

**Chapter 351: A full sense of accomplishment (2)**

After Xia ruofei was done with Mo Lan, he took a look around the space. The vegetable field that had been opened up was now full of iron – Skin dendrobes. These iron – Skin dendrobes, which would take two to three years to harvest in the outside world, grew extremely quickly in the original space. Xia ruofei estimated that they should be fully mature in about twenty days. This was a pure wild Ironhide d vessel from beiyan mountain. Its quality was much better than the Ironhide maple that he saw at Tongren Hall in Qiantang city. When he harvested the Ironhide, Xia ruofei would earn a lot of money. Of course, before that, he still needed to turn the Dendrobium candida into iron – skinned Kaede Kasaya. Only by making the finished product could he maximize the benefits. Naturally, Xia ruofei did not understand the skills of making iron – hide kaedeums. He was considering whether he should hire an experienced master with a high salary. Fortunately, there was still a lot of time, so there was no need to rush. Moreover, the spirit map space was the world’s best preservation means. If he could not find the right person to help him make the iron – Skin Dendrobium at the moment, Xia ruofei could just store the iron – Skin Dendrobium in the space first and wait for the right time to make it. He wasn’t short of money at the moment anyway. As for purchasing jade stones to upgrade the spirit map space, the money earned by tin fengdou was far from enough. Even now, when Xia ruofei thought about the large amount of jade stones he would need to upgrade the spirit map space again, he would feel a headache. The last upgrade had already cost him a lot of effort. If he wanted to upgrade it again this time, the cost would probably double or even increase by several times. The spirit map space was a bottomless pit! No matter how fast Xia ruofei earned money, he still felt that it was not enough to spend. However, he couldn’t resist the temptation of leveling up, especially the mysterious stone tablet in the new space and the little golden man’s wonderful movements in the stone tablet. It made Xia ruofei’s heart itch. Only by continuously upgrading the spirit map space would the secrets hidden in the stone tablet be revealed bit by bit. Xia ruofei smiled bitterly and shook his head. He decided not to think about upgrading the space for the time being. He continued to patrol the space. The Phoebe zhennan tree had been cut down and sold to elder Tang. This precious wood had also been exchanged for 51% of the shares of a high – Quality farm in Australia. The small tree that was cut from the Golden Phoebe nanmu branch had now become a forest. In Xia ruofei’s eyes, this was undoubtedly a money – making forest. Of course, these Phoebe zhennan trees were still too small. The growth rate of the Phoebe zhennan was extremely slow. Even in the original space where time flowed 30 times faster and under the nourishment of the rich spiritual energy, it would take a long time for them to grow to the extent of the wood that was sold a few days ago. Beside the Phoebe zhennan forest was a ginseng field. Back then, Xia ruofei had considered the problem of cutting down Phoebe zhennan trees in the future and did not plant the ginseng under the shade. Ginseng liked the shade. If it was in the outside world, the best environment to grow in was naturally under big trees and in the grass. However, there was no need to consider this in the spirit map space. Each of the ginsengs was growing extremely well, and many of them had borne red seeds. From afar, it was a red scene, which was also a spectacular sight. These were all top – grade wild ginseng! In terms of value, all of these ginsengs would probably be worth an astronomical figure. Unfortunately, the rarer something was, the more expensive it would be. Releasing so much wild ginseng at once would definitely cause a huge fluctuation in the market price of wild ginseng, and it might even attract people with ill intentions to covet it. Hence, Xia ruofei could only occasionally sell two or three when he was in urgent need of money. However, this wild ginseng was an extremely precious

tonic. It was not bad to keep it for personal use or to give it as a gift. Besides, these ginseng leaves did not need Xia ruofei's care. They had already grown in a large area naturally, so Xia ruofei did not have to worry about them. Next to the ginseng field was the newly – grown tea garden. Of course, there were only 12 of them at the moment. However, when these tea trees grew a little bigger, Xia ruofei would use their branches to cut again. Soon, an entire tea forest would be formed in the interspace. These were all cut from the strips of paper on the world – famous mother tree, Da Hong Pao. Furthermore, they had been nourished by the rich spirit Qi in this Space day and night. When the time came, the tea leaves picked from these tea trees would definitely be of the highest quality. Xia ruofei also attached great importance to these tea trees. He even specially arranged for ye Lingyun to learn the art of making tea. Xia ruofei was acquainted with many old men. Elder song, MA Xiong, elder Tang ... Each and every one of them was a tea lover. After these high – quality tea leaves were made into Da Hong Pao, it would be a good gift to give. In the end, he went to the nameless plant and carefully put away the petals of the strange flower that had been produced today. Then, he carefully observed them for a while. The nameless plant was still the same. Xia ruofei had been in the spirit map space for so long, but he could barely feel its growth. However, a new bulge had appeared in the position of the two Spirit fruits he had harvested last time. This was the form of the spirit fruits that had just been born. After a period of waiting, Xia ruofei would be able to obtain two more spiritual fruits. Thinking of this spiritual fruit, Xia ruofei felt that it should be very precious, but he did not know what magical effects it had. Now that he had already collected three spirit fruits, his curiosity was getting more and more intense, and he was also a little tempted. However, she resisted the urge to eat a spiritual fruit and went to the new space with a thought. The flow of time in this new space was exactly the same as the outside world, so the changes were naturally not as big as the original space. Blackie and a few other puppies were playing in the vast space. When they saw Xia ruofei, they wagged their tails and surrounded him happily. Xia ruofei chuckled as he squatted down and picked up the fastest one, Blackie. Although Blacky could still be considered a puppy, it was about the same size as an adult dog in the outside world. Moreover, its fur was glossy and smooth, and its muscles were well – proportioned and well – defined. One look and one could tell that it was very fierce and full of explosive power. After playing with the puppies for a while, Xia ruofei carried Blackie and got into the all – terrain vehicle. He stepped on the gas pedal and ran one round in the space, satisfying his racing addiction. There were no illegal surveillance cameras in this space, and there would not be any sudden accidents. The all – terrain vehicle's passing performance was very strong, and even a little bump would not be bumpy, so Xia ruofei could run as fast as he wanted. Other than xiaohei and the rest, there were also some oak trees in the new space. Xia ruofei had moved them from the original space to cultivate truffles. Although these oak trees had not grown much, each of them was growing well and full of vitality. The other thing was the large iron cage that occupied an area of more than 100 square meters. Inside it were fierce Hornets. These Hornets had all recovered to their peak condition after a few days of rest. Xia ruofei had put in a lot of grasshoppers and other insects to build a small ecosystem. The Hornets were naturally at the top of the food chain in this exclusive territory. These Hornets seemed to have grown bigger and were much fiercer than when Xia ruofei first met them. Xia ruofei tried and realized that he could control hundreds of Hornets with his mind. He was improving every day and the number of Hornets he could control was increasing. If Xia ruofei released a hundred Hornets, it would be a terrifying force. Even if Xia ruofei was in the Army, he would not have a chance to survive such a large – scale attack. The hidden card in Xia ruofei's hand was getting stronger and stronger. Xia ruofei felt a sense of achievement after walking around. It had been less than a year since he had obtained the spirit map scroll. The spirit map space had been a small piece of lifeless land

at the beginning, but now it had developed into a prosperous scene. After Xia ruofei finished his inspection, he finally left the spirit map space in satisfaction. Very quickly, three days passed in the blink of an eye. Xia ruofei brought the pot of Mo Lan, which had been nurtured in the medium for three months, and drove away from Taoyuan farm once again, heading in the direction of the San Shan city.

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The southeast province Flower Fair was held in the new campus of the southeast Agriculture and Forestry University in the University City in the western suburbs of Sanshan city. The Agriculture and Forestry University had the home – court advantage, and they had the advantage of their major, so they were determined to win the gold Prize of the fair. After Xia ruofei left Taoyuan farm, he quickly got on the highway. He followed this road and went around half of three mountains city, only getting off the highway when he reached the exit of western suburbs university town. After getting off the swirling highway, the car quickly arrived at the University town. This was where all the universities in Sanshan city were located. Of course, this place was given the name “new campus” because, in the early years, there was no unified planning. The universities in Sanshan city were scattered in different parts of the city. Later, the government unified and acquired a large piece of land in the suburbs, and these universities gradually began to move here. The University of Agriculture and Forestry was located in a relatively remote area. Xia ruofei drove past the normal University, the medical University, and the Sanshan University. Finally, he could see the entrance of the Agriculture and Forestry University from afar. It was very lively at the university today. From time to time, buses with different University emblems would drive in and out. These were all people who came to participate in the flower exhibition. Not only would the universities in Sanshan city participate, but universities from other parts of the southeast province, such as the famous Heron Island University, would also send students to participate. Xia ruofei didn’t drive to join in the fun. There was a long row of parking spaces by the road outside the school gate. He found an empty space and parked his car. After swiping his card, he carried the pot of orchids and walked to the main gate of the University. Xia ruofei, Lu You, and Jiang Yue had agreed to meet at the East Gate of the Sanshan University. Today, the entrance of Agriculture and Forestry University was also very lively. In addition to Xia ruofei, there were also many students carrying all kinds of flowers into the campus. Before Xia ruofei could spot Lu You and the rest, Jiang Yue was the first to spot Xia ruofei. She waved her hands excitedly and shouted, “Brother Xia! We’re here ...” Xia ruofei followed the sound and saw Lu You, Jiang Yue, Xia Cheng from the landscaper club, and a few other students standing together. They were obviously waiting for him. Hence, he quickly walked toward Lu You and the others. There were several pots of flowers that Sanshan University had brought to the exhibition this time, but those pots were basically there to make up the numbers. Only the pot of Molan in Xia ruofei’s hands was their trump card. That was why even Xia Cheng, the president of the gardening club, was waiting for Xia ruofei at the school gate. Because the entire gardening club’s hope was pinned on Xia ruofei. Xia ruofei realized that other than the core members of the horticultural church, Peng Hui and you Jun had also followed him. When the two of them saw Xia ruofei, their faces were cold and their eyes were deliberately looking elsewhere. Xia ruofei smiled and ignored Peng Hui and you Jun. He greeted Lu You and the others. The temperature was very low today. Although the three mountains of Xuanji were located in the South, it was still cold in the late spring. Therefore, Lu You was wearing a light yellow down jacket, a hat of the same color, a scarf, and gloves today. She was wearing a pair of washed blue jeans and pink cotton boots. It could be said that she had wrapped herself up tightly. Jiang Yue, on the other hand, was wearing a light yellow long cotton jacket, a wool hat, a

scarf, and gloves. After standing in the cold wind for a while, the two girls 'Small Faces' blushed, making them look even more beautiful. In addition, the clothes they were wearing matched well, like two sisters blooming in the cold wind. The college students walking back and forth couldn't help but look stunned, especially the boys. The timid ones couldn't help but sneak a few more glances, while the bold ones directly came forward to strike up a conversation. However, they were all coldly rejected by Lu You. They could not even say a word. Xia ruofei was also an ordinary person. The moment he saw Lu You's Jiang Yue, his eyes naturally lit up. Xia ruofei's stunning gaze was captured by Jiang Yue's sharp senses. Her face blushed slightly, but her heart was as sweet as if it had fallen into a jar of honey. "Big brother Xia, how's the pot of Mo Lan?" Jiang Yue pouted and asked, "can you beat yang suhe from Agriculture and Forestry University?" Xia ruofei had wrapped the flower pot with a large black plastic bag so Jiang Yue and the others could not see what Mo Lan had become after Xia ruofei had nursed her back to health for three days. Xia ruofei smiled and said, "I've tried my best. As for whether I can beat Yang Su He from Agriculture and Forestry University ..." The Garden Club president, Xia Cheng, heard this and quickly said, "It doesn't matter, Mr. Xia. Whether you win or lose, just do your best!" Xia ruofei glanced at Xia Cheng and said, "President Xia, I'm not done yet ... I want to say that I'm not sure what grade this pot of Black Orchid has reached, but as for whether it can be compared to yang suhe from Agriculture and Forestry University ... I don't think it's a big problem!" "Hmph! What big words!" A cold voice rang out from behind Xia ruofei. Xia ruofei didn't need to turn around to know that the voice belonged to Chen Song from Agriculture and Forestry University. He was also the senior Chen that Peng Hui had invited to court Lu You. Xia ruofei rolled his eyes and ignored Chen Song's words without even looking back. "Let's go in!" He said to Lu You and the others.

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"Mm! Brother Xia, you still don't know where our booth is, right? I'll Take You There!" Jiang Yue said happily. The group of people tacitly ignored Chen Song and directly walked into the University. Peng Hui and you Jun were the last. After hesitating for a moment, they did not follow. They still stood beside Chen Song. Chen Song felt extremely humiliated after being ignored. His face turned pale and his lips trembled slightly. He was clearly furious. "Xia ruofei, stop!" Chen Song shouted. Chen Song's voice was very loud, and the commotion attracted the attention of some students. Everyone looked over. Xia ruofei frowned and stopped. He turned around and asked, "Do you have any advice? If you're going to teach me how to grow orchids, then save it! Let me know when you've successfully cured Mo Lan of the withered leaf disease." Xia ruofei's meaning was clear. When the Mo Lan was infected with the dry leaf disease, Chen Song could not do anything about it. However, Xia ruofei only used three days to cure Mo Lan. From this point of view, Chen Song was considered to have lost to him. How could he be qualified to talk to Xia ruofei about the orchid? "Didn't you hear what I just said?" Chen Song sneered. It seems that Your Excellency's education is limited!" "Bah! Do I have to respond to you just because you're talking to me?" Xia ruofei said mercilessly, "do you want to eat sh \* t? do I have to make you some hot sh \* t?" Xia ruofei's words were very vulgar. Lu You, Jiang Yue, and the other girls from the gardening club could not help but frown. However, they really did hate Chen Song, so they quickly covered their mouths and laughed. Xia Cheng and the other guys laughed out loud. "Big brother Xia, you're so disgusting ..." Jiang Yue rolled her eyes at Xia ruofei and said, "don't use vulgarities!" Xia ruofei showed an innocent expression and shrugged. "I've always been very civilized, but whenever I meet this student Chen, I can't help but curse. Is this the legendary saying 'one who is marked by the company of ink'?" Chen Song was so angry that his entire body was trembling. He had really never seen someone with

such a vicious mouth. After a long while, Chen Song gritted his teeth and said, "You dare to do it but don't dare to admit it? Just now, you said that you could defeat our yang suhe with that pot of mo orchid. Why did you run away after I questioned you? Are you feeling guilty?" Xia ruofei sneered, "you're asking me and I have to answer you?" We were having a good chat. Did you come? In the end, you came up and said something so boastful, so why should we respond to you? Do you think that everyone in the world is your mother? Does everyone have to indulge in your bad habits?" Then, Xia ruofei said to Lu You and the rest, "Let's go!" Xia ruofei had just turned around when Chen Song shouted from behind him, "Xia ruofei, what's the point of arguing? Since you're so confident in yourself, do you dare to bet with me on who will win the gold Prize?" Xia ruofei turned around and pouted. "Sure, I'll bet a million!" "You ..." Chen Song was suddenly angry. How could he have a million? Even if he could, he couldn't use it as a bet so rashly! One million was not a small amount. Xia ruofei shrugged and said, "if you don't have money, why are you gambling?" Could it be that you want to use that pot of Hui LAN to bet with me? I'm not interested in that. " Previously, Chen Song had brought a pot of pretty good Hui LAN to Sanshan University. He had wanted to take the opportunity to get close to Lu You, but he had not expected Xia ruofei to cure the Jade lion Mo Lan. He had been slapped in the face. Although the pot of Hui LAN was pretty good, it was still a few grades lower than the Jade lion Mo Lan. The expression on Chen song's face kept changing. It seemed like he was having an intense mental struggle. Xia ruofei lost interest. He pouted and said, "Since you can't even take out the bet, then there's nothing more to say. Bye!" "Wait!" Chen Song shouted, "I'll use this to bet with you!" Then, with red eyes, he took out a chain from his pocket. The chain was made of pure silver, and there was an object the size of a pigeon's egg hanging on it. It looked like jade but was not Jade, like stone but was not stone. The object was completely black, like a black hole, and it emitted a faint cold air. Xia ruofei's eyes flashed with surprise, but it quickly disappeared. He asked calmly, "You want to bet with me with just a silver necklace and a broken stone?" In fact, Xia ruofei was extremely excited. When Chen Song took out the silver necklace, his palm suddenly trembled ... It was the spirit painting scroll that started vibrating on its own. The last time it happened was at Lingyu house. That time, Xia ruofei found a black raw stone in a pile of low – Quality raw stones. It was this ordinary – looking black rough stone that Xia ruofei had given to the spirit map space to absorb. After absorbing the black rough stone, the spirit map space's evolution suddenly sped up by a large amount. Xia ruofei vaguely knew that the ordinary – looking black "raw stone" might not have any Jade in it. It might be something that could help the space level up faster. Today was the second time that Xia ruofei felt the spirit painting vibrating on its own. He could also feel the spirit painting's jubilant emotions. In fact, he had already made a judgment in his heart. Xia ruofei realized that the black stone in Chen song's hand was probably better than the black rough stone he had found by accident. It was such a small stone, but it could make the spirit map scroll shake non – stop. The force was so strong that it felt like it was going to break through Xia ruofei's palm. I must get this stone! Xia ruofei said in his heart. Fortunately, he had received special training. Although he was extremely excited, he did not show his emotions. On the contrary, Xia ruofei even pretended to be disdainful to prevent Chen Song from becoming suspicious. After all, Chen Song was just an inexperienced college student. How could he see the changes in Xia ruofei's emotions? "This rock of mine is not a simple thing!" He quickly said. Xia ruofei raised his eyebrows and asked, "Oh? Then tell me, what's not simple about it?" Xia ruofei also said in his heart, "Does he really know the origin of this thing? That can't be ... If he knew how precious this stone was, how could he use it as a bet?" "I got this stone by accident. Although I don't know what it is, I'm sure it's not simple!" Chen Song said. I've looked at it with a few experts, but they couldn't determine the composition of this stone. I've also taken it for testing, and its

hardness is actually the same as diamond!” Xia ruofei was relieved. It turned out that Chen Song did not know much. He had only judged that the stone was extraordinary through some other evidence. Xia ruofei pretended to be tempted and looked at the stone again. Then, he forced himself to say, “Alright then! I’ll bet with you ... But since you don’t even know what this is, I can’t bet a million with you ...” “If you lose, I want your jade lion!” Chen Song quickly said. He had already taken a fancy to this pot of jade lion when he went to Sanshan University last time. Although this pot of orchid was far inferior to the Yang – style Lotus that the University of Agriculture and Forestry had brought out to participate in the exhibition, it was definitely a very precious orchid species. Furthermore, yang suhe did not belong to Chen Song. In fact, the most precious orchid in his possession was that pot of Hui LAN. Now that he had the opportunity to obtain this pot of jade lion Mo Lan, he naturally could not wait to make such a request. Xia ruofei shook his head. “I can bet some money. But I can’t bet on this jade lion. It’s not mine.” At this moment, Lu You suddenly said, “Xia ruofei, bet with him!”

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Xia ruofei hesitated for a moment. After all, this pot of orchid did not belong to him. It would not be appropriate to use someone else’s item as a bet. Chen Song sneered when he saw this, “this junior has already agreed, what else do you have to consider?” Could it be that you’re bluffing, but you don’t actually dare to bet?” Xia ruofei was not even interested in responding to such a low – Level goading. He only glanced at Chen Song indifferently before he turned to Lu You and said with a smile, “What if I lose by accident? I can’t find an identical Mo Lan to compensate you ...” Lu You pouted. “It’s a loss. You don’t have to compensate me for the orchids.” “How can I accept that?” Xia ruofei chuckled. “If you’re embarrassed, then ...” Lu You glanced at Xia ruofei and said, “if you lose, you’ll have to compensate Yueyue by being her boyfriend!” “Youyou ...” Jiang Yue’s face was red with embarrassment. She clenched her teeth and bashfully hit Lu You. You Jun, who was standing at the side, was almost on fire when he heard this. He was an admirer of Jiang Yue and had been pursuing her for a long time. Through these few interactions, even a fool could tell that Jiang Yue had feelings for Xia ruofei. Naturally, you Jun had also felt it long ago. Xia ruofei was even more dumbfounded. He thought to himself, this miss Lu really dares to say anything! He actually ... Lu You pouted and said, “alright!” I was just joking with you! If you want to bet, then bet. Anyway, if you lose, it’s on me, and if you win, you can have it!” “No additional conditions?” Xia ruofei asked carefully. “I’ll go back on my word if you continue ...” Lu You glared at him and said. “I’ll bet on it!” Xia ruofei said firmly. Then, he looked at Chen Song and asked, “Speak! What kind of bet?” Chen song’s eyes revealed a trace of joy. He quickly calmed his mind and said proudly, “It’s very simple. Your jade lion ...” Chen Song looked at the flower pot in Xia ruofei’s hand that was covered by a big black plastic bag. He said cautiously, “That’s right, there’s a condition. The pot of flowers you’re holding must be the pot of Molan from three days ago. If you change it to another flower, then the bet is void!” “Don’t worry!” Xia ruofei laughed. It was the pot of Mo Lan from three days ago! If I switch, don’t void the bet this time, just consider it my loss!” Only then did Chen Song nod his head in relief. He continued, “Then there’s no problem. The rules are very simple, your pot of jade lion and the Yang family’s lotus flower that our school is exhibiting, whoever wins the gold Prize.” Xia ruofei raised his eyebrows and said, “what if they don’t get the gold Prize?” I heard that there are three silver prizes in this exhibition. What if both pots of flowers win the silver Prize?” “This is impossible!” Chen Song said without hesitation, “if our Yang family’s Su He can’t win the gold medal, then no pot of flowers in this exhibition is qualified to win the gold medal!” Xia ruofei couldn’t help but laugh. “According to what you’ve said, there’s no need to make this bet! You’ve already decided on the

gold Prize, so we should just give you this pot of mo orchid ...” The students of Sanshan University’s Garden Club could not help but burst into laughter. Although Xia Cheng and the others were not confident at all, this matter had already involved the face of Sanshan University’s and Agriculture and Forestry University’s gardening club. It could even be said that it had escalated to a battle between the two schools. Naturally, everyone had a common enemy. Chen Song’s expression turned ugly. However, in terms of eloquence, he was far inferior to Xia Ruofei. Just now, Xia Ruofei’s “everyone in the world is your mother” had choked him so much that he could not speak for a long time. Xia Ruofei shrugged. “I’ll still say the same thing. Since we’re going to bet, we should make the rules clear first. This is called ‘gentleman comes after villain’. Otherwise, it’ll be meaningless to wrangle in the end.” “Hmph!” Chen Song coldly snorted. “As you wish then. This time, we’ll win a higher prize than the other two pots. If they win the same prize, then we’ll ask the organizing committee of the Expo to give a higher prize for the two pots of flowers!” Xia Ruofei snapped his fingers and said, “Couldn’t you have said so earlier? I’ll bet! Take good care of that strange stone of yours. Don’t lose and be unable to take out the bet!” “Leave this sentence for yourself!” Chen Song sneered. “Help me take care of this jade lion!” After he finished speaking, Chen Song flicked his sleeves and left. “Big brother Xia, this man is really arrogant!” Jiang Yue looked at Chen Song’s back and said unhappily, “It’s as if they’re going to win for sure ...” Xia Cheng, on the other hand, looked worried and said, “Mr. Xia, I heard that the Yang family’s lotus flower in the exhibition is a rare treasure. Our jade lion ...” Xia Ruofei laughed in a relaxed manner. “It’s fine. This pot of flowers belongs to Lu You anyway. I won’t lose anything if I lose ...” Xia Cheng and the others were sweating profusely ... Lu You couldn’t help but roll her eyes and cast a sidelong glance at Xia Ruofei without hesitation. They started to walk toward the campus of Agriculture and Forestry University. The southeast province University flower exhibition was held once every two years. It had been held five times, and this year was the sixth. The universities in the southeast province took turns hosting the exhibition, and it happened to be the Agriculture and Forestry University’s turn this time. At first, the flower Fair was just an exchange event between the gardening clubs and other student clubs of various universities. As the number of events increased, its influence increased day by day. Every opening would have many journalists interviewing them, and the universities also paid more and more attention to it.

## **Chapter 355: The opening of the Expo – Part 2**

The exhibition was held in the stadium of the University of Agriculture and Forestry. The new campuses of these universities occupied a large area, and the construction standards were very high. The stadium of the University of Agriculture and Forestry had a Basketball Hall, volleyball Hall, Badminton Hall, and so on. For the flower exhibition, some of the temporary stands had been removed, and the exhibition area was more than 6000 square meters. The exhibition area of Sanshan University was in the largest basketball court. Yesterday, Xia Cheng had already brought the students from the gardening club over to set up the display booth. In fact, according to the rules, all the flowers and plants for the exhibition should have arrived yesterday. However, Xia Ruofei wanted Mo Lan to absorb as much spiritual energy as possible, so he had delayed it until today. This was originally an exchange between the school’s clubs, and the pot of mo orchid had been reported in advance, so it was not a big problem to bring it over on the opening day. Very quickly, Xia Ruofei, Lu You, and the others arrived at the three mountains University’s booth. Since the Agriculture and Forestry University was the host of this exhibition, their booth was naturally in the best position, which was the most eye – catching position in the center of the basketball court. The booths of Heron Island University, Sanshan University, Southeast Normal University, and other top – ranked universities in the province were also concentrated in the main

exhibition hall, but their positions were slightly further away from the booths of Agriculture and Forestry University, forming a circle of stars surrounding the moon. This was something that couldn't be helped. The game still paid attention to the home – court advantage! Xia Cheng looked at the exquisitely decorated display booth of the University of Agriculture and Forestry not far away, and she couldn't help but look worried. The flowers at the exhibition stand of the University of Agriculture and Forestry were all in place. Several news reporters were surrounding them for interviews, and some photographers were taking photos of the flowers on the stand. Xia Cheng recognized that the person being interviewed was none other than Meng Zhou, the president of the gardening club of the Agriculture and Forestry University. Two years ago, when the last flower exhibition was held at the southeast Normal University, Xia Cheng was still the Vice President of the gardening club. The pot of water fairy he sent to the exhibition was defeated by a pot of Lotus from Meng Zhou, and in the end, he only won the bronze prize. That year's gold medal was won by the host, Dongnan Normal University. Compared to two years ago, the president of the Garden Club of Agriculture and Forestry University, Meng Zhou, was more mature. Facing the reporters' cameras, he didn't have stage fright at all, and he spoke with a confident smile on his face. "We're here at this exhibition with the intention of learning. The flowers and plants exhibited by our brother school are all very good. There are many things we can learn from them." Meng Zhou said to the reporter. "Then, what are your expectations for the potted flowers in the garden Club of Agriculture and Forestry University?" The young female reporter asked. "Of course, we hope to win the gold Prize. Even though the purpose of raising the flowers is for Tao Ye's sentiment, getting a good ranking is also a kind of affirmation to us!" Meng Zhou said, "in order to participate in this exhibition, we have done a lot of preparation work in advance. I believe that heaven rewards the diligent. We will definitely get a good result!" When Xia Cheng heard this, she didn't have the mood to continue listening. Xia Cheng and Meng Zhou were quite familiar with each other. He knew that Meng Zhou was actually a very low – Key person. The fact that Meng Zhou could say such things to the news reporters showed that they were really confident this time. Xia ruofei had already placed the pot of orchid on the stage. The background of the three mountains University's booth was a very distinctive LOGO with the word "fortune", which was also the symbol of the three mountains University. The entire exhibition stand exuded an atmosphere despite its simplicity. Seven or eight pots of flowers were placed on it in a picturesque disorder. Under the illumination of a few spotlights, they looked somewhat graceful and charming. The most eye – catching spot in the middle of the booth was naturally reserved for the pot of Black Orchid. It was unknown if Xia ruofei had done it on purpose, but the pot of orchid was still half – covered in the black bag with the lute, not revealing its true appearance. Xia Cheng's eyes couldn't help but land on the display stand of the University of Agriculture and Forestry not far away. At the same time, the pot of flowers at the most eye – catching position was also blocked. Without a doubt, it should be the Yang family's pure lotus. On this point, Xia ruofei and the other party were somewhat in agreement. The purpose was nothing more than to maintain a sense of mystery. In addition, the exhibition had not officially started yet, so the exhibition area was full of students from various high school art clubs who had come in advance to make arrangements. They probably did this to prevent others from prying into their information. After all, they could still change the flowers before the exhibition started. Xia ruofei moved a chair and sat beside the exhibition stage with a relaxed expression. The students of the gardening club had gone to visit the exhibition area in advance. Lu You and Jiang Yue wanted to see Mo Lan's true appearance, but Xia ruofei did not want to reveal the secret so early. Thus, the two of them simply went to visit the exhibition area with their classmates resentfully. The opening ceremony of the flower exhibition was about to begin. Xia Cheng and the others were



gathered at the entrance hall of the stadium to participate in the opening ceremony. Xia ruofei was not a student of Sanshan University, so he volunteered to stay and watch the exhibition. The opening ceremony was nothing more than speeches from various leaders, and the news reporters would take photos. Then, they would go to the signing office to collect the draft and transportation fees. They would go back and slightly modify it before publishing it in their respective media. Xia ruofei had no interest in such an occasion. The students were all required to participate in the opening ceremony, and the exhibition area suddenly became much quieter. However, each booth was guarded. Xia ruofei looked at the one opposite and found that it was Chen Song.

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Coincidentally, Chen Song was also looking over. Their eyes met. Chen Song revealed a cold smile and snorted as he looked away arrogantly. Xia ruofei had a faint smile on his face and ignored Chen song's hostility. Xia ruofei was more concerned about Chen song's strange stone that could make the spirit painting scroll tremble on its own than the kid. The flower exhibition, which Xia ruofei had thought was boring, finally made him more interested. Xia ruofei sat there for a while, bored. Then, he heard footsteps coming from the entrance of the basketball court. The opening ceremony ended, and the students returned to their respective display booths. According to the exhibition's schedule, before the exhibition was opened, the evaluation committee would judge all the flowers and plants that were exhibited this year and decide the first, second and third prize, which were the gold, silver, and bronze prizes that Chen Song had mentioned. As for mass voting, there was no arrangement at all. It was up to the evaluation committee. Xia ruofei welcomed such an arrangement. After all, this was the home of the Agriculture and Forestry University. Most of the students who came to visit the exhibition hall were definitely Agricultural University students. If the students who visited the exhibition had one vote each, then the other universities would not need to compete at all. The agricultural University would probably win all the gold, silver, and bronze prizes. Although the judging panel was not absolutely fair, and Agricultural University had the home – court advantage, in comparison, the current rules were as fair as possible. The members of the evaluation committee were also quite complicated. There were teachers from various universities, some industry insiders, experts, and scholars. It was said that the head of the evaluation committee was the president of the southeast province flower association, Chen dongbai. The lineup was quite luxurious. The judges would evaluate all the flowers that were exhibited and choose 30 pots of flowers that were shortlisted. Then, these 30 pots of flowers would be sent to the judges. Everyone would have a meeting to decide on a gold, three silver, and five bronze awards. The remaining 21 pots would naturally be shortlisted. All of the selection work would be completed within half a day. Then, the photos of the winning flowers, the names of the universities, the positions of the booths, and other information would be shown on the large LED screen at the entrance of the exhibition area. Moreover, the gold – award flowers also had special awards. Information about other flowers that had won the award would roll out. The gold – award flowers were directly placed at the top and had always been at the top. They did not participate in the rolling rotation. In other words, when the exhibition was officially open for visitors, all the visitors would be able to see the information of the gold – winning flower at the first moment. It was no wonder that Xia Cheng, Chen Song, and the schools that everyone represented placed so much importance on this gold medal. Xia Cheng and the others quickly returned to the booth. "Big brother Xia, the evaluation committee's experts have already started to evaluate the flowers and plants that will be exhibited," Jiang Yue said nervously. Xia ruofei chuckled and said, "Jiang Yue, relax. The first round is only to select the shortlisted flowers. If our jade lion can't even

get shortlisted, how can we compete with others?” Xia Cheng and the others had different expressions. They knew that it was not difficult to be shortlisted, but to defeat yang suhe from Agricultural University in the second round of judging and win the gold medal, the difficulty would be very high. However, now that things had come to this, he could only hope that Xia ruofei would take good care of this pot of orchid and make it undergo a complete transformation in just three days. The judging panel started from the outside, so Xia ruofei and the others waited for a while. Finally, a student from the Garden Club walked back quickly and said, “Everyone, get ready. The evaluation committee’s experts will be arriving at the main exhibition area soon!”

### **Chapter 357: An orchid in an empty valley (1)**

The main exhibition area was the basketball stadium, where the booths of several famous universities in the province were concentrated. There were also some exhibition areas on the periphery. Objectively speaking, the quality of the flowers to be exhibited was relatively poor, so the evaluation committee evaluated very quickly. Everyone knew that the main event was the few booths in the basketball Hall. “Mr. Xia, this Mo Lan ...” Xia Cheng leaned over and said. Xia ruofei looked at the pot of Mo Lan that was still covered by the black plastic cloth and smiled. “There’s no hurry. The evaluation committee hasn’t arrived yet, right?” After he finished speaking, Xia ruofei looked at the booth opposite him with a half – Smile. On the other side, Chen Song was standing next to Meng Zhou, the president of Agricultural University’s gardening club. His eyes glanced over from time to time, and he was also whispering something to Meng Zhou. Meng Zhou also looked over with a disapproving expression. Xia Cheng also noticed Chen Song and Meng Zhou. He saw that Agricultural University’s yang family’s Lotus was also not covered, so he did not say anything. After a while, a group of people escorted a white – haired old man over. There were more than a dozen people in this group, and about ten of them had blue passes hanging on their necks, which was the symbol of the conference’s judges. The few people accompanying them were the leaders of Agricultural University. Nowadays, the influence of the flower Fair was growing day by day, and the University of Agriculture and Forestry attached great importance to it. All kinds of resources were allocated to it, and the huge Stadium was directly cleared for the venue of the flower Fair. The school leaders were also experts who personally accompanied the evaluation committee. “Big brother Xia, that man is the president of the southeast flower association, Chen dongbai.” Jiang Yue whispered to Xia ruofei, “the other teachers are all famous teachers in the provincial flower and flower department.” Xia ruofei looked over. Jiang Yue was talking about the silver – haired old man. This was president Chen, who was dressed in a navy blue tang suit. He had a faint smile on his face and was talking to the people around him. He seemed to have an otherworldly demeanor. After visiting Dongnan Normal University’s booth, they went straight to the host ‘s, Xuanji Agriculture and Forestry University’s booth. Meng Zhou, the president of Agricultural University’s gardening club, immediately greeted them with a smile and very politely asked the judging panel to evaluate the progress. Chen Song, who was standing beside Meng Zhou, immediately removed the plastic cloth covering the pot of yang – style Lotus. This pot of Yang’s pure lotus that Chen Song had praised to the heavens had finally revealed its true appearance. On the other side, the students of the gardening club of Sanshan University could not help but look at the performance of the pot of yang suhe Chengcheng. It was related to whether or not Sanshan University could win this time. Moreover, Xia ruofei had just made a bet with Chen Song. Although the bet had nothing to do with them, if they lost, it would be the gardening club of Sanshan University who would lose face! Even Xia ruofei couldn’t help but turn to look. The Yang – style plain lotus leaves were thick and curved like a bow. The short and round flower

stem was covered with White Moss and emerald green vein – like patterns, and in the clamshell – like double clasps was a white and pure big round tongue, which was indeed beautiful. However, everyone only caught a glimpse of it, because the booth of the pot of yang – style plain Lotus was soon surrounded by judges, blocking their line of sight. Listening to the judges ‘praises, Xia Cheng’s expression turned ugly. Lu You and Jiang Yue also showed a hint of worry. The other students of the horticultural church were even more worried and couldn’t help but look at Xia ruofei. Xia ruofei still looked relaxed. He stood up and said, “Since it’s impossible to change the flowers on the opposite side, we should let out our potted flower to get some air ...” With that, Xia ruofei pulled the black plastic cloth off the pot of orchids. Xia Cheng and the others were stunned. It turned out that Xia ruofei had been unwilling to remove Mo Lan’s cover, not because he was trying to be mysterious, but because he was worried that the other party would change the flowers for the exhibition! Was he really that confident? Of course, this thought was also fleeting, because everyone subconsciously focused their attention on the pot of Mo Lan that they had just seen three days ago. The three mountains University’s booth fell silent in an instant. Xia Cheng, Lu You, Jiang Yue, and all the students from the gardening club at the booth were so shocked that their mouths were wide open. Their eyes were fixed on the pot of jade lion Mo Lan, and their eyes were filled with shock. Compared to three days ago, this pot of orchid had changed too much. First of all, the most obvious change was that the Molan seemed to have grown a lot. This was also the most obvious change. Whether it was the width of the leaves, the length, or the size of the entire pot of flowers, they all seemed to have grown bigger. Three days was a very short period of time for the growth of flowers, so how could there be such an obvious change? Could it be that Xia ruofei had watered this pot of flowers with a stimulant? Of course, everyone quickly denied their absurd thoughts. How could there be any stimulants that could promote Yingying’s growth? Even if there was, it was impossible to have such an immediate effect. Could it be that Xia ruofei knew Celestial Arts? In addition, after taking a closer look, everyone realized that apart from the sudden growth of a large circle, the pot of orchid’s otherworldly and Noble temperament seemed to be even more obvious. Whether it was the refreshing green leaves or the unique flowers of the Jade lion, they all had a kind of moving beauty. The poem “where does the fragrance of the room come from? the four walls are empty valleys” appeared in almost everyone’s mind. The faint fragrance came from time to time. They were clearly in a noisy Stadium, but everyone had the illusion that they were in an empty Valley enjoying the orchids.

### **Chapter 358: An orchid in an empty valley (2)**

The booth was quiet, with only the heavy breathing of everyone. “Big brother Xia ... Is ... Is this really our plant?” Jiang Yue asked after a long while. “Yeah...Xia ruofei, did you buy another pot?” Lu You could not help but ask. Xia Cheng and the other students from the gardening club were also in disbelief. Xia ruofei didn’t know whether to laugh or cry, “are you exaggerating?” This is your pot of mo orchid!” Lu You looked at some of Mo Lan’s details carefully and finally said with certainty, “That’s right, it’s really the original pot ...” In fact, everyone knew in their hearts that this pot of orchid was definitely not Xia ruofei ‘s. Although it had changed a lot, its basic form was still there. It was not as exaggerated as completely changing into two different things. It was just that this pot of orchid had undergone a complete transformation, causing everyone to subconsciously have an illusion. “Brother Xia! You’re really amazing!” Jiang Yue said excitedly. Her face was filled with adoration, and her eyes were practically shooting out little stars. Peng Hui and you Jun, on the other hand, had complicated expressions on their faces. You Jun, in particular, was so envious that he was gritting his teeth so hard that he almost broke them. Xia Cheng also said in admiration, “Mr. Xia, your methods are really amazing!

After you've nursed this jade lion, its grade has immediately increased by several levels ..." Xia ruofei smiled and asked, "so now, everyone should be more confident in winning the Gold Award, right?" Xia Cheng nodded and said, "logically speaking, in the past, this pot of Mo Lan would definitely win the gold Prize!" But it was hard to say now ... He didn't know how yang suhe was doing at Agricultural University. It seems like the judges "evaluation is quite high!" Even though Mo Lan's performance had given Xia Cheng a huge surprise, yang suhe, who was opposite him, had also given him great pressure. The more outstanding Mo Lan's performance was, the more worried Xia Cheng was. Xia ruofei smiled faintly. "We've done everything we can. If we still can't win the Gold Award, then we're just unlucky. We can't blame anyone else ..." "Yup!" Xia Cheng nodded and said. Then, he looked at the Jade lion, Mo Lan, and said, "but if we lose to Agricultural University, this jade lion ..." Xia Cheng thought about the bet between Xia ruofei and Chen Song. If yang suhe won the gold Prize, the Jade lion pot would lose to Chen Song. Now that the Jade lion had displayed such good quality, if it lost to Chen Song, even if he was not the owner of the pot of orchids, he would still feel very distressed. After all, this pot of orchid would be placed in their gardening club. "I lost," Lu You said nonchalantly. "It's just a pot of flowers ..." Xia ruofei watched from the side and couldn't help but give Lu You a thumbs up in his heart. On this point, she was much more generous than Xia Cheng, the president of the gardening club. In comparison, Xia Cheng was really a little hesitant and worried. Xia ruofei laughed and changed the topic. "By the way, I heard that there are teachers from several universities participating in the judging panel. Are there any teachers from your Sanshan University selected?" "Brother Xia, there are teachers from several key universities who have been selected." Jiang Yue said, "but I don't think I've seen Mrs. Hu from our school ... What's going on?" "Oh ..." Lu You said, "I heard that teacher Hu had an upset stomach yesterday. He won't be able to come today!" "What?" Xia Cheng was shocked. "Then, we'll be lacking the support of the judges ..." Lu You said nonchalantly, "what does that matter?" "Originally, when we were grading our flowers, teacher Hu had to avoid it as the person in charge. It didn't affect anything ..." "But ..." Xia Cheng frowned. "Mrs. Hu can grade Agricultural University's flowers ..." The meaning of his words was self-evident. Lu You pouted. "Even if we want to win, we have to win fair and square. Even if teacher Hu is here, we can't show favoritism!" "We won't play favorites," Xia Cheng sighed. "But we can't stop others from playing favorites ... Agricultural University has teachers on the judging team ..." Xia ruofei sat on the chair with a relaxed expression. He looked at Xia Cheng and the others with a smile, not feeling nervous at all. While they were talking, the judges had finished evaluating the booth of Agricultural University and began to walk straight to the booth of Sanshan University. Xia Cheng hurriedly called for everyone to get up, and he also quickly walked out to welcome them. "Good day, teachers. I'm the president of Sanshan University's gardening club, Xia Cheng." Xia Cheng politely bowed to the judges and said. Chen dongbai, who took the lead, smiled and nodded. He said to the Vice - Principal of Agricultural University, "Vice President Li, that pot of yang Lotus from your Agricultural University just now really opened everyone's eyes! I heard that Sanshan University's flower exhibition this year is also very good. I just don't know how it will compare to your yang - style Lotus ..." "Our brother school has many talented people," Vice President Li said with a smile. "I think we can cultivate even better exotic flowers and rare herbs!" Although his words were humble, his expression was extremely confident. It was obvious that he was just being polite on the surface, but he didn't think so in his heart. "Let's go and take a look together ..." Chen dongbai laughed. Xia Cheng quickly made an inviting gesture and said, "Teachers, please come in."

### **Chapter 359: An orchid in an empty valley (3)**

Chen dongbai and the others walked into the booth. The space was not very spacious. It was a little crowded with 10 to 20 people. Xia ruofei, who didn't like to join in the fun, simply gave way to the outside.

He felt someone's gaze fall on him. He turned around and saw Chen Song looking at him with a proud smile. His gaze was full of demonstration. It was obvious that the judges had given yang suhe a very high evaluation. He thought that victory was already in his hands.

Xia ruofei smiled and turned his head away.

In the booth, Chen dongbai took the judges to look at the pots of flowers. He was quite disappointed with the flowers that the landscape design Club of Sanshan University had sent to the exhibition this time. Except for the pot of Black Orchid, the quality of the other pots was very average. They were even worse than the flowers in the other smaller areas. It really did not match the reputation and status of Sanshan University.

It was only when he saw the pot of jade lion Mo Lan that Chen dongbai's eyes suddenly lit up.

He took two quick steps and skipped the remaining two pots of flowers, directly coming to the pot of jade lion Mo Lan. After carefully observing it for a while, he praised, "This jade lion is really not bad! There's no doubt that they're the best among the orchids!"

Most of the judges were experts and had a high evaluation of the Jade lion. They nodded and praised it.

Xia Cheng finally heaved a sigh of relief as he looked at the judges' reaction. It meant that at least this pot of orchid would be able to get into the finals. As for the final result, that was not something he could decide.

Chen dongbai chuckled and said to the agricultural University's leader beside him, "Vice – Principal Li, your pot of yang Lotus has met its match! This jade lion is pretty good!"

"There's only progress when there's competition," Vice President Li said with a smile. The better the flowers and plants that our fellow universities send to the exhibition, the better the level of our exhibition this time! This is a good thing ..."

Although he said that, vice – Principal Li's smile was obviously a lot more forced, and he was no longer as confident as before.

Because it was only the initial selection, there were still many booths waiting to be evaluated, so the judges didn't look too carefully.

Chen dongbai gave a slight nod to the judge beside him, and the judge immediately took note of it in his notebook.

Xia ruofei smiled and thought that this pot of orchid should be qualified.

As expected, the young judge said to Xia Cheng, "Congratulations, this jade lion has been shortlisted for the final round. Please send someone to send it to the organizing committee Office now. We will conduct a second evaluation later to choose the gold, silver, and bronze awards."

"Alright, Thank you, teacher!" Xia Cheng said with a little excitement.

The judges walked around, but didn't see any other flowers that caught their eye, so they surrounded Chen Dongbai and walked to the next booth.

"Yay! Brother Xia! We've been shortlisted!" Jiang Yue said excitedly.

Xia Ruofei smiled. "It's just the preliminaries and you're already so happy. If we win the Gold Award later, Won't You Be so excited that you can't speak?"

Jiang Yue laughed in embarrassment, "Brother Xia, I think we can win for sure! Just now, President Chen said that our Mo Lan is a strong opponent of the Yang Lotus!"

Xia Ruofei nodded and said, "yes!" "Won't it be a piece of cake to beat them?"

Lu You couldn't help but glance at Xia Ruofei and mumbled, "So cocky ..."

Xia Ruofei's ears were sharp! "Lu You, are you hoping that we will lose?" he immediately turned his head and asked.

"Of course I want to win!" Lu You said, "but don't underestimate Yang Suhe from Agricultural University. Besides, she has the home ground factor!"

Xia Ruofei nodded. "I don't know much about orchids either. However, I believe that the judges will make the right decision."

Lu You couldn't help but roll her eyes. Xia Cheng and the others even revealed bitter smiles. "If you don't know much about orchids, then wouldn't we, the members of the gardening club, be laymen?"

At this time, Meng Zhou, who was on the opposite booth, had already walked to the entrance of the basketball stadium with the pot of Yang Lotus in his arms. The organizing committee's office was set up in an office next to the basketball stadium.

Chen Song followed behind Meng Zhou. He was also holding a pot of flowers in his hand. Obviously, two pots of flowers from Agricultural University had been nominated at the same time.

When they passed by the exhibition area of Sanshan University, Meng Zhou and Chen Song looked at the flowers and plants that were put on display by Sanshan University with disdain. Then, they walked out.

"Tsk ... What are you so proud of?" One of the students from the gardening club couldn't help but whisper, "it's not certain who will win the Gold Award!"

"Don't say so much," Xia Cheng said. "It's about time we send this jade lion over."

After he finished speaking, he also walked towards the pot of Black Orchid, clearly prepared to personally deliver it.

"President Xia, please wait a moment ..." Xia Ruofei said.

With that, Xia Ruofei took out a small watering can that he had prepared earlier from his bag and sprayed some water on the leaves and flowers of the orchid. The mist – like water attached to the leaves and petals, forming small droplets.

Xia Cheng's eyebrows raised," After spraying some water, the Jade lion's aura seems to have changed again ..."

Everyone also gathered around, only to see that the pot of mo orchid seemed to have suddenly become a lot more energetic. In the contrast of these small beads of water, it had a rather slender and elegant feeling.

"Mr. Xia, can you give me this spray can?" Xia Cheng hesitated for a moment before asking,"I'm afraid that I'll damage the water droplets on the way. Later, when we reach the committee Office, I'll spray some more on it ..."

Xia ruofei thought for a while, then smiled and nodded. He passed the small spray can to Xia Cheng.

It was just the spiritual pond water and not the flower petal solution. Hence, Xia ruofei was not worried about anyone finding out his secret.

Xia Cheng thanked Xia ruofei and asked another student from the Garden Club to pick up the flower pot. Xia Cheng took the watering can and the two of them walked out of the basketball court.

The next step was to wait. The atmosphere in the booth was a little tense. Everyone felt that this time, the Gold Award was very close, but they were not sure what the final result would be.

Jiang Yue was even more restless. The Gold Award this time was related to the bet between Xia ruofei and Chen Song. If they lost, Xia ruofei would lose face while Lu You would lose a pot of precious orchids.

One was her best friend while the other was the man she secretly liked. Jiang Yue was confused because of her concern.

The waiting time was quite long. The flower Fair was officially open at noon, so the entire morning was reserved for the preparation work such as the exhibition, judging, and so on.

After the shortlisted flowers were sent to the organizing committee's office, the organizing committee quickly held a closed – door meeting.

They drove for almost two hours.

Xia Cheng mumbled to herself that Jian Jia had done the same thing in the past years, but the judges would at most take an hour to announce all the gold, silver, and bronze awards.

Almost twice the time had passed this year, and there was still no result.

Could it be that the competition was too intense?

Xia Cheng had a feeling that the reason why the judges were so uncertain and had such a heated discussion was probably because of their jade lion Mo Lan and Yang Su He from Agricultural University.

Time passed by.

Two and a half hours later, the staff finally came to inform everyone to gather at the main hall.

Xia Cheng and the others immediately perked up. It was time to announce the final result!

**Chapter 360: Light at the end of the tunnel (1)**

The staff of each exhibition stage walked out of the exhibition hall in groups. Even Xia ruofei followed them out. One of the students from the Garden Club was called out by Xia Cheng and unwillingly stayed behind to watch over the place.

Sure enough, after everyone gathered in line at the entrance hall, the staff of the organizing committee began to move out the 30 pots of flowers that were shortlisted and arranged them neatly in front of the temporary podium.

After a while, the judges came out of the office. The head of the judging panel, Chen dongbai, held a piece of paper in his hand with a faint smile on his face. He walked straight to the podium and sat down.

Other than Chen dongbai, there were two other people who went up to the rostrum, while the other judges sat down directly in the audience.

One of the two people on the stage was vice – Principal li of Agricultural University, who had been accompanying the judges just now.

When Xia ruofei saw another old man with a blue judge's badge on his chest, he could not help but be stunned. "Isn't this professor Tian from Sanshan University?"

Jiang Yue and the rest also noticed professor Tian at once. Jiang Yue could not help but exclaim softly, "Youyou, isn't this your grandfather?"

Xia Cheng couldn't help but say, 'eh? When did professor Tian come?"

"Teacher Hu can't come," Lu You said. "The school has sent my grandfather to be the judge."

"Why didn't you say so earlier? "You made us worry for nothing ..." Jiang Yue pouted.

Lu You spread her hands and said, "I don't know if he'll come or not!" He hadn't even made a decision when I left! But I told him that Xia ruofei would be here today ..."

After she finished speaking, Lu You looked at Xia ruofei thoughtfully and did not continue.

Professor Tian was a man of virtue and prestige. Under normal circumstances, he would not join in on the fun. However, even though he was a little late today, he had still come. He must have come because of Xia ruofei.

As expected, professor Tian found Xia ruofei and his group in the crowd very quickly. He did not even greet his granddaughter, Lu You, and just smiled at Xia ruofei.

Xia ruofei quickly greeted professor Tian with a smile.

Chen dongbai, the president of the southeast province florist Association, who was sitting in the middle of the podium, cleared his throat and moved the microphone to his front. He said, "Dear leaders, teachers, and students, after more than two hours of closed – door meeting, the gold, silver, and bronze prizes for this flower exhibition have been decided ..."

Vice – Principal li and professor Tian were sitting on the stage with a smile on their faces.

The only difference was that vice – Principal li was not a judge, so he didn't know the final result of the evaluation. Therefore, his smile was somewhat nervous.



Chen dongbai continued, "before I announce the results, I would like to introduce the two leaders and experts on the stage. I believe everyone is already very familiar with this person. He is our Agriculture and Forestry University's Vice President Li." And the one on my right is professor Tian from Sanshan University. He temporarily replaced teacher Hu, who was unable to join the judging team due to illness.

Professor Tian smiled and turned on the microphone to greet everyone.

The teachers and students in the audience also applauded. Professor Tian was a highly respected and well – known expert in the academic world. He was also an old expert who enjoyed special subsidies from the state. The Bioengineering major he was engaged in was an overlapping subject with many other major in the University of Agriculture and Forestry. He had a lot of Academic Exchange activities, so the teachers and students of the University were very familiar with him.

"Professor Tian is very busy with his academic work," said Chen dongbai. "He only arrived at our Evaluation Committee more than an hour ago. If I had known earlier that professor Tian was going to participate, I wouldn't have dared to be the head of the judging panel no matter what. Whether it's in terms of academics or qualifications, professor Tian is much higher than me ..."

Professor Tian chuckled and said, "President Chen, you don't have to be so polite. Every profession has its own specialty!" There's no need to worry about this question. Everyone is still waiting for you to announce the result! I'm sure the students can't wait!"

There was a burst of kind laughter from the audience.

Indeed, they were not interested in who would be the leader of the judging panel. They were only concerned about who would win the award this time, especially the gold medal, which touched the hearts of many people.

"Alright!" Chen dongbai chuckled. Then let's directly announce the flowers and plants that have won the award. The flowers that won the bronze prize of this year's Southeast province flower exhibition were: Heron Island University's four – season Begonia, Puzhou Teacher's College's peony blooms in prosperity, Sanshan Engineering College's calla lily ..."

Chen dongbai announced the five works that had won the Bronze Award.

The teachers and students of the universities where the winning works were located were naturally overjoyed. Of course, some people were more disappointed, such as the pot of four – season Begonia from Heron Island University. They had hoped to win the Silver Award, but they did not expect to only win the Bronze Award.

Among these five works, there was no jade lion Mo Lan from Sanshan University, nor yang suhe from Southeast Agriculture and Forestry University.

Jiang Yue and the others had their hearts in their mouths the entire time, afraid that they would hear the name jade lion Mo Lan. They only heaved a sigh of relief after Chen dongbai announced the flowers and plants that had won the Bronze Award.

At the same time, they were also a little worried about their personal gains and losses. They did not know if Mo Lan would be listed as a work with a Silver Award, or if she would not even win the award ...

Xia ruofei, on the other hand, looked relaxed. He was still very confident in the Jade lion. Although he was not 100% sure that it would win the gold Prize, at least it would not be a bronze prize.