acting is not bad, this is a talent show. Her appearance is indeed a little out of place. Besides, she's a National producer. The Festival team probably only saw her popularity. If we want to see how good she is, we'll have to look at the other four coaches."

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These comments were of a much higher standard compared to the aggressive comments by Chen Tong's fans. They mimicked the audience's tone, but the words' content was all hinting, "Ding Shan can't do it; she's just a decoration on this show."

Chen Tong's assistant looked at the bullet comments on the program and sighed in her heart. 'As expected, sister Bing was the best!'

After Chen Tong made a mistake in her performance and was ridiculed by the audience, the company quickly prepared a countermeasure. Du Bing immediately asked her assistant to stop Chen Tong's fans from arguing with others.

As a result, the number of Chen Tong's fans who expressed their opinions towards the show's end decreased by more than half.

At the same time, Du Bing also arranged for some people to disguise themselves as ordinary spectators and use a relatively gentle tone to divert the audience's attention.

It looked like the effect was pretty good.

That's right, Chen Tong had made a mistake, but she was a professional instructor, and her strength was undeniable.

However, Ding Shan was different. As long as the audience realized that Ding Shan's ability was not worthy of being a coach or a National producer, Chen Tong's mistake would be insignificant.

After Du Bing arranged everything, she made a video call to Chen Tong. On the phone, Du Bing looked a little disappointed and frustrated. She warned Chen Tong, "Don't act rashly during this period. I'll arrange the rest. Can't you make any more mistakes understand? By the way, what is Ding Shan performing? Haven't you seen it before? How was her performance?"

"She sang a song; it was terrible." Chen Tong rolled her eyes. "I don't know what those staff members are thinking. They praised her. How hypocritical."

Du Bing frowned. "Singing, right? I'm going to continue controlling the comments on the internet. If there's anything, get your assistant to contact me. Let me review the Weibo post that you will post later."

At this moment, Xiao Zhao saw that some of the ordinary audience members on the bullet screen were guessing what Ding Shan would perform later. Some people even said Ding Shan might just come out and twist a few times as a performance.

"Who are these people looking down on? Sister Shan is an all-rounder; you'll be slapped in the face later!" Xiao Zhao punched the soft pillow in anger.

Ding Shan didn't look angry at all. Xiao Zhao couldn't help but sigh in her heart. Her sister Shan's mentality could be said to be the strongest in the entertainment industry.

Accompanied by the audience's doubts and expectations, it was finally Ding Shan's turn.

When the emcee introduced Ding Shan, her tone had a hint of nostalgia. "She was the pure and kind little flower in our memories. Many people still remember her incredible performance in the drama when she was young. Now, she has become a viral female star in the entertainment industry. Today, let's go back to those touching memories of her singing! Let's welcome Ding Shan to sing the theme song for 'Little City Girl!'"

After the lights flickered, they gathered on Ding Shan. She was wearing a green dress. Under the light, the silk fabric presented a noble and high-class texture. The tight design highlighted Ding Shan's perfect figure.

The top beauty not fully displayed in the trailer was now exposed to everyone.

Chapter 325. Director Bao Hua

The speculations about Ding Shan's performance in the live comments disappeared instantly.

Just like the audience in front of the screen, they were so shocked that they forgot to type out their thoughts. Everyone was waiting for Ding Shan's performance.

A soothing southern melody started playing. Ding Shan raised the microphone in her hand, and her eyes were gentle. The silent bullet screen finally became lively when the song came out of the microphone.

"I almost cried! I still remember when I watched 'Little City Girl'; I was still a junior high school student. When Xiaohua returned to find her grandfather, I cried so hard that I couldn't breathe. When my mom sent me to school, I still cried and scared the teachers and classmates."

"I've watched many TV shows after that, but none of them were as touching as 'Little City Girl.' I have to say that Ding Shan was too spiritual when she was young. The Little Flower she played didn't look like a performance at all. She looked like a little girl from a small mountain village."

"When I saw Ding Shan, it was as if I could see Xiaohua when she grew up. Maybe Xiaohua lived a happy life with her grandfather after the TV series ended. It's so good."

"I've already cried until a packet of tissues is wet. The Festival team is too good at playing the emotional card. I won't say anymore. After watching this episode, I will review 'Little City Girl."

"Ding Shan's singing is also excellent; her voice is very nice. Although she has no special singing skills, she's not out of tune. Will the coaches' songs be uploaded to music websites? I'm going to download the theme song of "Little City Girl" that Ding Shan sang!"

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The distant memories struck the hearts of the audience. Back then, 'Little City Girl.' was a phenomenal TV series popular all over the country. It won the viewership ratings of that year and maintained this record for five consecutive years.

It could be said that an audience of over 20 years in front of the screen had watched that TV series.

The bullet screen was filled with emotional words such as "Touched." and "Want to cry."

Ding Shan's high notes were clear and clean as the song reached its climax. She had perfectly completed the climax of the song. Although she didn't use much technique, her spirited performance touched the audience more.

Ding Shan bowed to the audience at the song's end and smiled at the camera.

For a moment, the audience in front of the screen seemed to think that this was the grown-up Xiaohua greeting them. Xiaohua told them, "Brothers and sisters, I'm doing well. Please don't worry."

Many people have moved to tears again.

The emcee's eyes glistened with tears, and her voice was trembling. "Thank you, Teacher Ding Shan, for bringing us such a wonderful performance. The theme song 'Little City Girl' has pulled us back to our memories. This is a nostalgic teardrop bomb. What surprised me even more was that Teacher Ding Shan's singing was so good. What does everyone think?"

The comments responded to the host, "It's so good! I want to play it on a loop for a week!" "Ding Shan's voice is so special. I'll support her if she becomes a singer!" "Sister, you're too outstanding. You're so good at acting and singing. Originally, I only liked you as Xiaohua, but from today onwards, I'm your fan!"

Soon, on Weibo, ['Idol Creation Camp' mentor Ding Shan performed the theme song of 'Little City Girl.' affectionately. The tear-jerking song from childhood was so good!]. The topic had become the most searched, and its popularity had risen.

The audience started to post comments about how they felt when they watched 'Little City Girl' in the past.

Xiao Zhao was also pleased, and all the gloominess accumulated in her heart had disappeared. She wiped the remaining tears from the corner of her eyes and said to Ding Shan, "Sister Shan, you sang so well. I'm back to the summer I first watched 'Little City Girl.'

Ding Shan patted Xiao Zhao's head and handed her a tissue. She was also very emotional.

'Little City Girl' was her first TV drama and her opportunity to enter the entertainment industry. It was also her most famous representative work.

She still remembered that when she was filming this TV series, she was just a little girl with no acting experience. She didn't know how to speak before the camera and avoided it.

At this time, the director of "Little City Girl", Teacher Bao Hua, who was at a loss, squatted in front of her. He slowly counseled and taught her.

Director Bao Hua told her about Xiaohua's experiences, hobbies, and dreams. Slowly, Ding Shan integrated herself into the virtual character of Xiaohua.

Chapter 326. Teacher

Hearing about Xiaohua's tragic fate, the young Ding Shan started to cry. Director Bao Hua saw her crying and patiently said, "That's it. You have to remember this feeling. You're now a little flower. You have to let the audience see the little flower's life. You have to let them see the little flower's misfortune and pity. You must also let them see little flower's courage and kindness."

Director Bao Hua's enlightenment allowed the young Ding Shan to find her best state. It was as if the goddess of inspiration had blessed her. Her performance in front of the camera was full of spirit, but there was no trace of a deliberately stiff performance.

After the TV series was aired, she became famous all over the country and became a well-known child star.

Memories of the past resurfaced in her heart, and Ding Shan was very emotional. She thought for a while and found a number she had not contacted in a long time. After hesitating for a while, she sent a message. "Teacher Bao Hua, it's me, Ding Shan. Are you asleep now?"

A few minutes later, Ding Shan's phone rang. She immediately picked up the call.

Teacher Bao Hua's kind and experienced voice could be heard. "Shanshan, I watched the variety show you were in today. You sang well."

From the sound of it, Teacher Bao Hua did not seem to condemn Ding Shan's behavior in participating in the variety show.

Ding Shan didn't expect Teacher Bao Hua to watch 'Idol Creation Camp'. She suddenly didn't know what to do and asked nervously, "Teacher, why do you watch talent shows?"

"How can I not watch the variety show my little flower participates in? This is your first variety show after your comeback. At first, I was worried that you wouldn't be in a good state, but I was overthinking it. You look like you've grown a lot, so I'm relieved." Teacher Bao Hua's voice was filled with a smile and gratification.

When she heard "My Xiaohua," Ding Shan was instantly reminded of when teacher Bao Hua had taught her to memorize her lines word by word. After the scene in the rain ended, he even brought her a bowl of hot ginger soup. Ding Shan's eyes instantly became wet.

"Teacher Baohua, I'm fine. I also want to say that I'm grateful to you for choosing me to play Xiaohua back then. I'm able to achieve what I have today all because of you. Without you, there wouldn't be the Ding Shan I am today." Ding Shan's voice was a little choked.

Although she did not spend much time with Teacher Bao Hua, the happiest days in her previous life were when she was in the cast of "Little City Girl."

Teacher Bao Hua doted on her like a granddaughter. Sometimes, he would take her to a nearby teahouse to listen to the show after filming. He would also often buy her some snacks that children liked to eat. She had never felt such care and warmth from the Ding family.

"I could tell that you were born to be an actress. You also brought the best actress to the audience, so don't say thank you. You should be thanking yourself."

After director Bao Hua finished, he sighed, "You were still a child back then, but your attitude towards learning was even more serious than an adult actor. The actress who played your aunt praised you for being a dedicated little actress. She wanted to throw you to the ground in that scene, but she was too nervous and didn't pass this scene. You were thrown by her more than ten times, but you didn't cry out in pain at all, nor did you cry out that you were tired. Even my heart ached when I saw it."

These memories were already a little blurry. Ding Shan smiled embarrassedly and said to Bao Hua, "Teacher Bao Hua, after filming the variety show, I would like to come and see you. Are you still in Beijing?"

"Where can these old bones of mine run to? Just focus on recording your variety show. I'll continue watching it. Oh, right, I'm preparing for a new drama next year. Come and look for me then. I'll show

you the script. There are a few roles that suit you. I'm thrilled that you're still planning to stay in this industry. This industry is getting increasingly reckless, and they need down-to-earth and hardworking actors like you." Teacher Bao Hua said emotionally.

When she heard Teacher Bao Hua's words, Ding Shan's heart started thumping. Teacher Bao Hua was going to film a new movie.

In today's era, where popularity is booming, younger audience members might not be familiar with Teacher Bao Hua's name. But in the entertainment industry, whenever Teacher Bao Hua was mentioned, he was a Big Shot.

There was once a movie king who had won two international awards. To act as the third male lead in Teacher Bao Hua's movie, he had specially gone to Teacher Bao Hua's house seven times.

Teacher Bao Hua was very accomplished among the third-generation directors in the country. Many famous fourth and fifth-generation young directors had received guidance and help from him.

Every time director Bao Hua filmed a new movie, more than a dozen top directors would personally step forward to help him promote it.

## Chapter 327. A Perfect Ending

And now, director Bao Hua has invited her to pick a role in his new film! She could choose a role that others could only dream of.

Ding Shan felt so happy that she was about to faint.

She was glad that she had made the call tonight. Although director Bao Hua had a good impression of her and had even watched the variety shows she had participated in, as a director with such a high status, he couldn't take the initiative to ask a young actress like her to audition. If she had not made the call, she would probably not have had the chance to participate in director Bao Hua's new movie.

Ding Shan calmed her excited mood and put this matter in her heart.

The night was getting darker and darker, and the first episode of "Idol Creation Camp" was coming to an end.

There was no doubt that tonight was a night of revelry. A phenomenal talent show had attracted the attention of audiences all over the country. Because of the participation of five very famous coaches, many audiences who did not like talent shows even began to pay attention to this variety show.

When the 100 trainees finished their performance, the audience thought the show was about to end.

But at this moment, the host suddenly said, "The 100 students participating in this year's preliminary selection have already finished the mutual selection with our five instructors. Seeing so many outstanding students regret not meeting our instructors earlier, I'm also sincerely happy for everyone. However, the Festival Group has prepared a surprise for everyone. A mysterious Person X will be participating in our competition!"

With the appearance of Mysterious Person X, the bullet screen set off a crazy wave.

"It's out; it's out! Oh my God, who is this? Which company are you from? He's too handsome!"

"Where did the Festival Group find such a handsome guy? Is this a beauty that a human can possess?"

Mysterious Person X walked to the center of the stage, his eyes cold with a hint of arrogance. Other trainees would more or less be a little nervous when they went on stage, but he treated the stage like his living room.

When she saw the Mysterious Person X appear, Ding Shan subconsciously wanted to look away, but her eyes seemed to have their thoughts as they followed the man in the picture.

Mysterious X did not perform like the other trainees. His mysterious identity caused a heated discussion among the audience. For a while, some people guessed that this Mysterious Person X was the second generation of a rich man or a star. Some people felt that the appearance of Mysterious man X was unfair to the other trainees.

In the audience's discussion, the first episode of the show came to an end.

Seven Hot Searches, more than 200 million people participating in the discussion, and a new record for viewership ratings on tomato network this year ... Ding Shan felt Yin Hui was probably going crazy with joy.

Looking at Weibo's background page showed that her fans were also increasing; Ding Shan heaved a sigh of relief, and a smile appeared on her face.

It seemed that after this variety show ended, her popularity would increase.

At the same time, there was someone who could not laugh at all.

"Didn't you say that Ding Shan's singing was average? Do you know how popular her song is on music websites now? It's already in second place on the new song chart! Why didn't you tell me which song Ding Shan was singing earlier?" Du Bing's angry voice came from the phone.

Chen Tong's face darkened. "You didn't ask me! I think that song was terrible. It's childish and old-fashioned. I don't understand why all those people praise her for singing well!"

"Haven't you watched Little City Girl? Don't you know how popular this drama was back then? At that time, everyone around me was talking about this drama, and almost everyone in the country knew Ding Shan's name! And this song had set a record for sales back then! Chen Tong, I don't know if I should call you ignorant or stupid!" Du Bing seemed to be about to faint from anger.

Chen Tong's mood was already very irritable, and now that she was going to be scolded by Du Bing, her mood suddenly worsened.

"She's just an outdated female star ..." Chen Tong said through gritted teeth.

"Shut up! Is Ding Shan outdated? The number of people following her Weibo topic has already surpassed yours! Not to mention the ordinary audience who have watched 'Little City Girl'. They are her potential fans. I don't want to explain this to you. Anyway, don't get into conflicts with her in the show's recording. She's very popular now, and if you go against her, you'll only die!" Du Bing hung up the phone.

Chen Tong turned off her phone and took a deep breath. The muscles on her face were tense.

At this moment, the assistant rushed in and said in a flustered tone, "Sister Chen, bad news!"

Chapter 328. Best Friend of The Brand

"What's the matter?" Chen Tong's tone was murderous. The assistant trembled and stuttered, "Kaipuu just posted on Weibo, announcing that Ding Shan has become a close friend of Kaipuu's brand.

"What did you say? Can you repeat that?" Chen Tong sat up from her seat and looked at her assistant in disbelief.

Kaipuu was the top luxury brand in country Y. It was established in the 1930s and advocated novelty, excitement, and bold innovation. Kaipuu had always been at the forefront of fashion, unlike many other fashion brands living off their old capital. Kaipuu had always been committed to changing people's desire for luxury and the pursuit of novelty.

As many international luxury brands had shifted their focus to the general public, Kaipuu insisted on a non-commercial design and never compromised on the price. Currently, Kaipuu is one of the most expensive high-end luxury brands, and its pioneer ideology has been carried out since the beginning of the brand.

Chen Tong couldn't understand why such a high-end luxury brand would choose Ding Shan.

The few superstars in Chen Tong's company usually couldn't even borrow a Kaipuu haute couture piece. This brand never dealt with famous stars; the spokesmen were all top actors and actresses who had won top international awards. Logically speaking, at Ding Shan's level, she couldn't come into contact with a brand like Kaipuu.

After Chen Tong recovered from her shock, her face turned pale. The assistant was so scared that she quickly held her and comforted her in a low voice, "It's okay, sister Chen. She's just a close friend of the brand. She's not even the Ambassador or spokesperson for a single product. I guess she was just lucky enough to be chosen by Kaipuu ...

Chen Tong pushed her assistant away. Her eyes were red, and she shouted in a hoarse voice, "Good luck? What kind of luck was this? Our entire company can't even borrow a single piece of Kaipu's haute couture, and she, a popular celebrity, has become a close friend of Kaipuu's brand?"

Even if she was only a close friend of the brand, not even a spokesperson, this meant that the operations company of the Kaipuu Asia Pacific brand had recognized Ding Shan.

With Kaipuu's approval, Ding Shan's fashion industry status would significantly improve. Some other big brands might even consider looking for Ding Shan as their spokesperson after seeing that Kaipuu had approached her.

Chen Tong knew very well that the Rose Princess she was wearing was not lent to her by Shula. Any of the major international brands had not recognized her, but Ding Shan had suddenly become a close friend of the Kaipuu brand ...

On the internet, the news of Ding Shan becoming a close friend of the Kaipuu brand has also attracted the attention of some fashion bloggers.

For ordinary people, a high-end luxury brand like Kaipuu was still too far away. Many people didn't even know what brand Kaipuu was, but some fashion bloggers knew the value of being a friend of the brand.

Although Ding Shan was very popular in the past, she didn't get the favor of fashion brands, so these fashion bloggers didn't pay attention to her. They only classified her as "A popular star" and didn't think she was a solid female star with brand value or Commercial Appeal.

This time, Ding Shan and Kaipuu's first clash caused sparks to fly, and it was only then that they started to notice this extremely popular female star in the country.

Many fashion bloggers reposted the official Weibo post of Kaipuu. Someone even analyzed, "Ding Shan has gained Kaipuu's recognition. It's a good starting point. Although it's still challenging to be the spokesperson of Kaipuu, she might be able to get the favor of other big brands in the future.

Although the ordinary netizens did not understand the significance of Ding Shan and Kaipuu's first collaboration, they were very interested in the poster of Ding Shan posted by Kaipuu's officials.

In the poster, Ding Shan was wearing thick and cold makeup. Her eyes looked extremely sharp, and her highly saturated lipstick made her look beautiful and dangerous.

This photo was full of tension, and Ding Shan's temperament was very different from before. This proved that Ding Shan was a female star with great flexibility and expressiveness.

Ding Shan's fans were as happy as the new year. As fans, the most comfortable thing was seeing their idol's beautiful photos every day. Not to mention that Ding Shan had an excellent performance in "Idol Creation Camp" and was currently very famous in the music industry.

#### Chapter 329. The Fake Gown

The fans, who had been waiting so long, seemed to have returned to life after suffering. However, they did not become arrogant because of their happiness. They only admired their idol's unparalleled beauty in their small circle and did not go anywhere on the internet to disturb other netizens.

Yang Lu, who was doing her makeup, was chewing gum while scrolling through her phone. She shook her head slowly. "Ding Shan's fans are too obedient. If it were me, I'd show off in front of Chen Tong's fans a hundred times and give them a good slap in the face."

Yang Lu had seen how Chen Tong's fans had mocked Ding Shan. Although she didn't like Ding Shan, she hated how Chen Tong's fans did things. She even reported a few fan accounts that said disgusting things.

Yang Lu's assistant, Nancy, smiled. "Ding Shan's fans are just like her; they're all very cultured."

"You seem to like Ding Shan." Yang Lu turned her head and raised her eyebrows. "I'm in a competitive relationship with her. How can you help an outsider?"

"I watched 'Little City Girl' when I was in school, so of course, I'm biased towards her, " Nancy said. "But don't worry, I'll still stand by your side if you have a conflict with Ding Shan."

Yang Lu seemed to have thought of something and chuckled, "She's not the kind of person who likes to cause trouble. She didn't fight with Chen Tong because she didn't want to bother her."

Nancy was a little surprised. She knew Yang Lu and Ding Shan were fighting for the Best Actress award. She also knew that Yang Lu had been stabbed many times by Ding Shan's manager. However, from Yang Lu's tone, she didn't seem to hate Ding Shan that much.

"You sound like you're complimenting her. Why? You don't hate her anymore?" Nancy said.

"In the past, all those disgusting things were done by her manager, Yang Hua. In the Ding family, she was just like a puppet. Why should I be calculative with her? Do I look like such a petty person?" Yang Lu rolled her eyes. Her facial features were beautiful, and even when she rolled her eyes, there was still a flirtatious charm.

Someone knocked on the door. After opening the door, the company staff handed over a box. "This is the evening gown. Wear this."

After saying that, the staff member closed the door and left.

Nancy opened the gift box and looked at the clothes with confusion. Then she touched the material of the clothes, and her face suddenly changed.

"What's wrong?" Yang Lu walked over and asked.

"The clothes have been changed. This isn't the one sent by the brand. I've seen that one before. It doesn't feel like this under natural light." Nancy's face turned pale.

Yang Lu also frowned. She touched the material of the clothes and was silent for a while. Then, she put down her hand. "You can't wear this."

She was attending a charity party tonight, and many celebrities would attend. She also had to be interviewed by reporters. If people discovered that she wore fake clothes, her reputation in the entertainment industry would be entirely ruined.

"These disgusting things! Not only did he take a commission, but he even dared to send a fake gown over!" Nancy could guess that the actual gown must have been sold.

Yang Lu sat back in her chair, feeling a little annoyed. She took out a cigarette, lit it, and took a puff. In the smoke, her charming eyes revealed a trace of coldness. "Go and ask Anthony if he has any extra dresses. If he does, help me borrow one."

Anthony was a stylist who had worked with Yang Lu before. He had a good network in the circle, and the two could be considered half-friends.

Annoyed, Nancy put the dress back into the box. "Okay, I'll go and borrow it." After a few seconds of silence, Nancy said helplessly, "When will such days end?"

"End? I've signed a seven-year contract with the company, and if I cancel it, I'll have to disappear from the entertainment industry for three years. I can't act in any shows, and I can't appear in the public eye. You know what that means to a celebrity." Yang Lu took a deep puff of the cigarette. The pungent smell made her eyes turn red. She put out the cigarette and said, "Don't overthink it. Haven't we been through this for the past two years?"

Yang Lu looked at Nancy and said apologetically, "I'm sorry. You don't have to suffer with me."

After all, Nancy had not signed a contract with the company.

"I'm not an ungrateful person. I'm going to get angry if you repeat such things." Nancy smiled. "Okay, I'll go and borrow the dress. You can rest for a while."

## Chapter 330. Sponsor

Xiao Zhao sighed in relief when she saw no problems with the comments on Kaipuu's official Weibo.

Initially, she was worried that Chen Tong's fans would go to Kaipuu to announce that Ding Shan's Weibo had gone overboard. With Chen Tong's crazy fans, it was entirely possible that they would do something like that.

"Sister Shan, you're so proud now. Chen Tong's fans were mocking your fashion resources, but what happened? Let's see if her fans still dare to say that now." Xiao Zhao held her phone and laughed so hard that she couldn't close her mouth.

Ding Shan smiled faintly, not taking this matter to heart.

Thinking of something, a look of hesitation and doubt flashed across Ding Shan's face. After some thought, she asked Zhao, "Zhao, did Jeff contact you directly?"

"Yeah, I was also a little surprised at that time. I almost thought that the other party was a scammer. Who knew that Kaipuu sent them?" When Xiao Zhao thought of this, he felt it was unreal. "Sister Shan, I didn't expect that your fame would attract the attention of Kaipuu."

Ding Shan slowly shook her head. She knew that although she was pretty popular now, it was far from enough for a top fashion brand like Kaipuu to extend an olive branch to her.

"I think there might be some inside story. Do you remember? Jeff was casual with me when he signed the contract with us." It wasn't that Ding Shan was psychologically weak. She just felt that if Kaipuu wanted to work with her, Jeff wouldn't be so casual about it. It was as if he didn't care about her at all and had only come to complete a mission.

Jeff must have known that Ding Shan was trying to climb the social ladder by becoming a close friend of Kaipuu's brand. He probably didn't think highly of a famous star like Ding Shan. After all, most of the people who endorsed Kaipuu were top stars who had won international awards.

"It does seem like it, but that doesn't mean anything. It's normal for the staff of a big brand like Kaipuu to be a little arrogant." Xiao Zhao consoled Ding Shan, "Sister Shan, don't mind his attitude. When you're more famous in the future, you can choose any endorsement for any big brand you want!"

Ding Shan smiled. She didn't take Jeff's attitude to heart, but she felt that this cooperation with Kaipuu was a little strange.

"I hope I'm overthinking it." Ding Shan couldn't understand, so she stopped thinking about it.

"By the way, sister Shan, the sponsor has invited you to dinner tonight. They said they wanted to talk to you about the endorsement deal. Do you want to go?" Xiao Zhao flipped through the memo and reminded Ding Shan.

There were a total of three sponsors for 'Idol Creation Camp.' The one who invited Ding Shan to talk about cooperation was a beverage brand called the golden sun. This brand was well-known in the country and could be considered a household name. If the other party were sincere in discussing the endorsement with Ding Shan, the endorsement fee would probably not be low.

Ding Shan took a sip of water and asked Xiao Zhao, "What do you think?"

Xiao Zhao knew that Ding Shan must have her thoughts and asked her to test her. Xiao Zhao suddenly sat up straight and seriously thought for a while before saying, "The other party must have taken a fancy to your current popularity, sister Shan. Moreover, you've now accepted the endorsement deal with Kaipuu, so there will only be more big brands looking for you in the future, and the endorsement fee will also increase. As sponsors of variety shows, it's a brilliant choice for them to approach you to discuss cooperation at this time.

Ding Shan nodded. Xiao Zhao smiled and continued, "The other party's offer should be pretty good as well, but I feel that sister Shan doesn't seem to care much about money right now. If you want to make money quickly, when it comes to choosing scripts, you should directly choose those idol dramas and Xianxia (Leisure) dramas that offer high prices.

Xiao Zhao's analysis was very organized. Ding Shan smiled with satisfaction. Xiao Zhao seemed to be working hard to become a qualified manager.

Xiao Zhao thought for a moment and added, "Also, there was some news about this drink some time ago. Although it didn't blow up, who knows if there will be more in the future? So, I think it's fine even if we don't discuss this cooperation."

"You're right, but I still have to go since they've invited me. After all, I'm the program's coach, and they're the sponsors, so I have to give them some face. The other party came to me in good faith to work with me. If I reject them directly, I will offend them and be more troublesome if news of me being a Big Shot gets out." Ding Shan sighed. "Get ready."