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Chapter 1181: Lu Man Brought Them to Their Knees

The surroundings were all dark. Lu Man looked as if she came out of a painting in that moment, looking so beautiful that it was breathtaking.

Finally, a single tear slowly rolled down from her right eye. However, even so, her expression remained restrained and calm.

After that teardrop rolled down, she stopped crying and slowly lowered her eyelids to hide the sadness in her eyes.

She had finished her script, but the show was still ongoing.

The lights had yet to come on on stage.

The audience was puzzled. "What's going on? It's not over yet?"

"Where's the mystery guest? How come it's only Lu Man from start to end? Where's the mystery guest?"

At this moment, another spotlight fell on the stage, illuminating a single corner.

It was only then that the audience saw a graceful middle-aged man playing the violin at the corner of the stage.

The violin accompaniment for Lu Man just now was played by this very man.

Finally, Wang Juhuai moved.

He slowly walked towards the center of the stage, where Lu Man was. The music from the violin never once stopped.

"Why do I feel like this violinist looks a little familiar?"

"I think he looks familiar too."

"Oh my god!" one member of the audience exclaimed.

"That scared me!"

"What happened? What happened?"

"It's Wang Juhuai!" The lady that had exclaimed just then trembled excitedly and was close to tears. "I... I play the violin. I never thought... I never thought that I will actually be able to listen to Wang Juhuai's performance live."

As the young lady said that, she actually really started crying.

Another young lady beside her passed her a tissue as the crying lady continued, "I wanted to go overseas to further my studies. I thought that if I had a chance, I could attend one of his concerts. Wuuwuwu!"

"Is that really Wang Juhuai?" Some of the audience members were dumbstruck.

"Of course! He's my idol. I've always had his picture pasted on my wall. How could I not recognize him?!"

"Alright, stop talking. Didn't we all think the music from this violinist was really nice just now?"

"I remember in the original movie soundtrack, the starting accompaniment for this part is the piano, right?"

"I think so."

"But changing it to a violin doesn't sound odd at all. In fact, it adds a deeper layer to it."

"That's true. Let's see who it is."

"Why do I feel like this sounds better than the original?"

"That's because the original movie could not invite Wang Juhuai."

Finally, the music came to an end and the stage was fully illuminated.

Fan Yue rushed up on stage in excitement and said, "That's right. Our last mystery guest is Wang Juhuai, Mr. Wanggggg!"

Fan Yue was almost shouting it out. He dragged on and emphasized the last word and almost broke his voice on it.

"My goodness! It's really Wang Juhuai!"

"Oh my god! Lu... Is Lu Man going to heaven or what?! How on earth did she invite Wang Juhuai!"

"Oh my god, I'm so agitated I'm going to cry. I don't play the violin but I feel like crying too!"

"Lu Man invited Sun Yiwu and Ji Cheng last time. I thought they were already the best in the country. No matter who she invited this time, the person would not have as strong an effect as the previous time. Who would've known! She actually invited Wang Juhuai!"

"Is Lu Man still human? Is she human? Is there anything she can't do?"

"I concede defeat. Lu Man really brought me to my knees!"

Fan Yue excitedly ushered Wang Juhuai and Lu Man to the center of the stage and said, "I believe the audience members are all extremely shocked. Mr. Wang actually appeared on our stage. To be honest, I am extremely surprised too!"

At this moment, the audience would usually laugh for a bit.

However, everyone was still so shocked that they could not utter a word. Every single person just stared at them wide-eyed. No one could be bothered to laugh right then.

Chapter 1182: Father and Daughter

"We are very honored today to have Mr. Wang on our program and on our stage. We are even more honored to be able to listen to Mr. Wang's performance live," Fan Yue said excitedly. "That's right, all of you weren't mistaken! The entire performance's background music was all performed by Mr. Wang himself!"

"Oh my gosh, exactly how impressive is Lu Man for her to be able to invite Wang Juhuai to be her accompanist and help her stand out?!"

"Everyone knows that Mr. Wang had never participated in any interviews or any shows. This is the very first time he has appeared on any variety show across the entire world!"

Everyone in the audience was moved by this enthusiasm and excitement. All of them stood up and applauded loudly.

Every single one of them was so emotional that their faces were all flushed red to the tips of their ears.

Wang Juhuai opened his mouth and said, "Hello, everyone, I am Wang Juhuai."

Just a few words excited the audience once again.

"I'm so thankful that I came here today! Even if I lose my phone, it would still be worth it. The price of my phone is not even enough to buy a ticket to watch Wang Juhuai's performance. This time, I had spent only 200 yuan on a flash-sale ticket, and that was enough to watch Wang Juhuai's performance— oh my goodness!"

"I realized only today that there are so many people in the country who want to attend my performance, yet they can't even manage to buy a ticket," Wang Juhuai said. "This is due to my negligence. Now that I've moved back to the country and decided to stay here permanently, I will definitely organize a concert in the country in the future."

Everyone burst into a smile and the applause became even louder.

Fan Yue still remembered Lu Dongliu's orders and asked, "I'm sure that I'm not the only one who's surprised that Mr. Wang came as Lu Man's mystery guest to appear on our show. Everyone else here right now must not have expected this either."

Thunderous applause sounded across the set.

"I'm exceptionally curious: what exactly did Lu Man say to you such that she could invite you to participate in our show?" Fan Yue asked with a smile. "Managing to invite you aside, it's already pretty shocking that she was able to contact you."

"She didn't say anything much to me. All she told me was that she was going to appear on the recording of the finale and she was wondering who she should invite to be her mystery guest. I told her, I'm right here, available and ready for her to use, yet she is still thinking of finding someone else. That's just silly." Wang Juhuai said as he smiled. "Lu Man is my daughter. As her father, I definitely have to support her. She was looking for a mystery guest, and I'm just someone ready right here for her."

Wang Juhuai smoothly and steadily threw a bomb at everyone.

Everyone in the audience exploded instantly.

"What did Wang Juhuai say? I didn't hear him wrongly, right?"

"Wang Juhuai said that Lu Man is his daughter!"

"Gosh, how did Lu Man become Wang Juhuai's daughter!"

"Oh damn, Lu Man's background is way too strong!"

"No wonder she is able to invite Wang Juhuai!"

"No wonder Lu Man is not afraid of flaming or fighting anyone! She has Wang Juhuai as her father!"

"That's not right, back when Lu Man was harshly flaming all sorts of people, Wang Juhuai still hadn't returned to the country. Wang Juhuai got remarried only after coming back to China. Lu Man is the daughter of Xia Qingwei and Lu Qiyuan, this is old news. Therefore, Wang Juhuai is only Lu Man's stepfather. Lu Man got Wang Juhuai as a backing only recently," a netizen analyzed thoroughly and logically.

"No matter what it is, from today onwards, Lu Man does have a backing. Nobody will dare to offend her anymore, right?!"

"Right now, Mrs. Wang is seated here with us on set," Fan Yue said as he smiled.

The camera immediately gave a close-up on Xia Qingwei.

Everyone in the audience also turned over and looked.

This was the first time that Xia Qingwei had appeared on camera. On the big screen, Xia Qingwei's face was displayed too.

So as to not embarrass Lu Man and Wang Juhuai, Xia Qingwei kept her smile on, appearing gracious and calm.

"May I know if Mrs. Wang is willing to come up on stage?" Fan Yue asked.

Chapter 1183: Public Announcement

Xia Qingwei never expected that. She was here only just to be a low-profile audience member, but unexpectedly, she was called out by Fan Yue.

She immediately looked at Wang Juhuai. In his eyes, she saw encouragement.

His eyes conveyed the meaning that if she was willing to come up, then she should come up.

If she wasn't willing to, then that was alright too.

Xia Qingwei looked at Lu Man after that. All along, it was Lu Man standing in front of her, protecting her and taking care of her.

No matter how difficult the situation was, Lu Man had shouldered it all.

It was because of her incompetence that Lu Man had had to go through so much at such a young age.

All along, she could never do anything to help Lu Man.

Xia Qingwei took in a deep breath. She couldn't possibly always just hide behind Lu Man and Wang Juhuai.

She had to stand up to do something for Lu Man.

Even if it's just a little, even if it didn't do much.

Xia Qingwei quietly tightened her fingers into a fist, but one couldn't see any nervousness on her face. She hid it very well.

Xia Qingwei smiled slightly at the camera. Then, she stood up and calmly walked up onto the stage at a steady pace.

No matter how nervous she was on the inside, at least to the audience, she appeared composed, and every single one of her actions was extremely gracious.

It seemed like in the recent two years, she didn't have any worry or stress and her life was extremely comfortable and relaxed. That calm spirit naturally flowed out of her, making her appear relaxed and calm.

Moreover, her many years spent with music molded her temperament and emotions, making her entire being exude an air of culture and art.

As the audience watched, they genuinely felt that this was how Wang Juhuai's wife should behave and look like.

Xia Qingwei walked up onto the stage. Wang Juhuai and Lu Man naturally let her step into the center, and Wang Juhuai handed over the microphone in his hand to Xia Qingwei.

Ever since Xia Qingwei stood up, Wang Juhuai's eyes had been chasing after her, never leaving her.

Right now, Xia Qingwei stood right next to him. Wang Juhuai turned over and kept looking at her. His eyes and lips were all smiling.

Xia Qingwei hadn't even said a single word, but all over Wang Juhuai's face, it was written that "my wife is so amazing."

The audience was caught off-guard and got stuffed with a mouth full of public display of affection.

"He really loves her too much."

"Oh gosh, I was unexpectedly stuffed a mouthful of display of affection."

"Wang Juhuai really likes Lu Man's mother, huh."

"Even I'm getting a little envious. Lu Man's mother's luck is too good."

"Lucky? Have you never read news about them before? Lu Man and her mother were bullied by Lu Qiyuan to no end. Right now, it can be said that they finally suffered through the worst and can enjoy the fruits of their labor."

"I think that Lu Man's mother had a really bitter and difficult life in the first half of her life, but that was all to save up karma so that she can meet Wang Juhuai in the next half of her life. You don't have to be envious, no one ever gets a free lunch. She had suffered through half her life and finally met Wang Juhuai right now."

"Mrs. Wang," Fan Yue said politely. "Hello, nice to meet you. Could you please introduce yourself?"

Xia Qingwei smiled. "Hello, everyone, I am Xia Qingwei, Lu Man's mother and also Wang Juhuai's wife."

"From what I know, Mr. Wang came back to China and decided to never go back overseas, and this was all because he met you," Fan Yue said. "I don't know if you could let us know, how did you two get to know each other?"

Xia Qingwei smiled a little in embarrassment. Wang Juhuai took the microphone over and said, "She's my first love. I've been divorced for ten years while she has been divorced for slightly more than ten years, but neither of us knew that. Both us of thought that the other party already had their own family, so neither of us dared to find out what was going on in each other's life. Hence, we just kept missing each other."

"Until this time, when I returned, I had one unexpected chance to bump into her and the decades worth of misunderstandings between us were finally resolved. We both decided not to miss each other again, and so we got married," Wang Juhuai said as he smiled.

Chapter 1184: True Love

This also explained why, not long after he returned to China, he got married to Xia Qingwei.

Even though he didn't say it in detail, if they read between the lines closely, everyone could guess that it hadn't been easy between the two of them either.

"Looks like they knew each other from long ago."

"Sigh! If only Xia Qingwei didn't have that misunderstanding with Wang Juhuai at the start, the two of them would have gotten married and she wouldn't have suffered so much."

"Who just said that she was lucky? She completely isn't. Two people were clearly in love yet they both couldn't be together. Instead, because of a misunderstanding, they missed each other for so many years. If both of them were leading a good life, however, that would have been alright, but clearly, they didn't. Wang Juhuai has been divorced for ten years while Xia Qingwei met a scum like Lu Qiyuan. To me, she wasn't lucky at all. She had extremely rotten luck."

"Thankfully, both of them are together now. Perhaps this is fate's way of making it up to them."

"You guys read that news about Lin Jinshu before, right?"

"Yes, I saw that Wang Juhuai even personally had to give a statement. He was extremely livid."

"He's been divorced from his ex-wife for ten years already, yet even until now, she is still addressing herself as Mrs. Wang to other people. No matter who it is, they wouldn't be able to tolerate it either."

"They have already been divorced for ten years yet she's still doing this. This was even something that Wang Juhuai found out. Who knows how much he hasn't found out about yet?"

"That's right. Just from how Lin Jinshu is behaving, I believe that it definitely wasn't Wang Juhuai to blame for the divorce between them. That woman clearly isn't any good."

"Thankfully, Wang Juhuai is once again with Xia Qingwei."

"Sigh, it sure is touching. Wang Juhuai could still get together with his first love."

"That's right. Wang Juhuai must still be pretty popular even at his age. However, he still chose to be with his first love. This must be true love. I really think that this is really rare."

Everyone thought that Wang Juhuai was done after his couple of simple sentences. To their surprise, Wang Juhuai continued, "I got to meet my wife because she was the daughter of my mentor. Back then, we were both learning the violin under him."

Fan Yue didn't know about this and asked in surprise, "Mrs. Wang is a violinist too?"

"I wouldn't dare call myself a violinist, I just know how to play the violin. I used to be a violin teacher in the past and taught children how to play the violin. I just hope that more children will start liking the violin too. I don't wish for much success, I just hope that they will like playing the violin. I hope that more and more people will start learning about the violin too, or just know about it. If, among all these children, one of them could become a violinist in the future, that would be very good too," Xia Qingwei explained.

"You said 'in the past,' then how about now?" Fan Yue asked.

"I just resigned not long ago," Xia Qingwei explained.

"Then will you not be teaching the violin anymore?" Fan Yue asked. "Or will you be furthering your studies in this field?"

"I naturally will continue in this area. I'm going to take a break for a while after resigning, then think about how I want to develop myself in the future."

"You are too humble. If there isn't a teacher like you, perhaps there might not be a great musician like Mr. Wang in the future," Fan Yue praised.

"That's right." Wang Juhuai nodded. "I never felt that my wife's skills were beneath mine. We were both just focusing on different areas."

"That's right." Fan Yue nodded. "Mr. Wang, you are standing on the international stage to let more people find out about the violin while Mrs. Wang focuses on what is right before her eyes, teaching those children who found out about the beauty of the violin to truly learn more about it in depth."

Chapter 1185: Chemistry

"Can we give both Mr. and Mrs. Wang a round of applause, please?" Fan Yue said to the audience seated below the stage.

Instantly, thunderous applause roared.

"Surprisingly, both husband and wife play the violin. They are such a good match for each other!"

No one felt that Wang Juhuai was out of Xia Qingwei's league and that she couldn't match up to him.

The whole set was filled to the brim with blessings and well wishes for them.

"Is it possible for us to have the honor of witnessing both of you performing a duet together?" Fan Yue asked.

Wang Juhuai looked at Xia Qingwei, asking her for her opinion.

On stage, Xia Qingwei naturally wouldn't have stage fright and refuse him.

"Then, what piece shall we play?" Xia Qingwei smiled and said, "I can't play something too difficult, I probably can't keep up."

Xia Qingwei's honest words didn't make the audience feel any dislike. Instead, they really liked her honest words, or more like her honest and real personality.

Wang Juhuai laughed lightly. "How about Flying Insects?"

Just like that, both of them had started discussing on stage. As Fan Yue's request was out of the blue, both of them hadn't discussed this beforehand.

Xia Qingwei didn't expect that he would still remember this piece.

"Sure." Xia Qingwei nodded.

Wang Juhuai brought his own violin. A maestro like him naturally would have his own custom-made violin. He wouldn't easily use any other violin.

However, Xia Qingwei naturally wouldn't mind. Hence, she used a violin that the production team had provided.

Clearly, the production team had already considered the possibility of something like this happening beforehand. If not, they wouldn't have even prepared a violin too.

After the two of them reunited, they hadn't performed this piece together.

However, as both of them had really performed this piece together too many times before, it had long since been etched deeply in their minds.

Wang Juhuai started first. It was melodious yet cheerful.

Xia Qingwei slowly joined in afterward. Both of them first started playing the same melody and at the same key.

When the piece finished the first verse, Wang Juhuai's key was suddenly raised while Xia Qingwei went down a couple of keys, yet both were strangely well-harmonized.

After a while, Xia Qingwei slowed down her tempo, but Wang Juhuai suddenly increased his.

The slow and deep tone of Xia Qingwei's violin was like the quiet and calm night.

The higher key and fast rhythm of Wang Juhuai's violin was as if the birds were singing and the insects were chirping.

The chemistry between them was amazing!

Xia Qingwei finished the piece first, then she didn't continue.

As Wang Juhuai's tempo was faster, when Xia Qingwei finished, he had already played the latter part of the third time of the piece. He dragged out the final long note and let the note gradually fade away as the ending.

"Oh gosh! I never knew that this song that is almost like a children's song could be performed in such a way as to give it such a different feel!"

"Their chemistry is so amazing!"

"It was so beautiful."

"Xia Qingwei's technique is indeed not as good as Wang Juhuai's, but Wang Juhuai is a skilled maestro, after all. Xia Qingwei's basic skills are really solid, so she could bring out Wang Juhuai's skills, and that was enough."

"It was so beautiful!"

"A maestro is indeed a maestro. He could play a children's tune in such a moving and amazing way!"

"I never expected that in just one day, I've managed to hear two pieces personally performed by Wang Juhuai all at once. This trip was absolutely worth it!"

Fan Yue was still so excited and emotional from listening to it. He asked Wang Juhuai, "You two have such good chemistry with each other. Do you two frequently play this piece together?"

Wang Juhuai smiled. "It's been about more than 20 years since we performed together. While we were both students learning under the same teacher, we couldn't help but feel a little bored while practicing on our own. Hence, we thought of different ways to play it to create some fun. This song was the song that we practiced playing together back then. Once we could play it well, we thought about different ways to change it and play around with it to create something new, so we created many different versions. However, ever since then, we had never performed together. This is probably the first time in over 20 years."

Chapter 1186: Down to Earth

"Then it really is such an honor for us!" Fan Yue said.

"I have to thank this stage too, for giving us this opportunity to perform together again," Xia Qingwei said with a smile.

Fan Yue spoke to the audience. "Over here, I would like to inform everyone that this duet segment was thought of by the production team on the spot. We did not inform Mr. and Mrs. Wang beforehand. Therefore, this really is indeed the first time in over 20 years that they had performed together. This is the first time, and it was also completely unrehearsed and even on this stage too."

"Yes, I didn't tell Qingwei what I was thinking of beforehand either. However, once she heard that I changed the key, she just knew how to follow," Wang Juhuai said.

All these years, he had worked with many different people and even had his own personal team that he worked with. However, none of them had as much chemistry with him as Xia Qingwei did.

After all, the team was formed after many rounds of practice.

However, Xia Qingwei had never practiced with him before. Just by hearing one key change from him, she just knew how to match him.

Jiang Yuhan and the others were listening from backstage. They watched helplessly as the time that Lu Man had on stage was getting longer and longer.

In the final segment, after they had performed, Fan Yue would only conduct a simple interview and then have them leave the stage.

However, when it came to Lu Man, the time spent on stage was only getting longer and longer. It didn't seem like it was about to end any time soon.

Only then did Jiang Yuhan finally realize that her thoughts at the start were way too simplistic.

The program was extended just for Wang Juhuai and his family. It had nothing to do with anyone else.

She completely couldn't have taken advantage of it!

Fan Yue still remembered that Wang Juhuai said before that he hoped that the screentime would be given to Lu Man and that the focus could be placed on Lu Man too.

However, it was so rare for Wang Juhuai to participate in a program, so they definitely had to interview him a little too.

It was such a rare opportunity. If they let it go, who knows when they would have such a chance again?

Thankfully, Chi Xingrui had instructed the cameraman beforehand too that even while interviewing Wang Juhuai, he should also try to give Lu Man a little screentime.

Right now, after speaking to Wang Juhuai, Fan Yue told Lu Man, "Lu Man, I really have to say, you really do keep everything so low profile!"

Fan Yue's words made the audience laugh.

That's right, she really was so low profile!

"Mr. Wang hadn't been back in China for really long, but it can't quite be considered as a short duration of time either. It has almost been half a year. If he hadn't come to record this show today, no one would have known that Mr. Wang was your father. Tell me, how did you manage to keep this unknown to the public?"

"It's mainly because I don't want to create trouble for my father. If I were to say it, there would definitely be an endless stream of interviews, or people hoping that they could ask me to get my father to help them out with something. However, I don't want my family to be disturbed or be put in a spot because of me. Besides, I'm still doing alright on my own. If I work a little harder, I wouldn't have to ask my father for help for every single situation." Lu Man smiled again. "However, this time, I did indeed

gain some benefit from this. Because I was coming to participate in Classic X Files, I had to bring my father out along too."

"This was because I requested it," Wang Juhuai added.

"You requested it?" Fan Yue was shocked.

"That's right. At the start, she was still thinking of looking for someone else and was still deciding who would be more suitable. Back then, I was in the study room, and I haven't heard about it. When I came out, I heard it from Qingwei. After that, I felt sad. Why didn't she ask me, who was readily available, but think of looking for someone else?" Wang Juhuai even made an expression that showed he felt a little wronged, as if he was a little kid throwing a small tantrum.

For someone who was a grand maestro of the violin to suddenly make such an expression, the audience was surprised yet amused.

It turned out that Wang Juhuai was so down to earth too.

Chapter 1187: Surprisingly Beneficial

He wasn't high up on his "god-like" pedestal, and neither was he someone who wouldn't mix with people on "earth."

"Only then did she finally invite me. If not for that, she wouldn't have invited me at all," Wang Juhuai said.

"Wow, I finally understand Lu Man's personality." Fan Yue started talking. "Previously, when it was Director Sun Yiwu, Director Ji Cheng, and Teacher Du Lin who were Lu Man's mystery guests, it was the same too. Lu Man looked for everyone else but them. They even only found out about it from someone else, then they personally contacted Lu Man themselves to request that she let them be her mystery guests."

Wang Juhuai grinned and said, "This child Lu Man is just like her mother. They both don't want to trouble other people."

"Yes, I can tell."

Through this opportunity, they managed to talk so much with Wang Juhuai. Even Chief Lu felt that he had made his money's worth.

After the show ended, Chief Lu even wanted to invite Wang Juhuai to a meal.

Wang Juhuai shook his head and said, "We can eat together next time. When the time comes and we make plans beforehand, we can leave later. However, this time, we already decided on a time to head back, and Lu Man also has to rush back for her class. She is still a student; her focus is still on studying."

"Could you leave a little later?" Chief Lu urged. "Could you try and change your flight ticket? If you can't, our station will help you cancel it and book another one for you."

Wang Juhuai smiled and explained, "I took my son-in-law's private jet here this time. He has already arranged the departure and arrival time with the airports. If we wanted to change it, we should have done so in advance. This late, it will be a little troublesome."

Chief Lu was surprised. Even though private jets were nothing new, it was rare for people to own a private jet.

However, you still had to consider the different types of private jets.

For example, small private jets—there were more people who owned those.

However, if it was really a luxurious private jet, then that was impressive. In the country, perhaps there were only around ten people who owned such a private jet, and every single one of them stood at the top of the pyramid.

However, no one knew exactly how impressive their private jet was.

"Alright, then. If that's the case, I won't force you anymore," Chief Lu said with a smile.

"Alright. Next time, then. Next time, we can decide on a time beforehand, then we could go back a little later too. Or perhaps when you come to City B, I'll treat you to a meal instead." Wang Juhuai wasn't putting on any airs at all and had said so politely.

Wang Juhuai politely explained everything and even took the initiative to treat them to a meal. It was clear that he wasn't avoiding having a meal with them.

Chief Lu naturally felt happy from the bottom of his heart. Hearing Wang Juhuai's words made him feel comfortable and happy. It made him feel that he was respected too.

After all, even if Wang Juhuai were to brush him aside, that was still within his rights.

This also showed that he was considerate of others and had good manners.

For him to have achieved the success he had today, his high emotional intelligence and manners definitely played a role.

If you put on airs and acted arrogantly like those famed artists even when you were not famous, who would bother with you?

However, Wang Juhuai being so polite towards Chief Lu was also naturally because he was considerate towards Lu Man.

As Lu Dongliu had helped Lu Man out a lot, Wang Juhuai had a good impression of Lu Dongliu.

Lu Man was already on bad terms with Xing Ke Station. Now that Dong Hua Station was on good terms with Lu Man, Wang Juhuai wanted to build an even better relationship with them so that things could be easier for Lu Man.

Everyone started leaving. Chief Lu personally followed the security guards along and sent Wang Juhuai and the rest from another door, not alerting anyone.

After sending Lu Man and the others off, Chief Lu praised Lu Dongliu and said, "Xiao Lu, you did well this time. We definitely have to maintain a good relationship with this young lady Lu Man. We definitely can't offend her."

Lu Dongliu smiled and said, "Looks like I saw only how much potential Lu Man could have in the future. I had a good impression of her, so I thought that I should help her out as much as I could. Who knew that I would manage to gain some help from her too? This time, it has surprisingly turned out to be beneficial for me."

Chapter 1188: One Beats Three

"Your kindness has indeed been rewarded!" Chief Lu patted Lu Dongliu's shoulder and praised him some more.

The show would be aired the day after tomorrow.

Meanwhile, Lu Dongliu and Chief Lu had decided on the length of the show, and then they hurriedly started with the post-production and editing.

The production team also quickly proceeded with their publicity.

Classic X Files Official Weibo: "The Classic X Files finale will be an extended two-hour-long special!"

At the start, they simply stated the hints regarding the mystery guests that Jiang Yuhan, Lin Yantao, and Zheng Yikun had invited.

"Our final mystery guest 'W' is a never-seen-before superstar! This upcoming episode of our show will become this mystery's guest first show ever worldwide! The biggest mystery guest of all three seasons of Classic X Files!"

After that, they added a link to the main page of Classic X Files.

When clicked and the page was loaded, it showed the silhouette of the mystery guest, similar to that of the third episode.

The netizens who saw this preview were a little shocked.

"Oh, damn, it's the same publicity method as the third episode, the exact same method! Could it be that the mystery guest this time around is even more amazing than Sun Yiwu, Ji Cheng, and Du Lin? One beats three?"

"They're not playing fair if it really is the guest's first-ever show worldwide! If they found a bigshot who's never participated in any variety show in the country, he definitely wouldn't have participated in any other variety show in the world either."

"W' covers quite a wide range. There's Wang, Wu, Wei, Wei[1]. There are honestly too many family names that begin with W."

"The key is that based on how the production team has been fooling us netizens, 'W' might not be a family name. Remember Sun Yiwu, remember Ji Cheng? We were so badly fooled back then!"

"However, think about it, other than the third episode, even for the episodes after the third one, the production team has never used this preview method again. This means that the level of the other guests was indeed not the same as those of Sun Yiwu and Ji Cheng. Indeed, the guests that have appeared after that were so-so. However, this time, the production team used the same preview method. No matter whether or not they might have exaggerated about his description, this guest would at least be on par with Sun Yiwu and Ji Cheng."

"I wonder who had invited this guest?"

"Anyway, there are no other shows on Friday either. I'll just wait for Classic X Files instead of waiting for the Weibo account to reply to me."

The audience members who watched the recording had signed a confidentiality agreement, so they couldn't reveal anything.

However, they still couldn't help but want to flaunt their existence and sense of superiority.

"I've watched the recording. I must say, it was so worth it! It was even more impressive than that episode with Sun Yiwu and Ji Cheng. We even had to hand in our phones before we entered the set just in case anyone was to secretly take pictures. However, I must say—forget about handing over my phone, even if I'd had to sell my phone away for the ticket, or even if I'd had to pay for the transport fee to fly in if I came over from elsewhere, it would all still have been extremely worth it."

"I went to watch the recording too. You guys definitely have to watch this episode. If not, you'll regret it! If you guys don't find it good, I'll live-stream myself eating poop!"

"Psh, the person above, you don't have to go all out, do you?!"

"Is it really that good?"

"Yes! And it's super worth it! I can't say much, but this episode's guest is definitely the most impressive one of all time. The production team isn't exaggerating."

"I'm even more curious now. Who exactly is it?"

"Let's just list down all the family names that start with W and start choosing from there, shall we?"

Just as the discussion was getting all heated up on the Internet, Lu Man and the others had just alighted from the plane.

After collecting their luggage and leaving through the exit, they saw that Han Zhuoli was already standing there and waiting.

Wang Juhuai's butler Wei Zhong was there too.

"Dad, Mom," Han Zhuoli called.

Wang Juhuai was also getting pretty used to hearing Han Zhuoli call him "Dad" now.

[1] Different intonation and Chinese characters from the other 'Wei'.

Chapter 1189: Who Are We Meeting?

"Did the recording proceed smoothly?" Han Zhuoli took Lu Man's luggage from her and held her hand.

"It went very smoothly. With Dad around, everyone was especially polite to us," Lu Man said with a smile.

Han Zhuoli thought to himself, If I were there, those people would definitely have been even more polite.

They headed to the carpark and then sat in two separate cars.

Han Zhuoli said to Wang Juhuai and Xia Qingwei, "Dad, Mom, I'm bringing Lu Man along to meet some of my friends, so we won't be heading home for dinner tonight."

"Alright," Xia Qingwei replied with a smile.

"Who are we meeting?" Lu Man asked Han Zhuoli in curiosity as she got into the car.

She already knew that group of Han Zhuoli's close friends.

"Yan Zhiqing, Beicheng's younger sister." Han Zhuoli explained, "Previously, she had always been filming overseas, so I never had a chance to introduce you two to each other. She had just finished a shoot and came back, so Beicheng is planning to meet her. I remembered that both of you are actors, so I wanted to introduce you two to each other."

Lu Man's eyes lit up in surprise. "Yan Zhiqing!"

If she were to say who was the most successful artiste to make it internationally, Lu Man felt that it was definitely Yan Zhiqing.

Most of the media would say it was Cao Jingcheng, and that was because Cao Jingcheng had a lot of experience and had been working for many years in the international film scene.

However, he had at most been only a second or third male lead in films.

On the other hand, Yan Zhiqing was only in her fourth year of university right now and had too little experience in the film industry, so they wouldn't consider her.

Yet, in fact, even if she had just entered the film industry, Yan Zhiqing had already starred in Anubis and was even the main female lead in it.

For a Chinese actor, this was a first.

Of course, one couldn't deny the impact of Yan Zhiqing's family on her career.

Probably because of Yan Zhiqing's family, no matter how great her career was, many people were still rather biased against her.

They felt that it was only because of her family that she was able to achieve the success she had. It was all because of her family giving her all the support behind her back that she was able to receive everything without much effort.

Without the Yan Family, she never would have been able to get a shot at those shows.

Perhaps it was because they were unwilling to admit defeat, perhaps it was out of envy, or perhaps it was even purely because they wanted to stand out amongst the crowd, but those keyboard warriors who were so drunk on feeling like they were the only ones who were "woke" completely ignored Yan Zhiqing's acting skills.

Lu Man had watched the first film of Yan Zhiqing's, which had been given an award. She acted extremely well.

There was a type of actor who was as if they naturally born to be in this career. Their acting skills seemed to come naturally from within their bones. Even just a simple lifting of a hand was filled with drama.

Purely from their lines or aura, it was like one couldn't really tell if they were acting.

However, when you compare it with others, they would easily beat down the other party.

Lu Man had watched Yan Zhiqing's show before. She had always dreamed of being able to shoot something with her one day.

She never expected that she could actually meet Yan Zhiqing tonight.

While she still didn't have a chance to film something with her, it was still very amazing that she could have an opportunity to get to know her first.

Han Zhuoli saw that Lu Man was filled with so much anticipation and excitement. Suddenly, he felt a little jealous.

When she saw him at the airport today, she wasn't even this excited.

"You like Yan Zhiqing that much?" Han Zhuoli asked.

"I mainly just want to get to know her first. Right now, I don't know many people in the same industry. Most of them are just acquaintances. If I could be friends with someone in the industry, that would be great," Lu Man explained as she smiled.

"I knew that you admired her, so when I heard that she was coming back today, I told Beicheng that I'll bring you along." Han Zhuoli lifted his chin a little, trying to earn some credit.

"I know that you think about me the most." Lu Man held his right hand, which didn't have to hold on to the steering wheel.

"Zhiqing used to have a bit of a spoiled princess' temper, but she's still a good person inside, just a little stubborn, that's all. However, something not too great happened to the Yan Family too, so she seemed to have grown up a little." Han Zhuoli smiled. "If you got to know her a while before, you probably wouldn't have liked her that much. But right now, she's pretty nice."

Chapter 1190: Isn't He Crazy?

"How's her temper like now?" Lu Man felt a little uneasy after what Han Zhuoli said.

"She has matured quite a lot, so don't worry," Han Zhuoli replied with a smile.

While Han Zhuoli and Lu Man were making their way to Sheng Yue, Wang Juhuai and Xia Qingwei were also on their way back to Yi Garden.

Wei Zhong was in charge of driving, so Wang Juhuai and Xia Qingwei sat in the back seat.

Wei Zhong said, "The renovations at the mansion are already completed. In another two months, after it's cleaned up and more breezy, you can move back in."

Wang Juhuai said in satisfaction, "After we move in, we'll just be waiting for Lu Man and Zhuoli to give us a grandchild."

Xia Qingwei laughed and said, "You are even more anxious than I am."

Wang Juhuai sighed. "I've been alone for way too long. Now that I have a family, a big family with children, I just want our place to be filled with more people and happiness."

Xia Qingwei held Wang Juhuai's hand. In the past, it had always been just her and Lu Man.

When Lu Man was Lu Qi's assistant, she couldn't even go back home. Most of that time, she was alone too.

Hence, she could understand Wang Juhuai's feelings.

"In the future, there will be more and more people in our house," Xia Qingwei said.

"Right!" Wang Juhuai was filled with energy again.

Recalling that Classic X Files was going to start its publicity today, Wang Juhuai took out his phone and took a look at it with Xia Qingwei.

Yet, to his surprise, the first thing he saw was a piece of news about Liang Chengbing.

Wang Juhuai definitely wasn't following Liang Chengbing on Weibo. He followed only a couple of entertainment news account as he felt that Lu Man right now was definitely a hot topic. Be it bad or good news, she would always be featured in those types of news somehow.

Therefore, he always followed it closely.

However, right when he opened the app, he saw that Nan Yin Entertainment had reposted a Weibo post.

When he looked at it closely, it was surprisingly about how Liang Chengbing had reposted the publicity post of Classic X Files.

Liang Chengbing: "Previously, the production team invited me to be on the show. When I found out that Lu Man was also taking part, I immediately left it and decided to take part in the show, Friday. I'll just leave my words here. No matter what show it is in the future, as long as Lu Man is in it, I will never take part in it. I don't want to interact with an actor who is rude, who looks down others, who is arrogant, and who does not respect her senior actors."

Wang Juhuai was instantly furious. Xia Qingwei saw Liang Chengbing's words too.

"How could he behave like this?!" Xia Qingwei was very angry. "How had Man Man offended him for him to act like this?!"

Isn't he crazy?

"It's probably because of that incident about the sealed-off road." Wang Juhuai frowned. "Didn't Man Man repost a Weibo post before? Did he start bearing a grudge on her since then?"

"This person sure is petty. It was his fault for sealing of the road, yet he still has the cheek to blame Man Man? Is there anyone else like him?" Xia Qingwei huffed in anger. "It's the first time I've seen someone like this who'd outrightly bully a young lady."

"He clearly thinks he's so impressive." Wang Juhuai laughed sarcastically. "Typically, if you want to kill off someone's career, you would do so behind the scenes and contact people privately. However, he just wants to stand out and show off how high his status is in the industry. Moreover, previously, when the production team invited him, he made Lu Dongliu choose between him and Man Man, but Lu Dongliu still chose Man Man, so he definitely feels like he had lost some face."

Wang Juhuai coldly squinted at Liang Chengbing's name on his phone screen. "And he probably wants to scare the production team a little too."

Wang Juhuai scoffed coldly. "He really doesn't know what he's doing."

It was rare to see someone like Liang Chengbing who would just outright point at someone so blatantly and name them as an enemy.

There were people like that, but not many.

Therefore, every time something like this happens, it would create quite a scene.