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“Believe me, I can definitely get this role,” Mo Rao saw Chen Zheng’s hesitation and said confidently.

Chen Zheng took a deep breath. Indeed, Mo Rao was the Best Actress Award winner after all. As her manager, he should believe her unconditionally, so he agreed. “Alright, then go talk to Director Jia Li about this. I’ll cooperate with you regarding public relations.”

After hanging up, Mo Rao immediately called Jia Li and told him her thoughts truthfully.

“Alright! I like actors with confidence like you! Don’t worry, even if it’s a public audition, I think you’ll definitely win!” Jia Li praised Mo Rao.

Facing Jia Li’s support, Mo Rao was very gratified. “Thank you for your appreciation. Actually, I’m sorry to have caused you and the movie staff this trouble.”

“Do you know what movie producers want the most? What they want is hype! Actually, this is nothing. I’ll treat it as pre-movie hype.” Jia Li laughed loudly on the other end of the phone.

Seeing that Jia Li didn’t take this matter to heart, Mo Rao was relieved.

Chen Zheng quickly did public relations according to Mo Rao’s wishes and expressed Mo Rao’s willingness to openly compete with the actresses for the female lead of ‘Butterfly Fragrance’. Jia Li immediately cooperated and said that he would make the audition videos public.

This way, the netizens’ doubts were dispelled substantially. Compared to voicing their suspicions, they wanted to see the audition more. Not only did they want to see Mo Rao, but they also wanted to see other actresses.

“Wow! This is the first time audition videos will be released, right?! Then won’t these actresses’ true abilities be exposed?!”

“I support public audition videos! I want to see who the real best actress is!”

“How exciting! Since Mo Rao dares to do so, it means that she has confidence! I think highly of her!”

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Lin Xia was furious when she saw the public opinion turn around again.

She had long wanted to work with Director Jia Li. Previously, she had thought of ways to get close to this famous director, but he didn't give her a chance at all.

After knowing that Fu Ying was the investor of this movie, she simply beat them at their own game and used a ruse to instigate her fans to question Mo Rao. However, who knew that Mo Rao would be so bold as to want everyone to publicly audition and even publicize the audition videos?

Lin Xia felt that she had shot herself in the foot. However, she was bold. Since Mo Rao had issued such a challenge, she wasn't afraid. She bravely accepted the challenge and reposted the Weibo post of Butterfly Fragrance's public recruitment of actors. She shouted, “Butterfly Fragrance, here I come!”

Once this Weibo post was posted, there was an uproar. More and more people began to look forward to this public audition.

Mo Rao didn't care about Lin Xia's provocation. She only wanted to perform well during the audition. Regardless of whether she became the person who stood out in the end, at least she could prove her strength.

These days, she had been preparing for the audition at home. That night, just as she was practicing, the doorbell suddenly rang.

“Brother?” Mo Rao walked to the door and probed.

“It's me...” However, it was Fu Ying's voice. To be precise, it was Fu Ying's weak voice.

Mo Rao was shocked and quickly opened the door. In the next second, Fu Ying, who was outside the door, fell towards her. If not for Mo Rao holding onto the cabinet at the side in time, Fu Ying and she would probably have fallen to the ground.

“You have a fever?” Mo Rao felt Fu Ying's warm body.

“I-I think so...” Fu Ying panted heavily, his voice weak.

Mo Rao used all her strength to help Fu Ying lie on the sofa. Then, she reached out to test his forehead and frowned.

“Your forehead is very hot. I’ll call Gu Hai and ask him to send you to the hospital.” Mo Rao was about to stand up when Fu Ying grabbed her.

Although Fu Ying was a patient, he was quite strong when it came to pulling Mo Rao. After Mo Rao lost her balance and fell onto Fu Ying, the two of them became very close.

“What are you doing?!” Mo Rao felt Fu Ying’s hot breath and her face burned as she tried to push him away.

“Let me hug you for a while... I’m cold...” Fu Ying buried his head in Mo Rao’s neck, as if she was his only source of warmth.

Chapter 367: Softhearted

“Fu Ying, let go of me!” Mo Rao tried to push Fu Ying away, but Fu Ying hugged her tightly. He wasn’t acting like a person with a high fever at all.

“Don’t move...”

Fu Ying’s panting sounded in Mo Rao’s ears.

In the next second, Mo Rao felt something touch her abdomen.

Fu Ying was such a hooligan! He was so horny!

“Fu Ying, are you crazy?!” Mo Rao was angry and speechless. She wished she could slap Fu Ying twice.

Fu Ying didn’t speak. He just hugged Mo Rao as she threw a tantrum.

Mo Rao was facing a 1.9-meter-tall man, so she was naturally not his match. She was like a puppet as she was helplessly hugged by Fu Ying for comfort.

Fortunately, just as Mo Rao was wondering how to struggle out of Fu Ying’s arms, the door opened.

“Fu Ying! What are you doing?!”

The moment Mo Yuan entered the house, he saw Fu Ying lying on the sofa with Mo Rao in his arms, his face still flushed.

This scene was simply unbearable to watch!

Mo Yuan raced to the sofa. If not for the fact that he saw Fu Ying frowning and looking especially pained, he would have raised his fist and punched Fu Ying's face.

"What's wrong with him?" Mo Yuan pried away Fu Ying's hand that was grabbing Mo Rao. Only then was Mo Rao freed.

Fu Ying was already asleep. Mo Rao looked at him helplessly and explained, "He has a high fever. Call Gu Hai and I'll ice him."

With that, Mo Rao found a towel and filled it with cold water. She took care of Fu Ying while Mo Yuan called Gu Hai immediately.

"Rao Rao..."

Fu Ying was still calling Mo Rao's name even in his delirious state.

Seeing him like this, Mo Rao had a strange feeling.

Even though Fu Ying was extremely fragile just now, after knowing that it was her in his arms, he hugged her like she was a treasure, as if he was afraid that she would leave.

Mo Rao rarely saw such a fragile side to Fu Ying.

"Don't tell me your heart has softened?" Mo Yuan observed Mo Rao's expression and asked.

"How could I possibly do that?" Mo Rao quickly denied it.

How could she be soft-hearted towards Fu Ying?

Fu Ying had mistreated her so much and even caused her two children to miscarry. She would never forgive him.

However, Mo Rao didn't understand why her heart was fluttering.

She didn't want to stay by Fu Ying's side awkwardly with Mo Yuan, so she reached out and took Fu Ying's pulse.

However, just as she felt Fu Ying's pulse, she frowned.

Fu Ying's health was very bad and his internal organs were affected.

From how he usually appeared, Mo Rao would think that he was as healthy as before, but she didn't expect him to be so weak.

“Why are you frowning? Is he beyond saving?” Mo Yuan saw that Mo Rao was worried about Fu Ying and felt very upset.

Mo Rao shook her head. “He’s not in good health. What has happened to him all these years...”

Mo Yuan gazed at Mo Rao and reminded her seriously, “Rao Rao, feeling heartache for men is the beginning of misfortune.”

“I don’t feel heartache for him.” Mo Rao emphasized again. “I’m just puzzled. He was clearly in good health before...”

At that moment, the doorbell rang.

Gu Hai was here.

Mo Rao opened the door and Gu Hai rushed into the room. When he saw Fu Ying on the sofa, he sighed and said, “President Fu has been too busy recently and has exhausted himself.”

“Young Ma... Miss Mo, thank you for taking care of President Fu.”

Gu Hai carried Fu Ying and thanked him before leaving.

Mo Rao looked at Fu Ying with a complicated expression, but remained silent.

“Miss Mo... As you can see, President Fu has missed you all these years. He actually loves you very much, but he didn’t know how to express his love in the past...”

“Gu Hai, I know you’re loyal, but what about the misery Rao Rao has suffered?” Mo Yuan interrupted Gu Hai.

However, Gu Hai didn’t mind Mo Yuan’s comment and continued to say to Mo Rao, “When you were away, President Fu looked for you day and night. He skipped meals and rarely slept. When he was in a bad mood, he would do things that hurt himself, but I always stopped him in time.”

Chapter 368: A Ruse To Gain Sympathy

Gu Hai’s words made Mo Rao’s heart skip a beat.

Fu Ying harmed himself?

Fu Ying actually hurt himself like this because of her?

“Gu Hai, are you done talking? If you don’t send Fu Ying to the hospital, be careful that his brain gets severe damage,” Mo Yuan urged.

If Gu Hai continued, he was worried that Mo Rao’s heart would soften!

At this point, Gu Hai couldn’t continue. He could only look at Mo Rao deeply and leave with Fu Ying.

Looking at the closed door, Mo Rao sat on the sofa in a daze.

“Mo Rao, don’t tell me you believe Gu Hai’s words?” As Mo Yuan sat beside Mo Rao, he remind her. “Be careful. This might be Fu Ying and Gu Hai’s ruse!”

“Besides, so what if it’s true? Late affection is cheaper than grass! You know it yourself!”

Was it a ruse to gain sympathy?

However, she could clearly feel that Fu Ying’s health was indeed not as good as before.

Mo Rao had to admit that she was touched when she heard Gu Hai’s words.

However, Mo Yuan’s words made her come back to her senses.

Indeed, it was better not to have such belated affection.

“Brother, don’t worry. I know what to do.” Mo Rao smiled at Mo Yuan and said, “I’ll go to sleep now.”

Looking at Mo Rao’s back, Mo Yuan sighed softly.

Before returning to the country, Mo Yuan was worried that Fu Ying would continue to be entangled with Mo Rao. Now, it seemed that it was true.

However, Mo Yuan had no choice. After all, he had never been around during the period of time Mo Rao and Fu Ying were together. He only knew that he had to protect Mo Rao and wouldn’t let her be hurt again.

When Fu Ying woke up, it was already the next morning. Only Gu Hai was beside him.

“Why am I here? Where’s Rao Rao?” Fu Ying looked around, trying to find that petite figure. However, there were only him and Gu Hai in the huge ward.

“Miss Mo called me to bring you to the hospital yesterday.” Gu Hai told Fu Ying the truth. “From the looks of it, she seemed quite worried about you.”

Hearing Gu Hai’s words, Fu Ying was relieved.

As long as Mo Rao was still worried about him, there was still hope.

“President Fu, you have to pay more attention to your health. Your health is the most important thing.” Gu Hai advised from the side, “You’ve been too tired recently.”

“I just want to give Rao Rao the best support,” Fu Ying said with lowered eyes.

Now that Mo Rao was working hard in the entertainment industry, he had to be the strongest. Only then could he ensure that Mo Rao wouldn’t be infected by the evilness in the entertainment industry and her career would be smooth sailing.

Moreover, he wanted to win Rao Rao back. He had to give Rao Rao the best life.

“By the way, is Mo Rao going to audition with those actresses?” Fu Ying suddenly thought of the news he had seen.

Gu Hai nodded. “Yes, a popular celebrity called Lin Xia threw shade at Miss Mo. That’s why Miss Mo came up with this countermeasure.”

“Lin Xia.” Fu Ying gritted his teeth as he said this name.

Gu Hai knew that Lin Xia was doomed.

“It’s okay. With Mo Rao’s acting skills, even if it’s an audition, she will definitely win.” Fu Ying was very confident in Mo Rao and wasn’t worried that she would fail.

Gu Hai hurriedly echoed, “That’s right, so you have to recuperate quickly. When the time comes, you can be a judge.”

This reminded Fu Ying—he was the investor of that movie. If he didn’t become a judge, who would?

Fu Ying immediately started to think about his health and instructed, “Gu Hai, buy me some porridge.”

Gu Hai hurriedly agreed and left the ward with a smile.

Mo Rao had just eaten breakfast and started to practice her acting skills when Gu Hai sent a message.

“Miss Mo, President Fu has recovered a lot. He’s in the Central Hospital. You can come and see him when you have time.”

After Mo Rao took a look, she put down her phone.

It was just a fever, so there was no need for her to visit him. Fu Ying was much better anyway.

Just because she didn’t look at Fu Ying didn’t mean that Fu Ying wouldn’t take the initiative to look for her.

The next night, Fu Ying arrived at Mo Rao’s door as soon as he was discharged and rang the doorbell.

The moment Mo Rao opened the door, she saw a large bouquet of beautiful red roses. She looked up at Fu Ying in confusion.

Chapter 369: Gold Will Always Shine

“This is my display of gratitude to you for taking me in last night,” Fu Ying said when he saw Mo Rao’s confusion.

“You barged in,” Mo Rao said bluntly.

Fu Ying smiled. “But you didn’t chase me out.”

“I’m a doctor after all. I won’t neglect patients.” Mo Rao’s expression was as cold as ever.

Fu Ying felt that Mo Rao was being stubborn, so he stuffed the flowers into her arms and said, “Then treat this as a thank-you gift from the patient.”

With that, Fu Ying turned to leave and didn’t give Mo Rao a chance to return the flowers.

“Fu Ying..”

Mo Rao was about to return the flowers to Fu Ying when Fu Ying quickly unlocked the password lock and rushed into the house.

How shameless!

Mo Rao felt that Fu Ying was becoming more and more immature. He was simply unreasonable.

He was clearly the CEO of the Fu Corporation. Why was he so immature?!

Mo Rao wasn't in the mood to argue with Fu Ying about this bouquet of flowers. In two days, she would participate in the audition for Butterfly Fragrance with many actresses. If Mo Rao didn't get this role, she would definitely face a wave of public criticism.

Therefore, she had to prepare well.

Time flew and it was finally the day of the audition.

Although Mo Rao was quite confident, she couldn't help but feel a little nervous on this day.

When Chen Zheng drove Mo Rao to the audition venue, there were already many actresses waiting.

Mo Rao recognized some of the actresses. Most of them were famous actors and actresses who had already won awards.

It seemed that the competition wasn't small this time.

Seeing Mo Rao, many actresses looked at her with hostility, but Mo Rao didn't care.

After Lin Xia's move, many people in the industry probably felt that Fu Ying was the one who helped Mo Rao get good resources.

"Hello, Mo Rao." Among these actresses, a quirky and petite girl stood up and greeted Mo Rao.

"Hello." Mo Rao smiled at her kindly. "You are? Sorry, I just returned to the country. I don't know many celebrities."

"It's normal not to know me. I'm not that famous." The girl smiled embarrassedly. "My name is Tong Yue. I haven't acted in any big roles yet. I'm purely here to join in the fun."

"I'm just very grateful to you for being willing to make the audition videos public." Tong Yue was silent for a moment before saying sincerely, "You know that connections are important in the entertainment industry, so I don't even have the chance to compete for many roles... Publicizing the audition videos might give more small actors like me a chance."

Looking at Tong Yue's clear eyes, Mo Rao froze for a moment before smiling.

“I believe gold will always shine no matter where it is,” Mo Rao encouraged.

The entertainment industry was a big dye tank. It had been a long time since Mo Rao had seen someone as sincere as Tong Yue in the industry.

“Yes! Thank you! I believe you will definitely get this role! I just came to get familiar with more people...” Tong Yue chuckled and scratched her head awkwardly.

Just as Tong Yue finished speaking, a sneer came from the side. “You’re starting to build connections so quickly?”

It was Lin Xia.

Mo Rao and Tong Yue looked up at the same time and saw Lin Xia standing in front of them arrogantly.

This was the first time Mo Rao had seen Lin Xia in person. She had to admit that there was a reason Lin Xia became a popular celebrity.

Her face was vivacious and beautiful, but with a hint of coldness. She exuded a noble aura from head to toe, but this noble aura also had a sense of vulgarity to it.

“Tong Yue is just my friend. How is that considered building connections?” Mo Rao maintained her politeness and smiled.

However, Lin Xia didn’t want to let Mo Rao off the hook at all. She sneered and said, “Who doesn’t know that you, Mo Rao, are the granddaughter of the Qu family and Fu Ying’s sweetheart? You can do whatever you want in the entertainment industry.”

“If I could really do whatever I wanted, I would be the popular star now, not you.” Mo Rao knew what Lin Xia cared about the most. Since Lin Xia said that, Mo Rao would hit her sore spot.

Lin Xia was most afraid that Mo Rao would snatch her position. Now that Mo Rao said this, she was speechless.

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“Lin Xia, I disdain using so-called backers to snatch resources. On the other hand, you seem so familiar with this method. Could it be that you relied on your backer to snatch a lot of resources?” After Mo Rao questioned her, Lin Xia’s expression changed.

“Oh right, haven’t there been rumors recently that the CEO of the Peng Corporation is Lin Xia’s sugar daddy?”

“That’s right... She has a sugar daddy herself, but she’s throwing shade at Mo Rao.”

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When the discussion entered Lin Xia’s ears, she glared at the people who were discussing, then turned to glare at Mo Rao angrily. “What evidence do you have to say that about me?!”

“Then what evidence do you have to ruin my reputation online?” Mo Rao asked.

Lin Xia was once again rendered speechless by Mo Rao.

She thought that Mo Rao was a meek girl, but she didn’t expect her to be so eloquent. Mo Rao wasn’t a pushover at all.

“No matter what, we’ll see who’s the paper tiger during the audition later.” Mo Rao smiled at Lin Xia and said provocatively.

Lin Xia clenched her fists as she stared at Mo Rao’s back with anger in her eyes.

Finally, it was time for the audition. The actresses sat in the waiting room. Mo Rao read the content of the audition seriously. It was a crying scene that had to reflect the anguish of the female lead losing her only sister. At the same time, she had to show her determination to avenge her sister.

Although crying scenes were a must for actors, it was still very difficult to act without preamble.

Actresses were called into the audition room one after another. When they returned, they had different expressions. Some had red eyes and cried until they were out of breath, while others had calm expressions or disappointment. Few had smiles on their faces.

From the looks of it, most of their results weren’t ideal.

This raised the tension in the waiting room.

Mo Rao didn’t care about this. She just had to do her part well.

Lin Xia entered the audition room before Mo Rao. Mo Rao didn’t know how she performed inside, but when Lin Xia returned, her expression became even smugger.

“Sister Lin Xia, are you confident in winning the role?” A sidekick of Lin Xia flattered her.

“I don’t know. Everyone’s performance is very impressive. I’m not sure if I can do it, but from the judges’ expressions just now, I think I did well.” As Lin Xia spoke, she couldn’t help but glance at Mo Rao.

Mo Rao stood up expressionlessly and walked past Lin Xia. Then, she left the waiting room and went to the audition room.

However, the moment she walked in, she was stunned.

Other than Jia Li, the assistant director, the screenwriter, and the others, there was also someone she was very familiar with sitting at the judges’ table.

Fu Ying.

Why was he here?!

If he was here, wouldn’t it make people think that she relied on him to get the role?

Fu Ying sensed Mo Rao’s gaze and turned to look at her. He only took a glance before lowering his head to look at the notebook on the table, looking like a serious judge.

“Mo Rao, you can start when you’re ready.” Jia Li looked at Mo Rao expectantly.

Mo Rao nodded. Then, she ignored Fu Ying and didn’t let him affect her mentality. She began to summon her inner emotions as she stood in front of the judges.

Although this part of the plot wasn’t in the script, Mo Rao quickly found the emotional focus.

The emotions quickly overcame Mo Rao and her eyes were filled with tears. She knelt on the ground as she pretended to be holding her sister’s corpse in her hand. At first, she endured it, but in the end, she couldn’t hold back the grief in her heart and wailed while calling her sister’s name.

However, amidst her grief, Mo Rao didn’t forget her hatred. The emotions in her eyes switched freely between—incredulity, sadness, and hatred. All these mixed emotions affected the judges’ emotions as well.

This was the first time Fu Ying had seen Mo Rao act up close. Only then did he realize that Mo Rao had very raw talent. She was born to be an actress.

However, during the days she was with him, he had crushed Mo Rao’s limelight.

At that time, Mo Rao was just an obedient and docile woman. He was the only one in her world.

Now, Mo Rao was creating a world that belonged to her and was shining in her world.