

Chapter 213 Abusing Her Power

After Lily's plan was finalized, Henson Group immediately prepared a stage for her. And to attract more attention, they hyped the participation of various popular idol groups on the Internet. Sure enough, they quickly surpassed the popularity of Universe Group.

The main audience of Shepherd was from overseas. And although there were some loyal local and new fans due to their recent popularity, it was not enough. After all, the band had not been out for a long time.

Everything changed so fast online. Shepherd had been obscure for three years, so it was not surprising that they attracted less attention than the popular stars now.

Most importantly, the fans of Shepherd were also worried that the performance of the band would not be as attractive as three years ago.

After all, the other band members showed up at the airport. However, Alice was still a mystery. No one knew if she was coming or not. As the vocalist, she was the soul of the band. The band's fate was in her hands.

While many were in doubt, some people seemed to know the truth.

"According to an insider, Loraine has been meeting the band members in private recently. I suspect that she is taking advantage of her power to meet her idols."

When this comment was posted, people immediately remembered Godwin and Loraine's intimacy.

"Could it be that Loraine posted her singing video before to hype this event? Many people are saying she sounds like Alice when she sings. Make a guess, guys! Do you think she's doing this because she wants to replace the vocalist of Shepherd?"

This comment quickly became the hottest comment.

Soon, Shepherd's fans announced they would boycott the band's upcoming concert if a member was replaced.

Even Lily's fans joined the fun, making Loraine and the band a joke.

"It's so funny. She scolded Lily for stealing Alice's identity. But now, she wants to replace Alice. What is this?"

"Lily was only forced by her agency. But Loraine is a CEO. Will someone dare to force her?"

Disputes were everywhere on the Internet. Even the employees of Universe Group were worried.

"Miss Torres, will Alice come? Please tell us, so we can make preparations. A band can't perform without a vocalist." The manager of the public relations department sounded worried. "If Alice doesn't come, we can find someone similar to her to pretend to be her. She can wear a mask and lip-synch. What matters is we satisfy the fans."

But before he could finish his words, Loraine interrupted him with a smile. "No. Universe Group will never deceive others."

The manager was stunned for a moment. "Then, do you have a solution?"

Loraine couldn't help laughing when she saw his worried look.

She wanted to surprise all of them until the last moment, so she didn't say it clearly. She just said, "Leave the problem of the vocalist to me. I will solve it myself. You can rest assured. Just prepare for the concert."

The manager was still skeptical, but he didn't dare to disobey. He could only sigh and leave the office.

As soon as he left, the screen of Loraine's phone lit up. There was a new message from Shepherd's group chat mentioning her.

The person who mentioned her was Carlos. "Alice, is it time to get off work? We are waiting for you for the rehearsal."

Leon added, "My hands are ready."

Godwin's message came. "Take your time. We'll wait for you."

Loraine's smile deepened while reading the messages.

Until the day before the concert, she would rehearse with the band members after work every day.

Three years was long enough for them to somehow lose familiarity with each other. Also, half of the members hadn't performed for a long time. This had made them lose their previous tacit understanding.

Fortunately, they never stopped playing their favorite musical instruments, even if they were engaged in



their own work. So after a few rehearsals, they quickly got the original feeling back.

At this moment, Loraine and the other members of Shepherd were in a small rehearsal room. The guitar was wild, the drumbeats were dense, and the ethereal female voice was loud.

Everyone seemed to have returned to those crazy times when they were sweating on the stage.

After singing a song, Loraine was in high spirits. This was the kind of feeling she had not experienced for a long time.

She took the tissue that Godwin handed to her, smiled, and wiped the sweat off her forehead. Her eyes were bright when she said, "I was worried that we wouldn't feel anything and regain our tacit understanding after three years. I didn't expect it to be so smooth."

Godwin smiled at her and said, "Actually, we were also worried at first. The truth is, we practiced several times before we came here. And we couldn't feel anything at all. Alice, you are the soul of the band. Shepherd is not complete without you."

The others nodded in agreement. Now that they were complete, they were looking forward to the day of the performance.

With Loraine in the lead, Shepherd would amaze everyone.

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Day by day, the date of Shepherd's performance was getting closer.

The concert had become very popular and no effort was being spared to publicize it even further.

Finally, when the D-day came, the open-air arena in the city center was crowded with people. And the police had to be dispatched to maintain order.

A lot of Shepherd's fans flew in from other countries just to attend the concert.

But it was still not as lively as the concert of Henson Group. It seemed they were going to overshadow Universe Group. Some of their audience came to support their idols, while some were here to watch the fun.

Even before the concert date, there had been all kinds of bad rumors on the internet. Many people didn't think that Universe Group could invite Alice, so most of them attended the concert hosted by Henson Group.

As a result, the audience at Universe Group's concert was nothing compared to that of Henson Group's.

Henson Group had spent a lot of money building the stage which looked really gorgeous. The lights were also dazzling, and the stage effects were very eye-catching.

They even invited some popular idol groups to perform, which made the fans scream in ecstasy and led to more people being attracted to the concert.

On the other hand, in the Universe Group's concert, there were only a few people off the stage.

Some of them were holding banners of Shepherd from three years ago, and the clothes they wore had the signatures of the band members. It could be clearly seen that these were loyal fans.

Jennie, along with her friends, were happily cheering Shepherd. But no matter what they did, it couldn't really affect the huge disparity between the audience at their concert and that of Henson Group.

The members of Shepherd who had been full of expectation became a little nervous when they saw this.

Larry shrugged and smiled bitterly. "It seems we're not as popular anymore. Not many people remember us."

The others, too, were as disappointed as he was.

Godwin frowned and looked at Loraine with worry in his eyes.

If they went on stage like this, they would be easily defeated.

But Loraine wasn't one to be discouraged. She clapped her hands to draw their attention. "What's wrong with all of you? We haven't been on stage for three years, so I guess you've forgotten how we started. At first, we only had one or two people as audience. Is that not so?"

Her fellow band members nodded in agreement. Recalling those old days made them smile.

They had once sang on the streets and in the bars when they were just starting out. Back then, they had nothing. But no matter how little the audience was, they didn't care. They just enjoyed the feeling of performing on stage.

Loraine was not disappointed or discouraged at all. She was very confident as she told them, "Music doesn't need so many exaggerated props. Look, at least these are our fans who have loved us for so long. We must put in a good performance not only for our fans, but also for ourselves."

The band members nodded enthusiastically.

Just then, the host of the ceremony called out for them to get on stage.

Loraine took a deep breath and put on the mask she always used, and then she walked on stage with her fellow band members.

She was wearing a black dress and her long hair had a frizzy perm. There were also patterns of roses on her dress. All in all, she looked cool and beautiful.

The bassist, the drummer, the keyboard player and the guitarist were all in place.

When the spotlight shone brightly to illuminate them, the fans all went agog with excitement.

"Alice is here! It's really Alice!"

"All the members of Shepherd are here. My dream has finally come true!"

"Shepherd! I love you!"

Loraine smiled behind her mask and nodded at her partners.

Then she closed her eyes and began to sing.

This song was one of the famous songs of the band. The beginning was soft and melodious, expressing a young girl's love. And then the chorus suddenly became high pitched, accusing God of making it impossible for people in love to be with each other.

Tears welled up in the eyes of the fans as they sang along with the band.

Alice's voice was a little lazy, but still melodious and penetrating deep into their souls. Soon, she was attracting an increasing amount of audience and the numbers began to overshadow the population of Henson Group's audience.

Meanwhile, the idol groups at Henson Group's concert were not very good stage performers. Their performances were supported by stage effects. Except for their fans, the others were not interested. By now, more and more people were attracted by Loraine's voice and went over to the site of Universe Group's concert.

Lily was ushered on stage to perform. But as she climbed on the stage, she saw a large part of the audience leaving the concert, presumably to go over to Universe Group's concert. As a result, she became very angry. This anger distracted her and she ended up singing a few wrong notes.

Though her fans still stayed with her, they were being distracted by what they were hearing about Universe

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Group, and soon, no one cared about what Lily was singing.

Lily became exasperated and shouted into the microphone, "The next song is Mia Tucker's new song. We will perform together!"

But even though she had mentioned the name of the popular singer, no one paid any particular attention to her.

Lily couldn't help but lose her cool and she stamped her feet angrily. "Turn up the volume and turn on all the lights!" she shouted at the staff.