

Chapter 1391: I Can Definitely Do It

Those people were blocked by Su Bei and said anxiously, “Feng Cheng took an item from the set. It’s very valuable. If he leaves, who should we look for?”

“That’s right. Who can afford to pay for the losses? We can’t afford to be responsible either.”

“Alright!” Tang Xinru said loudly, “I’ve said it before. I’ll take responsibility. Stop arguing.”

“That’s what you said, President Tang. You’ll bear all the responsibility, and if anything happens, we’ll come to you.”

“If there’s anything, look for me. There’s no need to call the police. I’ll handle it,” Tang Xinru said.

Those people seemed to be giving Tang Xinru face. When they heard her words, they hesitated for a moment before scattering.

Su Bei patted Feng Cheng’s shoulder to comfort him, then asked Tang Xinru, “Sister, what’s wrong?”

“The director has very strict requirements for the period drama filmed here. All the props have to be produced exactly the same as in history. Didn’t I ask you to get Feng Cheng to produce them?”

“That’s right. And Feng Cheng agreed to help out.” Su Bei nodded.

“In order to make the props more authentic, we went to look for a private collector to borrow his family heirloom for a sample. It’s a very expensive cultural relic and antique. It’s priceless. The producer used his life as a guarantee when borrowing it. However, after Feng Cheng appeared around the item, the item disappeared. Now that the producer is still overseas on a business trip, his subordinates demanded an explanation. That collector is still overseas and doesn’t know about this for the time being. Because it concerns Feng Cheng, I suppressed it and didn’t let them call the police,” Tang Xinru said.

“I, I...” Feng Cheng was about to speak, but his face turned red and he could not defend himself.

Su Bei handed him the phone. “Don’t worry. Take your time.”

Feng Cheng was obviously much more at ease after getting the phone. He started typing on the keyboard.

Su Bei told Tang Xinru with her eyes, ‘It’s not easy to talk to him when he’s anxious.’

Tang Xinru expressed her understanding.

[The item did pass through my hands, but then it disappeared. The surveillance here broke down at the last minute. Someone must have done it deliberately and stolen it. Even if they call the police, I’m not afraid. Because I didn’t take it at all!]

Feng Cheng showed the phone screen to Su Bei.

Su Bei glanced at it and showed it to Tang Xinru.

Tang Xinru spread her hands and said, "Su Bei, what do you think?"

"I trust Feng Cheng."

Feng Cheng's eyes flashed with gratitude and joy.

Tang Xinru said, "But without evidence, how can outsiders believe it? Besides, if they can't find it in a short period of time, they'll definitely call the police. I can't bear such a responsibility."

"Feng Cheng, did you see anyone suspicious?" Su Bei asked.

Feng Cheng shook his head and thought for a while before typing again. [I saw Situ Songhui.]

"Situ Songhui?" Tang Xinru thought for a moment. "It's that appraisal expert beside Tang Yue. He's been working with Tang Yue for a long time on various appraisals and antiques. It's not strange for him to come to the production team. After all, he's Tang Yue's subordinate."

Su Bei remembered that Feng Cheng had once said that Situ Songhui liked to sell imitation antiques and the like. It went against the principles of this industry. Perhaps that man really did something.

She said to Tang Xinru, "Sister, can I trouble you to suppress this matter first? I'll go look for evidence as soon as possible."

"I can help you suppress it, but not for too long. Besides, you have to be confident that you can get it back. Otherwise, money can't compensate for something like that."

"Don't worry, I'll get you results as soon as possible."

Tang Xinru nodded in agreement. Su Bei knew how much pressure Tang Yue was facing too.

Su Bei and Feng Cheng walked out. Without outsiders, he spoke more naturally. "I'm sorry for causing you trouble."

"I was the one who asked you to help. Even if it's trouble, I'm the one who got you involved. Do you suspect Situ Songhui?"

"I'm not sure. But he came to me before and asked me to partner with him in business. He said that with my skills, I could fool a lot of foreigners with the things I made. Also, not only the real antique was lost this time but also a lot of the replicas I made."

Su Bei frowned slightly. "If he really sells the antique, there'll be trouble."

"Then let's hurry up and find him! We can't let him sell it!"

"He's the one in trouble, not us." She already had a plan. "Don't worry. This will be resolved quickly."

Feng Cheng was skeptical, but he trusted Su Bei. As long as she said it, she would definitely do it.

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At this moment, Tang Yue's antique jade exhibition was successfully held.

The countless collections inside attracted countless enthusiasts.

Her character had been questioned many times before because of the kidney donation incident.

However, after news of her not abandoning Du Jinghao spread, many people could not help but feel that she still had a kind side to her.

Especially Ou Huanwei, who spared no effort in promoting all of this. She praised Tang Yue so much that everyone gradually forgot what she had done previously.

“After all, Su Bei isn’t Tang Yue’s biological sister. I think Tang Yue wanted to use this matter to explain herself.”

“Besides, Su Bei isn’t injured, so I don’t think we should continue harping on Tang Yue’s matter.”

“Exactly. It’s better to move on.”

Tang Yue brought a few noblewomen to admire the treasures in the bulletproof glass cabinets.

“Tang Yue, these are all quite old, right?”

“I think these antiques have fine patterns and complicated patterns. It’s really an aesthetic that only that particular dynasty can have. It’s rare that you have such a collection, Miss Tang.”

“I really envy Miss Tang. She has such cultural relic treasures in her hands.”

Tang Yue had a reserved smile on her face, but she was quite pleased with herself. She and Situ Songhui looked at each other and secretly felt that victory was in their hands.

The more capital one had in this line of work, the better they could pass off fakes as real goods. It truly tested one’s eyesight and luck.

“Will all these items be auctioned after this?” someone asked.

Tang Yue smiled and said, “Of course, they’re going to be auctioned. There are also some treasures placed in another room. If you’re interested, you can apply to go in and take a look.”

“They must all be excellent treasures. We must really apply to go in, then,” someone said with a laugh.

“You’re welcome to!” Tang Yue said with a smile.

When she turned around, she saw that Su Bei was among the crowd. It seemed that she was also very interested in all this.

Chapter 1392: I Couldn’t Think Of It Either

Tang Yue couldn’t help but sneer and say, “Su Bei, welcome. What can I do for you?”

“I’m just here to look around. I hope I’m not unwelcome?”

“Of course, you’re welcome. There’ll be an auction after the exhibition in a few days. You’re also welcome to come early to the event.” Tang Yue showed her magnanimity.

“Of course, I’ll come,” Su Bei replied with a smile.

If she didn't come, how would she deal with Feng Cheng's matter?

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The outside world had a very high opinion of Tang Yue now. It was as if they had long forgotten what had happened back then. It was as if she was a capable heiress now.

However, at this moment, Lin Shulian was sent to the hospital because of a sudden illness.

Tang Yue rushed to the hospital.

The doctor was examining Lin Shulian's body when the nanny hurriedly said, "When Madam was at home, her leg suddenly hurt so much that she couldn't stand up and fell down. I don't know what the reason is. Although Madam's constitution was weak previously, she didn't have such a serious illness."

"What did the doctor say?" Tang Yue asked anxiously.

"The doctor hasn't said what the problem is. The madam is undergoing an examination."

Tang Yue crossed her arms and paced anxiously outside the examination room.

Soon, Old Master Tang and Tang Jianming arrived. They looked anxious and hurried.

"Grandpa, Dad, don't worry. Mom is undergoing an examination now. She should be fine," Tang Yue said.

"How did this happen?" Tang Jianming looked even more anxious. "How long has she been in there?"

"Dad, sit down first. Mom will definitely be fine," Tang Yue persuaded.

They had no choice but to sit down and wait, but they were too anxious to sit still.

After a long wait, the doctor came out. Tang Yue was the first to step forward and ask, "Doctor, what happened to my mother?"

"There's serious damage to her knee joint. It needs to be replaced with surgery. After that, she won't be able to exercise vigorously or walk much in the future. She has to take good care of her knees," the doctor said.

"How did this happen?" Tang Yue's heart ached when she heard this. "Does that mean that there's a huge problem with her legs?"

"Yes. That's why she might need to use a wheelchair if necessary. There's also a lot of damage to the patient's other joints. I need to look at her old medical records. Was she ever sick with anything? Why was she found to have a lot of antibiotics in her system?"

Tang Yue thought for a moment, then asked, "What do you mean, Doctor?"

"There's a lot of antibiotic drug residue in the patient's system. A large dose of antibiotics can cause problems in joints, and bones can become very fragile too. Hence, doctors don't give such a large amount of antibiotics unless it's a last resort. That's why I want to know about the patient's previous medical records and physical condition."

"I'll get someone to send the medical records over," Tang Yue said.

However, Tang Jianming was very certain. "My wife has never suffered from any other illness, nor has she taken a large number of antibiotics."

"This was discovered when we examined the patient's body. We don't dare to talk nonsense either. At the moment, we can confirm that the necrosis of her bones and joints is related to these antibiotics." The doctor took out the examination document and told Tang Jianming.

Tang Jianming took it in disbelief.

Lin Shulian woke up, and Tang Yue hurried over.

At the mention of her condition, Lin Shulian was surprised and found it difficult to accept. "I haven't been taking any antibiotics. How did this happen? If there's something wrong with my legs, I won't be able to walk normally in the future?"

"Mom, don't worry. It's going to be okay. Medicine is so advanced now. It's going to be okay."

Lin Shulian couldn't accept it and cried. Life in her 50s was still supposed to be a good time, but if she had to spend the rest of her life in a wheelchair, she really couldn't accept it.

Tang Yue said, "Are you sure you haven't been taking any antibiotics?"

"I'm not sick or in pain. Why should I take that?" Lin Shulian said. "By the way, ask the nanny and maids at home if they've made a mistake. Does someone want to harm me?!"

Tang Jianming could not tolerate this matter either. He went back immediately and asked the butler to ask the nanny at home to check all the food and health supplements. If someone wanted to kill Lin Shulian, wouldn't he be in danger too?

It would be terrible if there were evil people in the family!

The entire Tang family was in a state of nervousness. Everyone was worried that the matter would fall on their heads.

Everyone in the house was interrogated, and everything was taken away for professional examination and testing.

Tang Jianming was still shouting that he wanted to call the police.

In the end, Tang Yue said, "Let's not call the police first. We can find out the reason ourselves."

Tang Jianming was convinced. Once he thought of this, he broke out in cold sweat.

He immediately brought Old Master Tang and himself for a check-up. After checking, they found that both of them were fine.

"Tang Yue, go and get yourself checked immediately!"

Tang Yue naturally went for a check-up. There was nothing wrong with the results.

Although Tang Jianming was not very capable, he was not stupid. He said, "Then there must be something wrong with the things that only your mother eats. Focus on the health supplements, tonics, and ginseng bird's nest that she takes!"

Tang Yue immediately went to investigate.

Soon, a large amount of antibiotics was found in the supplement Lin Shulian had been taking.

Tang Jianming pointed at the box and said, "It's the supplement sent by Su Bei!"

"It's really from Su Bei. Dad, is there a misunderstanding?" Tang Yue asked.

"What misunderstanding could there be! I've never done anything to let her down. When she was in the Tang family, I always treated her well. She's not a member of the Tang family now, but after she left, I never said anything bad. I didn't expect her to be so vicious. Just because she's not a member of the Tang family, she became jealous and wanted to kill your mother! How detestable!"

Tang Jianming was furious. He was usually not very talented, but he had no desires. His father and daughter were in charge of the family matters, and he did not care much about them.

Now that he learned Su Bei had done such a thing, he was really angry.

"I'll go find her now!" Tang Jianming was furious.

"Tang Jianming!" Old Master Tang stopped him. "This supplement was given by Su Bei, but countless people have handled it. Are you really going to blame it on Su Bei?"

Old Master Tang looked at Tang Yue sadly, his tone filled with grief and indignation.

Tang Jianming calmed down a little. "Other than her, who else would hate our family? She's not from the Tang family, but she has the intention of being a daughter of a wealthy family. I can't think of anyone else who would do such a thing!"

"I didn't expect it either." Old Master Tang looked at Tang Yue and said sadly.

Chapter 1393: Is This How You Treat Your Sister?

Tang Jianming pounded his chest and stomped his feet. "We really invited a wolf into the house! How ambitious of her!"

Tang Yue advised, "Grandpa, Dad, it might not have been Su Bei. Let's investigate the truth first."

Old Master Tang closed his eyes heavily. "I really hope that it wasn't done by our family. Let's investigate it again first. If we really call the police, the young child's future will be destroyed."

When the news reached Su Bei's ears, she was extremely shocked.

"Lin Shulian's leg is having issues?" Su Bei was very surprised. "And it's because she took a lot of antibiotics? It's related to me?"

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"I just heard the news, so that's why I'm telling you," Tang Xinru said. "Be prepared."

Su Bei laughed angrily. "I haven't been back in a long time. Besides, I have no grudge against Lin Shulian. Why would I make a move against her?"

"But they're insisting on this fact now. Tang Yue and Tang Jianming are very angry."

"Is Grandpa all right?"

"Grandpa is fine, but I can tell that he's not in a good mood. Perhaps he's worried and anxious," Tang Xinru said.

After hanging up, Su Bei asked around.

She really couldn't think why this had happened.

In her impression, Lin Shulian and Tang Jianming were not very prominent figures. In the entire Tang family, the only ones who had the right to speak were Old Master Tang and Tang Yue.

Whether it was Su Bei returning home or the fact that she was not a member of the Tang family, that couple had indeed not done anything or said much.

Therefore, even though Su Bei had no feelings for them, she felt that they were not bad people. She definitely did not have any grudges against them.

Su Bei couldn't relax at all. There were too many things going on in the Tang family. How could they involve her in everything?

She rubbed her brows.

The Lin family.

After hearing about what happened to the Tang family, Lin Hancheng slammed his hand on the table. "Su Bei? How could Su Bei do such a thing? Besides, Su Bei is already Xiruo's daughter. The Tang family isn't even worthy of carrying the Lin and He families' shoes! How could Su Bei have drugged Lin Shulian out of jealousy?"

He Jiang and He Xuyan sat at the side. They were not as angry as Lin Hancheng.

He Xuyan rolled his eyes and said, "It's just a small matter. I think Su Bei and Lu Heting will be able to resolve it. Let's just keep an eye out."

He Jiang tilted his head and rolled his eyes at him. "Is this how you treat your sister?"

He Xuyan: "..."

'Didn't you say the same thing in the beginning?'

He spoke again, "I'll get someone to help investigate and help clear Su Bei's name."

He Jiang gave an expression that seemed to say, 'That's better.'

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Tang Yue took care of Lin Shulian day and night. She was very considerate.

Old Master Tang was originally suspicious of her, but seeing how dedicated she was, he couldn't bring himself to say something.

"Grandpa, go back and rest early. I'll be fine here." Tang Yue had dark circles under her eyes, but she still worked hard.

"Get someone to investigate the servants at home." In the end, Old Master Tang gave up on suspecting Tang Yue. It was not uncommon for servants to harm their masters.

Besides, Lin Shulian spent the most time at home and with the nanny. There were more opportunities to cause conflict. It was best not to suspect his own family.

Tang Yue nodded. "I don't think it's Su Bei either. Dad only said that in a fit of anger."

"Whether it is or not, everything will be investigated."

Su Bei called Old Master Tang.

"I won't go over to visit Aunt specifically. Grandpa, it's been hard on you."

"Don't say that. And don't take this matter personally. I know you didn't do this. You have no reason to, let alone a chance."

Warmth filled Su Bei's heart. "Thank you, Grandpa."

"I'm just telling the truth."

Su Bei hung up and stood on the balcony. She pulled her shawl tighter around her and stared up at the sky.

Behind her, Lu Heting reached out his long arms and hugged her. She turned around and saw his handsome features filled with love and trust.

A small smile curved her lips. It didn't matter how many suspicions she had over her head. As long as the people she cared about believed her, she didn't have to fear any rumors.

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Tang Yue and Su Bei met at a public event.

Su Bei was wearing a champagne-colored gown that accentuated her bright smile. She watched as Tang Yue walked toward her.

"Su Bei, my mother damaged her knee joint because she was drugged. Have you heard about the surgery?" Tang Yue's attitude was a little unfriendly.

"I have. What happened to Aunt is indeed very distressing."

Tang Yue's tone became a little harsh. "Don't be hypocritical. Among everything in our house, only the supplement you sent contained a lot of antibiotics. Let me tell you, Su Bei, if anything happens to my mother, your reputation will be ruined!"

“Tang Yue, are you so sure that the supplement contains antibiotics and not other items?” Su Bei’s lips curled into a mocking smile. “Have you really figured out how the drugs point to me that you’re confident in testifying against me?”

Tang Yue felt a flash of suspicion in the face of Su Bei’s confidence, but she was sure she couldn’t be wrong. Everything was under her control.

She said, “You know perfectly well what’s going on!”

“I’m afraid no one knows everything better than you! Tang Yue, I’ll wait for the day you show your true colors!” Su Bei straightened her slender and straight shoulders. She was already taller than Tang Yue, so she looked even more slender. “Tang Yue, I’m really impressed by you. It’s fine if you target me, but I didn’t expect you to even target your own mother. I really want to see how evil you can be!”

Tang Yue clenched her fists, and her face flushed at Su Bei’s words.

However, she firmly believed that Su Bei would not be able to find evidence for all this.

After Su Bei finished speaking, she changed her tone to a relaxed one and asked with a smile, “By the way, Tang Yue, I’m wondering if Situ Songhui has done anything illegal while working beside you? I don’t want to implicate you, after all.”

“Su Bei, that’s enough! Isn’t slandering me enough? You even want to slander the people around me now? Let me tell you, you’re dreaming!” Tang Yue smiled disdainfully, hiding the panic in her heart. “I know that you’re very indignant over being chased out of the Tang family. You can’t continue to be a member of the Tang family and get the Tang family’s resources to become the respected daughter of the Tang family. It’s normal for you to find it unfair. After all, you can’t even get a share of Grandpa’s inheritance.”

Chapter 1394: It’s All Lu Heting’s Fault

“It’s bad enough that you’re slandering me, but you’re also slandering my friends and colleagues. Su Bei, don’t you think you’re going too far?”

Su Bei smiled lazily. Her tone was confident and casual. “Think whatever you want. But Tang Yue, remember that from the very beginning, you were the one who provoked me. You brought this upon yourself! See you at your antique auction after this!”

With that, Su Bei turned around and left to greet the other guests at the event.

Tang Yue felt uneasy, but she quickly calmed herself down. She had not made a big deal out of her mother’s and Du Jinghao’s matters, nor did she attract much attention to herself. She only hoped that the Tang family would lose their love for Su Bei. Not many people knew about it, so there would not be many flaws to pick out.

She looked at Su Bei. Without the Tang family’s protection, Su Bei was just an artist in the entertainment industry. She was still far from being comparable to her!

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After Su Bei finished her work, she would occasionally go to the Lin family to visit Lin Xiruo.

Perhaps because she had found her daughter, Lin Xiruo's mental state was recovering day by day. Her illness no longer acted up. She appeared gentle and upright, completely like a young lady from a wealthy family.

"Um, does Lu Heting treat you well?" Lin Xiruo held Su Bei's hand. "After all, he's a child from the Lu family. I heard that he's usually very arrogant."

"Haven't you met him before?" asked Su Bei while beaming.

She believed that her mother could tell how their relationship was.

"Before this? I was too busy looking at you to take a closer look at him."

Su Bei couldn't help but laugh.

"It's true. I asked your father and brother later. They also said that they were busy acknowledging their daughter and sister. How could they care about others?" Lin Xiruo smiled gently.

'Alright,' Su Bei thought. 'That does seem to be the case.'

"Shall I come over with him as a guest another time, then?"

Lin Xiruo rebuked, "Guest? You're just coming home, okay?"

Su Bei stuck out her tongue. She was just used to saying that.

Speaking of which, she was really very comfortable by Lin Xiruo's side and was willing to come often.

Perhaps he should bring Da Bao and Gun Gun over next time.

When she left, Lin Xiruo was reluctant, but she had no choice but to watch her leave.

Sigh, at her daughter's age, she really should be spending more time with her parents.

He Jiang said, "Don't be sad. Didn't our daughter say that she'll come back in two days?"

"Have you calculated how long two days are? It's very difficult to tolerate even a minute and a second." Lin Xiruo's face was filled with dissatisfaction. "Think about it. The longest time my daughter stayed with me was when she was in my stomach. In the blink of an eye, she can only visit me once every two days."

"Speaking of which, it's all Lu Heting's fault..." He Jiang frowned in disgust. He thought that the man's face was disgusting.

Lu Heting's ears heated up slightly. He subconsciously raised his head and touched them. Thinking that Su Bei might be thinking about him, a trace of warmth appeared on his cold and distant expression.

Lu Hang came forward and said, "We've already confirmed it again. Young Madam's DNA matches He Xuyan's, Lin Xiruo's, and He Jiang's DNA. We can confirm that there's no problem this time."

Lu Heting reached out and took a look. After confirming that there was no mistake, he put it away.

The last time Su Bei was recognized by the Tang family, he did not doubt the authenticity of her bloodline. The Tang family had also neglected this point, which led to the situation later.

This time, he verified everything one by one. It was necessary that everything was 100% accurate.

Lu Hang was speechless and secretly envied Su Bei's identity.

As it was revealed that she was not a member of the Tang family, there were already many mocking voices outside. Those people were secretly mocking her, and Lu Hang was really angry.

Unexpectedly, in the blink of an eye, Su Bei had become a member of the Lin and He families.

The Lin and He families were people who could compete with the Lu family on certain levels. If Su Bei's real identity was announced, a large number of people would probably die of jealousy.

Lu Hang was already imagining the scene of those people being slapped in the face.

When Lu Heting returned home, he handed his coat to the butler and reached out to pull off his tie. He walked straight to the two little kids' study. The sound of laughter came from afar, mixing with the comfortable light at night. It felt like home.

The door was ajar. Lu Heting walked closer and saw the two little guys leaning against Su Bei and talking.

"Daddy!" Gun Gun's eyes were sharp. He saw his father immediately and ran toward him on his short legs.

Lu Heting hugged the little munchkin and patted his head.

Da Bao stood up and greeted him politely before sitting down next to Su Bei. It could be seen that his cold eyes were starting to warm up. Seeing that Gun Gun was only focused on Lu Heting, a faint smile appeared on his lips.

"When I was in painting class today, I met a kind aunt. She taught me how to draw," Gun Gun reported to Lu Heting. "Look, Bei Bei also said that my drawing is especially good."

"Yes, it's especially good."

"That aunt also said she'd teach me next time. She's gentle and pretty."

Su Bei smiled from the side. "I've heard you praise her for a long time just now. What do you think of that aunt compared to me?"

"She's not as cute as Bei Bei, and not as gentle and pretty as Bei Bei too."

Gun Gun's baby voice was full of pride.

"That's better." In a handsome gesture, Su Bei propped her chin on her hand. "Come on, let's go have dinner."

"Okay." Gun Gun went forward and held Da Bao's hand. Then, he ran quickly to the dining room. Da Bao ran after him.

After the meal, the two little fellows went aside to play.

Lu Heting handed a document to Su Bei. "I've found out about Feng Cheng. How are you going to deal with it?"

"Make the bad guys get what they deserve, of course." Her eyes narrowed.

"Do you need my help?"

"You've already helped." She held up the file. "It's long overdue."

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Tang Yue's antique auction was held as scheduled.

The event tonight attracted countless people who were interested in antiques and jade. Among them, there was no lack of celebrities from all walks of life. Everyone who came was someone with very high status. The scene was bustling with people, and the atmosphere was warm and cheerful.

Tang Yue looked at the scene in front of her and felt a flash of pleasure and pride. She welcomed everyone with a smile.

Chapter 1395: Character And Tenacity

"Miss Tang, I've heard a lot about you." A middle-aged man came forward with a female companion to greet her.

"Mr. Gao, I've heard a lot about you too. Please forgive me for my lack of hospitality today."

"What are you talking about? It's really enviable that you have such ability when you're still so young." Mr. Gao smiled and flattered her.

Tang Yue's face was full of humility. "You flatter me. Mr. Gao, please sit inside."

After Tang Yue finished greeting the guests, she looked up and saw Su Bei walking over from afar. She was alone tonight and wasn't wearing an evening gown. Instead, she was wearing a white silk shirt and a pair of wide-legged pants. She looked neat and generous as she walked over from afar. Every step she took was light and fluttery, making people unable to help but take a second look.

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"Su Bei, you really came?" Tang Yue asked with a smile.

"Why? Am I not welcome?"

"Of course, you're welcome. However, I'm not welcoming you as an elder sister now. Instead, I'm welcoming you as the daughter of the Tang family. Therefore, it's not convenient for me to greet you warmly, nor is it convenient for me to bring you to meet all kinds of distinguished guests." Tang Yue's tone was filled with arrogance.

It was as if her status as the eldest daughter of the Tang family allowed her to proudly show her talent and status in front of Su Bei.

Su Bei smiled at her, but her tone was cold. "That's not necessary. I can go in myself."

"By the way, the auction items tonight are all very valuable. If you want to bid, please register and pay a sufficient deposit. Otherwise, you won't be able to raise your placard. Now that you're not my sister, I can't give you any leeway," Tang Yue reminded.

It was as if Su Bei had benefited from her in the Tang family in the past. Now that she was no longer in the Tang family, Tang Yue made it sound like Su Bei was completely at a loss.

Su Bei waved the auction placard in her hand. "Don't worry about it."

"Have fun, then."

She walked slowly into the venue and heard people discussing.

"Tang Yue is really impressive. It's said that she brought her people to various places to select these items. They've all been tested and are very valuable."

"It's not the first time Tang Yue has done this kind of business. Didn't we buy many good things at the antique jade exhibition the last time?"

"This daughter of the Tang family is really impressive. To be honest, I rarely admire people, but Tang Yue is one of them. Not only is she capable in her career, but she also has a business-gearred mind, good character, and strong tenacity."

Su Bei couldn't help but laugh when she heard their descriptions of Tang Yue's character. Did Tang Yue really have those things?

As expected, someone asked curiously, "Can you elaborate on Tang Yue's character and tenacity?"

The person who spoke just now said with a clear understanding, "You might not know this, but Tang Yue's fiancé broke his leg in an accident previously. However, not only did Tang Yue not leave him, but she also confirmed her wedding date with him. She's been taking care of him diligently."

"I see. She's a good woman, then. That kind of conduct is really rare in today's society."

"Also, I heard that Mrs. Tang's leg joints are problematic. Tang Yue is also devoted to taking care of her mother and serving her at the hospital bed. What else is there to say about such a filial woman with a good character and strong tenacity? It's a pity that I'm already married. Otherwise, I would choose to woo her."

"It's really rare. I didn't know before. Looking at Tang Yue now, I feel like she has a halo around her."

"There's still a lot you don't know. I heard that Mrs. Tang's health problem is related to Su Bei. Su Bei was exposed to not being a member of the Tang family. She holds a grudge against the Tang family, so she drugged Mrs. Tang's body. However, the Tang family didn't call the police because of Old Master Tang."

"Huh, Su Bei is really... What a long story this is. She's not from the Tang family, and it's a little disgusting of her to do such things. She even harmed the madam of the family. She sure is an actress. Does she rely on her acting skills in her real life too?"

“Tsk, tsk, tsk. She’s really full of cunning schemes. It hasn’t been easy for Tang Yue...”

Those people were chatting happily when they suddenly felt a chill on their backs. They turned around and met Su Bei’s smiling eyes.

Although these people were not afraid of Su Bei, they knew that Su Bei was from Lu Group and was personally taken care of by Mr. Lu. If it were any other time, it would have been fine. Now that they were caught red-handed, they were all embarrassed.

The men lifted their glasses to cover their faces and said, “It looks pretty good over there. Let’s go over there.”

The few of them slipped away quickly.

Su Bei glanced at them a few times and narrowed her eyes. These rumors must have been released by Tang Yue herself. She belittled her and even blamed her for what had happened to Lin Shulian to pave the way for her status. Tang Yue was really good at playing cards.

However, these rumors would eventually fall back on the instigator.

‘Let’s wait and see.’

After this little interlude, the auction officially began.

The auction items had all been publicly displayed at the exhibition in the past few days. Everyone knew what the items were.

Everyone entered. Some enthusiasts’ eyes lit up as they carefully studied the list of items in their hands.

“This is good, and the price is good too. I’ll definitely bid for it and give it to my wife,” Mr. Gao said enthusiastically.

“It looks like you’re determined to win, Mr. Gao.”

Mr. Gao replied, “Then please show mercy later.”

Everyone laughed. The others also became interested in the items they saw. Everyone was very interested in this auction.

It had been more than a year since Tang Yue’s last auction. Many people had prepared sufficient funds just to bid for their favorite items.

The auctioneer was the first to introduce the first item on the stage. It was said that this item was a thousand years old. Tang Yue had bought it from an old man. This old man’s collection had been passed down for more than ten generations.

Because of the item’s long history, the people below the stage quickly started bidding.

“A million!”

“One and a half million!”

“...”

“...”

“Five million!”

In the end, this auction item was sold for five million.

The items that were taken out one after another were not cheap. Most of them were auctioned for more than ten million yuan.

Tang Yue sat in the first row and looked at Situ Songhui with deep satisfaction.

The proceeds from this auction were much higher than they had expected. People in the market were scrambling for their items.

Chapter 1396: Using It To Show Off

There were probably no fewer than a few hundred pieces that could be auctioned off tonight.

The voices below the stage still maintained a very eager competitive trend.

Su Bei sat at the back, her gaze lazy as she leaned back in her chair. The people around her kept waving their placards. The sight was dazzling.

Some people successfully bid and smiled. “I like this, and I finally got it. Besides, the collections Tang Yue is auctioning off are very valuable. If I keep them for another year or two, the price will probably double.”

“Well, she’s got a competent appraiser on her side,” said someone in a sour tone as they didn’t manage to win anything.

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In a short while, dozens of pieces had been auctioned off. Counting the amount so far, it was already billions.

Su Bei finally understood why Tang Yue wanted to do this business. It was really a profitable business. As long as she made the story sound good and made every antique collection come with historical background, people would naturally buy her goods.

Actually, most of the people here did not know much about the industry either. They simply followed the trend when they bought things. If they had a lot of money, they could buy whatever they wanted. Otherwise, they would buy things with the mindset that they could still earn a sum of money after buying them. They hoped to generate bigger profits by reselling the items after keeping them for a while.

“The next item to be auctioned is the Twin Dragons Playing With Pearls, an item passed down from the Great Xiao Empire more than a thousand years ago. As everyone can see, the image of the two dragons on this treasure bottle represents the scene of the Great Xiao Emperor himself competing with the twin dragons in the sky. This item represents the peak of painting and firing craftsmanship from that time. The flowers are lifelike, and the colors are gorgeous and refreshing. It’s said that this treasure was a gift from the Great Xiao Emperor to his favorite concubine.”

The auctioneer introduced the new round of items.

Immediately, interest was aroused. Everyone craned their necks in anticipation.

“Therefore, the starting price of this auction item is 15 million, and the minimum increment of each bid is 500,000. Let the auction begin!”

As soon as the auctioneer finished speaking, someone immediately began to raise the bid. “15.5 million!”

“16 million!”

“17 million!”

“18 million!”

The sound of bidding rose and fell. Many people had their eyes on this vase. This time, there were many people bidding. Su Bei’s ears were filled with the buzzing sounds.

Many people were determined to obtain this precious vase.

Amidst the cheers of the crowd, a clear but firm voice suddenly sounded. “100 million!”

100 million?

The people who had been bidding stopped when they heard this voice. They looked at the person who had called out the price.

What came into view was Su Bei’s flawless face with a bright smile.

“Su Bei!”

“How could it be Su Bei? Wasn’t she chased out by the Tang family?”

“100 million? Entertainers are indeed rich!”

“But I heard that Su Bei and Tang Yue are in conflict. Is Su Bei here to cause trouble?”

“The point is, can Su Bei afford to fork out so much money?”

On the auctioneer’s side, he shouted enthusiastically, “Someone has already offered 100 million yuan to buy this item. Does anyone want to raise the price? Anyone?”

Everyone in the audience shook their heads. Although the vase was good, it was not so easy to surpass the price of 100 million. Thinking of their wallets, many people wanted to retreat.

“100 million going once! 100 million going twice!”

The auctioneer waved the auction mallet in his hand and looked in Su Bei’s direction. “A lady named Su Bei offered a price of 100 million! Now, is there anyone else? Anyone else? If not, then—! 100 million thrice!”

He slammed his auction mallet down heavily!

“Congratulations, Miss Su Bei, for obtaining our Twin Dragons Playing With Pearls! Miss Su, do you have anything to say in front of everyone?” the auctioneer asked.

This was part of tradition. Usually, after an item with a high price was auctioned, in order to create a better atmosphere, the auctioneer would ask the bidder to say a few words.

The microphone was handed to Su Bei.

Tang Yue pursed her lips. She did not think that Su Bei could cause any trouble.

A hundred million? How could she afford that?

Su Bei took the microphone and asked with a smile, "May I speak on stage?"

The auctioneer did not expect her to make such a request. He glanced at Tang Yue, who nodded, indicating that it was fine.

The auctioneer also felt that it was harmless, so he invited Su Bei up.

"Miss Su, you spent a huge sum of money to bid for this item that everyone wants. Do you have anything to say?"

Su Bei smiled at him and said, "Is this vase authentic?"

The people below the stage laughed.

The auctioneer smiled and said, "Miss Su, the items we're auctioning have all been tested. But I'm sure everyone knows that even if an antique collection has been tested, it can't be 100% authentic. When you bid for something, it's a test of your judgment and luck."

"So I'm paying 100 million dollars for a fake?"

Faced with Su Bei's blunt question, the auctioneer said calmly, "Miss Su, you must be joking. Naturally, there'll be people checking the items we're auctioning. However, people's abilities are limited, and it's inevitable to occasionally encounter fakes. However, I can guarantee that although our items can't be 100% authentic, they can't be fake. Mr. Situ Songhui, who's sitting below the stage, is one of the best in this industry. As long as he's the one doing the appraisal, even if he might make a mistake, the item can't be fake."

Seeing that everyone below the stage was listening attentively, the auctioneer naturally had to clarify again. He said, "Therefore, I think everyone can dispel the doubts you have. Our auction items all have qualifications. Obviously, they're all items from formal channels, and we also practice standardized auction methods. In the future, the items you bid for will continue to be valuable. As time passes, they'll become more precious. Please believe this!"

The audience applauded collectively, feeling that Su Bei was indeed too ignorant.

Su Bei smiled and said, "That's good. Actually, I'm just worried that something fake will appear. If an item is really something from a particular dynasty but there are miscalculations in other aspects, I believe everyone can accept it. After all, there are some things that even the most advanced instruments can't detect. But what I'm afraid of is that some people imitate antiques and make identical replicas to sell. They use them to attract attention and earn everyone's hard-earned money. That'll also be a waste of everyone's efforts."

Chapter 1397: Smashed

“Miss Su, this situation you’re talking about is absolutely impossible!” Situ Songhui stood up. He stood tall, and his expression was a little tense. He did not smile and looked very professional and trustworthy.

He walked to the stage, took the microphone, and said, “Miss Su, as a qualified appraiser, I feel that your words are really an offense to me and the public. Antique auction items are a matter of good sight and luck. Only qualified people with some luck can encounter truly good things. With your attitude and picky emotions, it’s impossible for you to have such luck. But since you’re about to spend a big sum of money, it’s not convenient for us to let you give up on the bid. However, we still have to advise you to maintain some reverence for industries that you don’t understand.”

The people below the stage nodded in agreement.

Su Bei smiled and said neither in a servile nor overbearing manner, “Is that so? Actually, I’m just too inexperienced, so I don’t know much about this industry. That’s why I asked some questions. Since you’ve explained, I have no choice but to accept it.”

Seeing that she was convinced by him, Situ Songhui snorted and did not take her seriously at all.

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“But...” Su Bei changed the topic and said, “Mr. Situ, I’ve already successfully bid for this vase. I want to break it on the spot to see if it’s real or fake. Do you have any objections?”

“You!” Situ Songhui was very angry. “This is a precious treasure. What do you mean by wanting to break it? Do you have any basic respect and love for antiques?”

“If it’s real, well, I bought it with my money anyway. If it’s broken, then so be it. Money can’t buy my happiness. But if this is fake, then won’t you have to compensate me for my loss? You can’t accept the 100 million yuan payment from me either.” Su Bei’s tone was a little aggrieved. She was really pestering him.

But there seemed to be some truth in what she said.

The people below the stage were watching the commotion. In any case, whether the vase was real or not would not affect them. Someone began to respond, “I think Su Bei’s words make sense. Why don’t we agree with her? Anyway, Mr. Situ has guaranteed that this item is true. When the time comes, Su Bei’s money will be lost.”

Situ Songhui said angrily, “This vase is a common treasure of all humans, and it’s also something everyone cherishes. Although Su Bei spent her money to buy it, she has no right to smash the treasure of human civilization!”

Someone began to nod. “Situ Songhui is right. Even if Su Bei was the one who spent her own money to buy it, she can’t just destroy this precious antique.”

“Su Bei is really unreasonable. How can she want to smash it?”

“It seems that Mr. Situ doesn’t dare to agree. I’m starting to have doubts now. Is everything you have here fake? Are they fakes made by you? Did you just make up stories to fool people?” Su Bei’s tone was indifferent, but her words had an aura that made it difficult for people to ignore.

Situ Songhui was provoked and said angrily, “Miss Su, are you here to participate in the auction or ruin it? I have reason to believe that you’re here to cause trouble, so I have the right to chase you out now!”

“Do you think you can hide the matter by chasing me out? I’m just questioning you reasonably, yet you’re going to kick me out. Who will dare to enter your auction house in the future?” Su Bei asked.

Her words did win the support of many people. “Su Bei is right. She has to have some say in the matter after spending money, right? If it were me, I would also need to verify the authenticity before I can believe it.”

“Su Bei has a point.”

When Tang Yue heard these words, she stood up and said, “Situ, let her smash the vase. But Su Bei, let’s make it clear first. If it’s fake, we’ll compensate you. If it’s real... you’ll have to bear the consequences yourself.”

“Of course.” Su Bei smiled. Victory was in her hands.

Tang Yue gave Situ Songhui a look, and Situ Songhui immediately understood. The matter of appraising the authenticity of the antiques here was naturally up to him. The other appraisers present were also his friends, so of course, they were on his side.

Besides, it was difficult for anyone to determine if antiques were real or fake. Without enough reason, how could Su Bei tell? At that time, wouldn’t it be up to him to decide if it was real or fake?

Tang Yue smiled at everyone and said, “Everyone, I’m really sorry for making a fool of myself. This was originally a family matter, but I didn’t expect something like this to happen here in public and cause trouble for everyone. It’s all my fault for not handling the family matters well. I’ll have to ask everyone to take a break later and have some tea and snacks. It’s a small token of my appreciation.”

She treated this matter as her family matter. Naturally, she wanted everyone to think that Su Bei was being unreasonable here because she had been chased out of the Tang family. This made everyone have a bad impression of Su Bei.

As she spoke, beautiful waitresses in cheongsams filed in, bringing all kinds of tea and snacks. They placed them in front of everyone.

Then, the Twin Dragons Playing With Pearls that had only appeared on the screen was pushed out and placed in the locked bulletproof glass cabinet. Through the glass, one could see its extraordinary aura and unique design. After a thousand years of weathering, not only did its color not deteriorate, but it also became more mellow.

Sitting in the first row below the stage were the experts. They looked at the vase with infatuation and envy.

Tang Yue raised her chin, her eyes filled with reluctance. Her voice was filled with a hidden sigh as she said, “I didn’t want anything to go wrong with such a precious antique, nor did I want it to be covered in

dust. However, now that we're facing Su Bei's doubts, we have no choice but to choose to prove ourselves. I'd rather die than live in dishonor. I believe that if this vase has a spirit, it'll understand my painstaking efforts."

Everyone could not help but sigh softly. If it was really smashed, what should they do?

However, since Tang Yue and Su Bei had no objections, the others naturally could not say anything.

The auctioneer handed the auction mallet to Su Bei.

The Twin Dragons Playing With Pearls was carefully taken out of the bulletproof glass cabinet and placed in front of Su Bei.

Everyone waited to see what else she would say.

However, she didn't say a word. She raised her hand and slammed her fair wrist down, shattering the vase in front of her.

There was a sharp rattling sound.

"Huh?" Everyone below the stage cried out in sympathy.

Su Bei's eyes were filled with a faint smile. She said calmly, "Mr. Situ, you're going to check if it's real, right?"

Chapter 1398: Occasional Misjudgment

The muscles on Situ Songhui's face twitched twice. It was obvious that his heart ached. He said, "Miss Su, I've checked this vase many times and confirmed that it's from the Great Xiao Empire. There's no mistake at all. I trust my judgment."

Several other experts also came on stage, picked up the fragments, and looked at them. They said, "We've seen it before as well, and there's no problem with it. At that time, it was even tested. This is simply a waste of God's gift!"

The experts' faces were filled with heartache and regret, causing the others to feel even more heartache.

"Su Bei, you heard it. These experts and Situ said that this vase is definitely authentic. Now that you've smashed it, you're the one to blame. You're also the one to bear the losses. Even though you're the one to bear it, you can't afford to bear the responsibility of treating the treasure of human civilization so willfully. I hope you can be more careful in the future. Don't let down everyone just for the sake of your selfish desires," Tang Yue said righteously.

However, Su Bei did not feel ashamed at all. Instead, she stretched out her finger and dug through the fragments. Then, she raised a small fragment in her hand and said with a smile, "Was there Doraemon in the Great Xiao Empire? The civilization back then was really advanced, huh!"

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She held up her slender fingers. Her jade-white wrist was raised high. On one of the fragments of porcelain was a vivid image of Doraemon. Its round hand was on its belly. It was a classic image that this generation was all too familiar with.

“What’s going on?”

“How could there be such a thing on that fragment?”

“Did Su Bei put it in at the last minute?”

“Good heavens, is it really a fake?”

Tang Yue and Situ Songhui’s expressions changed. “Su Bei, you!”

“Me? You want to say that I put this here, right? But just now on the stage, I was under everyone’s noses. If I really did something, everyone would’ve been able to see it, right? Did anyone see me doing anything?”

No one had actually seen her do anything even though everyone had been watching her closely.

Under these circumstances, there was nothing Su Bei could have done.

Su Bei smiled faintly and continued to say to the experts, “The experts are here as well. You can take a look and see if the texture, color, and patterns of this fragment match the others. Then you’ll know if I’m telling the truth or not. Even if I can do magic, it’s impossible for me to randomly swap a fragment that fits perfectly with the others, right?”

The expert immediately stepped forward and took the fragment from her hand. He pieced it together with the other fragments. Sure enough, it fit.

Moreover, the pattern on the piece Su Bei took out was indeed identical to the others.

However, there was a Doraemon on that fragment. It was very telling. It was impossible for such an image to appear back in that dynasty.

Not only did this mean that this item was not from the Great Xiao Empire’s dynasty, but it was also not even an ancient item. It was just a modern imitation.

It wasn’t even worth a fraction of a hundred million, let alone a hundred million.

The experts looked unusually serious. They went forward and picked up the fragment. They looked at it carefully, pondered, and then said, “Miss Su, we’re sorry for our arbitrary decision just now. This vase was indeed made using a modern process. It’s just that the surface was too realistic, and we couldn’t take it out to examine it carefully, so we were blinded. Now, we’ll correct our judgment and apologize to everyone.”

As soon as they said that, Tang Yue’s heart skipped a beat. If the experts determined that this was a fake, it meant that she had to bear the loss herself. Su Bei would be completely uninvolved.

A whole hundred million!

It hurts!

A bad heartache!

These experts were all especially famous people. Their courage to admit their mistakes on such an occasion changed Su Bei's impression of them. Her tone became more respectful. "Experts, this is indeed not your fault. After all, it's easy to fool everyone if someone deliberately falsifies an antique piece according to the standards of the test."

"Miss Su, you're saying that someone deliberately faked it according to the standards..." The experts looked at Situ Songhui.

His expression changed slightly before turning serious. "Miss Tang and I bought this vase from an elder back then. It turns out that it's actually fake. The appearance is really too realistic. All the experts were fooled, and I was wrong. It was really a miscalculation!"

He was indeed smart enough to shirk responsibility with a few words.

Tang Yue's expression relaxed. She and Situ Songhui were both prepared for this. They could still win.

Su Bei chuckled and asked calmly, "Then what about the other items? Will the same thing happen again?"

"Of course not. We've tested them all seriously—" Situ Songhui immediately defended himself.

"You guys tested this vase as well." Su Bei's smile was very bright as she pointed out the contradiction in his words. Tang Yue found her smile exceptionally dazzling.

Tang Yue's expression changed, but she was still calm. "Su Bei, everyone makes mistakes occasionally. There definitely won't be such mistakes in the other items. Besides, since you already know that this vase is fake, you should know if the other things are fake too, right?"

She was very sure that Su Bei couldn't possibly know the authenticity of all the pieces, and Su Bei couldn't take the risk to destroy everything to verify it either.

Therefore, Su Bei could only come this far with this incident.

However, what Tang Yue did not expect was that Su Bei still maintained a proper smile and said, "You're right. I do know the authenticity of the other items. Tang Yue, the items you're auctioning this time and all the antiques and jade pieces that were auctioned off just now are all fake!"

"All of them look extremely real on the surface. This is because Situ Songhui is the person who knows the expert test standards the best. He deliberately replicated fakes according to the standards to fool everyone.

"Not only were the experts deceived, but everyone else was also deceived by him!"

"Su Bei, you're slandering me!" Tang Yue scolded sternly. "You said that we deliberately faked our goods. Where's the evidence? Are you going to smash everything to prove it? I think you're clearly doing it on purpose. You know that one thing is fake now, so you're deliberately saying that the other items are fake too to confuse others!"

Chapter 1399: Useless

Situ Songhui's face was also full of gloom. "Su Bei, you know that we can't smash everything else to prove ourselves, so you deliberately said such things to mislead everyone with one of my items. What are your intentions?"

He turned to everyone below the stage and said, "Everyone, don't be deceived by Su Bei. I can guarantee that everything I have has been verified by my conscience. However, no one is perfect. It's indeed inevitable for me to make a mistake. I can guarantee that the things I verified can withstand scrutiny, and I'm willing to take responsibility for my occasional mistakes."

The people below the stage were originally very doubtful after Su Bei smashed the vase.

However, now that Tang Yue and Situ Songhui had said that, they felt that their words made sense too. Su Bei's words were indeed too exaggerated.

This was especially true for those who had already bought a few items in the past. They were still waiting for their items to appreciate in value before they rushed to sell them. After that, they would make a huge profit. If it was proven that the items in their hands were also fake, how could they sell them? Moreover, it was impossible to get someone to compensate them for their previous purchase. They might as well insist that the items in their hands were real. When the time came, they could still recover their losses.

Apart from a small number of people who actually liked the items they bought, the rest of them were investing in the items. As long as it didn't depreciate in their hands, it didn't matter if it was real or fake.

Therefore, the people below the stage immediately echoed, "Mr. Situ is right. It's indeed inevitable to make mistakes. You can't say that everything else is fake just because he made a mistake once. At least, we've never heard of instances where someone went home with a fake."

"That's right. It doesn't make sense for you to say that the rest are fake after you found one fake, right? Su Bei, don't be too aggressive. We know that you were chased out by the Tang family and find it unfair, but that's not a reason for you to cause trouble at the auction, right?"

"Su Bei, please come down first. We still have to continue the auction. Don't waste everyone's time."

"I hope you'll settle your family matters at home without taking up everyone's time!"

"Su Bei, this isn't your stage! We still have to continue the auction!"

Su Bei looked coldly at the people who were talking below the stage. Sure enough, all of them were profiteers who valued profits. The truth didn't matter to them. What mattered was whether they could make money.

When these people cried in the future, she hoped they could keep their voices down so that they wouldn't reach her ears and disturb her contentment.

Tang Yue was certain that Su Bei would not ask to destroy all the items to verify their authenticity. No one would dare to do such a thing!

Therefore, she smiled and said, "Su Bei, I advise you to step down quickly. Don't waste everyone's time."

"I'm going to step down. But Tang Yue, let me put it this way. In a while, you'll get someone to personally smash all the items. I hope that when that time comes, you'll still be able to smile like you are now." Su Bei smiled brightly. Her facial features were beautiful, and the people below the stage felt that their eyes were bright. If it weren't for the fact that they had to prioritize their interests, they would probably stand on Su Bei's side.

Of course, Tang Yue thought that Su Bei was exaggerating. She smiled and said, "Then please don't leave yet. Otherwise, you won't be able to see a good show."

"I'm not leaving. I still have to see you break the items."

Su Bei turned around and strode down the stage. Her supermodel aura and steps made people involuntarily follow her silhouette.

"Start over," Tang Yue instructed the auctioneer.

The auctioneer picked up the auction mallet. According to Tang Yue's instructions, they had to continue the auction immediately. There was still a long night ahead. Apart from the dozens of antiques that had been auctioned off, there were still many more to be auctioned.

The experts stood on the stage and looked at each other.

"Seniors, I made a mistake with the vase that Su Bei smashed just now because I didn't examine it properly when I bought it back, which led to this problem. But things won't be so coincidental that all the other items are problematic too," Situ Songhui said. "In the future, I'll specially focus on the surface of the antiques and examine each piece properly. I'll never make such mistakes again. So let's proceed with the event now."

The experts looked at each other, exchanging glances.

Tang Yue said in a low voice, "Experts, Su Bei's words are just one-sided. Just because she found a problematic item, it doesn't mean that every item is problematic. I hope that you'll still look at the big picture and not be affected by a small setback."

The experts were indeed very discouraged just now. They had watched helplessly as something went wrong with their appraisal.

However, Tang Yue's words made sense. Were they going to give up just because of a setback? That was naturally impossible.

They would stand up where they fell. They chose to believe in Tang Yue and Situ Songhui. The incident with the vase was a one-time thing.

Several experts resumed their seats in the front row.

The people below the stage also felt relieved. Even the experts had remained seated, which meant that there was nothing wrong with this auction. Su Bei's matter was just a small interlude.

Most of the people who came were still counting on the auction items on the stage to make money. It was good for everyone to continue.

“So now, the auction continues. The next item to be bid...”

Everyone’s gazes seemed to be sizing up Su Bei, who was sitting at the back. They seemed to be mocking her for everything that she did just now. Some of them even had sympathy for her.

Su Bei leaned back in her chair, ignoring these gazes. She looked indifferently at the stage.

Tang Yue and Situ Songhui looked at each other and smiled disdainfully. How dare she cause trouble at the scene today?

At this moment, a group of people walked in from the entrance of the auction house. The sound of them striding over attracted everyone’s attention.

All eyes turned in that direction as several uniformed officers entered the room.

They all wondered what was going on.

Tang Yue stood up and walked forward in confusion. Her tone was still calm and composed. “May I ask why you’re here today?”

“We’re investigating a case of cultural relics smuggling involving a series of incidents involving your company’s sale of national cultural relics to foreign countries. You’re now required to cooperate with the investigation.”

The police calmly took out their official documents and unfolded them in front of Tang Yue and Situ Songhui.

Chapter 1400: Clearly Fake

Tang Yue’s expression changed slightly as she glanced at Situ Songhui. They had indeed sold a large number of items overseas, but those items were actually personally made by Situ Songhui. At most, they were artifacts. How could they be considered cultural relics smuggling?

“Are you mistaken? What we sell overseas are all handicrafts. Although they have a high collection value, they’re not considered cultural relics,” Tang Yue explained.

The officer shook the paperwork. “Did you sell this?”

Tang Yue took a closer look. Most of the things on it were made by Situ Songhui, but there were also a few things that he had taken from Tang Xinru’s production team.

Previously, when Tang Xinru’s production team was filming, Feng Cheng had sent over many handicrafts. After filming, Tang Yue and Situ Songhui went to bring over those imitation handicrafts. In any case, they were not being used by the production team anymore. When the time came, they would most likely smash them or throw them away. Of course, they would not waste them. They would sell them.

However, the document actually said that some of the items were really rare cultural relics. When they passed through customs, they were detained and then tracked down to Tang Yue’s company?

Smuggling cultural relics... No one could bear such a crime.

Tang Yue's mouth opened, and her eyes were filled with panic. "These... are definitely not cultural relics. They're really all artifacts. They're modern replicas. They just look very similar."

"I've heard that this batch of goods sold abroad is from the same batch as the items you're auctioning now. Are you sure that all of them are handicrafts?" The police officer's face was very serious. "It's a very bad crime to smuggle cultural relics that are treasures of S Country's civilization overseas. It's also an act that severely damages the feelings of the people of S Country. Are you sure that the same batch of goods currently being auctioned is handicrafts made by yourselves?"

Tang Yue's expression was extremely ugly.

The audience roared and stood up in twos and threes.

"Miss Tang, didn't you collect the items at a high price from all over the country? Why are they suddenly your own replicas now?"

"Miss Tang, please explain to us what's going on."

"Are the items you're displaying here cultural relics or handicrafts?"

At this moment, Tang Yue was filled with regret and embarrassment. Those that had been sold were indeed high-priced handicrafts. However, if she admitted that those were handicrafts, she had to admit that the items here were too.

If she wanted to maintain that the items here were all precious antiques, how could she explain to the foreigners who had bought her goods?

Faced with the eyes of the police and the audience, she forced herself to calm down and said, "I have the right to remain silent now. If you have anything to say, talk to my lawyer."

"Then please come back with us to be investigated, Miss Tang!"

Someone below the stage couldn't take it anymore. "Miss Tang, please wait a moment. I just bought an ancient jade piece that cost millions. But now, I think what Su Bei said might make sense. I also want to crack it open and see if it's true or not! If it's fake, I don't want this item anymore!"

Someone said, "That's right. If they're really using replicas to fool us, I won't let it slide either!"

Seeing that everyone was in chaos, Tang Yue said anxiously, "Everyone, I'll definitely give you an explanation. Please calm down."

Normally, her words would definitely appease everyone.

But Su Bei had already smashed the vase, and the police had come to investigate. No one could tolerate it anymore.

Each item was worth millions of yuan. They bought it either because they really liked it or they would sell it in the future.

But if all these things were fake, who wouldn't be disgusted?

Just as Tang Yue was busy convincing everyone, there was a sudden smashing sound beside her. Everyone looked for the source of the sound. It turned out that an impulsive businessman had already imitated Su Bei's earlier action and smashed the item he bought.

"He smashed it! He smashed it!"

"Stop him now!" Tang Yue snapped.

The security guards were a little slow. In this situation, they were a little unsure of what to do.

They watched as that person imitated Su Bei and searched through the pile of fragments. Unexpectedly, he really found one that was abnormal. He raised it high and said, "There's a Doraemon on it! What Su Bei said is true! What kind of family heirloom is this? It's clearly fake!"

Tang Yue's and Situ Songhui's faces were extremely pale. The security guards pulled the businessman down, but at this point, no one trusted Tang Yue anymore.

Her credibility had completely collapsed.

"Tang Yue, aren't you going overboard? Why are you doing this?"

"You actually used these things to fool us?"

The experts stood up indignantly and said, "We've checked the appearance of these things and there was nothing wrong with them. However, we didn't expect the interior to be completely fake! We were too gullible! We've let everyone down and are willing to leave this industry in the future. However..."

The experts' fingers were pointed at Situ Songhui. "You brought over all these things, and you know the test criteria best! Situ Songhui, is this how you use our trust in you and the expertise we taught you? You deliberately deceived us and used us to make money for you!"

Situ Songhui looked at Tang Yue, and his nostrils flared. He had clearly not expected to be exposed on such an occasion.

His forehead was covered in sweat, and his face was ashen.

He suddenly stood up and said, "Alright, everyone. Stop! I'll smash these things myself!"

He picked up the auction mallet and smashed an item. There was a crisp sound. Soon, everyone was looking at fragments.

Everyone felt elated. At least they wouldn't continue to be fooled.

Su Bei's gaze was a little lazy. The scene in front of her seemed to be completely within her expectations. She just looked at the bunch of people calmly.

Tang Yue looked over and recalled what Su Bei had said just now. "I'm going to step down. But Tang Yue, let me make this clear. In a while, you'll get someone to personally smash all the collections. I hope that at that time, you can still smile like you are now."

Previously, Tang Yue did not take these words seriously at all. However, when she thought about it now, she could not help but shudder.

