

Big Shot 351

Chapter 351: Gigolo

That man was dressed very casually. It was impossible for such a man to be a young master of a wealthy family, especially when he was standing with a lowly person like Qiao Nian. It was even more impossible for him to be a young master of a wealthy family.

A trace of ridicule flashed in Qin Lu's eyes. She said sarcastically, "Oh, Miss Qiao is here too. Why don't you go in?"

Wang Hua stood at the side and said coldly, "The two of them don't have an invitation. It's very likely that they're here to cause trouble, so they can't enter."

Qin Lu raised her eyebrows slightly and said with a smile, "Mr. Wang, you can't say that. I heard that Mr. Qin Chuan has been preparing for such a grand charity auction for several years. It will definitely attract some people with ill intentions. Mr. Wang, your work is really too tiring."

Qin Lu's words were filled with humiliation for Qiao Nian and Lu Nian.

When Wang Hua heard Qin Lu's words, he became even more certain of what he was thinking. He said, "Those without an invitation cannot enter!"

When Qiao Nian heard Wang Hua's words, her eyes instantly turned cold.

Qin Lu's lips curved up in a smug smile. She felt extremely happy. She had finally taken revenge for when she was beaten up in school.

Qin Lu moved slightly closer to Qiao Nian and gave her a sweet smile. "Miss Qiao, I know that you're very interested in this charity auction. If you want to enter, it'll be very easy. With my relationship with Mr. Wang, I can use my invitation to bring you in. As long as you don't walk around, talk, or cause trouble, and just stay put!"

Lu Nian frowned and looked at Qin Lu coldly. "Get lost!"

This woman actually wanted him and the little fox to be her followers. She simply overestimated herself!

Qin Lu had never expected this gigolo to scold her in public. The sense of superiority she had just regained instantly disappeared. She frowned and said angrily, "You gigolo, what right do you have to speak here?"

When Qiao Nian heard Qin Lu's words, her expression instantly darkened. However, she quickly regained her composure.

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In the next moment, Qiao Nian raised her hand and slapped Qin Lu's face without hesitation.

Bam!

A crisp slap rang out, startling everyone nearby.

Qin Lu was also stunned. Her eyes instantly turned red, and tears welled up in her eyes. She looked at Qiao Nian in disbelief.

She had never expected that a country bumpkin without an invitation would actually dare to strut around and attack her. She simply did not know the immensity of heaven and earth.

The onlookers were also stunned.

Could it be that Miss Qiao had something against Qin Lu?

Although Qin Lu's mother had long separated from the Qin family, Qin Lu was still a member of the Qin family. Everyone would still give Qin Lu some face.

Lu Nian's lips curved up slightly.

Unexpectedly, this little fox was simply beautiful and valiant.

Moreover, the little fox was helping him slap her.

Realizing this, Lu Nian's mood improved.

Qin Lu looked at Qiao Nian angrily. "Qiao Nian, are you done? How dare you hit me?"

Qiao Nian took out a piece of tissue and slowly wiped her hands. She casually threw the tissue at Qin Lu's face and asked, "Why wouldn't I dare? This isn't the first time I've hit you!"

As long as she felt uncomfortable seeing Qin Lu, she would hit her every time she saw her. Moreover, she would never allow anyone to insult Mr. Dong Hua.

She had prepared this charity auction. Previously, she didn't know Mr. Dong Hua's identity, so she didn't invite him. The main reason was that Mr. Dong Hua was too mysterious. Even if she wanted to invite him, she might not be able to.

Although she was very well-informed, Mr. Dong Hua was too low-profile. She did not manage to find out Mr. Dong Hua's identity, nor did she know that the Lu family had a Second Young Master.

Chapter 352: Apologizing

Qiao Nian had initially thought that since this was her own event, she didn't want to blow things up.

However, so what if she made a scene? Someone actually called Mr. Dong Hua a gigolo in front of her.

She could not tolerate this.

At the thought of this, Qiao Nian's gaze grew colder and colder. "Qin Lu, I advise you to behave yourself. If you want to attend this banquet smoothly, you'd better shut your filthy mouth. If I can make you lose your job, I can naturally make you disappear from An City!"

Qiao Nian didn't ask Qin Lu to get lost because she wanted to give the Qin family some face.

Qin Lu's aunt, Qin Dong, was an antique dealer and a famous figure in the circle.

Qin Dong had also prepared many treasures for this auction.

If Qin Lu didn't know when to stop, then don't blame her for being impolite. After all, without Qin Dong's treasures, this charity auction would still be held!

Qin Lu flew into a rage out of humiliation. In school, no one knew that she had been beaten up, but here, everyone had seen her being beaten up. This was too embarrassing!

The more Qin Lu thought about it, the angrier she became. She couldn't take this lying down.

Qin Lu raised her hand to hit her back.

"Qin Lu!"

An angry female voice rang out.

Qin Lu was slightly stunned. Reluctantly, she retracted her hand.

Lu Nian's clenched fists relaxed.

Qiao Nian turned her head and saw Qin Dong and Li Kun walking over.

Li Kun was Qin Dong's son.

Standing beside Li Kun was Jiang Yue.

The person who had called Qin Lu's name was Qin Dong.

Li Kun had recently taken over the family business. His career was thriving, and he had been in the limelight recently.

Compared to before, Li Kun was now more composed.

Qin Lu walked up to Qin Dong aggrievedly and complained, "Auntie, she was clearly the one who spoke rudely to me. She's arrogant and conceited. I just wanted to teach her a lesson!"

"Haven't you caused enough trouble recently?" Qin Dong looked at Qin Lu coldly.

When Qin Lu heard Qin Dong's words, she instantly felt wronged. She didn't understand why Auntie was helping outsiders bully her.

At the thought that she had lost all her face, Qin Lu's tears of grievance fell. "But..."

"If you dare to say another word, get lost!" Qin Dong said coldly.

Qin Lu had no choice but to lower her head.

At this moment, Li Kun walked up to Qiao Nian. His eyes sparkled as he said, "Miss Qiao, I'm really sorry. Qin Lu offended you just now. I apologize on his behalf. I'll definitely teach her a lesson later!"

Qiao Nian's gaze fell on Li Kun's face. She suddenly recalled that Li Kun had once helped her argue with a blind date. She wanted to give Li Kun some face. Smiling, she said, "Mr. Li, you don't have to say anything. Actually, I attacked just now too!"

"Let's go!" Qin Dong urged.

When Qin Dong and the others left, Jiang Yue and Qiao Nian looked at each other and followed.

Qiao Nian could still hear Qin Dong and Li Kun talking.

“Who’s that girl? I think you’re a little interested in her.”

“A friend.”

After that, Qin Dong began to educate Qin Lu.

Qiao Nian retracted her gaze, took Lu Nian’s arm, and walked in.

This time, she was still stopped.

Qiao Nian’s patience instantly vanished. She narrowed her eyes slightly, her entire body exuding a cold aura. “Wang Hua, right? If you have a brain today, then let us in. Otherwise, don’t blame me for ruining your bright future!”

Wang Hua was angered by Qiao Nian’s arrogant attitude.

He had never expected someone who didn’t even have an invitation to be so arrogant.

Although he didn’t know why Li Kun wanted to help Qiao Nian, as part of the organizing team, he absolutely couldn’t let arrogant, domineering and troublesome people in. He couldn’t afford it if she caused trouble inside.

“I’ll say it again. Please show me your invitation!” Not to be outdone, Wang Hua glared at Qiao Nian.

Qiao Nian looked at Wang Hua indifferently, a trace of anger flashing in her eyes. It seemed that Wang Hua was deliberately making things difficult for her!

Chapter 353: Taking Action

Qiao Nian’s expression was cold as she said, “Looks like there’s no room for you here. You don’t have to continue working here!”

When Lu Nian heard Qiao Nian’s words, his lips curved up imperceptibly. It seemed that the little fox was quite capable. She definitely wouldn’t bear to let herself suffer.

When Wang Hua heard Qiao Nian’s words, he couldn’t help but laugh. It was as if he had heard the funniest joke in the world. He said sarcastically, “You’re just a young girl who’s insensible. You don’t know the immensity of heaven and earth. How dare you come here and behave atrociously? Do you know who organized this charity banquet?”

Qiao Nian narrowed her beautiful fox-like eyes and crossed her arms. She said, “Of course I know who organized the auction. However, such a good auction ended up being blocked by a dog. I wonder if Mr. Qin will feel embarrassed when he finds out about this?”

Wang Hua glared at him. “Who are you scolding?”

“Dog!”

Wang Hua was furious. He raised his hand to hit Qiao Nian.

Lu Nian, who was standing at the side, subconsciously raised his hand to stop it.

However, before his hand could touch Wang Hua, he saw Wang Hua's hand freeze in midair. Someone caught it.

Then, he heard the sound of bones dislocating.

Wang Hua screamed, startling the guests.

Qin Lu, who had just walked in, turned around when she heard the voice. She looked at Wang Hua in disbelief, her face pale with fear, as if she was the one whose hand had been broken.

Why would Gu Zhou help Qiao Nian?

Her goal here today was to seduce Gu Zhou.

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Everyone looked over and saw Gu Zhou standing there with a cold expression. His entire body emitted a sinister aura, as if he were a demon from hell. It made one shiver.

Just as Wang Hua was about to curse, he turned around and saw Gu Zhou. His face instantly turned pale in fear, and he stammered, "Young... Young Master Gu..."

Gu Zhou's phoenix-like eyes narrowed slightly, filled with dissatisfaction. He enunciated each word clearly. "You've damaged my doctor. Do you think you can treat my illness? Hmm?"

Gu Zhou's last word was extremely domineering. He looked as if he wanted to eat Wang Hua alive.

For some reason, Qiao Nian's heart skipped a beat. This was the first time she had seen Gu Zhou admit in public that he was sick and speak up for her.

"I..." Wang Hua was so nervous that his legs were trembling.

With a loud bang, Wang Hua was sent flying by Gu Zhou's kick.

Gu Zhou looked at Wang Hua as if he was looking at trash. He despised him to the core!

After Gu Zhou was done, his gaze fell on Qiao Nian's face. He said slowly, "Doctor Qiao, my brother didn't ask you to linger at the door. He asked you to follow me. Otherwise, if I fall ill, who will treat me?"

Qiao Nian was speechless. Why is this person getting more and more comfortable with his words? Could it be that he was addicted to being sick?

The others were all stunned!

Chen Qing couldn't help but smile.

Second Master's possessiveness began to act up again.

When the three of them entered, Wang Hua, who was lying on the ground, regretted his actions greatly.

Qin Lu stood rooted to the ground in disbelief. She couldn't believe what she was seeing.

She was right.

Qiao Nian was seducing men just because of her looks. She was simply shameless.

After some thought, Qin Lu's gaze finally landed on Gu Zhou.

Everyone said that Gu Zhou would have a short life, but he was handsome. He would be an eye-catching figure even among men. If she could marry Gu Zhou, then after Gu Zhou died, all the Gu family's assets would be hers. At that time, she could find a better man.

However, Qin Lu had never expected Qiao Nian to get there first.

She had to think of a way to get Gu Zhou back.

At the thought of this, Qin Lu pursed his lips slightly. Her gaze inadvertently fell on Jiang Yue's face, and she smiled as she took her hand.

Everyone knew that Jiang Yue was the eldest daughter of the Gu family and had grown up with Gu Zhou.

If she could build a good relationship with Jiang Yue, then Qiao Nian could only stand aside.

Chapter 354: Jealousy

At the thought of this, Qin Lu's voice became much sweeter. "Sister Jiang Yue, the gown you're wearing is so beautiful. I heard that Matriarch Gu made all your gowns for you. No wonder this gown is so beautiful!"

When Jiang Yue heard Qin Lu's words, a trace of displeasure flashed in her eyes, but she quickly regained her composure.

Ever since she had stolen Qiao Nian's gown, Grandma had stopped making gowns for her. She rejected her by saying she wasn't feeling well.

Actually, she knew very well that Grandma was unwilling to help her make the gowns because she was disappointed in her.

Jiang Yue still smiled at Qin Lu and said, "Grandma isn't in good health. I don't want her to work hard, so I bought this gown myself."

When Qin Lu heard Jiang Yue's words, she smiled and praised her. "Sister Jiang Yue, you're really filial. Your standards of appreciation are really good. You look really beautiful in this gown. Only you can wear such a beautiful gown!"

When Jiang Yue heard Qin Lu's words, she only smiled gently.

How could she not understand what Qin Lu meant? Qin Lu was just using her as a tool to deal with Qiao Nian.

Jiang Yue turned her head and saw Qiao Nian and Lu Nian walking side by side. The two of them were chatting and laughing, as if they had been friends for decades.

Jiang Yue clenched her right fist involuntarily, and her breathing grew heavier.

She knew very well that since she was young, Brother Lu Nian had never liked her. She had always thought that Brother Lu Nian didn't like women, just like Brother Gu Zhou.

These two men, who didn't like women, had both lost their principles in front of Qiao Nian.

Jiang Yue pursed her lips. She wanted to know how it felt to be favored by them.

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Jiang Yue lowered her head slightly, hiding her thoughts. After a while, she looked up at Qin Lu and asked with a smile, "Qin Lu, what does your cousin usually do?"

Hearing Jiang Yue's words, Qin Lu couldn't help but smile.

Look, here was her chance.

"Cousin likes to drink tea and collect antiques. He also likes cats and dogs. He has three dogs and a cat at home. He is very outstanding and still single!"

Jiang Yue's gaze fell on Li Kun's back. She knew why Li Kun was single.

Ever since the blind date, Li Kun's heart was already set on Qiao Nian.

Moreover, Li Kun had been asking around about Qiao Nian recently. It was precisely because of this that Li Kun had become good friends with her.

Speaking of which, she had Qiao Nian to thank for this.

Jiang Yue turned to look at Qin Lu and asked, "Do you like tea?"

Qin Lu hated tea the most. She usually liked to drink soft drinks, but she didn't understand the hobby of those in high society to drink tea. However, she couldn't reject it. She could only smile and say, "I like it!"

Jiang Yue smiled and said, "I just got some tea. I'll get someone to bring it to you later!"

"Thank you, Sister Jiang Yue. You're the best!"

Jiang Yue smiled and said nothing more.

Qin Lu was thinking that the tea leaves Jiang Yue had given her must be good tea leaves. When the time came, she would give the tea leaves to Auntie. Perhaps Auntie would help her pay respects to her ancestors.

Qin Lu had never known who her father was since she was born. Her mother had raised her alone, so her greatest wish was for her mother's family to acknowledge her.

At the thought of this, the smile on Qin Lu's face grew brighter. She had already forgotten that Qiao Nian had hit her just now.

Qiao Nian could vaguely sense that Li Kun had been looking at her. His gaze was very gentle. She turned her head and gave Li Kun a light and polite smile.

Qin Dong noticed his son's gaze and smiled. He asked softly, "Which family's daughter is she from? I've never seen her before. If you're interested in her, I'll go and propose marriage another day."

"The second daughter of the Qiao family."

Qin Dong thought for a moment and asked in confusion, "The Qiao family? Qiao Yu's younger sister?"

In the eyes of the big families in An City, the Qiao family was nothing. The only thing that people remembered was that the Qiao family had a smart and capable newcomer, Qiao Yu.

Chapter 355: My Head Hurts

"Yes," Li Kun replied indifferently.

Qin Dong's gaze fell on Qiao Nian. Qiao Nian's posture was elegant, and her temperament was noble. No matter how one looked at her, she was an obedient child.

With this thought in mind, Qin Dong nodded and said, "I believe in your judgment of people. Since she can catch your eye, she must be a good person. After the banquet, I'll discuss it with your father. When the time comes, we'll go to the Qiao family to propose marriage!"

When Li Kun heard Qin Dong's words, he hurriedly said, "Mom, there's no hurry. I can handle this myself."

When Qin Dong heard Li Kun's words, a faint smile appeared on her lips. It seemed that her son really cared about this girl. Hence, she smiled and said, "Okay."

Gu Zhou was not far from Qin Dong and Li Kun. He had heard everything the mother and son said. His eyes darkened as he stood there coldly.

In just a few seconds, Qiao Nian walked over. She walked past Gu Zhou and was about to walk forward when she heard Gu Zhou say, "Doctor Qiao, I have a headache!"

When Qiao Nian heard Gu Zhou's words, she instantly grew nervous. She quickly walked over to Gu Zhou and grabbed his hand, hurriedly taking his pulse.

Frowning slightly, Qiao Nian asked, "Why do you suddenly have a headache? Are you feeling unwell?"

Gu Zhou and Qiao Nian's actions attracted the attention of everyone around them, especially Jiang Yue.

Jiang Yue frowned.

Brother Gu Zhou clearly hated women the most, and he didn't like to have physical contact with any woman, but Brother Gu Zhou acted very normally in front of Qiao Nian.

Jiang Yue's gaze fell on Qiao Nian's hand, which was holding onto Gu Zhou's. She bit her lip, a trace of pain flashing in her eyes.

The two of them seemed to have a tacit understanding. Their movements were so familiar and natural.

Qin Lu, who was standing at the side, gritted his teeth in anger. He wished he could cut off Qiao Nian's hand.

Li Kun looked at Qiao Nian with admiration.

Everyone knew that Gu Zhou's illness was serious, but under such circumstances, Qiao Nian was still willing to treat Gu Zhou. This was enough to prove that Qiao Nian was confident. Moreover, she was a bold and meticulous person.

Qiao Nian's brow furrowed deeper and deeper. A trace of worry flashed in her eyes. She had taken Gu Zhou's pulse several times, but she felt that it was normal. There was nothing wrong with it.

Qiao Nian raised her hand and glanced at Gu Zhou's forehead. After confirming that he didn't have a fever, she looked into Gu Zhou's eyes and asked with concern, "Does it still hurt?"

Inadvertently, Qiao Nian met Gu Zhou's deep eyes. She felt as if her soul was being sucked in.

Qiao Nian's breathing quickened.

Gu Zhou looked at Qiao Nian with a burning gaze. His voice was hoarse. "It doesn't hurt anymore."

Qiao Nian hurriedly retracted her hand. She felt that Gu Zhou's gaze was a little too hot. She avoided his gaze and said, "As long as it doesn't hurt."

For some reason, she felt that Gu Zhou was a little strange today.

Qin Lu, who was standing at the side, watched as Qiao Nian touched Gu Zhou's hand. Then, he saw Qiao Nian stroke Gu Zhou's forehead. In a rage, he cursed softly, "This is immoral. A young lady touching a man's body. How shameless!"

When Jiang Yue heard Qin Lu's words, she glanced at him indifferently. She didn't speak, but the look in her eyes wasn't good either.

Qiao Nian retracted her hand as well. However, she was worried that Gu Zhou would have a relapse again, so she stood beside him.

"Brother."

A gentle voice rang out.

Everyone turned to look. Their eyes instantly lit up. They were all stunned.

It was Song Yu.

Song Yu's soft hair fell over her shoulders. When she walked, her steps were like a waterfall. The confidence she exuded made everyone look at her.

She was wearing a white gown. Under the light, she seemed to be enveloped in a layer of soft light, as if she was a fairy who had descended from the sky.

Chapter 356: Bad Intentions

Song Yu's skin was very fair and looked almost transparent.

She also brought four security guards and her manager with her. These people protected her tightly. Ordinary people could not get close to her.

“Mr. Qin is so generous. He even invited a popular celebrity.”

“Her new drama is not bad.”

“Are you referring to the Quality of the Empress?”

“Yes, yes. She’s even more beautiful in person than on television.”

“Looks like Mr. Qin has prepared a lot of good things tonight.”

However, what made everyone even more curious was who Song Yu had just called.

Under everyone’s stunned gazes, Song Yu walked up to Lu Nian step by step, a bright smile on her face.

“Brother, I didn’t expect to meet you on such an occasion.”

Lu Nian instantly sensed the gazes of the people around him. Most of them were confused.

He had never liked being stared at. His beautiful phoenix-like eyes narrowed unhappily. “Yes.”

He replied coldly. Everyone around him could tell.

Song Yu’s smile bloomed like a flower, but she didn’t pay much attention to it. Her gaze inadvertently fell on Gu Zhou. She had wanted to greet him, but she didn’t want Gu Zhou to be in the headlines tomorrow, so she didn’t say anything.

“Who exactly is that man? He’s too beautiful!”

“I’ve never seen him before. I don’t know whose family he belongs to.”

“If this man enters the entertainment industry, he will definitely become a top celebrity in an instant!”

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Qiao Nian stood at the side. She had a feeling that Lu Nian didn’t like Song Yu.

Weren’t the two of them siblings?

While the others were curious about Lu Nian’s identity, the host, Zhang Lei, spoke up. His voice was rich and magnetic.

Everyone looked over and found it unbelievable. Their eyes widened.

Qin Chuan was truly amazing. He had actually invited the most famous host in the world over.

This host had hosted “Five Thousand Years of China”. That program was very popular. Even now, its viewership ratings were still far ahead of others.

“Ladies and gentlemen, good evening. I, Zhang Lei, have been waiting for you for a long time. I’m sure everyone knows that all the funds for the auction will be sent to the poor mountainous areas tonight to

build a school for the children there. I'm sure everyone has come with a pure heart. I'll thank you on behalf of those children!"

After the host finished speaking, the people below hurriedly applauded.

"Next, we'll invite the first item to be auctioned. The starting price is 50 million!"

When everyone heard the price, they were all stunned.

They had not expected the first item to be so expensive. It seemed that Qin Chuan had prepared a lot of good things.

They were very curious about what the first treasure was!

Zhang Lei smiled and said, "Next, let's show our first auction item!"

As soon as he finished speaking, all the lights in the auction hall went out.

The sudden darkness made everyone a little uncomfortable.

Qin Lu's eyes lit up. She walked towards Gu Zhou.

As long as she threw herself onto Gu Zhou, when the lights came on, everyone would realize that she was hugging Gu Zhou.

When that happened, she would openly admit that she was Gu Zhou's girlfriend. Then, she would insist and Gu Zhou would never be able to clear his name.

At the thought of this, Qin Lu's lips curved into a sinister smile.

When there was about a meter left, Qin Lu couldn't help but speed up.

Qiao Nian had heard the sound of high heels from the beginning. As everyone was standing on the spot and looking towards the stage, this sound was especially abrupt.

Qiao Nian had always had good hearing, and she was much more vigilant than most people.

Qiao Nian raised her hand. In the next moment, a woman's cry of pain rang out.

Qiao Nian didn't let go.

At this moment, the stage suddenly lit up.

Everyone's exclamations happened to cover Qin Lu's painful cries.

Chapter 357: Aggrieved

Qiao Nian could now see who it was. Her beautiful fox-like eyes narrowed as she questioned coldly, "What are you doing?"

Qin Lu had never expected Qiao Nian to interrupt her flawless plan!

Qiao Nian had no intention of letting go. She gripped Qin Lu's wrist tightly, causing so much pain that Qin Lu's tears were about to fall.

Seeing that Qin Lu was silent, Qiao Nian continued questioning, "Just now, I hit you at the door. You weren't convinced, so you wanted to hit me back when the lights were switched off?"

Qin Lu was speechless.

What kind of joke was this?

Her target was Gu Zhou.

She had no time to sneak up on Qiao Nian!

Just as Qin Lu was about to speak, she sensed Gu Zhou's cold gaze. His gaze seemed to want to skin her alive.

Qin Lu trembled in fear. She stood rooted to the ground in fear, not daring to explain her intentions.

Qin Lu tried to retract her hand, but she couldn't. She looked up at Qiao Nian and frowned. "Let go of me!"

Qiao Nian looked at Qin Lu warily and said, "If you don't make yourself clear, I won't let go of you. Otherwise, what if you're planning to ambush me again the next time the lights are off?"

Qin Lu was speechless.

You must be thinking too much!

Who cares about ambushing you!

Don't think so highly of yourself!

Pft!

"If you don't tell me, then you can forget about getting your hands back!"

With that, Qiao Nian twisted Qin Lu's hand.

Qin Lu was completely stunned. She knew that Qiao Nian was someone who would do whatever she said. She hurriedly said, "I really didn't intend to ambush you. I just thought that your position might give me a better view, so I wanted to stand here!"

Qiao Nian stared at Qin Lu's face seriously. Seeing that her expression was sincere and that she didn't seem to be lying, she let go of Qin Lu's hand unhappily.

It wasn't easy for Qin Lu to regain her freedom. Breathing heavily, she gently rubbed her wrist, which was hurting from Qiao Nian's grip. In her heart, she had long cursed Qiao Nian's ancestors.

So violent.

This was simply an insult to refinement!

She didn't need to think to know that Gu Zhou wouldn't like such a violent person.

Qin Lu felt both aggrieved and sad. It hadn't been easy for her to find an opportunity to get close to Gu Zhou, but she hadn't expected Qiao Nian to interrupt everything.

Qiao Nian was here to ruin her plans!

Suddenly, Gu Zhou smelled a pungent fragrance. He frowned. He turned his head and saw Qin Lu's face, which made him angry.

Gu Zhou pursed his lips and said coldly, "Get lost!"

Tears welled up in Qin Lu's eyes.

She had never been so humiliated, nor so aggrieved. She was about to die of anger.

Fortunately, most people were focused on the first treasure to be auctioned. No one noticed that she had made a fool of herself.

At this moment, the host on stage introduced the first treasure. "This is a Night-Luminescent Pearl we obtained from the ancient city of Lou Lan. Not only can it illuminate at night, but it can also be used for skincare. It exudes a special fragrance. This fragrance is good for sleeping."

Everyone saw that the night pearl was emitting a gentle light, like moonlight in the night.

With that, the lights in the banquet hall turned on.

Only then did Qiao Nian's gaze fall on the huge night pearl. Her lips curved up slightly. This was her secret treasure.

Many people present were tempted, but this price was too high, so no one dared to speak.

"Fifty-one million."

A gentle and elegant male voice came from the crowd.

Everyone looked over.

So it was Li Kun who had bid.

Qin Dong, who was standing at the side, was slightly stunned. This was the first time she had seen Li Kun act so rashly.

Jiang Yue was also stunned.

Qin Lu pursed her lips and said carefully, "Cousin, what if there's something better?"

Li Kun's gaze fell on Qiao Nian's face. Seeing the joy on her face, he said disapprovingly, "As long as she likes it!"

Chapter 358: Intentional

Jiang Yue and Qin Lu instantly understood. So Li Kun wanted to buy this Night-Luminescent Pearl for Qiao Nian.

Jiang Yue clenched her fists involuntarily.

Qin Lu, who was standing at the side, was on the verge of tears. That was 51 million yuan for a night pearl! Just because Qiao Nian liked it?

Qin Lu couldn't understand Li Kun's thoughts.

"Fifty-five million."

Just as everyone was sighing, another male voice sounded.

Everyone looked over and saw that the bidder was Gu Zhou.

Qiao Nian looked at Gu Zhou in confusion. She didn't know when Gu Zhou had started liking such things.

Zhang Lei, who was standing on stage, was extremely excited. He hurriedly said, "55 million going once, 55 million going twice, 55 million..."

"Sixty million!" Li Kun interrupted Zhang Lei.

Zhang Lei's eyes instantly lit up. He took a deep breath and said excitedly, "The Night-Luminescent Pearls of the ancient city of Lou Lan has already..."

"70 million." Gu Zhou bid without batting an eyelid.

Li Kun's frown deepened.

Seeing that Li Kun still wanted to bid, Qin Dong hurriedly tugged at Li Kun's sleeve and said softly, "No one can stop Gu Zhou from getting what he wants. I think that girl might not like this Night-Luminescent Pearl either. Let's look at the others!"

At this moment, a rich man saw the two young masters continuously bidding for a night pearl. He stared unblinkingly at the night pearl.

Could this night pearl be so valuable?

Since it was something valuable, he definitely couldn't let it go.

"71 million!" The tycoon continued to bid.

Everyone's gaze fell on Gu Zhou's face.

Qiao Nian naturally didn't know what Gu Zhou was thinking. She said in a low voice, "There must be better items later!"

What Qiao Nian meant was that there was no need to waste money on this night pearl!

Gu Zhou's eyes darkened, but he quickly regained his composure.

Zhang Lei, who was standing on the stage, held a small hammer and shouted excitedly, "71 million going once, 71 million going twice, 71 million going thrice. Deal!"

With a clang, the ownership of the Night-Luminescent Pearl was decided.

Everyone hurriedly applauded.

The rich man was overjoyed to be able to obtain the night pearl Gu Zhou wanted.

Everyone knew in their hearts that Gu Zhou simply didn't want the eldest young master of the Li family to obtain the Night-Luminescent Pearl.

Jiang Yue didn't feel well anymore. Her breathing was a little irregular.

Song Yu glanced at Qiao Nian thoughtfully. She was closer to Gu Zhou and Qiao Nian, so she had heard everything Qiao Nian had said.

She didn't expect Gu Zhou to listen to Qiao Nian.

Zhang Lei's words on the stage quickly interrupted Song Yu's thoughts. "The next item is called the Stone Wall Painting. I'm sure everyone has heard of it!"

"Oh my god, it's actually the Stone Wall Painting!"

"I heard that many collectors want to collect this painting, but they've never found the real one!"

"Not many of Mr. Huang Shi's works have been passed down. This painting must be priceless!"

"I believe Mr. Qin Chuan has put in a lot of effort to prepare for this auction!"

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Gu Zhou's eyes flickered. He had been searching for this painting for many years.

Qiao Nian was slightly stunned. Previously, she had told Qin Chuan that this painting would be arranged at the end. Why was it brought forward?

Just as Qiao Nian was feeling puzzled, Zhang Lei introduced again. "This stone wall painting is from Miss Song Yu's private collection. I heard that many people have put in a lot of effort into finding this painting, but unfortunately, none of them managed to obtain it in the end. Today, in order to build a school for the children in the poor district, Miss Song has taken out her favorite stone wall painting for charity. She truly has a beautiful heart!"

At this point, Zhang Lei was so excited that he was about to cry.

Chapter 359: Madness

One had to know that this painting was the most perfect work of the famous painter, Mr. Huang Shi. This painting had a profound impact. It reflected a desire to break the feudal divine power, to break the feudalism of asceticism, and to break the spiritual and physical blockade of the feudal system.

This painting was priceless.

"Miss Song is simply too outstanding!"

"Miss Song is indeed beautiful and kind. In order to let the children in the poor mountains study, she actually took out this painting!"

"I have to get this painting today. This trip won't be wasted."

"This painting is mine. I want to get it too."

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Qiao Nian's gaze fell on Song Yu. Her beautiful fox-like eyes narrowed slightly.

At this moment, Zhang Lei, who was standing on the stage, shouted, "70 million!"

When everyone heard this number, they were all stunned.

What?

Only 70 million?

Could it be that this price was not wrong?

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One had to know that the stone wall painting was a priceless treasure in the eyes of the world.

Everyone wanted to bid for this painting.

At this moment, someone shouted.

"80 million!"

Everyone turned to look. So the bidder was Li Kun.

Thinking about it, the Li family valued art collecting. How could he let go of such a representative painting?

"80 million!"

"One hundred million!" Gu Zhou said indifferently.

Hearing Gu Zhou's voice, Song Yu was slightly stunned. She turned to look at Gu Zhou. If she had known that Brother Gu Zhou liked this painting, she would have given it to him long ago.

Qiao Nian was also stunned, but on second thought, it was normal. There were many famous paintings hanging in Gu Zhou's study. It seemed that Gu Zhou really liked to collect paintings.

At this moment, a cold voice rang out from the side. "110 million!"

Everyone turned to look.

"I think it's Qiao Yu!"

"What do you mean by that? It's clearly Qiao Yu!"

"Although the Qiao family isn't well-known, Qiao Yu is one of the best among his peers!"

"So Qiao Yu's future will be bright!"

"It seems that under Qiao Yu's leadership, the Qiao family's medical company has made a lot of money!"

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In front of everyone, Qiao Xin held onto Qiao Yu's arm arrogantly and walked to the front.

Qiao Yu was wearing a black suit as usual, looking a little old-fashioned. He had a pair of black-framed glasses on his nose, and looked very shrewd.

His gaze swept across the banquet hall, finally landing on Qiao Nian.

Qiao Nian looked away indifferently, feeling a little puzzled.

Why had Qin Chuan invited him?

Today, Qiao Xin had also dressed up meticulously. She was wearing a long white dress. She walked up to Qiao Nian and gave her a sweet smile. "Sister!"

In the eyes of outsiders, Qiao Xin looked like a close sister.

Qiao Nian sensed a change in Qiao Xin. It was as if Qiao Xin had already forgotten about her dealing with Su Xue.

Gu Zhou said indifferently, "Two hundred million!"

Qiao Yu's gaze fell on Qiao Nian's face, looking determined to win. "Three hundred million!"

"Five hundred million!" Gu Zhou said.

Zhang Lei, who was standing on the stage, could no longer remain calm.

Qiao Nian frowned slightly, her gaze falling on the painting. She didn't understand. Was this painting really that valuable?

Why would Gu Zhou take a liking to this painting?

This was the first time she had seen Gu Zhou so crazy.

At this moment, Song Yu was also a little surprised. Although this painting was rare, the price was a little too high!

"Six hundred million!" Qiao Yu shouted.

When Qiao Xin heard Qiao Yu call her that, her heart skipped a beat.

What was her brother doing?

Why would he spend six hundred million on a painting?

Her brother was a painter himself. Moreover, his paintings were difficult to buy in the market.

Could there be something special about this painting on the stage?

Chapter 360: Taunt

Qiao Xin's mind was in a mess.

Gu Zhou shouted, "One billion!"

When this number was called out, everyone present was stunned. They were all so frightened that they didn't dare to speak.

This was simply an astronomical figure.

Their net worth might not even be this high.

Qiao Xin felt uneasy. She hurriedly grabbed Qiao Yu's arm, signaling for him to stop.

However, what puzzled Qiao Xin was that her brother wasn't looking at her. Instead, he was looking at Qiao Nian.

Qiao Xin said uneasily, "Brother, we..."

"1.1 billion," Qiao Yu called out.

Qiao Xin almost fainted from shock.

Her brother had really gone crazy!

How could he spend so much money on a painting?

Qiao Nian's frown deepened. Seeing that Gu Zhou was about to raise the price, she hurriedly interrupted him and said, "Stop bidding for now. I think there's something wrong with this painting!"

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These words exploded like a bomb, stunning everyone present.

Song Yu frowned slightly. Her gaze fell on Qiao Nian's face, and she said aggressively, "Miss Qiao, what do you mean by this? Are you doubting me?"

Everyone was slightly stunned. They didn't expect Song Yu to have such a strong sense of oppression.

Qiao Nian didn't seem to be afraid at all. Her beautiful fox-like eyes met Song Yu's sharp ones. She opened her mouth lazily and said, "Miss Qiao, I'm questioning this painting and not you. Why are you inserting yourself in it?"

Song Yu raised her eyebrows.

This little girl was quite eloquent. No one could refute her.

Song Yu retracted her gaze indifferently. Her gaze fell on the painting and she asked, "Miss Qiao, what's wrong with this painting?"

Song Yu's words echoed everyone's thoughts. Everyone's gaze fell on Qiao Nian's face. They all wanted to know the answer.

Qiao Nian said unhurriedly, "The real painting is in my hands."

When everyone heard Qiao Nian's words, they were in an uproar.

They looked at Qiao Nian in confusion.

How was this possible?

Once again, their gazes fell on the painting. The person and objects in the painting seemed to be walking out. It was exactly the same as the stone wall painting they had seen.

When Gu Zhou heard Qiao Nian's words, his eyes flickered. He looked at Qiao Nian. Although it was only a moment of surprise, it quickly turned into trust.

He believed her.

As long as she said it, he would believe her.

Even Gu Zhou himself did not sense this unconditional trust.

Qiao Yu frowned. His gaze fell on Qiao Nian's face. For a moment, he looked at her with a gentle expression.

Qin Lu was the first to step forward and say, "Miss Song was clearly the one who brought the stone wall painting over, and she's a living creature on stage right now. How are you going to prove it?"

Qiao Nian glanced at Qin Lu coldly. "Miss Qin, that phrase is used to describe animals. If you don't know how to use words, please start learning again from elementary school!"

Qin Lu's face turned red. He clenched his fists tightly and said angrily, "Miss Qiao, I think I know you want to ride on Miss Song's coattails."

Qiao Nian couldn't be bothered with an idiot like Qin Lu. Her gaze fell on Zhang Lei's face on the stage, and her tone softened. "Mr. Zhang, please take a look at the auction list. Is the last item on the list the stone wall painting?"

When Qiao Nian said this, everyone present was stunned.

They all looked at Qiao Nian in disbelief.

"What's going on? How does she know the order of the items being auctioned?"

"Then is she related to the organizers?"

"How can you believe that? Are you stupid? I think she must be bragging!"

"Let me tell you, there are many people who want to be in the limelight. I've seen too many of them!"

"For the sake of fame, she doesn't care about her face!"

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Many people were mocking Qiao Nian.