

## Chapter 533 An Invitation To The Director's Office

The next day, Celia went to work as usual. As soon as she arrived at the company, she heard her colleagues gossiping about the auction.

"Have you heard? This auction is going to be held on a luxury cruise and only the big shots are invited! If only we have a chance to go. It would definitely broaden our horizons."

"Stop your wishful thinking. You aren't even qualified to take part in the auction."

"It doesn't matter. I can broaden my horizons just by looking at the auction items."

A tall and slim female colleague took out the auction magazine and flipped through a few pages. She pointed at one of the pictures and exclaimed, "Look! There are so many special items on auction but this ring is my favorite."

Hearing the word "ring", Celia subconsciously looked over at the magazine. As expected, she saw the picture of the sapphire ring left by her mother and she couldn't help feeling sad.

She secretly took out her mother's photograph and looked at it affectionately.

Finally, Celia would have a chance to see the ring in the auction. It was the ring that her mother cared about most when she was still alive.

She was determined to get it back to fulfill her mother's last wish. However, she knew that it was impossible for her to get it back for the time being as she was not able to afford it.

Celia took a deep breath and put the photograph away.

She was about to take one last look at the picture of the ring again, but the colleague had already closed the magazine and they changed the topic of their gossip.

She overheard them gossiping about Nolan now.

"I heard that our company has entered the real estate industry recently and Mr. Reyes is going to buy the land at Star Bay."

"The Semsy Group has just been established a few years ago but Mr. Reyes' business is expanding so quickly."

"Mr. Reyes is so cool. I wonder if he is married. It seems that very few people in the company have met him in person."

Hearing that the gossip was about Nolan, Celia subconsciously wanted to avoid listening in. When she was about to ignore them and concentrate on her work, she heard another colleague say, "I heard something but I don't know if it's true. The director of our design department, Shirley, seems to be very close to Mr. Reyes. I heard that as soon as Shirley joined the company, Mr. Reyes thought highly of her and personally trained her. Maybe they have a special relationship."

Celia was interested in this and continued to eavesdrop quietly.

As soon as the colleague finished speaking, someone refuted, "That's rubbish. Mr. Reyes always keeps his

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Celia didn't know what to feel. She tried to ignore the gossip and concentrate on work instead.

Strangely enough, she received a message from Shirley moments after the gossip session ended.

"Cece, are you free now? Please come to my office."

Celia stared at the message in surprise. Shirley had never asked to see her before ever since she joined the company.

Thinking that it must be important, she replied without hesitation, "I'm free now. I'll be there soon."

She checked her appearance as she wanted to leave a good impression on Shirley. After making sure her appearance was in order, she quickly left for the director's office.

Before she knocked on the door, Celia saw Shirley sitting on the chair, studying something very seriously.

Celia hesitated outside the door and felt a little uneasy. Eventually, she gathered her courage and knocked on the door. Shirley then looked up at her and said apathetically, "Please come in."

Celia entered the room and closed the door behind her. Shortly after, Shirley opened a file on the projector and asked, "Is this your design draft?"

Celia raised her head and saw the design draft she drew for Brea on the projector. She nodded and said, "Yes, it's mine."

Shirley nodded and continued, "Do you know why this

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design draft caught my attention?"

Celia shook her head. "I don't know."

Shirley crossed her arms and sighed. "I have high expectations for you. My standards for you are far stricter than what I have for your colleagues. And honestly, I'm a little disappointed in you for this draft."

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