Chapter 591: Airport Photo

This wasn't done by Liu Manhong. Otherwise, she would not be sending the news over like a good piece of gossip.

However, Xia Xibei became alert and told Liu Manhong to pay more attention to this matter.

What if Yu Lanxiang thought they were the ones who did it and came to seek revenge?!

Thinking of this, Xia Xibei sent a message to Tang Luo, asking her to help keep an eye on the Wan family.

Only after doing all this did she pack up and prepare to get off the plane.

Jiang Shenghe's new drama, "Hongyan Chance," was being filmed at the studio in Z City.

Xia Xibei had finally joined the cast one day late.

After entering the studio, she had to first set her makeup, then arrange her scenes.

Jiang Shenghe said that her early scenes would be shot within half a month— if her performance was good.

After all, it was Xia Xibei's first time filming, and Jiang Shenghe did not dare guarantee that Xia Xibei would be able to do it well in a short period of time.

After shooting intensively in the early stages, Xia Xibei would be able to take a break for a while, then continue shooting again afterwards.

Shooting a movie was not easy to finish in a short time, especially for someone like Jiang Shenghe, who strove for perfection.

Moreover, Xia Xibei had other things to keep her busy during the filming.

For example, she had to attend the live broadcast of the final of "Million Dollar Wisdom and Courage" on Sunday night.

Due to the viewers' suspicions about leaked questions, the team had decided to play a tough game in the final!

The final would be broadcast directly to the viewers, without any editing!

This was so that everyone could see the true level of the contestants.

In order to allow the contestants to participate in this final, the program team also changed the time from Saturday night to Sunday night.

This was mainly to accommodate Xia Qinghan.

Xia Qinghan had advanced in "The Strongest Female Group" and had to record her show on Saturday.

So, on Sunday, Xia Xibei had to fly back to G City.

However, this schedule was not a big problem for her. After all, she and Jiang Shenghe had a "good relationship."

Xia Xibei continued to walk with these things on her mind.

When she and Pan Yan walked out from the inside, they saw a flash of light.

She subconsciously showed a smile.

When she looked over, she found a man who appeared to be a reporter frozen in place.

Pan Yan frowned, "There's a reporter here?"

However, neither of them thought that much about it, leaving straight away.

The reporter froze for a moment before hurriedly going through his camera.

Looking at the smiling, outstanding Xia Xibei, he could not help but marvel.

This face was really outstanding! Moreover, her camera presence was too strong!

If he didn't know that he had captured the photo so suddenly, he would have thought that Xia Xibei was already mentally prepared for this!

The man was a journalist from "Vision Hua," someone who specialized in photographing celebrities at the airport.

What angered and annoyed both fans and celebrities was that the photos he posted were not edited. Whatever he took, he posted directly online.

Under his lens, the stars were very real.

But it was too real, which was rather unbearable.

Which stars did not pose when they appeared on camera? Makeup, clothes, styling, background, lighting... All had to be perfect before the photos could be released.

Every time a star's team sent out a photo, it was finely retouched, making it perfect.

However, when you looked at "Vision Hua's" photos, the stars were returned to their original form.

To everyone, "Vision Hua" was the true mirror of the stars.

The man tsked, then posted the photos of Xia Xibei on the Internet.

He did not expect the photos to instantly spark a heated debate.

**Chapter 592: Number One Beauty** 

The account of "Vision Hua" had a lot of followers, whether they were haters or fans.

This account often posted photos of various celebrities, letting fans see their beloved idols.

Haters followed this account to make fun of others.

After all, this account was known for its "zero editing."

People liked to see celebrities in all their glory, but they also liked to see their real side, especially since the contrasting "real photos" were so enjoyable.

Of course, this account had also posted some good photos, but very few. So few that everybody treated it as a miracle every time it happened.

Anyway, there was a saying: Anyone who could withstand this "zero editing" lens test had true beauty.

This time, fans who followed the account found that they had actually posted a few pictures of a beautiful girl!

She really was beautiful!

In the photo, the girl was tall, her eyes were delicate, and her skin was pale and luminous. Her lips were red, and her eyes were so big that it was impossible to see whether she had drawn eyeliner or not.

Her long hair was tied into two ponytails, and she wore a black beret. She was playful and cute.

She wore a top with white bat sleeves and black denim shorts, and a pair of simple canvas shoes under her long, straight legs. She looked clean and sophisticated with a bit of coolness.

She was carrying a shoulder satchel and a suitcase in her hand.

The corners of the girl's mouth were slightly turned up, and her eyes were twinkling.

[Really beautiful! Has 'zero editing' changed? Or did you finally break your ironclad rule of not fixing pictures?]

[Long legs, fair and beautiful! Her style is also very good!]

[Her legs! So envious!!! Other people's legs are legs. Mine are just two unidentified objects supporting the body, right?]

[Miss super good-looking! The most awesome thing is that she can survive 'zero editing?' I'm kneeling!]

This photo had just been posted for a few minutes. Before the fans had even fully reacted, "Vision Hua" sent out a few more photos.

When everyone took a look, they immediately erupted.

This was an actress named Cui Tong.

Cui Tong was 27-years-old. She was one of the hottest actresses these days, and she had debuted four or five years ago. People were impressed with her because her team often sent out releases with all kinds of glamour shots.

Her acting skills were not too good, she had nothing representative, and her reputation was all manufactured by PR.

Previously, there was a press release claiming that she was the number one beauty in the country of Hua.

Of course, in the opinion of haters, this promotion was really shameless. Weren't they afraid of blowing themselves up to the sky and falling down halfway?!

After Cui Tong's photos were sent out, they were immediately ridiculed by the haters.

[This is the most beautiful woman in Hua?! Are the billions of people in my country blind? Who the hell told you to represent our country? Don't embarrass yourself!]

[We must give Cui Braggart's photo-editors and team a million monthly salary! This face, this body! How the hell did she become the most beautiful woman in Hua? I'm sure you're invincible!]

[Who is this woman with thick legs and a big pancake face? The most beautiful woman in Hua?! Don't make me vomit, okay?]

Cui Tong's fans quickly rallied over.

["Vision Hua" is notorious for zero editing, but also specializing in taking unflattering photos of stars. Only you people would get so worked up!]

[Look at our Tong Tong's beautiful photos to wash your eyes!]

[Oh, just admit it if you look ugly. A real beauty will not be photographed so ugly! Look at the zero editing of the last post, you will be smacked in the face!]

Chapter 593: Strong Contrast

Cui Tong's fans and haters started arguing, mostly saying that "Vision Hua" was Cui Tong's hater.

The haters protested. Wasn't "Vision Hua" notorious for not retouching pictures? So it's not like they just picked on Cui Tong. It was too flattering for Cui Tong, right?

Some people dug up Xia Xibei's and Cui Tong's photos for comparison.

[See what a real beauty is called! Don't close your eyes all day long and brag blindly! A real beauty is one that can stand up to the ravages of the camera!]

When they clicked on the two photos, everyone was surprised.

The first one was a photo of Cui Tong where she was wearing a short, black dress.

The short black dress, which should have made her slim and tall, looked stiff and gloomy in the photo. Plus, the sunglasses on her face made it seem like she was attending a funeral. Moreover, because of the angle, her calf muscles were obvious, so her legs looked particularly thick in the photo.

In contrast, Xia Xibei's clothes were youthful and lovely, and looking at her made people's hearts flutter.

[I'm locked in by the girl! Who is this? Super good-looking!]

[Isn't this Xia Xibei? Is she this pretty in person too? I don't think she's wearing makeup, right?]

[Her skin is superb! I want to ask for her lipstick shade!]

[It's my Sister Bei! So beautiful! Is Sister Bei in Z City? What is she doing there?]

[I just checked online. The clothes on Sister Bei are all light luxury brands! Each piece is more than four figures. I can't believe I'm so poor! I want to wear the same model!]

[The dress Cui Tong is wearing seems to be the latest model of X brand, right? This dress is priced in the six figures! How can she wear it so... Badly?]

[Hahaha... Is it because the photo isn't edited or is it really because of the face?]

[The first beauty of China? She's being crushed by a young girl! LOL!]

Cui Tong's fans immediately got angry and ranted against Xia Xibei furiously below.

[Xia Xibei is just a Z-list actor, but she wants to step on our Tong Tong to get to the top! Yeah right! Be careful, you won't go to heaven, but fall into hell halfway!]

[The 'zero editing' is garbage. Always using these kinds of tactics to smear stars, and only you morons follow the drama. Shake your heads, do you hear the sound of water?]

[Oh, who doesn't know what kind of magazine is 'zero editing.' Do you really think they will cooperate with a Z-list artist to step on your braggart star to get to the top? Don't you think this logic is wrong?]

Xia Xibei's fans were also anxious.

[We're taking Sister Bei away. Our sister Bei is only a newcomer, she's not involved in the fight. We are not into this. Thanks!]

However, the battle had begun, and couldn't be stopped by saying stop.

Moreover, this time the matter became pretty big and went outside the industry.

Many people who looked at the beautiful Xia Xibei, and then at the contrasting Cui Tong, were surprised.

The retweets were full of all kinds of praise for Xia Xibei.

The comments were all crazy attacks on Xia Xibei fans by Cui Tong fans.

Cui Tong had more fans, and her support groups had more members, so they made a big deal out of this matter.

Cui Tong's fans were notoriously strong fighters and would fight over anything, whether it was justified or not. People didn't dare to speak against this group, lest they be scolded.

Whereas for Xia Xibei, while she had fan support groups, her number of fans were simply not comparable to Cui Tong's.

So, the two sides were not even in a fight; it was more like a bloodbath.

**Chapter 594: Consoling the Fans** 

Pan Yan soon learned about this matter. He was stunned when he went online and took a look.

How did Xia Xibei suddenly get dragged down in this?

When he figured out what was going on, he didn't know whether to laugh or cry.

He didn't expect that the man was a reporter from "Vision Hua," and he didn't expect that the man would post Xia Xibei's photos online.

If Xia Xibei's photo was ugly, or Cui Tong's was also pretty, that would have been okay.

However, since Xia Xibei's photo was good-looking and Cui Tong's was not, it was a problem.

Cui Tong's fans were angry now, beginning to trash "Vision Hua" and attacking Xia Xibei's fans ferociously.

Pan Yan was speechless.

This was simply an unmitigated disaster!

There was no choice but to let the company's PR deal with it.

When Xia Xibei looked over and saw his unpleasant expression, she froze. Then she also took out her phone.

After browsing for a while, she quickly figured out the situation as well.

She didn't expect things to develop in this manner in barely half an hour.

She thought about it, then sent a message to a few people, asking Tang Luo and the others to try to control the emotions of the fans.

It was not a good thing to go up against a senior like Cui Tong when she hadn't even officially debuted yet, whether or not it was truly justified.

It had to be kept under control.

Of course, Cui Tong's side couldn't benefit. At the very least, she would lose some potential fans.

When Song Jiaren first saw this, she was furious and almost picked up her cell phone to start fighting with Cui Tong's fans.

She had now fully mastered the fans' culture and roasting techniques. She was not afraid, even if it was 10 people against her.

However, after seeing Xia Xibei's message, she could only hold back her anger and go to the fan group to appease other fans.

If they started fighting with each other, they simply couldn't win, and they would seem arrogant to observers too.

There was no need to do that when Xia Xibei was just starting out.

There were not many people in the fans' group, just 100 people or so, but they were all Xia Xibei's hardcore fans, all of whom Song Jiaren added in after testing and observation.

Although there were only so many people, which was no competition for the other party's million-plus fans, these fans were sensible.

Compared to these fans, Song Jiaren was relatively more impulsive.

If it weren't for Xia Xibei and the others watching, Song Jiaren would have gone and fought.

But there was one good thing about Song Jiaren— she was the closest to Xia Xibei, and she actually listened to Xia Xibei.

When Xia Xibei asked her to go and persuade other fans not to follow the drama, she controlled her anger and went to the group to appease everyone.

The vast majority of people in the group understood that such a verbal war had started as a mess, and even if they won, it wouldn't be good. In fact, it would hurt Xia Xibei, so they all advocated for no fighting with Cui Tong's fans on their accounts.

With peer-to-peer, face-to-face appeals and reassurances, Xia Xibei's fans quieted down and stopped cursing the other side.

Even if there was a little restlessness, it had little effect.

At this moment, there was a sudden movement on Xia Xibei's microblog.

She sent out a short video.

In the video, she held her palm slightly out of the window and whistled a bird's call under her breath.

After a while, everyone heard the sound of flapping wings.

Then, several small birds of different species appeared in the video.

The birds flew over and landed on Xia Xibei's palm, her other hand lightly stroking the heads and backs of the birds.

As the birds were caressed, they closed their eyes comfortably.

This was the end of the short video, but this post made her fans ecstatic!

**Chapter 595: Controlling the Fans** 

For Xia Xibei's fans, no matter what she posted, it was big news.

And this short video was super cute!

[Sister Bei's hands are so beautiful! Lick, lick! Now my hands feel even more like pig's feet! Crying...]

[What a cute little bird! Our Sister Bei attracts not just cats and dogs, but also birds? It's awesome!]

[Do these little birds also know who's pretty? Ha, ha, ha...]

[If you reach out like us, you'll only get a pile of bird poop, right? How can we be liked by these little birds?]

[That's right, how can Sister Bei be like us?!]

[How does Sister Bei attract these birds? Can you teach us?]

Everyone's attention was drawn to this video, and they didn't bother about Cui Tong anymore.

Xia Xibei's fans settled down, but Cui Tong's fans were getting more and more energetic.

However, after their cursing was not returned, they got bored and returned to attacking "Vision Hua."

A fan posted a photo of Cui Tong walking on the red carpet, in which she was beautiful, glamorous, and absolutely stunning.

They used these photos to prove that "Vision Hua" was purely a hater, demanding an apology from him.

However, "Vision Hua" had experienced many battles, so naturally, he did not make a move.

Fans got even angrier and made things blow up even more.

Onlookers couldn't look away.

It was not the first time that "Vision Hua" had taken unflattering photos of celebrities, but when it came to this kind of thing, it always ended after a few curses

How come Cui Tong's fans were like being bitten by a dog, unable to let go?

They were so unforgiving; people felt that they were really too scary.

Was Cui Tong some kind of princess? She couldn't even tolerate a few unflattering photos? Where did she get the nerve?

Some people published opinions on this matter with just their initials on their own blogs. They were tracked down by fans who claimed that they were haters, and then more attacks ensued.

However, not everyone was so easily bullied, and many bloggers fought back.

As a result, Cui Tong had a lot more haters now.

Meanwhile, Xia Xibei gained many more fans.

Discerning people could see that the quality of Xia Xibei's fans was quite good. At the very least, they were not unreasonable. Xia Xibei had also calmed the fans and told them not to make trouble. A good idol knew how to control her fans.

Many people looked at Xia Xibei's photos and the short video she sent out, gaining a great impression of her.

On the contrary, Cui Tong just let her fans fool around. She was ruining her own reputation, letting them act as if they were in a cult. It was terrible.

The more trouble the fans stirred up, the more people followed and participated. All kinds of real and fake information were mixed together.

When Xia Xibei arrived on the set, she found that it was a mess online.

Looking at the chaos, the corners of Xia Xibei's mouth twitched.

Luckily, she restrained her fans early. Otherwise, she would have to be ruined as well now.

However, why didn't Cui Tong didn't speak up to stop her fans?

The saying "the idol paid for the fans' behavior" was not a joke.

If the fans' behavior was too much, it would also affect the idol. Many onlookers would also hate the idol because of the fans' behavior.

When Xia Xibei entered the set, she met Cui Tong.

It turned out that both of them were actors in the same drama!

Looking at Cui Tong walking past her with a cold face, glaring at her, Xia Xibei couldn't help but be speechless. She had only just arrived, so how could she have already offended someone?

**Chapter 596: Changing Roles** 

"Hongyan Chance" was an adaptation of an old online novel. It had a number of metaphysical elements, such as the Queen of the Animals.

The story took place in an imaginary dynasty called the Rui Dynasty.

The hero was a punk who grew up in the countryside, but suddenly had a lot of people pursuing him when he grew up.

After that, he found out that he was actually a prince who had been replaced by an ocelot!

In order to escape his pursuers, he inadvertently entered a fantasy world.

In this world, he learned a lot of secret talents, commonly known as having a golden finger.

During the process of mastering his talents, he met a lot of beautiful women and a lot of like-minded friends.

With the help of these friends, he returned to the Rui Dynasty, and after some battles, reclaimed his identity.

This story was actually very pedestrian, without too many complicated or difficult ideas.

Jiang Shenghe chose to make this story because he wanted to make a purely commercial movie.

His personality was perfectionist and a little fussy, but he was not a man who treated money like dirt.

Over the years, the movie market had changed.

Because of the popularity of movie theaters and the audience's change in mindset, more and more people went to the movies. Movies that were too deep in thought were critically acclaimed but not well received.

Jiang Shenghe had already won many awards before. He now wanted to change his taste and make a film that made money.

That's why he chose this script.

In this story, there were handsome men and beautiful women, and there were losers who succeeded. There were all kinds of powerful talents, and the pace was light, so that people could watch while relaxing their minds and bodies.

Of course, Jiang Shenghe would not relax his requirements, even while making commercial movies. He still stuck to his position when it came to the selection of actors.

The male and female leads were young actors with acting skills. While they were not as popular as some viral stars, they had a lot of fans.

When Jiang Shenghe picked actors, he based it on instinct and the actors' strength.

The reason why he chose Cui Tong was because, while her acting skills were not excellent, they were still usable. Additionally, the boss of Cui Tong's company was once kind to him.

However, he didn't expect Cui Tong to be more stubborn than he thought. She didn't come to the opening ceremony yesterday, yet when she came today, she said she wanted to change her role?

How dare she?!

"Does she think I'm begging her to be here? That she can take whatever she wants?" Jiang Shenghe's expression was cold, his eyes slightly narrowed. "Or that without her, I can't make this movie?!"

Cui Tong was so used to being coddled by her fans that she really thought she was a heavenly maiden and everyone had to spoil her, didn't she?

"Which role does she want to change to?"

When Xia Xibei asked this question, she already had a premonition.

"The Queen of Animals."

Xia Xibei's eyes widened. Surprisingly, it was true!

"But wasn't her previous role really good?"

The Queen of the Animals was a level four role, but Cui Tong's role was level three! The number of scenes were different too!

"Do you know why she wants to change her role?" Jiang Shenghe asked Xia Xibei with a sneer.

"Why?"

"Because the Queen of the Animals is the number one beauty!"

Xia Xibei and Pan Yan were dumbfounded.

"Just- Just for that?!"

It couldn't be that funny, could it?

For the sake of the so-called number one beauty, Cui Tong wanted to change roles?!

Jiang Shenghe was also exasperated.

"They told me that I could either change the setting and turn Cui Tong's role into the number one beauty, or I could change her role... Pfft!"

When Cui Tong's agent had said this, he almost kicked them out. Who the hell gave them the nerve?!

Chapter 597: No Role Change

After listening to Jiang Shenghe's explanation, Xia Xibei realized why Cui Tong had just glared at her.

Damn, what kind of weirdos were they?!

All this drama for the so-called "first beauty" title?

Pan Yan's expression was also very complicated.

He whispered to Xia Xibei, "I think she may have been irritated by the Internet."

Xia Xibei froze, it also dawning on her.

Yes! It was very possible!

Maybe it was because of this online drama that Cui Tong had become like this?

The photos taken by "Vision Hua" were so horrible that many haters were now mocking Cui Tong's looks.

In fact, Cui Tong's looks were really not that much of a problem.

Although she was not impeccable from all angles, there was no problem under the normal angle. When she walked on the street, she was a proper goddess.

However, the mess created by "Vision Hua" really seemed to drag down Cui Tong's looks.

A person like Cui Tong, who was bursting with self-confidence, would definitely not be able to tolerate such comments.

If the movie was released and the Queen of Animals was the "number one beauty," then Cui Tong would definitely be mocked again.

She was likely thinking about this and that was why she wanted to change roles, right?

Jiang Shenghe didn't care what Cui Tong was thinking. This was his territory, no one could mess it up as they pleased.

Besides, The Queen of the Animals was originally set to look like a teenager, so how could she play the role?

In the setting, the Queen of the Animals had always been 17 or 18 years old. No matter how others changed, she would never grow up.

In fact, when the hero met the Queen of the Animals, she was already several hundred years old and had experienced many things.

She had kept a youthful appearance, but her eyes and soul were very mature and jaded.

This contrast made the hero fall in love with her at first sight.

It could be said that no matter who the hero was with afterwards, he never forgot the Queen of the Animals. She was a goddess in the male lead's heart.

The Queen of the Animals was a level four role, but it was very important.

Jiang Shenghe would not have been so concerned about the casting of this role otherwise.

If the actor was wrong, how could they make the movie better?

Cui Tong's face was suitable, but letting her be the Queen of the Animals? Simply not possible!

"Don't mind her, she can't bully you," Jiang Shenghe said to Xia Xibei. "You just got here, so you must be very tired. Go and get some rest."

"Okay," Xia Xibei nodded.

"Oh yes, I have the animals here, you'd better go and get familiar with them."

Since she was the Queen of the Animals, she naturally could not avoid contact with animals.

Jiang Shenghe had already negotiated with the zoo, and the animals had been delivered.

"Good," Xia Xibei nodded. Then, thinking of what the others wanted, asked, "Shall I bring the cat from the previous audition?"

"If it's possible, sure," Jiang Shenghe nodded.

"Then can I bring a few more?"

"Well..." Jiang Shenghe hesitated. "If you can get them to behave, then it's no problem."

Anyway, even if a lot of footage was taken afterwards, it had to be selected and could not be released without editing.

He would get more footage, as he might need it afterwards.

"Yes, no problem!" Xia Xibei immediately smiled and nodded.

Pan Yan looked at Xia Xibei in surprise after they left the director.

"Why do I feel that you and Director Jiang are very familiar with each other?"

Just now, seeing how they got along, Pan Yan felt that the two did not look like strangers at all.

On the contrary, Director Jiang was quite nice to Xia Xibei.

Director Jiang did not have an affectionate nature like this!

"Oh, we've met a few times before."

"What?!"

Chapter 598: Keeping a Low Profile

Pan Yan immediately frowned and looked around to make sure no one was around before asking in a whisper, "What the hell is going on here?"

This was Director Jiang they were talking about!

When did Xia Xibei become so close to him?

Moreover, it was not necessarily a good thing when an actress was so close to a male director.

It would be a problem if there were any rumors about this.

"You don't have to worry." Xia Xibei didn't expect to scare Pan Yan with this one sentence and hurriedly explained, "I was meeting with all three of his family members before."

"What?" Pan Yan was even more surprised. "But... You know Director Jiang's family?"

"Of course."

Seeing his nervous look, Xia Xibei smiled, "We met at my godmother's store."

It was not good for her to reveal her identity as a doctor, but it was not a lie.

"Your godmother..."

"My godmother runs a beauty salon."

Pan Yan finally understood.

He remembered that Sister Hong indeed owned a beauty salon.

Then it was likely that Director Jiang's wife went to the beauty salon for a treatment, and Director Jiang and their child went along, so that was how they met.

Since they were meeting in public and there were so many people together, there was no problem.

"How was Mrs. Jiang's attitude toward you?"

"It was very good," Xia Xibei replied with a grin.

How could it be bad? She had saved their son's life!

Seeing Xia Xibei act candidly, Pan Yan also breathed a sigh of relief.

"That's good. However, you still have to keep a low profile in the cast."

"Don't worry, I know."

Xia Xibei did not want to have high profile anyway. She was here to shoot a show, then she would go back after shooting.

"I'm helping you get new jobs now, once it's summer break..."

"Hmm..."

The two of them talked as they returned to the hotel room.

It didn't occur to them that Cui Tong was staying across from her. When they went in, Cui Tong and her assistant had just come out from the inside.

There were several assistants and agents around Cui Tong.

On the contrary, Xia Xibei only had Pan Yan with her. She did not even have an assistant, looking very shabby.

Xia Xibei was not without an assistant, but the assistant had a temporary family matter to deal with and took a leave of absence, coming in tomorrow.

Xia Xibei had no problem with it; it wasn't like she couldn't live without her assistant.

"Hello, Sister Tong," Xia Xibei greeted her politely.

When Cui Tong saw Xia Xibei, she obviously thought of the online strife and glared at her once again. She snorted with a very bad attitude.

Xia Xibei only saw the whites of her eyes, and not even her eyes, so naturally she would not continue to be polite toward a rude person.

She turned around, using her back to face them.

Cui Tong froze for a moment before she reacted, instantly angry.

"You..."

But before she could say anything, Xia Xibei walked in.

The door slammed shut, instantly leaving her dumbfounded.

"A little newcomer! How dare you give me an attitude?!"

Cui Tong was so angry that she stomped her feet.

This was too much! Didn't this little newcomer know anything about respecting her seniors?!

Her assistants knew what kind of character she was and hurried to comfort her, lest it become a big deal.

The chaos outside did not affect Xia Xibei at all. She checked the room to make sure it was okay before she opened the suitcase and started to unpack her things.

Pan Yan stood aside, his face a little difficult, but finally he just said, "You should be careful not to confront her head-on."

"Don't worry, I'll be careful."

She did not expect that the confrontation between the two would come so quickly.

**Chapter 599: Totally Ethereal** 

After entering the cast, the actors had to take final photos to be used for publicity later on. The others had already been shot, so Xia Xibei and Cui Tong were the only ones left.

The two of them joined the group on the same day, so they had to shoot at the same time.

Xia Xibei was the Queen of the Animals and Cui Tong played the role of an official's daughter.

The two went to the studio in Z City together.

When they arrived at the studio, the two of them split up to be styled.

Cui Tong had her own makeup artist. However, they could not be used at this time.

Xia Xibei sat peacefully in the chair, closed her eyes, and let the make-up artist work her face while listening to their incessant praise.

"Your skin is superb!"

"Your eyelashes are so long!"

"Your lips are so pink!"

After an hour, when Xia Xibei opened her eyes, the person in the mirror had changed her appearance.

The makeup artist and stylist were tsking with amazement.

Xia Xibei's skin was already fair and flawless, so there was no need for concealer at all, and the foundation used was also very light.

Her eyes were drawn with eyeliner and were outlined, making them even larger. She had bright eyes and pink lips. A small green plant was also drawn between the eyebrows.

The character setting of the Queen of the Animals was clean and pure, high above the world, someone who transcended human suffering.

Her whole look was very refreshing, and her originally shoulder-length hair was extended to below the hip. Two small braids from the forehead draped the sides and were decorated with small, white flower petals.

When she changed into a long grass-green dress, she looked ethereal as a whole.

"The Queen of Animals!"

Everyone looked at her with amazement, unable to turn their eyes away.

It only took an hour, but the result was really great!

Someone couldn't help but take out his phone.

"Come on, come on! Let's take a group photo first!"

Xia Xibei did not refuse and stood together with them. She tilted her head slightly, slightly pursed her mouth, and innocently looked at the camera with big, long-lashed eyes.

"Wow!" The makeup artist couldn't help but scream, grabbing her phone and covering her heart. "Don't look at me like that!"

The others couldn't help but blush either.

Those eyes were too clean, as if they belonged to an unworldly elf, making their hearts melt.

Xia Xibei's look was simply fantastic!

Looking at everyone's excited expressions, Xia Xibei couldn't help but laugh.

This smile was like a flourishing flower, making people's hearts beat faster.

"Oops, don't laugh!"

They got even more excited, and their faces became redder.

They had styled many celebrities, and it was the first time they saw a female artist with such a magical look after makeup.

Someone also carefully set Xia Xibei's picture into a screensaver.

After frolicking around the room for a while, Xia Xibei walked out.

When the people outside saw what she looked like, they froze.

So... So beautiful!

"Humph!"

As everyone was mesmerized, an unpleasant voice rang out.

Xia Xibei turned her head and saw Cui Tong staring at her with eyes that seemed to hold fire in them.

Then, without waiting for her to say anything, Cui Tong turned around.

Watching Cui Tong turn around angrily and go back to her room, Xia Xibei looked puzzled.

However, Cui Tong's angry voice soon came.

"Redo my makeup!"

The others almost couldn't hold back their exhale of breath.

This was why Cui Tong was so angry— she felt that her makeup look had been crushed!

Everyone hurriedly bowed their heads and did not dare to speak.

People who thought themselves beautiful would die of anger when they met people more beautiful than they were!

"Okay, it's time to start shooting!"

The photographer shouted from the front, "Xia Xibei... You come first!"

Xia Xibei nodded and obediently went up to the front.

Chapter 600: Quickly Understanding

The photographer was a middle-aged man with a big beard and an artist's look.

He said to Xia Xibei, "Have you shot these before?"

"No," Xia Xibei shook her head.

"When you go up there, think of who you are and show it."

Everyone knew that Xia Xibei was just a newcomer and had never taken these photos before.

Newcomers needed time to train.

Hopefully, she was not stupid. Otherwise, it would be too disappointing if she looked this good but was stupid.

"Anyway, just follow my lead."

"OK," Xia Xibei nodded, then walked to the background.

It was hot, with the big lights hitting down on them.

It was summer, so the outside temperature was already high, but the lights inside the studio made it even hotter, feeling like it was almost 40 degrees Celsius.

The staff members around were sweating, but it wasn't too hard to bear for Xia Xibei.

Although her strength was not one-fifth of her peak, it was enough to cope with this temperature.

While she was under the big lights, there was not a drop of sweat on her body.

As she stood in the light, she lifted her hands up as the photographer instructed, her wide sleeves falling back slightly to reveal her slender wrists.

She curled her hand slightly, pointing ahead, with a faint smile at the corner of her mouth and a gentle gaze, as if she was looking at a cute little animal.

"Okay, hold it!" the photographer instantly shouted, the camera immediately

clicking.

Click, click, click...

"Show no expression. Go back to the cold and arrogant Queen of the

Animals!" the photographer shouted again.

Xia Xibei's hand immediately returned to lie on her stomach, her body straightened, the sleeve blocking half of her palm, showing only her slender fingers.

Meanwhile, her expression had instantly become cold while she looked straight ahead, her chin slightly raised to reveal a perfect jawline.

At this moment, she seemed like a queen; her expression was majestic, and she looked askance at the world.

Onlookers could not help but stare in surprise.

This change had happened really fast, and this expression was spot on!

She was in the same ethereal outfit, but she brought out heart-stopping dominance, making it so that people wanted to kneel down and submit.

The photographer was also surprised by Xia Xibei's performance.

Originally, he thought it would take quite a bit of time to train her, but she understood as soon as he said it!

And having no expression didn't come off as a flat expression on her face!

His heart rejoiced as he continued to shout, "Do something more aggressive!"

Xia Xibei suddenly swung her right hand, her long sleeve flying up, while she brusquely looked at the camera. Her eyes were cold and cruel, as if she was looking at a dead person.

"Whoa!"

The photographer was at first taken aback by the look he saw in the camera, then he was ecstatic.

"Fantastic!"

Click, click, click...

The only sound in the entire studio was the excited voice of the photographer and him running back and forth.

After ten minutes, he stopped.

"Change your clothes!"

Xia Xibei had three sets of clothes in the show, one white, one black, and one green.

"Want to change to the makeup we prepared before?"

The photographer hesitated for a moment, then replied, "No need for now."

The role of the Queen of the Animals had two personalities: one calm and gentle, and one majestic and cold. After all, she was the Queen.

Generally speaking, to show the majestic and cold side, makeup should also be specially done to be much stronger.

Some people ridiculed online that, as long as you saw the dark and thick makeup, you knew that the character was now intense.

However, thinking about Xia Xibei's performance just now, the photographer felt that Xia Xibei might not need to show her intensity this way.

Her gaze was already very dramatic, not at all like an inexperienced newcomer!

And the contrast was only stronger like this!