

FMH Marriage 781

Chapter 781: If You're Satisfied, Please Give Five Stars

Late at night in a certain bungalow in the north of the city.

An assistant carefully carried an elegant dress into the bedroom. "Sis Yue, the dress for fashion week has been chosen. Would you like to take a look? It's a dress from History...I saw that you were praising their designer's style previously, so..."

Qin Shengyue was absentmindedly sitting in front of her dressing table, not even looking at the dress before saying, "Just put it down."

"Oh..." Seeing that Qin Shengyue did not reject the dress, the assistant was relieved and quickly put the dress down.

After she left, the assistant immediately sent a message to the person who had asked for her favor: [No problem, I've passed it to Sis Yue.]

In the room, Qin Shengyue stared listlessly at the dress, then pulled out a document from her drawer. The divorce papers.

These few days, Yan Junhao's attitude towards her had become increasingly indifferent and he was increasingly anxious, urging her to sign her agreement to the divorce. He did not even care about their reputation anymore and immediately brought the matter to court.

She stood up and slowly opened her wardrobe. Hanging inside was a beautiful dress for the runway. It was the dress she wore the first time she walked onto an international stage.

While she was a slightly fitful and cranky woman, lacking the thoughtfulness of that woman, it did not mean she had put in any less effort into the relationship.

Initially, she had a change in careers to become a top model and she even climbed to the peak of the fashion pyramid. However, for this man, she had given up on her dreams...

At last, what had she gotten in the end?

Compared to a girl who busked in the bar...

Divorce? She had made such a sacrifice and clipped her own wings, and now he wanted a divorce while she watched the two of them take flight. How could she be willing to sign the papers!? Sadly, they had already reached this stage. Did she have any other options apart from divorce?

She looked up at the time on the wall and saw that it was a few minutes till dawn.

At that moment, she suddenly thought about that girl she had met in the carpark and her promise. She could not help but smile wryly...

She slowly pulled open her drawer and took out the divorce papers with a trembling hand...

At that moment, the room door burst open. Yan Junhao, who had not been home for half a month, was now standing at the door, staring at her with bloodshot eyes.

That gaze of his made Qin Shengyue's heart wrench in agony. "Didn't I say I would give you an answer tomorrow? You can't even wait another night?"

In the next second, Yan Junhao fell to his knees in front of her, and slapped himself, before hugging her legs. "Dear! I've been wrong! Please forgive me! Please..."

Qin Shengyue was speechless.

That very moment, a voice flashed in her mind, "I can guarantee that your husband will be crying his way back to you while hitting his mouth to beg for your forgiveness!"

Then, her phone suddenly rang. She had received a message: [Ms. Qing, if you're satisfied, please give five stars! Spirit Studio]

The next night, in a private room at Imperial Knight Hotel.

Qin Shengyue finally evaluated the girl in front of her. "How...how did you...how did you do it? I've asked Junhao the reason, but he wouldn't say anything. He only kept saying that he was wrong and he begged me to forgive him..."

This was within Ning Xi's expectations. As a man, how could Yan Junhao tell his wife that he had been cheated on by a third party?

"It's nothing special. I just hired a man to hook up with Yang Shirou and let your husband catch them red-handed!" Ning Xi simply explained.

Chapter 782: Afraid The Devil Would Be Jealous

Qin Shengyue suddenly understood but she was even more suspicious. "Is it that easy?"

She was not tooting her own horn but based on Yan Junhao's qualifications, he was only one step away from being in the top percentile of most handsome and successful men around. There was no way Yang Shirou could easily be seduced by another man...

"Everything is possible!" Ning Xi simply said.

Qin Shengyue did not want to hear any more about the woman either, so she didn't pursue the matter. She just looked at Ning Xi and said, "It doesn't matter how you did it. I will fulfill my promise to you. Even if your designs are like dog shit, I will wear them."

Ning Xi's expression darkened. "I know we did this under the table and not very transparently, but our designer is talented and capable!"

Then, she gave her a folder. Inside it was an introduction to their studio and Gong Shangze's portfolio, including some of his work. Qin Shengyue took it from her and simply skimmed through it. Slowly, her expression changed to one of wonder. "You're the studio that won the Golden Award?"

"Yes."

“I’ve not been paying attention to what’s happening outside in the past few days because of my husband. But the latest Golden Award winner...is quite interesting... how is your designer related to David? Why do the styles look so similar? It’s like it’s the same person...but possibly in different phases. David’s style is slightly underdeveloped but full of passion and life, whereas ZX’s has more volume and explosive power,” Qin Shengyue analyzed.

She was indeed a professional! Ning Xi nodded excitedly. “I can’t say anything now but one day, the truth will be made known to the world.”

Qin Shengyue gave it some thought, then closed the folder and asked, “Since you guys have already gotten the Golden Award, why are you still worried about not getting business? Why do you have to use such ways to get to me?”

Ning Xi scratched her head as she tried to explain, “On one hand, it’s market saturation we are being challenged with. Even you can see that our style overlaps with History’s. On the other hand, we haven’t found a suitable sales manager for the time being. Some other studios’ designers also do sales, but our designer is one of those whose heart is focused on designing only. Plus, we don’t want him to be distracted either...”

Qin Shengyue’s rapped her knuckles on the table, then said, “I’ll give you one then.”

“Huh?” Ning Xi blinked. “Give...give me? Give me what?”

“Give you a person, my marketing department’s trump card,” Qin Shengyue said casually.

“Pfft!” Ning Xi almost spat her coffee onto the woman across her. “You can even give a person? Sis, you’re being too generous, aren’t you?”

“Why not? Do you want this offer? If not, it’s fine!”

“Wait, wait...let me ask first, the one you want to give us...is it a man or a woman?”

“Is there a difference?” Qin Shengyue asked.

Ning Xi nodded vigorously. “Of course, there’s a difference! If it’s a man, then forget it!”

“Why?” Qin Shengyue did not understand.

Why, obviously it was because she was afraid the devil would get jealous!

The last time when she had picked up Gong Shangze, Lu Tingxiao had gone crazy. He would go off the charts if she took in another man!

“Because my designer has a peculiarity. He can’t come up with designs when he sees men,” Ning Xi replied, using Gong Shangze as an excuse.

Qin Shengyue laughed out loud. What an unexpectedly queer reason! Nevertheless, she did understand. Many designers also had unknown oddities. “Don’t worry, it’s a woman.”

Ning Xi was relieved. "Then, yes! Yes, yes, yes! I want her in!"

If it was a woman, then there would definitely not be an issue...uhh...it shouldn't be an issue, right?!

Chapter 783: Traded The Most Precious Thing

"That's settled then. I'll tell her to report directly to you!" Qin Shengyue immediately decided.

Ning Xi suddenly had some concerns. "Um, your trump card...is it going to be expensive? If it's too expensive, even if you give her to me, I couldn't afford to employ her! Besides, would she agree to this arrangement? After all, my little place..."

"Since I'm the one making this arrangement, of course, you don't have to pay for anything. I've signed a five-year contract with her and there's still a year left. I'll transfer her over to you for the remaining year. After that, I'll let her decide for herself whether she wants to stay with you or return to me."

When Ning Xi heard this, she frowned and gave it some thought. Despite Qin Shengyue's assurance that it would not cost her anything, this trump card was from her. Since this trump card was a top performer, her annual salary would at least be in the millions, right? And this was just a conservative estimation.

Wait till she came to her little studio...she could probably only get a low salary...

It would be a staggering difference...

At last, Ning Xi gritted her teeth and said, "Okay, I'm giving it my all! I want this person! If my studio has yet to grow within a year, I will compensate her for the time lost with me!"

Qin Shengyue looked at the girl in front of her and admiration flashed in her eyes. "Don't worry, my trump card is not an amateur either. If she can only get a basic salary after a year, there is no need for me to give her to you. You can be assured of her capabilities but whether or not you can lead her will be very much up to you!"

"Okay, I understand," Ning Xi replied and nodded.

"Right, remember to prepare three sets of outfits for me, okay?" Qing Shengyue suddenly added on as a reminder.

"So many? Is it so that you have options?" Ning Xi was confused.

Qin Shengyue shot her a look. "No, it's not for back up options! All three sets must be exquisite! I will be wearing all of them! One set for the morning, one for the afternoon, and one more for the evening! Will I only wear one set of outfit for such an important occasion?"

"What...incredible! You're willing to wear three sets of our outfits?" Ning Xi was in shock.

“What do you think?”

“I thought that you would only wear one set at most...”

After all, she was a trendsetter. It was not easy for her to wear even one set of a new designer’s work. To protect her status, all the other outfits would be top designs from internationally renowned brands but this time she was actually...willing to become a walking billboard for them?

Qin Shengyue shrugged nonchalantly. “It’s nothing. I’m in a good mood today! Gladly!”

Ning Xi started perspiring. Okay...

She would never have thought that her impulsive suggestion would gain her something beyond her wildest imagination.

It was worth making her future brother-in-law work too...

It was worth running around with Lu Jingli for one week...

It was worth shouting her throat hoarse at that playboy Lu Jingli so he would know how to connect with the heart to pick up girls...

Qin Shengyue contemplated, looking at her, then suddenly said curiously, “Hey, tell me the truth. Do you look down on me? My husband has already treated me that way, yet I still kept hoping for him to change his mind...”

Ning Xi scratched her head, “Based on my temper, I would never take someone back once they’re disloyal. However, everyone has their own ways of doing things, so you probably have your reasons.

“Huh, yeah...reasons...” Qin Shengyue sighed. She smiled wryly and muttered, “Because...the sacrifice was too big...he was someone I had traded my most precious thing for. My dreams...”

Chapter 784: Gave Me A Person

Ning Xi knew that Qin Shengyue had left the international fashion scene to stay in Imperial for Yan Junhao. From a certain perspective, Qin Shengyue was quite similar to her when she had given up on her acting dreams for Su Yan. This was probably also the reason why she could not help but want to help her!

However, as compared to Qin Shengyue, the road she had chosen was the complete opposite. Even though it was very difficult to rediscover those precious things and rediscover herself, she never once regretted her decision.

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At the Lu family’s old residence.

“Sigh, little girl, you are usually so busy with studies and work. We never expected that you could cook too!” Yan Ruyi was pleasantly surprised at the dishes Guan Ziyao had cooked up and laid on the table.

No one was at home today, so she used the opportunity to invite Guan Ziyao over and have a one-on-one chat with her personally to get to know how her life away from home had been like for the past few years.

In the end, not only was the girl elegant and poised in the way she carried herself; her range of knowledge was broad and she had also cooked a few of her best dishes. Even though it was just common home-cooked dishes, such a combination of talents was still quite rare.

Guan Ziyao blushed when she heard the praises. “I practiced while I was living alone during my studies abroad. Aunty, you are too kind to eat it even if my cooking skills aren’t at a professional level.”

“Look at you, you’ve already done so well! Most of the girls these days haven’t even tried cooking but you had the heart despite being so busy. My ideas might be a little traditional, but I still think that even though families like us don’t need to personally cook every day, the meaning of a personal home-cooked meal is definitely different.”

“You’re right, Aunty.”

Yan Ruyi herself was good at cooking, so she held a certain standard for her daughter-in-law. She still found culinary an important skill to have even in this day and age. She had initially thought that a well-pampered, young girl such as Guan Ziyao would definitely not know how to cook. Plus, she was always so busy yet she excelled in her work and studies. Who’d have thought that she also knew how to cook? This was indeed a pleasant surprise.

“Right, Ziyao, your herbal pork rib soup is not bad. I’ll send some over to the elder later...or how about you go over with me?” Yan Ruyi took the chance to suggest.

When Guan Ziyao heard her invitation, she looked troubled. “I’m sorry, Aunty, I still have a proposal to finish tonight. I don’t think I’ll be able to make it.”

If she followed Yan Ruyi over, she would have the chance to get close to Lu Tingxiao. However, he might be unhappy that she was using her mother and she obviously knew how to balance things well so as to not do anything that could annoy Lu Tingxiao.

Besides, Lu Tingxiao had a girlfriend now. If she acted too desperately, it would reflect badly on her. To come over and accompany Yan Ruyi was sufficient.

Yan Ruyi was even more satisfied when saw that she was not rash and had acted accordingly.

“That’s okay then. Find another day to come to our house again.”

“Okay, Aunty,” answered Guan Ziyao politely.

At Platinum Palace.

In the restaurant, Lu Jingli's eyes practically bulged out of their sockets while his saliva leaked as he stared at the table full of dishes.

"Oh my God! Xiao Xi Xi! Are you crazy? You really know how to cook a full course meal!"

Ning Xi put her hands on her hips and said happily, "Why can't I? I'm in a really good mood today! It's my pleasure!"

Lu Jingli looked pleased as he reached out for a piece of his favorite sweet and sour pork ribs. "Looks like the issue went smoothly? Did Qin Shengyue agree to it?"

"Not only did she agree, she is even willing to wear three whole sets of our outfits! Morning, noon, and evening outfits...all of it will not be repeated! And she even gave me a person, it's someone under her..."

Before she could finish, Lu Jingli wolf-whistled.

Chapter 785: Exchanged With Blood, Sweat and Beauty

"Oh, Brother! Take care of your wife! That woman Qin gave your wife a person, a person, a person!"

Ning Xi kicked him, "It's a woman!"

"Oh, she's given your wife a woman, a woman, a woman!"

Ning Xi was annoyed now. "She gave me a marketing trump card to help me manage marketing and sales! And it's a female!"

Lu Jingli condescendingly scoffed, "Is there a difference to you whether it's a man or a woman?"

Ning Xi gave him a hard stare, then picked up a soft piece of braised pork before she ran towards Lu Tingxiao who was going through some documents in the living room. "Ah..."

Lu Tingxiao looked at her, then opened his mouth. The braised pork melted in his mouth and it was very tasty. He was not sure how she did it but it did not feel greasy at all.

Lu Tingxiao never had a thing for food, but ever since he had tried her dishes, he started to understand why Lu Jingli loved eating delicious food so much.

After Ning Xi finished feeding him, she softly swore beside Lu Tingxiao, "Big Boss, don't listen to him spout nonsense. There is definitely no difference between men or women to me. To me, there are only two types of genders: one is everyone else and the other is you!"

Lu Jingli made the action of bending over to vomit. "Ughhh! Save your sweet words, my brother is not that gullible!"

Lu Tingxiao responded with a grunt and Lu Jingli was speechless.

Lu Tingxiao gently reminded her, “This person was, after all, immediately transferred to you from Qin Shengyue, so you have to pay attention and observe her yourself. Marketing is not a child’s game. However, if she is really Qin Shengyue’s trump card, then her capabilities will definitely not be a problem. Give me a copy of her resume later on and I’ll help you take a look.”

Ning Xi nodded, “Okay, okay! Thank you, my dear!”

Lu Jingli had no words. How did it end up like this? He still wanted to retain his appetite!

“Hey! Little Treasure, put down my glutinous rice with pork ribs!” He had only been distracted for a short while when he noticed half a plate of his favorite dish being eaten by Little Treasure. Lu Jingli felt like his heart had been stabbed.

Little Treasure blinked before he swallowed another bite without hesitation.

“Oh, my heart hurts...” Lu Jingli was prepared to protect his pork ribs to death when a golden head suddenly popped in through the door.

Jiang Muye had just finished work and was prepared to go home when he was tempted by the aroma of food. “Hey! What are you guys doing? Preparing to pray? It’s not even the new year. Why is the grand feast?”

Jiang Muye removed his black face mask and directly picked up a salt and pepper prawn with his hands. At such feasts, chopsticks were irrelevant.

One taste and he knew it was Ning Xi’s work.

Jiang Muye’s eyes instantly shone. “Uncle, can I leech on this meal?”

“No!” Lu Jingli was about to have a breakdown. “Why is there another person here to fight for food with me!? These are all mine! All exchanged using my blood, sweat, and beauty!”

“Huh? Beauty?”

“That’s not the main point. The main point is...are you sure you want to leech on this meal? You will be force-fed dog food!” Lu Jingli used his killer card.

Jiang Muye took a look at the two of them on the sofa, then sat right down. “No big deal, I’ll just eat with my eyes closed!”

Many days had passed and he had finally calmed down quite a bit. Some things could not be evaded forever.

Lu Jingli was speechless.

The table was a whirlwind of chaos as they gorged themselves on the food.

Ning Xi was initially worried that she had cooked too much, but as she watched Jiang Muye and Lu Jingli inhaling all of it, she was not worried anymore...

Halfway through, another person entered.

Chapter 786: Little Treasure Fed Her

Beside Butler Yuan was a graceful woman donned in a cheongsam. Lu Jingli swallowed the mouthful of food he was chewing on with a gulp before asking, "Eh? Mom, why are you here?"

"Grandmother!" Jiang Muye greeted with a full mouth.

"Mother," Lu Tingxiao greeted her, then got the servant to get another set of cutlery for her.

Ning Xi was in the middle of peeling a prawn for Little Treasure when she saw who had entered, so she stood up as well. "Madam Lu."

When Yan Ruyi saw Ning Xi at the dining table as well, she paused. "I'm here to send you some soup...what are you doing? Is it a special day today? Why have you made so much food? Even Muye is here too!"

"Oh, it's nothing, I just helped Sister-in-law with a small favor, so she made me some dishes to thank me!"

When she heard Lu Jingli call Ning Xi "sister-in-law", Yan Ruyi was naturally not too happy about it, but for Little Treasure's sake, she did not act out. She looked doubtfully at Ning Xi. "She knows how to cook?"

"You try for yourself!" Lu Jingli used his chopsticks to pick up a braised eggplant for Yan Ruyi.

After Yan Ruyi put it into her mouth, she frowned as she finished chewing and said, "You punk, this is obviously ordered from the restaurant, isn't it?"

Lu Jingli's mouth twitched in amusement. "Oh, please, Mother. I planted these eggplants in the garden myself. Little Treasure washed them, Brother cut them, then Sister-in-law cooked it! Oh, right, that Jiang Muye didn't do anything at all! He's here to leech on our meal!"

Yan Ruyi watched Little Treasure eat like a little squirrel with his chubby cheeks. He did not lift up his head and she felt her heart fill with warmth.

Elders liked watching the younger ones eat more and Yan Ruyi was no exception. She did not want to move her gaze away from the little bun.

The little guy had always counted his rice before eating them. Even when he had changed, she had never seen him eat this happily before. No wonder Little Treasure had fattened up once he was sent back. It seems like this girl was not entirely useless.

At least, her culinary skills would have seen a few years of practice and training. Even though it was just an eggplant dish, the simpler a dish was, the more it tested one's skills in actual fact. She had only tried a bite earlier but it was actually as delicious as the one from the restaurants.

"Mother, want to join us?" Lu Jingli asked.

“I’ve eaten, you guys go ahead!” Yan Ruyi patted her little grandson’s head as he focused on his food. “Little Treasure, eat slowly! Be careful not to choke!”

Little Treasure thought that his grandmother wanted to eat too because he saw that she was watching him eat. So, he looked at the huge prawn Auntie Xiao Xi had peeled for him and struggled very hard with himself before he used his little chopsticks and delivered it to Yan Ruyi’s mouth.

Eat, Grandmother.

Yan Ruyi was shocked by his affection. She quickly opened up her mouth and accepted it. “Hey, thank you, my good little grandson, it’s so delicious...”

“Grandmother, what are you holding?” Jiang Muye casually asked.

Yan Ruyi’s expression stiffened. “It’s nothing, the kitchen made some herbal pork rib soup today and I brought some over for you guys but I think you’re probably too full to drink this now, so just leave it be!”

Yan Ruyi looked at Little Treasure for a while more before he fed her a few mouthfuls of food again, then she left happily.

She’ll tell the old one that Little Treasure had fed her later. He would definitely be so jealous!

On the way home, Yan Ruyi was a little distracted. Tonight, she saw that Tingxiao, Jingli, Little Treasure, and even Jiang Muye all sitting at one table and eating happily. It really was such a nice family atmosphere. Little Treasure completely seemed like a normal, happy child as well.

This was far from how it was like when she used to visit. It was cold and quiet without any life at all.

And all of these changes have seemed to happen because of that woman...

To be honest, if it was not because of Little Treasure’s incident back then that left a scar in her, based on the way she took care of Little Treasure so well, she might have just...

Chapter 787: How Could The Man I Choose Be Wrong?

After Yan Ruyi left, Lu Jingli casually opened the container with the pork rib soup.

Even though the skills of the Old Residence’s chef were not bad, he had long gotten tired of eating it. He felt like it tasted the same as the cooking from restaurant chefs. However, the standard of their soup was still pretty good.

Thus, Lu Jingli brought a spoonful of it to his mouth but he immediately spat it out just as soon as he drank it. “My God! This is so horrible! Is she trying to trick me? Is she sure this was made by the kitchen in the old residence?”

Ning Xi took a sip and said, “It’s alright. Even though it’s not that great, it’s still okay. You’re just being too picky, aren’t you?”

Lu Tingxiao looked at the soup without saying anything.

Suddenly, Lu Jingli thought of something and said, "I bet you that this soup was probably made by Guan Ziyao. Otherwise, why would my mother randomly send it over herself? Probably wanted to brag a little...but it stood nothing next to my Bro Xi's full course meal, hahahahaha..."

After dinner, Lu Jingli and Jiang Muye did not rush to leave. They sat on the sofa to watch television.

Because they had eaten too much, they could not move.

Ning Xi accompanied Little Treasure to do some Sudoku, then looked at the time and said to Lu Tingxiao, "Big Boss, I'm running out of time now. I'm going out to watch my movie!"

Lu Tingxiao nodded. "Mmm, be careful on the road. It's cold at night, put on a scarf."

Jiang Muye heard this and was curious. "Watch a movie? What movie?"

Why wasn't Lu Tingxiao going with her?

Ning Xi was annoyed. "Jiang Muye, you unreliable person, the movie you're acting in is being released in theatres tonight. Don't you know?"

Jiang Muye raised his brows. "The movie I'm acting it...oh, you mean 'The World'? It's just being released but I'm just the second male lead."

"I can't be bothered to talk to you. I'm leaving!" Ning Xi kissed the little bun, then put on a mask and sunglasses.

Jiang Muye got up to stop her. he said in an incredibly annoying tone, "Hey, wait up...fine, I'll go with you too. This is the first time I've acted as a supporting role since I entered the industry!"

"But...my uncle's not going with you?" Jiang Muye casually asked.

When Ning Xi heard this, she quickly stomped on Jiang Muye's foot and said, "Why are you asking so many questions? He's not going! He has things to do!"

"Big Boss, I'm leaving! Bye bye! Mwah!"

She gave Lu Tingxiao a flying kiss goodbye before pulling Jiang Muye to run out with her.

"Why did you step on me for?" Jiang Muye asked unhappily as he was dragged outside.

"I almost got killed by you!" Ning Xi gave him a mean look.

"What about me?" Then, Jiang Muye suddenly thought of something, "It can't be because we're a couple in this show, can it?"

"What do you think?! Be careful if your uncle watches it and shuts you out!"

"What about your acting with other male artistes then? Will he shut out each and every one of them?"

"Why not?"

“Okay.” He really could...

Jiang Muye looked at her with a complicated expression. “To tell you the truth, I’m quite shocked. I didn’t think that my uncle would let you remain in the entertainment industry after the both of you have gone steady.”

“If not? Would I be a mistress kept in a splendid abode?” Ning Xi looked pridefully at him. “How could the man I choose be wrong?!”

“That’s enough...”

At night, Ning Xi had also invited Gong Shangze and Han Momo to the premier. When they reached the cinema, the two of them had already reached. They entered the cinema and sat in the corner of the last row.

Han Momo was already curious when she saw the person beside Ning Xi. After they sat down, she impatiently asked, “Sis Xi, who’s that beside you?”

Before Ning Xi could say anything, Jiang Muye, who was beside Ning Xi, crossed over her and pulled his mask off and asked, “You’re asking about me?”

Chapter 788: I Feel Like The Two of You Are A Super Good Fit!

“Ah, ah, hmm....”

Ning Xi shot Jiang Muye a mean look, then covered Han Momo’s mouth before she could say any further. “Calm down.”

Ning Xi glared at Han Momo, who looked so excited she was about to pass out. Han Momo lowered her voice and said, “Jiang Muye! Is it really Jiang Muye? Aaaaaaaaaaaaaah! My God! Sis Xi, are you really a couple with Jiang Muye off-screen? I’m a fan of this relationship! I feel like the two of you are a really good fit for each other, aaaaah! Get together!”

Jiang Muye leaned his arm on the chair and tilted his head, happy to hear this, “Hey, it’s rare that you’ve got a girl with a good eye. Do you have a pen?”

“Ah, no! What to do, what to do? I’ll go out to buy one!” Han Momo was frantic.

“I have one.” Gong Shangze brought pen and paper with him wherever he went.

Jiang Muye took the pen and paper before casually signing it.

Han Momo was so emotional that she almost fainted, then she gave the paper to Ning Xi and pleaded, “Sis Xi, Sis Xi! I want yours too!”

Ning Xi was speechless, but she gave her her autograph anyway.

Then, she saw that Han Momo had actually...drawn a huge heart shape around her and Jiang Muye’s names...

She never would have thought that there was such a huge shipper of Jiang Muye and her beside her...this was truly mystical...

“Shangze, who’s your favorite celebrity?”

“Me? I don’t really have any celebrity I especially like! Sis Xi, are you counted?”

“Hahaha, of course!”

There were a few more minutes to the movie starting. The theatre was practically a full house.

After all, the two protagonists of this movie were one of the most popular stars at the moment. Besides, there was Jiang Muye, who was a box office guarantee. Even if he only had a supporting role, hundreds of his fans were already showing off their tickets online.

Ning Xi could be considered as the only new rookie in the movie.

Finally, the screen’s advertisement ended, and the movie began.

Ning Xi took a deep breath, “Woo, I’m nervous...”

After all, this was the first day of her first movie.

Even though “The World” was strong in terms of investment nor lineup, other movies were released today as well, such Su Yimo’s “Starry Sea”, a famous comedy director’s “Joyful Occasion”, and another Hollywood movie...one could say that the screens were crowded with masters of the industry, so the competition was tight!

The first scene was Ning Xueluo’s character, Superior Yingrong, being chased after for murder. The plot was exciting and tense, hooking everyone into the story instantly. Many fans of Ning Xueluo were softly screaming in excitement.

Following this, the movie followed the two protagonists. Superior Yingrong accidentally saved the male protagonist and was forced to enter the palace to avoid getting murdered, and she started to fight off all sorts of people with the male lead...

Actually, this was considered a movie with a strong female lead. Superior Yingrong’s character was very outstanding and easily attracted fans. Her life story was tragic, yet she was smart like a female Zhu Gelian [1]. At last, because of her identity, she could not become the male protagonist’s queen and had become the most important female prime minister of the Daqing dynasty...

The female lead was a cool role and she obviously needed a good complement. Ning Xi’s role as the supporting evil character was undoubtedly meant to complete Ning Xueluo.

At last, Han Momo wanted to scold Ning Xi for being such a hateful character on-screen. “Sis Xi, you’re so good at acting...”

She had really attracted lots of haters.

Chapter 789: You Are Already A Gangster!

Ning Xi giggled a little. She was quite happy listening to all the curses towards Meng Changge.
“Thank you for all your praises.”

However, very quickly, when the plot reached the second half of the movie, the images started to reveal Meng Changge’s memories. When they slowly deciphered Meng Changge’s identity, the audience’s attitude had an obvious and magical change towards the character...

“Ooh! Jiang Muye is so handsome!”

“Meng Changge’s male disguise is also very interesting! I thought that with her looks, a male outfit would definitely be very striking!”

“Who knew that Jiang Muye’s portrayal of a weak scholarly character would be so up in the feels!? I really feel like pushing him over!”

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As they said that, on screen, Meng Changge had really tied up Jiang Muye and pushed him over in her boudoir.

“Eh? Doctor Sun, you’re blushing! You actually take a fancy to me, don’t you? How about we just straight up turn raw grains into cooked rice [1]? Isn’t that a good idea?”

Shrieks and roaring laughter were heard across the cinema.

“Oh my God! Ah! This is the part in the trailer where Muye gets tied up! I have waited for this for so long!”

It was the first time Jiang Muye watched the show as part of the audience and he could not help but rub his nose and felt a little restless.

Ning Xi was happy watching her performance. “Aiya, I’m too good at acting as a gangster, don’t you think so, Blondie?”

“My ass! You’re not even acting! You are already a gangster!”

After this scene was Ning Xi and Jiang Muye’s first kiss scene at the lantern festival, and the crowd’s reaction had been even crazier than they expected.

Those shrieks were about to blow the entire roof off...

“Oh my God! Oh my God! I’m falling in love with this couple!”

“How can they be so cute!? Oh, my young heart! It’s melting! Melting!”

“To tell you the truth, I always thought that Jiang Muye has acted in so many lead roles as an overbearing, affectionate CEO, but none of his roles was heartfelt. I couldn’t even tell how much he loved the female lead. But in this one, I actually saw love through his eyes!”

“In fact, it’s the kind that’s suppressed, hidden, and buried deep in the corner of his heart. The kind of strong love that wants to be expressed, but one that doesn’t have the courage, and one that just can not be made known!”

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As she listened to all the discussions around her about being a good fit with Jiang Muye, Ning Xi was incredibly grateful that the devil was not present, or else...

The show would probably be taken down...

Jiang Muye looked gloomy. “My ass, how was I not heartfelt? I was always pouring my emotions into the role!”

Also, what did they mean by “suppressed, hidden, buried deep in the corner of the heart, a strong love that wants to be expressed but it didn’t have the courage or could just be made known”? Could these people’s eyes not be so...poisonous...

Ning Xi tapped his shoulders. “Don’t struggle anymore. The audience’s eyes are crystal clear, you have really improved a lot for this film. The way you played with your different gazes was much better! Even I felt your love for me!”

Jiang Muye was speechless. He was not sure whether he should be relieved or disappointed after listening to Ning Xi’s serious analysis...

In the entire movie, the audience was probably most reactive to the scene of Ning Xi with Guan Xiaoqi.

When Ning Xi announced her real identity was Meng Changge in front of Guan Xiaoqi, who acted as Princess Xian, a flashback played. This flashback was unexpectedly the scene where Jiang Muye had been shot by a million arrows and died in front of Ning Xi...

The entire cinema was dead silent.

A moment later, the sound of choked sobs was heard...

Ning Xi made a brief observation that for this movie, about 90 percent of people had cried, including the men. Han Momo, who was beside her, was bawling her eyes out.

“Oh, how horrible...can the military doctor not die? He will be resurrected later, right?”

Jiang Muye was in a bad mood, so he spoiled the story relentlessly. “No, he’s actually dead.”

Once he said that, Han Momo started wailing. Ning Xi consoled Han Momo while she shot Jiang Muye a mean stare...

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The two-hour long movie finally ended although the audience wished it would never end; they were hooked on the story.

Even though she did not know how the box office did, after Ning Xi sat in the cinema and personally observed the audience's reactions and attitude, she instantly felt much calmer. No matter how the ticket sales fared, she had already reached her own standards on what she wanted to deliver on-screen.

When they walked out, they saw that there were reporters interviewing the cinema-goers outside the theater.

"Hello, Miss, did you just finish watching 'The World'?"

"Yes."

"How did you find the movie?"

"Too awesome! Even better than I'd expected! Especially Xueluo's character, Superior Yingrong, she's so strong, she's practically my goddess! Her scenes with Zhao Sizhou were especially lovely too! At last, I almost cried because she had gone through so much with Chu Beichen yet they could not end up together!"

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"Hi, Sir, whose acting in 'The World' left the most impression on you?"

"Definitely the female lead! She's just too charismatic! Right, will this be broadcasted on television?"

"Yes!"

"That's great, I want to confess to my goddess, Xueluo, I love you!"

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As he watched the interviews going on, Jiang Muye's handsome was full of disdain behind his mask. "Please! Do you think everyone's stupid? That theater opposite was entirely booked by Su Yan for Ning Xueluo's fans to watch for free, so everyone walking out of there are her diehard fans! If you interview them, they would obviously only praise Ning Xueluo!"

Gong Shangze looked at Ning Xi, confident of his boss. "The audience has eyes. Word of mouth is something that cannot be faked."

"Talking about Su Yan...I previously saw online gossip that Su Yan had booked theaters for Ning Xueluo's fans in every city, supporting her new movie in full force! These two people are so loving. They are considered a stream of purity within the entertainment industry, aren't they?" Han Momo's expression clearly envious.

Jiang Muye shot her a disgusted look. "Huh, purity? Little girl, don't easily believe things you've only seen the surface of!"

Jiang Muye looked a little worriedly at Ning Xi. Thankfully, Ning Xi's expression was very calm. It seemed like she had really entirely let go of Su Yan. But that was not a surprise. The saying was that one only failed to forget past loves because the new ones are not good enough.

She was so loving with his uncle now, so why would she still care about Su Yan...

"Shangze, how's the preparation for Qin Shengyue's three set of outfits coming along?" Ning Xi asked on the way back.

"I'm done preparing them. One of the sets will be the Nirvana-themed red dress from the Golden Awards and the other two are my latest works," Gong Shangze said confidently.

It seems like his inspiration-driven works were going pretty smoothly lately.

"Good, then I'll bring them over for Qin Shengyue to look at. Miss Qin agreed that she will transfer a sales expert over to us, so she should be reporting to us soon. The two of you should get ready to welcome our new member, okay?"

"Really? That's great!" Han Momo was excited.

Gong Shangze sighed a breath of relief too as he looked at Ning Xi with full admiration.

Every time he felt like he had reached a dead end, she would always find a way, completing things he felt were impossible.

On the side, Jiang Muye watched Ning Xi's hustler demeanor and suddenly thought of the words Ning Xi had said...

This girl said that she wanted to provide for Lu Tingxiao...she really wasn't messing around, was she?