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Chapter 1531: Why Don't You Try Something Else?

"Shut up! You're talking nonsense!" Meng Shiyi scolded.

Yun Shen and Lu Tingxiao had gone to rescue Ning Xi together?

Not just Meng Shiyi, even Meng Zhenhuan and the other core members of the gang found this outrageous.

Yun Shen's relationship with the Lu Corporation was extremely complicated. They had been competing with each other aggressively in every manner possible. If they were to meet each other with fully armed forces, there would surely be an epic fight! How was it possible for them to work together to rescue Tang Xi?

Even though Tang Xi had left the organization, she was still from Yun Shen's side. It was impossible that Lu Tingxiao did not know this. He might have even questioned Tang Xi's motivation to enter Glory World Entertainment.

Meng Zhenhuan looked at the branch leader with a stern face. "Are you sure that you're not mistaken?"

After being scolded by Meng Shiyi, and with so many people being suspicious about his words now, he replied timidly, "Well, I'm not really sure..."

Meng Shiyi thought she had it all figured out. She took out her phone. "This idiot must've been mistaken! There must be a misunderstanding! I'll give Lu Jingli a call right now!"

Meng Shiyi worked in the entertainment industry, so it was normal for her to have Lu Jingli's number, and Lu Jingli was crystal clear about who Meng Shiyi was.

Meng Zhenhuan did not stop his daughter. This whole situation was really odd. Even if he had to die, he needed to know the reason why!

As she called Lu Jingli, Meng Shiyi turned on the loudspeaker.

After a long wait of ringing, everyone became really high-strung. Finally, a sleepy voice came from the phone.

"Hello, Second Master! I'm Meng Shiyi! Sorry for bothering you this late at night! I'll get straight to the point because of the urgency of the matter. Our gang was raided by Yun Shen tonight. We wanted to request help from CEO Lu. I hope Second Master can help us to pass him the message.

"In the past few years, the Meng family has been on good terms with the Lu Corporation. I believe CEO Lu won't abandon us! If there's any misunderstanding, we can explain..." Meng Shiyi swiftly clarified the situation.

There was a short silence. He was probably trying to digest Meng Shiyi's words as he had just woken up.

Time ticked by slowly. Everyone was holding their breaths...

After a short while, Lu Jingli's dumbfounded voice came through the phone. "Are you guys idiots? You sent people to kidnap my sister-in-law, and you expect my brother to help you? Why don't you try something else?"

Meng Shiyi, Meng Zhenhuan, and all the other gang members were inarticulate.

"Second... Second Master! What do you mean?" Meng Shiyi was shocked.

"I mean exactly what I said! Xiao Xi Xi is my brother's woman, my future sister-in-law. Do you understand? My brother didn't take action because of the connection we've built through the years. There won't be any chance for others to do anything..." Lu Jingli mumbled in an annoyed tone before he hung up.

There was a dead silence in the study room.

Lu Jingli's words echoed in everyone's mind. Ning Xi was his future sister-in-law. She was Lu Tingxiao's woman.

Although it was hard to believe, if it was true, everything now made sense...

It also meant that because of Meng Shiyi's rashness, the Qing Xuan Gang was doomed. They were done for!

Chapter 1532: Spoiling

At Platinum Palace.

Ning Xi was reflecting on her actions, about how she worried Lu Tingxiao by not informing him in time, and also... about the girls almost sitting on her lap.

What had happened during the day bothered her as well.

She glanced through the people Yun Shen had brought over. It was a terrifying force as they were the core elites among the organization. Usually, they were scattered all around the world, but currently, all of them had gathered in Imperial.

That guy had made all the elites come back. What was he trying to do?

She had a feeling that the guy was trying to pull off something, which was related to Lu Tingxiao!

Fortunately, she knew that although Lu Tingxiao was just a businessman, he had immense power in the dark as well. Furthermore, they were on Lu Tingxiao's turf now, so they could not really do anything at the moment.

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The next day, the little bun was focusing on sticking crystals onto a custom-made hairpin one by one using glue. He looked so adorable when he was focused.

Only the plastic portion of the hairpin that was stepped on before was broken. The crystal decoration was fine, so they just needed to remove the crystals and stick it back onto another hairpin.

It was often said that focused men were the charming ones, but she felt her little bun was the most charming one of all.

As expected of her son, he looked so cute even when he was just fixing her hairpin.

Ning Xi looked at him brightly. "I'm sorry, baby. I'll be extra careful next time. I'll never break it again!"

The little bun was done with the last piece of crystal. He blew at it a little to make it dry. "It's alright, Mommy. I'll fix it for you again if that happens."

"Oh!" Her baby was spoiling her too much!

After the glue dried off, the pink heart-shaped hairpin looked anew. The little bun put it on Ning Xi's head and beamed. "Mommy, you look great!"

Lu Tingxiao's expression turned gentle when he saw this heartwarming scene as he was walking downstairs.

"Sister-in-law, good news! Good news! Super good news!" Lu Jingli suddenly ran into the house.

"What's the good news?" Ning Xi turned around and asked.

Lu Jingli held a large stack of documents in his hand and said in excitement, "Sister-in-law, you..."

"You've been nominated as the Best Female Lead for the Golden Film Awards," Lu Tingxiao finished.

Lu Jingli was upset. "Hey! How can you do that?! I found out about it quick enough already. How come you knew about it earlier than I did?! Can't you let me show off for once?"

Ning Xi was taken aback. "What...?"

Lu Jingli seized the hesitation as his chance to talk. He handed the documents to Ning Xi. "Your role in 'Dream Chaser' has been nominated as the Best Female Lead. This is first-hand insider news! It's all written here! They'll probably announce this list to the public in three days!"

Ning Xi scanned through the document, then she saw that "Dream Chaser" had been nominated for two awards: Best Director and Best Female Lead!

She also saw another familiar name. "The World".

"'The World' has been nominated as well?" Ning Xi asked.

Lu Jingli took a glance. "Seems like it! 'The World' couldn't make it last year, so it's been included in this year's awards instead! You're nominated in 'The World' as well for the Best Female Secondary Lead! I only noticed your Best Female Lead just now and missed out on this one!"

Chapter 1533: Your Wife Is The Best

When Ning Xi saw the words "Best Female Secondary Lead", she felt just as thrilled as when she found out she had been nominated for the Best Female Lead for "Dream Chaser".

"The World" was her first movie, thus it was sentimental to her. To be nominated in the country's most prestigious awards ceremony, it was a great affirmation to her past rookie self.

When she browsed the document further, she saw...

"What the heck?! Ning Xueluo's lousy acting got her a nomination for Best Female Lead?" Lu Jingli was surprised, then he mumbled, "There must be some hidden deal behind this, or her name might just be included there for the sake of it!"

After Ning Xi studied the whole list, she realized that Ning Xueluo had two movies that had been nominated for Best Female Lead. One of it was "The World", and the other one was "Mountain".

It seemed like Ning Xueluo was pushing to redeem herself...

"She's been nominated for two roles! The judging panel must be blind!" Lu Jingli kept on complaining.

Ning Xi stroked her chin and started analyzing, "Ning Xueluo's performance in 'The World' was pretty satisfying. It's within expectation that she's been nominated as the Best Female Lead for that."

Even now people were still talking about how Ning Xueluo's performance in "The World" was the peak of her entire acting career.

In truth, most of Ning Xueluo's acting had been a reaction to Ning Xi.

She could not find the same sense of urgency in the later films. Of course, she could never reach that level of performance again...

Ning Xi paused for a little, then continued, "As for a film like 'Mountain', because it was aired at the same time as 'Dream Chaser', they did terribly at the box office and earned only a few million, but this movie never aimed to do well at the box office anyway. It was aimed at winning awards based on the type and theme of the movie. The judging panel likes character development such as the one in the film, so it's not unexpected that it's nominated..."

It did not matter whether Ning Xueluo had pulled any strings behind the scenes. There would not be any objections from anyone about these two roles of hers being nominated.

As for Ning Xi's "Dream Chaser", which was labeled as a commercial soap drama, it was really unexpected for it to be nominated, and although she performed pretty well in "The World", the Best Female Secondary Lead category was pretty competitive this time. She saw several other strong opponents in the list. It would be difficult for her to win.

Lu Jingli patted Ning Xi's shoulder. "Xiao Xi Xi, my guess would be that... Your chances of winning an award are pretty high! You're really talented after all!"

Lu Tingxiao interrupted, "Do you really still have to guess?"

Lu Jingli was speechless. "Fine, fine... We don't need to guess. Your wife is the best!"

Lu Tingxiao looked at Ning Xi and comforted her, "Don't worry, the Golden Film Award is one of the most highly regarded awards, not only because it's professional, but it's also well-known for their fairness. One will need to win an award by merit."

Even if someone pulled tricks from within, they would never be able to affect the final results.

Ning Xi was a little nervous since it was her first time being nominated after all, but she felt much better after Lu Tingxiao comforted her.

"Congratulations for being nominated, Mommy!" The little bun complimented his mother, and he had somehow brought her a bouquet of flowers as well.

The bouquet was too huge for the little bun. It almost covered his whole body.

Lu Tingxiao took the bouquet and presented it to Ning Xi. He kissed her forehead and murmured, "Congratulations."

The two of them... They had come prepared!

The single Lu Jingli was so jealous of them. He suppressed his pain and took out a car key. "It's a reward from the company! I'm giving it to you in advance!"

"Thank you..." Ning Xi gently held the flowers. She was not worried about winning an award at the moment. Warmth flooded her heart.

Chapter 1534: Companionship Is The Best Confession

She was reminded of the time when she had clinched the role of Meng Changge. She did not even have a person to share the happiness with back then.

As she was about to indulge in hotpot alone at home, Lu Tingxiao had dropped by with the little bun suddenly. The father and son pair then congratulated her over dinner...

"What's up?" Lu Tingxiao tousled her hair and asked as he saw Ning Xi was staring blankly into space.

Ning Xi smiled and shook her head. "Nothing, I just remembered when you first brought the little bun to my house. You were the first person to congratulate me back then."

Without realizing, this man had walked alongside her for this long.

From being an unknown little artiste until now that she had made a name for herself in her dream career, from what she thought would be impossible, they were now connected through their hearts...

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In the next few days, Ning Xi was back to filming and she finished off what was left of "Nine Realms".

Meng Shiyi looked withered. Even makeup could not cover up her haggard looks, but she was very cooperative until the end. The filming process went on smoothly.

"Ohh, we're done!"

"Congratulations!"

"Good work everyone!"

"Oh, I'll miss everybody!"

"I'll really miss everyone here too!"

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After the final scene, everyone cheered and some even cried. The assistant director brought out a cake for the celebration as many people exchanged their contacts and hugged each other, reluctant to leave.

Even though it was not her first time experiencing this, it was still one of Ning Xi's happiest moments.

"Hey! What about me? You only care about the girls!" Jiang Muye's expression darkened.

Ning Xi smiled at the prideful blonde. "Thanks for your hard work, Senior Jiang!"

"Hmph..." Jiang Muye's expression was a little awkward when the girl hugged him tightly. He sighed quietly.

Maybe he should be glad that he had kept the secret, which allowed him to still be by her side, unlike a certain someone else.

He wondered what Ning Xi had done to Mo Yuxiu, who seemed rather depressed lately. He could imagine all kinds of torturous stuff Ning Xi could have done to him!

After a while, people started adjourning to the nearby Four Seasons Hotel for dinner together.

Ning Xi was walking towards the parking lot when she spotted someone waiting for her there.

It was Meng Shiyi.

Meng Shiyi shivered like a terrified little animal when she saw her. She did not utter a word. She just bowed and ran away as if some enormous beast was chasing her.

Back then, a certain beast had gotten ahold of Meng Shiyi and was about to let Ning Xi end her life.

Ning Xi rolled her eyes and rejected the chance. She did not have a hobby of killing people. She merely said that "Nine Realms" was not done filming yet, then she left.

Because of her, Meng Shiyi was able to keep her life...

That particular beast had annihilated the Qing Xuan Gang in a night. The henchmen all moved over to his gang while most of the higher-ups ended up dead or injured. Meng Zhenhuan was imprisoned. In addition to that, the entertainment company Meng Shiyi belonged to went bankrupt and was leveraged.

After Yun Shen came back, he was supposed to take over the Qing Xuan Gang to control the underground forces anyway, but for some reason, he did not do it for a long time. Her kidnapping became the fuse and triggered this incident to happen earlier than expected

Chapter 1535: Who's Going To Win?

Although that guy was pretty annoying sometimes, he was really caring towards his comrades.

Ning Xi then realized that that guy seemed to still consider her as one of them.

Meng Shiyi had lost the company and her powerful background had crumbled overnight as well. She had now become a regular artiste in the industry. It was fortunate that she did not go crazy after such a terrible experience. She would never have the capacity to scheme anything else now.

Ning Xi was not sympathetic towards Meng Shiyi's circumstances. It was simply how their world worked, following the law of the jungle.

She had to bear the consequences of her own behavior. If Meng Shiyi had kidnapped a run-of-the-mill girl that day instead of her, the girl would have probably been dead by now.

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The next day, the nomination list for the 53rd Golden Film Awards was announced.

Being one of the largest events in the industry, it quickly grabbed everyone's attention, causing a big ruckus when the list was released.

The biggest attraction was the double nomination of the Best Female Lead for Ning Xueluo for her role in the films "The World" and "Mountain". Besides that, "Mountain" was also nominated for eight other awards including Best Film, Best Director, Best Secondary Female Lead, and others. It became one of the most nominated films this time around and seemed like a popular candidate to win some awards.

Suddenly, Ning Xueluo's rating on the Net skyrocketed. Film critics used various ways to flatter Ning Xueluo's performance in the two films. As for Ning Xueluo's fans who had gone silent because of her wedding incident and the accusation of her defaming Ning Xi, all of them were revived with excitement...

"My Xueluo is the best! Two Best Female Lead nominations! The last time this happened was ten years ago!"

"An actor's job is to act well unlike someone who's always playing tricks to grab the spotlight and rip off others' popularity! I heard that someone's been nominated for Best Female Lead as well! She's nominated for just a stupid romance drama. Is the judging panel blind?!"

"So what? She's probably just there as a benchwarmer!"

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Ning Xi was still a newbie, after all, so suspicions about her nomination for Best Female Lead and Best Secondary Female Lead were not out of the ordinary.

However, Ning Xi's current fan base was pretty powerful on their own. They waged an all-out war with Ning Xueluo's fans and anti-fans. Many fans who knew the ropes analyzed why Ning Xi had been nominated...

"A stupid romance drama? There's a saying that you only see what you are. Only uncultured people would think that 'Dream Chaser' is a stupid drama!"

"Our Bro Xi played the role of the female lead and the female lead's brother. She had to act as two different genders! None of the scenes felt odd at all. Everything progressed so smoothly, yet you're telling me she doesn't know how to act?"

"And as for Bro Xi's role as Meng Changge in 'The World', from an innocent little girl to a female general that bears her family's fate, then turns into a cunning princess... She acted out the drastic changes in

the development of the character Meng Changge! That was Ning Xi's first movie and she was already at that level! Those people who say Bro Xi isn't capable are blind!"

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In a nutshell, ever since the day the list was announced, the war continued on. Many people even placed bets over the Net, wagering on who would grab the Best Female Lead award.

Chapter 1536: Warzone of Female Stars

Many private casinos started taking bets on the results. While most people betted on Ning Xueluo, Lu Jingli betted a large amount of money on his sister-in-law instead.

At Starlight Entertainment.

"Sis Xueluo is here!"

"Congratulations, Sis Xueluo! Both your films have been nominated for Best Female Lead! That's amazing!"

"'The World' received four nominations and 'Mountain' received eight nominations. I'm pretty sure you'll win the Best Female Lead award!"

"Of course! Sis Xueluo only has one opponent after all!"

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She replied everyone's compliments humbly, "I'm not as great as everyone says. They're just nominations. Moreover, there're a lot of powerful candidates this time!"

"Sis Xueluo you're too humble. 'Mountain' is the work of Director Feng! He's a well-known award-winning director. Directors who produce trash commercialized films like Chen Mian cannot compare to him at all!"

"She's right! Sis Xueluo will win it for sure, yet the fans of a certain someone are such a joke. They actually compared that commercialized film to Xueluo's film! 'Dream Chaser' isn't even worthy of picking up Xueluo's leftovers!"

"Someone didn't just bask in Sis Xueluo's glory using the glamor of the Best Secondary Female Lead from 'The World'. Her fans are even criticizing Xueluo. How shameless!"

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The haze in Ning Xueluo's mind cleared after she heard the flattery from them and their disgust towards Ning Xi. She smiled. "It's my treat at Hao Jue tonight. Do come if you're free!"

"Surely!"

"Thank you, Sis Xueluo!"

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After Ning Xueluo left, the artistes earlier gathered again and started gossiping.

"I believe the fight this time will be tough! But look at her! She's already acting like she's already won. I wonder how many people did she pay to get all that flattery online!"

"The Ning Xi today isn't the same person as she was when she was still under Chang Li. She has the outlook, the resources, and the capabilities. Both of her movies are of high quality. 'Nine Realms' that just ended was a big production as well. I think she'll gain even more popularity soon."

"After getting several awards, she'll eventually become the second Leng Manyun. Compared to Su Yimo who always thought that she was the lady boss, Ning Xi is so much more reliable!"

"The only bad thing about Ning Xi is probably her background. I heard she's from a rural area and that her household is pretty poor. Her parents are farmers. Compared to Ning Xueluo who's born in a rich family with a silver spoon, there's still a gap between them..."

"You don't have a choice about these sort of things, after all. You can't do anything about it..."

They sighed together. They were no different from Ning Xi. All of them came from normal families, so they were really jealous and admired people like Ning Xueluo.

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The forum about the Golden Film Awards was rather lively this time around. The popularity of the topic did not dip at all. A month later, the day of the awards ceremony finally arrived.

Ning Xi was a little nervous. It was her dream, after all. It was the day to assess the results she had achieved based on her efforts.

Before the ceremony, there was the usual gunpowder-filled walk on the red carpet, an especially important warzone for the female stars. Everyone would give their all to contend for attention.

Ning Xi was initially arranged to enter with another female star, but something unexpected happened...

Chapter 1537: Male Companion Needed

A female artiste named Ye Zixuan was a beauty no less attractive than Ning Xi. She had been called a vase as much as she had been called a goddess, and many people liked to compare Ning Xi and Ye Zixuan.

Because Ye Zixuan had been famous for a long time, she had many fans. Her supporters started to berate Ning Xi by saying that she overestimated her capabilities. Of course, there were also many who said that Ning Xi was the new generation surpassing the previous one.

Even though the two had never interacted directly, because they were constantly being compared to each other, their relationship was indeed slightly awkward.

This time, the organizers had intentionally put the two of them together, probably to create something amusing. After all, there were so many people who wanted to see the two of them in the same frame.

Ling Zhizhi obviously knew what the organizers were up to. Initially, she wanted to reject it because there would be no damage done if there was no comparison. As long as one of their images dropped to a lower level, people would grab the opportunity to slam them.

However, after Ling Zhizhi saw Ning Xi's red carpet look, she forgot all about it.

Forget it...

Ning Xi had no opinions about it. At last, it was actually Ye Zixuan's end that had a problem. The moment before they were about to walk on the red carpet, they declined to enter with Ning Xi.

"What?! How can they do that? If you were willing, then say it earlier! You're just about to reach the entrance when you say you don't want to enter with our Bro Xi! What a fraud!" Xiao Tao was really annoyed.

Under usual circumstances, because there was a limited amount of time, everyone would make an entrance at the red carpet with the relevant people according to their shortlisted films. It would usually be a male and a female, old and young, or a group combination. Ning Xi and Ye Zixuan were considered a type of combination. Unless there was a special situation, only award-winning actors and actresses with higher status would enter solo.

Still, the people from Chen Mian and Guo Qisheng's side had already gone in. Ning Xi was about to walk the red carpet alone, putting her in a rather awkward situation.

Right at that moment, a black car had stopped up front, and Ning Xueluo and Su Yan got down from the car.

Su Yan led Ning Xueluo by her hand like a gentleman as the two of them walked ahead.

As one of Starlight Entertainment's largest shareholders and Ning Xueluo's husband, it was extremely normal for Su Yan to hold her hand and walk the red carpet.

In that instant, the flashes started to go off. There were never-ending shrieks from fans on both sides of the red carpet.

Not only was there a problem with Ye Zixuan, unexpectedly the person who walked right before Ning Xi was Ning Xueluo. Now, it was even more awkward...

Ling Zhizhi swiftly made a call. "Jiang Muye, are you arriving soon? Ning Xi needs a male companion at the last minute! Can you rush over?"

Jiang Muye was about to walk in alone this time. Initially, Lei Ming had arranged a female companion for him, but he had refused no matter what. He was used to doing things his own way anyway and did not care about other people's opinions of him.

"What happened? Isn't Ning Xiao Xi walking with Ye Zixuan?" From behind them came Jiang Muye's voice. He was still holding onto to the phone he spoke into.

Ling Zhizhi let out a huge sigh of relief at the sight of him, then she hung up. Thankfully, she managed to get someone to help.

Jiang Muye was talking when he caught a glimpse of Ning Xi in the car from the corner of his eye. It was only a vague peek of her side profile, but he was instantly stunned. "No wonder..."

He suddenly understood very well why Ye Zixuan had turned back on her words at the last minute. She had probably secretly found out about Ning Xi's look for the night!

This brat! Today she had really been possessed by a witch. Which woman would be willing to walk in with her?! They probably had brain damage!

Chapter 1538: A Big Cut Above The Rest

However, the number of men who would have loved to walk with Ning Xi would be enough to form a long queue.

He did not mind. In fact, as a normal man, he was pretty happy to do so...

His assistant was getting smarter. She knew to look for him in case of an emergency!

On the stage.

"Ms. Ning and Mr. Su are really the perfect couple. What more can you expect from our role model married couple? All of us here wish you a happy marriage and that you'll hopefully get a baby soon! We also wish that Xueluo will be able to win the award tonight, making achievements in both your love life and career. Alright, let's welcome them in!"

Although it was just Ning Xueluo and Su Yan, they took quite some time on the red carpet. After all, she was one of the popular candidates. In addition to being a popular ship with a powerful background, the hosts spared nothing, raining praises over them before they then turned towards the following people entering.

The two hosts had been informed that Ning Xi and Ye Zixuan were going to come in separately, but they did not know if it was Ning Xi who had rejected to do so, or Ye Zixuan who had requested it...

Under everyone's gaze, a black car slowly stopped at the end of the red carpet. A pair of glittering high heels full of diamonds stepped out. Then came a long, fair leg...

As the door fully opened and Ning Xi came out of the car, the whole arena hushed and all chatter stopped.

After a few seconds, the cameramen started taking pictures one after another. Flashes exploded everywhere as the fans on both sides of the red carpet screamed their lungs out.

"Ah! Bro Xi, Bro Xi, Bro Xi!"

"Goddess, please marry me!"

"Marry me, Bro Xi! I want to bear your kids!"

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The girl's perfect facial features seemed as if God had created her personally. Her skin was glowing even under the dark sky. Her dark hair was like seaweed and she was wearing a red dress tonight. The dress looked like it had been intentionally burnt. There were a lot of golden caramel burn marks on the dress, presenting an irregular shape.

A lot of people recognized it. Ning Xi's dress tonight was designed by the legendary designer who had won the Golden Top Awards at his inaugural attempt. This piece of work was called "Nirvana Reincarnation".

This red dress was one of the classics in the line and many female stars, including Qin Shengyue, had worn it before, but none of them were able to pull off the impact like Ning Xi did.

Ning Xi's aura was like a reborn phoenix, giving people a strong visual impact and perfectly matching the theme of this dress.

All of them knew that Ning Xi could dress in female outfits as impressively as she did in male outfits. They also knew that Ning Xi's outlook was always marvelous, but they did not expect her to be this breathtaking. Everything else besides her paled in comparison.

Everyone was thinking about the same thing at the moment: what a big cut above the rest!

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At the same time, in a high-class apartment.

Gong Shangze, Qiao Weilan, and Han Momo were watching the live stream of the awards ceremony that night.

When Ning Xi appeared, Gong Shangze's eyes lit up, then he teared.

He had actually suggested that Ning Xi pick one of the two brand treasures, so he had assumed she would have them as her first choices.

Then again, unexpectedly, Ning Xi had selected this dress without a doubt.

She selected this piece that was a complete original. The very same piece that helped him to get back on track to pursue his dreams, Nirvana Reincarnation...

Chapter 1539: Stand Out Even More

The two hosts on stage looked at each other the moment Ning Xi appeared. They were both thinking about the same thing.

No wonder Ye Zixuan did not want to stand beside Ning Xi!

Surely it could not have been Ning Xi's request. Ye Zixuan must have been the one who refused to walk with her.

Not just Ye Zixuan, no woman present would want to walk beside her. They would just feel humiliated!

Ning Xueluo slowed down intentionally just to look at Ning Xi who was coming right behind her. She wanted to see the woman's expression when she saw her and Su Yan together, but she did not expect that she would attract everyone's attention with just her face alone. She stood out much more than Ning Xueluo's appearance just now...

This witch! She was definitely a vixen!

Su Yan looked distracted beside her. Although he was stunned like the others, when he saw the passionate gazes of the other men on her, he had an indescribable feeling welling up inside him.

The little girl back then had now become a glamorous and gorgeous celebrity...

And the first love of this girl that was able to make every man go crazy, the person she had liked for the very first time was him.

She had once loved and admired him, and had been willing to sacrifice everything for him.

As he thought about this, his eyes were fired up. He felt an odd sense of fulfillment, but the next second, for some reason he felt down...

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Naturally, Ning Xueluo noticed Su Yan's line of sight. She looked at him with a far-fetched expression and spoke in a slightly disappointed tone, "Bro Yan, Sis looks really gorgeous today. She's definitely a cut above all the female stars present tonight!"

Su Yan nodded absent-mindedly. "Mmm, she's pretty."

If it what been some time back then, he might have still been considerate about Ning Xueluo's feelings and comfort her with some words, but now, he could not say anything that contradicted with what he truly thought.

Ning Xueluo choked back her fury. Her fingernails dug into her palm as she clenched them tightly.

She gritted her teeth and glared at Ning Xi again with a dark expression. Ning Xi came out of the car alone and no one was beside her. Ye Zixuan was supposed to make her entrance with Ning Xi, but it seemed like Ye Zixuan would not be appearing.

With her standing out so much tonight, she would face the backlash later!

On Ning Xi's side, Ling Zhizhi had already told Jiang Muye about the situation.

After Ning Xi got down from the car, she waited for Jiang Muye's car which was behind hers as she straightened her dress. At the same time, the photographers and her fans were yelling at her.

"Look over here, Bro Xi!"

"Look at me, my goddess!"

She heard the sound of solid footsteps closing in. Ning Xi turned around and was about to enter with Jiang Muye, but she was taken aback the next second.

The man unexpectedly went up to her and helped her with her dress. Then, he stood beside her and signalled her to hold onto his arm.

"Dar-..." Ning Xi was surprised by who it was.

Darling?

He had a face that could steal the shine away from the stars, emitting a powerful aura like that of a cold and aloof nobleman from the olden days. Everything he did was elegant. Every picture he was in looked like a fashion image. He appeared far more outstanding than every male star at the event. Who else would it be aside from Lu Tingxiao!?

"Why are you here?" Ning Xi asked quietly.

"Don't you need a partner?" Lu Tingxiao asked her back without any expression. He carried the attitude as if he was expected to be there.

Ning Xi's mouth twitched.

needed a male partner was because walking the red carpet alone would stand out too much, but if you being my partner will make me stand out even more!

Chapter 1540: We're In The Same Boat

Nevertheless, Lu Tingxiao was looking absolutely ravishing today!

Before this charm of his, she could not think of anything to reject him! What a tragedy!

After a painful internal struggle, Ning Xi held onto Lu Tingxiao's arm.

She could push all the responsibilities to Ye Zixuan later. It was her fault for declining at the last minute anyway. She could just say that Lu Tingxiao was there to help her out.

Ning Xi found herself a perfect excuse to cover up the fact that she had fallen for his charm.

The moment Ning Xi held onto Lu Tingxiao's arm and stepped onto the red carpet, the media, invited guests, and the surrounding fans all went crazy!

"Ah, oh my God! Who's that?! Who's the partner Bro Xi is with now? Why haven't I ever seen him before?!"

"It's impossible for a wolf like me to miss out on something so juicy. He's not an artiste. He's probably the boss of some company or someone at the management level." Because of the two of them, the scene turned chaotic.

Some people in the industry, who knew Lu Tingxiao, could not believe it. "Wow! Am I mistaken? Ning Xi's male partner... is... is Lu Tingxiao?"

Several artistes from Glory World Entertainment were really excited too. "Oh my gosh! Bro Xi is not just drop dead gorgeous. Even the Boss is here to please our eyes!"

"This combo from our company can be labeled as the strongest in history! Amazing! Starlight Entertainment must be startled now! Let's see if they'll continue using their artiste's attractiveness as their main selling point! Our artistes are so much better looking than theirs!"

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One was a blazing fire while the other one was a calm mystery as they strolled in together.

It was just a short walk on the red carpet, but it felt like they were walking down a wedding aisle, almost blinding everyone's eyes.

A blonde behind them almost puked blood...

Did he just cut my line? And damn you, Ning Xiao Xi, you just went away with him like that!

Lu Jingli patted his nephew's shoulder sympathetically. "We're in the same boat. Don't be sad, you have me with you!"

Jiang Muye was speechless.

Who'd want to be with you!?

When Ning Xi and Lu Tingxiao finally reached the autograph wall, the two stunned hosts came back to their senses.

They looked at each other awkwardly, recalling how they had praised Su Yan and Ning Xueluo as the ultimate couple, and how they were the best looking ones around...

They could not compare to these two at all!

"Welcome, Bro Xi! Oh no, tonight you should be Goddess Xi! Welcome, Goddess Xi and CEO Lu! Both of you look really attractive tonight!"

"That's right, the sight of the both of you is really pleasing to the eyes!"

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Su Yan looked at the man beside Ning Xi from the entrance, his face turning pale.

Even though it was normal for Lu Tingxiao to be with a popular artiste since he was the big boss of Glory World Entertainment, he felt gloomy and frustrated when he saw Ning Xi hold onto this man. A crazy thought even crossed his mind. If only the man beside Ning Xi right now was him...

After sending off the couple, the other pair behind was pretty attention-grabbing as well.

Lu Jingli wrapped his arm around a reluctant Jiang Muye's shoulder as he dragged him up the red carpet.

One of them smiled like a blooming flower as the other looked disgruntled and impatient. The fujoshi spirit within the fans was awakened...