

Chapter 248 Focus Of Attention

Ten minutes passed, and everyone had finished registering.

After counting to make sure everyone had registered, the people at the door shouted, "The first competitor is Melly Sherman!"

Everyone turned to look as she was called. Immediately Melissa entered the room where the competition was to be held, the crowd swarmed the window outside until it was completely blocked.

Melissa was known as the Divine Surgeon. She was popular, and people wanted to witness her prowess.

Melissa had a very strong mind. Although there were so many people watching her, she remained calm.

This sort of situation was normal to her. She had performed several demonstrations when she was studying abroad, in front of audiences numbering in the hundreds. On top of that, her demonstrations were broadcast live to be shown to students every year. For her, this was nothing.

"She's good at acting unbothered. I'm sure she's over there sweating bullets from nerves."

"She even exchanged numbers with that intern just so she could be the first to compete. What a show-off! Who does she think she's fooling?"

Leilany, who was standing beside the two doctors, heard what they were saying. Unable to bear listening to Melissa be slandered, she countered angrily, "Why don't you go in there and be the first then, if you're so confident? You two are so green with envy, it's showing on your skin! That's why you keep mocking Melly while she's in there doing her best. If we win, your shame will know no bounds."

"This little—"

"Hey, just leave it." The other doctor stopped the one who was about to respond to Leilany. "She's just a dumb little intern. She'll be eliminated in the first round once it's her turn."

"That's true."

The people standing around could hear the conversation, and they all felt uncomfortable.

Leilany turned back to the window to keep watching Melissa, choosing not to respond to the two anymore. She squeezed the note Melissa had given her in her hand and promised herself that she was going to win. She would not allow these two to shame Melissa.

"The time starts now!"

As the order to start rang out, Melissa began working on the task immediately. Her hands were steady, and she worked with a precision and professional confidence that only thorough experience could give.

She worked so quickly and perfectly, that everyone could only watch with wide eyes. She finished the task in three minutes and thirty seconds.

Melissa stayed in the room until she handed her note in. After that, she stepped outside to meet everyone staring at her with varying reactions of jealousy, admiration, and in most cases, just plain disbelief.

Still, no matter how unbelievable it was, they had all seen it, and they had to admit that she deserved her title of "Divine Surgeon". She handled the task so perfectly, that it could be made into a demonstration.

The two doctors stopped making snide remarks as dread gloomed their faces. It was finally hitting them just how much trouble they were in.

"Melly! That was so awesome!" Leilany ran up to Melissa excitedly. "After your performance just now, the rest of us have no chance! Who's going to be able to match that?"

"It's just that I've practiced a lot," Melissa said, waving her hand. She didn't find anything about her performance worth celebrating.

It was only expected considering how much she had practiced in the past. She had to study like crazy to get and maintain her scholarship abroad. She'd practiced emergency treatment so many times that it was now as simple as washing her hands or brushing her teeth to her.

"Wow... you're my hero, Melly," Leilany said sincerely.

After spending so long with Melissa and getting to know her, she of all people knew very well that Melissa's success wasn't due to her background, but it was because of how hard she worked and how seriously she had taken her training.

Leilany pressed her lips together, her determination doubled. "I promise to do my best, Melly."

