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Chapter 1561: He's My Man

"After I received the trophy that day, I wanted to do this even then. I wanted to rush to your side and give this to the person I loved the most but so many things have happened. It's only today that I can finally give this to you!" Ning Xi's tone sounded pitiful.

"It's okay." Lu Tingxiao gently patted the girl's head. "Thank you. I really like it."

Lu Tingxiao knew that the way the girl had gazed at him at that time was so obvious that the people around him had almost found out.

Ning Xi got closer to him as she just wanted to stay near him for a little while more when her phone rang. It was Tang Nuo.

"Hello, Xiao Nuo? Did something happen?" Ning Xi asked worriedly.

Tang Nuo quickly replied, "Nothing much actually. Just that that woman is shameless enough to call us and ask Mother and Grandmother to tell the press that you asked them to do what they did. She's asking us to lie!

"You know how my mother is. She'll do anything whenever that woman shows any sign of distress. Grandmother was alright, but when she heard that woman was willing to give us money to send me overseas to study, she wavered..."

Ning Xi quietly listened to Tang Nuo. The people who were spying on the Tangs did not mention this or Ning Xueluo leaving the entertainment industry.

"Then? How did you settle it?" Ning Xi asked.

"How do you know I settled it?" Tang Nuo asked.

"Besides my brother, who else could?" Ning Xi teased.

Tang Nuo replied cheekily, "I didn't do much actually. I tied a rope to the beam of the house, then I told the three of them that I'll hang myself here if anyone agrees to her conditions!"

Ning Xi found it really funny. It was simple and straightforward, but effective.

Besides, she felt really touched. "Thank you, Xiao Nuo."

After she hung up, her phone rang again.

Ning Xi was just starting the car engine, so she told Lu Tingxiao, "Darling, help me pick it up."

Lu Tingxiao saw the name "Su Yan" on the screen. After two seconds, he picked up the call.

Lu Tingxiao did not say anything and the person on the other end was silent as well.

After several seconds, a man's voice came through the phone. Su Yan sounded like he had drank a lot. "Xiao Xi, I'm sorry... I'm really sorry... I know... I don't deserve your forgiveness... But... We... Is it still possible for us?" The atmosphere in the car turned cold when he said that.

"She's not available at the moment."

Su Yan sounded more clear-headed when he heard a man's voice answering Ning Xi's phone. He said with a stern tone, "Who are you? Why do you have Xiao Xi's phone?"

Lu Tingxiao did not say anything but his expression turned colder.

Ning Xi had just driven out of the garage when she heard the somewhat familiar voice of a man from the phone. He had even asked who Lu Tingxiao was, so she asked, "Who's on the phone?"

Before Lu Tingxiao could answer, Ning Xi glanced over and saw Su Yan's name.

Ning Xi's expression darkened.

It was this guy...

Ning Xi then tilted her head to Lu Tingxiao's direction before she spoke into the phone, "He's my man. Do you have an issue with that?"

Chapter 1562: A Hole In His Brain

Ning Xi's short reply tamed Lu Tingxiao instantly. Su Yan was silent for some time, then he hung up the phone.

Ning Xi felt a little odd after the call was hung up. She asked Lu Tingxiao, "Lu Tingxiao, what did that guy say on the phone?"

Lu Tingxiao had not seemed very alright just now...

Lu Tingxiao replied, "He asked if it's still possible for the both of you."

Ning Xi was speechless.

It took some time for Ning Xi to get her voice back. Her mouth twitched. "Is there a hole in this guy's brain?"

Lu Tingxiao did not say anything. He glanced over at the girl as he pursed up his lips.

He had already realized something was not right with the way Su Yan looked at Ning Xi, especially on the night of the award ceremony...

As a man, he perfectly understood the intention in Su Yan's gaze towards Ning Xi.

His girl was becoming more and more amazing, turning more attractive than ever...

"Darling, don't mind him. If you care what he says, your standards will drop!"

Ning Xi's eyes turned cold.

Was it still possible?

Where did he even find the courage to ask that?

At the Su's residence.

Ning Xueluo had just returned from the press conference.

Leaving the entertainment industry was just the beginning. Things were about to get messier.

The moment she returned home, the whole family was there, including Su Hongguang, Zheng Minjun, Su Xun, and Zhao Shanshan.

Everyone except Su Yan.

"Father, Mother, Su Xun, Shanshan..." Ning Xueluo greeted everyone.

"Wow! Look at who this is? Our star is back!" Zhao Shanshan said with a sarcastic tone. She would never pass up a chance to humiliate Ning Xueluo.

Zheng Minjun's expression looked terrible. She stared at Ning Xueluo. "Why are you back so late?"

She had been alright with Ning Xueluo when she had not been aware that she was the foster daughter of the Nings. However, ever since she found out about it, especially when she saw her vulgar-looking mother and grandmother, she felt disgusted towards Ning Xueluo.

She was becoming the joke among her circle of friends and was too afraid to go out as people might look at her weirdly. She feared that people might mock her for letting her son marry a wild fowl instead of a real phoenix.

If it were not for the 15% of shares in her hands, she would not have tolerated this situation at all!

Ning Xueluo hid the anger in her eyes and spoke softly, "I had some things to work on in the company after the press conference..."

Before Ning Xueluo could finish explaining herself, Zheng Minjun interrupted her, "Is there anything else more important than your husband? It's been three days since Su Yan has been absent from the company or even came home! Don't you care about where he went?! Is this how you are as a wife?"

"Mother, I'm sorry. I've been really busy these few days. There're still some procedures to be done at Starlight and I need to check into Ning International. I'll go and look for Su Yan now..."

Zheng Minjun's temper improved slightly when she heard Ning Xueluo was going to work at Ning International, but she still warned, "Don't go anywhere these few days. You know how messy things are thanks to your mother and your grandmother. I don't even dare to attend private parties at the moment! Don't embarrass yourself!"

Ning Xueluo clenched her fists while keeping an obedient attitude on the surface. "I got it, Mother. I'll stay at home until this matter cools off."

"Okay, go and look for Su Yan now!" Zheng Minjun waved her hands impatiently.

Chapter 1563: At Last She's A Match

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Ning Xueluo had just left when Zhao Shanshan immediately went up to Zheng Minjun to complain, "Mother, you're so patient! Why are you speaking so nicely to her? The face of our Su family has been thrown out of the window by her!"

"Speak less! Don't think I don't know what you're thinking. You'd better stop it. If I find out that you've been spewing nonsense outside, don't blame me for not warning you!" Zheng Minjun threatened unhappily.

Su Hongguang's gaze skimmed the both of them from the side. He also spoke strictly, "Your mother's right. I don't care what thoughts you guys have. This is related to our Su family's dignity. You two had better keep your mouths shut!"

Zhao Shanshan pouted and muttered softly, "Does she even still have dignity? I don't even need to say anything..."

Su Xun leaned on the sofa, then he thought of something. He said indistinctly, "Actually, now we should be worried most about Big Brother, shouldn't we? After all, Brother is the number one victim in this whole thing! To a man, face is most important!

"All the sons of nobilities in Imperial are married to wives who are ladies from prestigious families, but he's been fooled and he married a fake heiress. Where is Big Brother going to put his face?"

When he saw that this brother of his, who had always been better and excelled further than him, being humiliated, Su Xun felt incredibly delighted.

Tsk, tsk! Even God was helping them. The two of them had just gotten married not too long ago, and now Ning Xueluo's matter was exposed. In fact, the evidence was undeniable. Even the Ning family could not cover it up. This time, they really had quite a mess at hand...

Even though Su Xun's words were not pleasant to hear, he had pinpointed the one thing Su Hongguang and Zheng Minjun cared about the most all at once.

Especially in Zheng Minjun's eyes, her son was the most outstanding. How could she bear him having such a taint?

After they returned to the bedroom, Zheng Minjun kept pondering about it. At last, she could not help but say to Su Hongguang, "Hongguang, I keep thinking about it and I still feel that my heart is stifled. It's so difficult to bear!"

"Then, what do you want to do? The matter has already reached this stage!" Su Hongguang was naturally angry too.

Zheng Minjun probed, "Hongguang, what do you think... about the girl, Ning Xi? Actually, these past few days, I can see that our Su Yan still has feelings for Ning Xi..."

Su Hongguang instantly frowned and looked over. "Do you think things aren't chaotic enough? Su Yan has already gotten married to Xueluo after all. We're unclear about Ning Xi too. What are others going to think about Su Yan and the Su family?"

Zheng Minjun immediately replied with displeasure, "Do you think I don't know all these things that you've just said? Obviously, I will do it secretively. Why would I let anyone else know?!"

Su Hongguang did not say anything as he continued to listen.

Zheng Minjun spoke again, "So what if Ning Xi doesn't have a good relationship with the Ning family? You saw for yourself at the wedding the last time that the Zhuang family was obviously inclined towards Ning Xi! After all, Ning Xi is the lady with the Zhuang family's bloodline!

"In fact, even if the time comes for Su Yan and Ning Xueluo to get a divorce for him to marry Ning Xi, I believe the Ning family would have nothing to say. It was the Nings who lied to us first! Whatever it is, we're the reasonable ones!

"Wait till our Su Yan marries Ning Xi, then we pull the Zhuang family over. Would we still be worried about the Nings not recognizing Ning Xi as their daughter then?"

Su Hongguang finally wavered when he heard this, but he still said doubtfully, "All these are just your own wishful thinking. How do you know what Su Yan and Ning Xi are thinking?"

Zheng Minjun immediately said with a matter-of-fact tone, "Is this even a question? Didn't you forget how Ning Xi this girl was madly in love with our Su Yan? Now, she's constantly going against Xueluo. A huge part must be because Xueluo snatched Su Yan away!

"Initially, I definitely wouldn't have taken a fancy to that girl, but now that I look again, after not seeing her for a few years, that girl has really blossomed pretty well. At last, she's a match for our Su Yan!"

Chapter 1564: He Was Married

Ning Xueluo drove away from the Su residence, then she immediately made a call. "What has Su Yan been doing these past few days?"

"CEO Su seems to have returned to Chang Chun City's Spring Breeze Town. After he came back, he's been drinking in the bar nonstop," the person on the other end of the phone replied.

"Sprint Breeze Town..." Ning Xueluo frowned. "Where's he now then?"

"Well..." The person seemed to hesitate.

"I'm asking you something!" Ning Xueluo was impatient.

"CEO Su is now... at... at Peachwood..."

"What did you say?!" Ning Xueluo's expression changed.

She obviously knew that Peachwood was where Ning Xi stayed.

"What time did he go in?" Ning Xueluo immediately asked as her fingernails stabbed into her palms.

"No... It's not like that! CEO Su didn't go into the house. He's been standing outside the whole night..."

"Got it. Continue watching him!"

Ning Xueluo hung up, her body trembling slightly because she was very furious. She managed to calm down after quite a while.

She stopped in front of the Su family's Yifeng Corporation company building, then she found a stone nearby. She clenched her teeth before she hit herself hard on the forehead with the stone...

Fresh bloodstain slid down her forehead and into her eyes, making her face look incredibly sinister.

"Ning Xi, one day... All of this... I'll return them to you in double!"

Ning Xueluo slumped to the ground beside the car, then she picked up her phone to call Su Yan. The phone rang for a while before it went to voicemail. Ning Xueluo was so mad that she almost smashed it, but she continued to call nonstop.

When she called for the fourth time, it finally went through.

Before Su Yan could say anything, Ning Xueluo immediately weakly and painfully groaned with a frightened tone, "Bro Yan, save me... Save me... Save me, please..."

From the other end of the phone immediately came Su Yan's worried voice, but his voice was intentionally lowered as if he was afraid of being too loud. "Xueluo? What's wrong?"

"Blood... I'm bleeding a lot... Bro Yan... Am I about to die soon?"

"What nonsense are you saying?! Where are you now?"

"I'm... I'm at your company entrance... I... I didn't want to go look for you! I know that you've been in a bad mood these few days, so I didn't want to disturb you... But... But today I went home... And Mother said you haven't been home for quite a few days already. She said that I haven't been doing my duty as a wife. She told me to go look for you... That's why I could only... I'm sorry..."

"What actually happened? Are you hurt?"

"I don't know... I had just gotten down from the car when I was suddenly attacked by someone... Maybe it's... Sister's fans..."

"Don't talk anymore. I'm coming over now!"

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After she hung up, Ning Xueluo's weak and pitiful expression instantly turned malevolent.

Ning Xi! Did you think I wouldn't know what you want to do? What you want?

Did you think that you could just snatch Su Yan away like this?! Dream on!

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Su Yan's mood had been extremely gloomy recently. He returned to Spring Breeze Town to the residence he had stayed at back when he was recuperating. As he recalled the little details of when he was with Ning Xi, his depression started to get out of hand...

He wanted to see Ning Xi like mad, even if it was only to listen to her voice.

As expected, Ning Xi did not reply his messages. He had borrowed the courage of alcohol and called her, yet he did not expect a man to answer. In fact, Ning Xi had said herself that the person was her man!

In that instant, his despair was at its ultimate point. It was as if a beast was slamming into his chest because the current him had long lost the rights to question her...

He was married...

Chapter 1565: I Want A Child

It was only when Ning Xueluo's call rang that he woke with a start from these emotions. He immediately rushed to the office.

After he had made his way there, he saw Ning Xueluo leaning on the car under the dim lights and there was a pool of blood beside her, inducing a ghastly sight.

"Xueluo!"

"Bro Yan... You're here... I thought that... I wouldn't see you..."

"Don't talk nonsense! Let me send you to the hospital!" As he watched the girl's weak expression in desperation, Su Yan felt his heart tighten. He immediately carried the girl into the car.

After some hurrying, Su Yan sent Ning Xueluo to the hospital to treat her wound before they went home.

When they saw that Ning Xueluo being carried in by Su Yan, Zheng Minjun, and Su Hongguang were shocked.

"What happened?"

Su Yan looked at Zheng Minjun in distress. "Mother, it's already so late. Why did you have Xueluo go out to look for me!?"

"We haven't seen you for quite a few days now. I was just worried about you! She's your wife. Obviously, she should be doing this kind of thing!" Zheng Minjun was quite exasperated.

"What's up with Xueluo's wound?" Su Hongguang asked.

"She went to my company to look for me. Halfway, she was attacked by an unknown person."

Su Hongguang spoke with a drop in his tone, "That incident has caused such a huge ruckus. It's really too chaotic outside there right now. Later on, arrange two bodyguards for her!"

"Father, Mother, I'm fine... It's just a small wound... I'm sorry for giving you both trouble..." Ning Xueluo looked pale.

When they saw Ning Xueluo like this, even if Zheng Minjun was angry, she could not express it. Otherwise, she would make Su Yan upset if she said too much.

Su Yan was too protective of this girl!

Thus, she could only keep it in for now.

Inside the room.

Su Yan lay Ning Xueluo on the bed and was about to leave when a pair of arms reached out around his neck gently.

"Bro Yan, give me a child, alright? I want a child that belongs to us. Now that I've quit the entertainment industry, I can prepare for pregnancy with ease. Once I have children, I'll have more time to take care of them, to accompany them..."

Something flashed in Su Yan's eyes. "There's no need to rush. We're both still young."

There were tears in Ning Xueluo's eyes. Her fingers searched out for his lower body. "But I want..."

"Don't mess around. You're still hurt."

"It's okay! We just have to be a little more careful!"

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With her provocation, Su Yan could not help it in the end.

"Ah... Bro Yan... Slowly... Slowly..."

Tonight, Su Yan was particularly rough for some reason, yet Ning Xueluo felt reassured. Su Yan still loved her the most and had to succumb to her body.

Ning Xueluo thought about this, but she did not even notice that when Su Yan was thrusting into her, he had not looked at her once throughout as if he was distracted and deep in some fantasy...

In the last moment, after Su Yan rammed hard into her once more, his body then slumped onto the girl. His head lowered beside the girl's ear, then he indistinctly muttered, "Xiao Xi..."

After that, Su Yan fell asleep in a daze as he hugged Ning Xueluo tightly in his embrace in his sleep.

The instant she heard Su Yan say that name, Ning Xueluo felt as if her entire being was struck by thunder. She turned pale.

Su Yan... How could it be?

How could he? How could he be charmed by that woman!?

That dirty woman had sex with some hideous mess of a man and had even given birth to a bastard!

Back then, a huge part of the reason why Su Yan had left Ning Xi was that he cared about this. Which man could accept that his woman had done it with another man and had even given birth to that man's child?

One must know that back then when she was together with Su Yan, that had been her first time!

So, it was impossible... She must have heard him wrong! Bro Yan definitely would not have any more thoughts about Ning Xi...

Chapter 1566: Are You Free Tonight?

The post-drama of the Golden Film Awards had finally ended and Ning Xi's career was back on track.

After receiving two Golden Film Award trophies, Ning Xi's reputation skyrocketed.

At the same time, she expected more from herself.

Ling Zhizhi also became more careful at selecting the next movie script for her.

Ling Zhizhi thought about it for the longest time. In the end, she passed a script to Ning Xi. "Ning Xi, I suggest you audition for this one."

"A new movie from Jiang Xingzhou?" Ning Xi took a look at the script.

Anyone in the entertainment industry would feel a chill down their spine whenever they saw the name "Jiang Xingzhou".

Director Jiang was notorious when he was filming. Even Song Lin, a person with a high status, would be a little afraid when Director Jiang was mentioned.

Ling Zhizhi told her, "The main character of this movie is a dumb mother. In the movie, it progresses from her teenage years until her old age. I've read through the script and find it really good. With Director Jiang as the director, it'll surely land you an award locally. The main point is to aim for an international award like one of the big four movie festivals. Of course, because of this, the audition will be really tough. The competition will be fierce this time!"

Ning Xi was flipping through the script and was already attracted to it just by reading the introduction. "It's really an excellent script! Totally different from 'The World' and 'Dream Chaser'. It doesn't have many plot twists. It's mostly talking about a mother and her life, but scripts like this really put the actor's skill on trial!"

Ling Zhizhi nodded. "If it were someone else, I'll surely pick something safer like the one from Director Ling, but I think you're more suitable for this role."

Ning Xi felt her adventurous soul burning inside her. "We'll go with this then! No matter what, I'll go for the audition! If I fail, then we'll go with another one!"

"Alright, it's decided then. Go back and make the preparations."

"Mmm!"

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The moment Ning Xi left the company, her phone rang.

Ning Xi looked at the screen. She was so shocked that her soul almost left her!

Song... Song Lin!

Her goddess, Song Lin!

After they had exchanged numbers backstage at the Golden Film Awards, she never thought of bothering her goddess. However, her goddess was now calling her!

Ning Xi took a deep breath to calm herself down, then she picked up the call. "Hello... Se-Senior Song?"

"It's me. Are you free to talk right now? Am I bothering you?" The charming voice of her goddess came through the phone.

"No! Not at all! You can talk to me now, Senior Song!" Ning Xi quickly replied.

There was a short laugh over the phone. She seemed to be amused by the girl's cute reaction. "it's nothing much actually. I just wanted to have a chat with you. What movie are you going to cast in next?"

"I've just finished discussing with my manager. I'm going to prepare to audition for Director Jiang's movie 'Mother'," Ning Xi replied seriously.

"I see... As expected."

"I'm not really that confident... The people who are going to the audition this time must be very skilled." Ning Xi scratched her head.

It was not an exaggeration to say that the elites within the entertainment industry would be attending this audition. Ning Xi's acting was great, but there were many other talented artistes as well. The closer she was to the peak, the better the people she would meet. Still, she was really excited about the challenge.

Song Lin replied, "What a coincidence, I have a character in this movie too, but it's just a minor role. It's been decided."

"Really?" Ning Xi's eyes brightened. "So, if I pass the audition, I might have a chance to work with you!"

Song Lin sounded pleased. "That's right."

"Senior Song, I'll do my best!" Ning Xi felt motivated.

"Ning Xi, are you free tonight?" Song Lin suddenly asked in her ever so gentle tone. Ning Xi could also sense a tiny sense of seduction, so much so that even as a woman, Ning Xi almost could not take it.

Chapter 1567: Wear Nothing

Ning Xi gave it some thought. "Tonight? Nothing much really..."

"If you don't have anything on, come over to my place. We can talk about the script."

Ning Xi was stunned when she heard that. She felt as if a huge gift had fallen from the sky. "Uhh... S-Senior Song, you mean... You're giving me some private tutoring?"

Song Lin had always been her idol, the person she had admired for so many years, a beloved goddess. Not only did she contact her personally, but she was even offering to give her some private tutoring?

What a sudden wave of pleasant surprises!

Song Lin laughed, "Sort of, do you want to come?"

Of course!

Ning Xi suppressed the words that she almost yelled out. She tried to act more reserved. "Well, wouldn't that be troublesome? You're so busy after all!"

"It's alright. I'll send my address over to you. Come over tonight," Song Lin replied.

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When she received the message from Song Lin, Ning Xi almost wanted to frame up her phone.

At night, after having dinner at Platinum Palace, she tried out various outfits in the room.

"La la la la la la... It doesn't matter whether we talk all night. I don't mind going shopping with you everywhere. I'm grateful that you made me reborn again, and let me understand all over again what is L-O-V-E, lov-I-N-G, happy-I-N-G... I feel like I'm sitting on a jet plane..."

With Ning Xi's cheerful singing, Lu Jingli who was playing five-in-a-row with Little Treasure sulked, "Bro, are you guys going dating again tonight?"

"Nope."

"No?!" Lu Jingli did not believe it. "Then, who is she going out with? Look at her, acting so cheerful and happy!"

Lu Tingxiao was speechless.

Lu Jingli then realized he had said something wrong. He covered his mouth and tried to come up with an explanation. "Um... Well, maybe she's just trying out clothes for fun! It might not really be a date..."

"I'm finally done! How does this look?"

Ning Xi wore an aqua silk dress, which was a horrifying color. Anyone with slightly worse skin tone would have ruined the look with the dress, yet when Ning Xi wore it on her...

The little bun quickly KO-ed his second uncle, then he ran up to his mother. "Mommy, you look really pretty!"

Ning Xi hugged the little bun and kissed him. "My son has great taste!"

"Mommy, are you going out for a date?" The little bun asked as he tilted his head.

Lu Jingli looked over nervously like paparazzi waiting for a scoop. Lu Tingxiao turned his head over slightly as well.

Ning Xi sounded really excited. "Yes! Mommy has a very important date tonight! Quickly give me a kiss of encouragement!"

The little bun obediently gave his mother a quick kiss.

Lu Tingxiao was speechless once again.

Lu Jingli was shocked.

She really was going on a date!

Lu Jingli was stunned. "Bro Xi, who are you dating? Who's important enough to make Bro Xi try out a few dozen clothes and several different types of makeup? Even my brother isn't treated like this! How can you do this, Xiao Xi Xi!? You're responsible for my brother!"

Ning Xi glared at Lu Jingli angrily, then she went up to Lu Tingxiao. She tiptoed and kissed him. "What now?! I can even wear nothing in front of your brother! Darling, don't listen to your brother's nonsense!"

The coldness on Lu Tingxiao's face instantly melted. He betrayed his brother without a second thought. "Mmm."

Lu Jingli was again shocked by the turn of events.

Damn you, devil tamer Xiao Xi Xi!

Chapter 1568: Mother's Baby

Damn you, devil tamer Xiao Xi Xi!

Shameless! So shameless!

"Bro, can you please have some dignity? Little bun, you too. Your mother is going on a date with someone else!" Lu Jingli looked extremely worried.

The observer was much more anxious than the person involved.

Ning Xi stomped her foot on Lu Jingli's leg. "I'm dating my goddess. Are you jealous? You single dog!"

"What single dog?! What are you talking about?! I'm a lone wolf! A lone wolf!" Lu Jingli insisted angrily, then he realized, "Huh? Goddess? A woman..."

"You don't say!" Ning Xi took a look at the time. "I'm not going to speak nonsense with you anymore. I'm going out now. If not, I'll be late! My goddess is going to give me some pointers for my next movie! I can't leave a bad impression!"

"Goodbye, darling. Goodbye, my baby!" Ning Xi bade farewell to the big bun and the little bun, then she left happily.

Lu Jingli then mumbled, "Why is she doing so much just to see a woman? Little bun, who's your mother's goddess?"

The little bun was his mother's top fan. Of course, he would know. He started to introduce Song Lin in detail, "Song Lin, 35 years old, the youngest actress to receive all the biggest awards in the country. She was nominated in the Golden Ball Awards as Best Female Lead before. She's the first person who's closest to receive an Oscars from the Chinese entertainment industry..."

"Ah! Song Lin... No wonder!" It suddenly dawned on Lu Jingli.

Everyone near Ning Xi would know that she was a big fan of Song Lin. Her behavior just now made sense now.

However, everyone in the field knew that Song Lin was cold and arrogant. She rarely interacted with anyone, so it was unexpected that she would see Ning Xi differently after meeting her just once at the award ceremony.

Anyhow, Song Lin had an excellent reputation in the industry and her capabilities were genuine too, so it was beneficial for Ning Xi to be in contact with her.

Lu Jingli did not give it much thought because he had a more troublesome mess to deal with.

"Oh! Bro! My bro! The family meeting is happening in three days time! All of them are coming to Imperial! Almost everyone prepared girls for us! What are we going to do?!" Lu Jingli lay down on the sofa with a dreadful face. "Should I make a public announcement that I like men? Wait... Father and Mother will kill me..."

The little bun looked at his weird Second Uncle in disdain, then he went back to his room to sleep.

His father had his protection anyway. He would never allow anyone to stop him from being his mother's baby!

After Lu Jingli reminded him of the family meeting, Lu Tingxiao sat on the sofa. He seemed to be thinking about something. His eyes darkened and his expression seemed to warn that a storm was brewing.

Lu Jingli looked at his brother worriedly. He felt like he might be thinking too much, but he had a hunch that trouble would happen during the family meeting.

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The address Song Ling had sent Ning Xi was located in the luxurious Splendiland.

Ning Xi was surprised when she saw the address because from what she knew, Splendiland should be Song Lin's personal address.

Usually, big shots like Song Lin would be very mindful of their privacy and would not easily invite people to their personal homes.

Chapter 1569: To Let Other People See Me

Ding dong.

Ning Xi stood at the door after nervously ringing the doorbell.

Very soon, the door opened from the inside.

Song Lin wore a casual nude-colored outfit. Her shiny, jet-black hair was casually pinned into a bun, and her bare feet stepped on the plush, white carpet. "Hey Xiao Xi, I thought you'd be arriving soon. Come in!"

Ning Xi was stunned for a moment before she reacted. She quickly bowed and greeted Song Lin, then she entered the house. "Sorry to trouble you, Senior!"

Everyone loved beauty, and Ning Xi's eyes almost could not tear themselves away from Song Lin.

In her casual outfit, Song Lin seemed completely different from the radiant beauty in front of the camera, who had so many fans such as Ning Xi. It was sheer luck that she was special enough to indulge in the secret joy of seeing the other side of her idol.

Now, she really understood how those groupie fans felt!

"Sit," Song Lin welcomed her as she poured her a cup of tea.

In the middle of the living room was a coffee table. On top of it was a flower arrangement in a white ceramic vase and an exquisite tea set.

"Thank you, Senior!" Ning Xi took the cup, then sat down on the cushion beside the coffee table. "What tea is this? It smells really good!"

"It's sakura tea. I made it myself."

"Really!" Once she heard that the goddess had made it herself, Ning Xi looked excited.

Song Lin smiled as she looked at the girl's genuine enthusiasm and joy, which infected her mood too.

It had been a long time since she was in such a glorious mood.

She had been in the entertainment industry for a long time and had attained much in the line of acting work. When she met someone, she could immediately tell whether they genuinely liked something, if they were faking a compliment, or if they had a deliberate motive.

It was rare for her to be confused. Sometimes, she really hated herself for being able to see everything so clearly.

Thus, when she had met this girl for the first time at the Golden Film Awards, as she witnessed the unadulterated excitement and adoration in her eyes together with her love for acting, she felt like she had just seen an oasis after traversing the desert for a long time.

Song Lin gave Ning Xi some of the dessert she had made as she casually chatted with her, "Why did you want to start acting?"

Ning Xi paused for a moment when she heard the question. Why did she want to start acting?

She had not even spoken to Lu Tingxiao about this and had never revealed the answer in front of the media.

However, with the person who could be said to be someone who changed her life before her right now, she could not hide the truth.

Ning Xi looked down and pondered, then she answered, "Actually, there isn't any special reason... I just wanted... To let other people see me, to know that I exist. However, at that moment, I didn't know how I could do that... I just knew that one day, that one time I saw you on television when you were accepting an award on stage, you were so bedazzling and everyone's eyes were all on you..."

When she was younger, because of her experience of being abandoned and being thrown out more than once, it made Ning Xi realize that she was insignificant and weak. Apart from the only younger brother who cared for her, even if she went missing and disappeared or if she died, no one would notice.

The desire to let people know about her existence built her survival instinct right from the start.

Even though Ning Xi had not explained her emotions in concrete, Song Lin thought about the girl's background and could roughly fathom the source of her thoughts.

Ning Xi smiled when she finished. "Of course, I'm also bound by convention. It's also to earn more money and become more amazing!"

She still wanted to stand alongside that person...

Ning Xi studied Song Lin. Her gestures held the manner and charm of someone with years of practice. No matter if it was in the entertainment circle or the business and investment industry, she had almost reached the pinnacle. She instantly felt that she was too far behind...

Chapter 1570: More Normal Entrance

Ning Xi chatted a lot with Song Lin.

Initially, she was a little awkward, but by the end of their chat, it was practically familiarity at first sight. The two of them shared many similar views and beliefs. Later on, they even analyzed a large chunk of the script all the way until it was late at night, but they still had not had enough.

As the old adage went, listening to the right person speak was better than studying for ten years. Today, she finally understood the meaning of the saying!

All along, she had always fumbled alone and worked hard to read books and study by herself. Now, there was suddenly someone leading the way, helping her resolve many problems she had long been puzzled by, and even pointing out some errors.

"Thank you, Senior Song. Thank you so much for today!" Ning Xi took a deep bow and thanked her.

Song Lin smiled nonchalantly. "You're welcome. It's hard to come by people you can hit it off with immediately. It's been a long time since I've chatted this happily with someone too. Call me 'Sis Lin' next time. There's no need to be so distant!"

Ning Xi immediately responded, "Sis Lin!"

"It's very late. Did you come alone? Do you want to stay at my place for a night?"

"There's no need to trouble you. I've already bothered you a lot. I came with a chauffeur," Ning Xi quickly said.

"Okay then, get home and be careful on the road."

"Mmm, I'll go now. Goodnight, Sis Lin!"

"Goodnight." After Ning Xi left, Song Lin did not immediately enter her house. Instead, she quietly watched the girl's bouncy silhoutte leave.

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Downstairs, when Shi Xiao saw Ning Xi come down, he breathed a sigh of relief.

Even though the Lady Boss was meeting a woman...

However, based on his understanding of the Lady Boss, women were not safe either!

"Miss Xi, returning to Platinum Palace?"

"Mmm, let's go home."

On the way, Ning Xi was humming a song in mood as she summarized notes on the enlightenment she had received from chatting with Song Lin earlier.

She was absorbed in her writing when the smoothly driven car suddenly came to a sudden halt with an ear-piercing screech.

"What's happened?"

"Miss Xi! Be careful!" Shi Xiao was horrified as he yelled out in a trembling voice.

Then, Ning Xi saw a dark human figure squatting like a spider on her car hood.

"Damn it..." Ning Xi rubbed her eyes. She almost thought that she had seen a ghost.

What the heck was this?

Shi Xiao took a gun out from the car's hidden compartment, then he swiftly opened the car door and pointed it towards the unknown entity on the car hood.

The entity moved with an inhuman speed and attacked Shi Xiao.

Ning Xi quickly got down from the car too. When she clearly saw what was attacking Shi Xiao, her eyes suddenly widened and she quickly stopped Shi Xiao. "Shi Xiao! Don't shoot!"

Pop! The sound of a silenced gun burst. The unknown figure used an extremely weird angle to evade the bullet's speed, then it immediately snatched the gun from Shi Xiao's hand.

"I hate other people using guns to point at me."

When she heard this familiar voice, ten thousand "what the hells" flashed across Ning Xi's mind. Well, I hate people squatting on my car hood in the middle of the night!

"Master Han Xiao! I'm sorry, I'm sorry! My bodyguard didn't mean it! But you... Why the hell in the dead of night are you here?" Ning Xi asked with a twitching mouth.

Couldn't you have made a more normal entrance?

Han Xiao replied, "I'm hungry."

Ning Xi was speechless.

Master, don't you know that you saying such words to me in the middle of the night is very terrifying?

Thankfully, even though they had not been in contact much, she still understood a part of this guy's eccentric temperament...

"Oh, oh, oh, then I'll treat you to a meal! Kentucky is open 24 hours!"

"Mmm." The master instantly moved his murderous gaze away from Shi Xiao.