

# Immaculate Spirit

## Chapter 121

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"... And our two guest for tonight are Isla Fisher and Nathaniel Lyndon!" Ellen Degeneres said while the audience got to their feet and started clapping.

Isla and Nathaniel appeared on the stage, waving at the audience and hugging Ellen before Nathaniel offered the first seat to Isla and sat on the second one. He had flown last night in the company jet with his whole family and Maggie to come to LA since tonight would be the premiere of "Now You See Me". Wanting to make the most of the trip, he had asked this day to be the one where he could come to the Ellen Degeneres show and make a promotion for the movie.

He had asked the whole crew who wanted to come along with him here and Isla had spontaneously accepted. They had met backstage and Nathaniel finally met Isla's husband who was on and on a nice guy. He himself did not come alone either as he had his mothers come along and of course Maggie. His grandparents chose to visit the LA branch of their family label without telling anyone about it. His grandfather liked to do this kind of thing to keep his employees sharp.

"I'm glad to see you both here tonight." Ellen said.

"Glad to be here." Isla answered.

"It's good to be back." Nathaniel said with a happy smile.

"Well, since you talked about this, the last time that we were here, you were just a singer that had made music with his girlfriend..."

"Taylor is still not my girlfriend." Nathaniel piped but Ellen continued like she did not hear anything but the smile on her face spoke plenty.

"... and now, you are an actor. How did that happen?"

"By chance actually. The person who had the role got sick and could not continue the film so they were pressed for time to find a substitute. The casting director came

across me on Youtube and thought I could be a good addition to the set so she asked me to come and take an audition. In fact, I had that offer just after your show. You are my own lucky charm Ellen." Nathaniel smiled at her.

"Really? I did not know that! So coming here and seeing me makes your luck rise? You should come more often then." She said, smiling. "What happened next?"

"So I accept to go to this audition but I had only a week and a half to prepare and no experience whatsoever in acting. So I looked at a couple of videos on Youtube about magic tricks and card tricks and I loved it. It was so much fun that I kept looking at videos and eventually made my own tricks. I had an advantage since card tricks need a lot of hand dexterity and I play piano since I was four or something so it was relatively easy for me. I came like that to the audition, still knowing nothing about acting, I thought that I would never get the role in a million years but it would still be fun. There were other actors, good and famous ones, with me taking the audition so I was sure that I would never get the role. I ended up doing okay I guess but not enough to be taken ultimately. We were going to leave with my agent when I was surprised to see the whole crew coming to me."

"Why did they come?" Ellen asked, getting curious and interested by the story. Isla took over at that point.

"What he did not tell you was when he was talking with the director before doing the audition, he had a spoon in his hand. While he was talking, he was making the spoon appear and disappear in his hand, that was totally crazy! Morgan Freeman was the one who picked up on that and we got curious so we came and started talking with Nathaniel. At first we thought he was really a magician and we did not believe he was a singer until Jesse Eisenberg checked on Youtube. When he left, we realized that he was meshing with us really well and his ability to do tricks could be a plus to the movie, so we fought for him to get the role and he got it." Isla smiled.

"So you took someone who had never done even one acting class in his life and gave him a primary role in a big movie production? This is crazy!" Ellen said astonished.

"Well, not exactly. Morgan was strict with me. He told me that since we had a week before the shooting of the movie begins, they were going to take turns with me and teach me everything I could remember. So for a week, I had fifteen hours or more of acting classes. And you saw the cast right? Morgan Freeman, Woody Harrelson, Mark Ruffalo, Jesse Eisenberg and the gorgeous red head to my left. They were all my teachers."

"That was unbelievable actually, we never met someone like Nathaniel, he was incorporating knowledge unlike anything we had seen before. We would never have to explain something twice as he understood everything that we taught him. I understand

now how he could have aced the LSAT." Isla said, awe dripping in her voice.

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"Yes, I wanted to talk to him about this, I don't know if you knew this but Nathaniel here, sixteen years old, has been accepted at Columbia Law School after he aced the LSAT and already has been published in a couple of laws newsletter. This is very impressive. How did that happen Nathaniel?" Ellen said to the audience before asking him a question.

"Well, you remember when you asked me what I was going to do next and I told you I would not go to High School?" Nathaniel smiled at Ellen.

"Yes, I remember quite well, so that was it?" How did you do it?"

"Well, I was always good at remembering stuff and the LSAT does not change much from year to year so it's easy to prepare for it. I download the last fifteen years of tests and started working on it until I was confident enough to succeed. It took a lot of work but when I was taking it, it did not appear really difficult at that point." Nathaniel said honestly.

"I'm sure a lot of people working on LSAT right now are going to want to kill you hearing you say it was easy.." Ellen laughed.

"Well, I'm just being honest. If they want to be angry about it, it's their problem. I already talked about it with other lawyers or want to be lawyers and they all agree with me. If they want help, I can open my DM on Twitter, I have done it a couple of times already to help some of my followers."

"Many girls on those DM?" Ellen asked with mirth.

"Well, except you, no. Oups, I believe I was not supposed to say that." Nathaniel said with mock surprise.

After that, the conversation steered to the movie and the song that Nathaniel had made for it. On and on it was a fun moment, especially when like the last time, Nathaniel took control of the show and started playing piano and singing along, bringing a couple of female audience members with him to sing, Isla and Ellen joining along obviously. At the end of the show, Ellen wanted to call that the 'Lyndon game' but Nathaniel stopped her in her tracks saying it sounded a little too much like a drinking game for his taste and to come up with something else.

They left each other after promising to call when one was visiting New York or Los

Angeles to get dinner together. Nathaniel agreed and picked his mother up who was still shocked, seeing him so familiar and at ease with Ellen Degeneres. For them Ellen was a huge star and to their eyes, Nathaniel was still their baby. He just laughed at their shocked faces and bought them with him out of the studio.

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After the movie ended, the audience started clapping. Nathaniel was surprised to watch the movie once done when he was comparing it to all the scenes that he had turned many months ago. He was also surprised to see how much he was in it while he was the youngest by a large margin and the others were all huge stars. Still, his family was happy to see him this much and even his grandfather cracked a smile at the end. He was glad that his grandson was successful since it would also put a good light on him and the company. In fact, he did not say anything to Nathaniel but the fact that Nathaniel was labeled as a genius in law was reassuring his investors and even their stock had taken a couple of points in Wall Street which was always good.

"It was okay I guess even if the magic thing was kind of stupid." He said.

Even if it was said as a compliment and without hostility, he still received a kick from his wife and a frown from his daughter. Nathaniel just laughed it out. He knew his grandfather was not the kind and cute type.

"Thank you grandpa."

"Don't listen to him dear, I think it was fine and you were awesome in it!" Diane said happily.

Thanking his grandmother, Nathaniel started to look around for Maggie. This night was important as the movie was not only shown to the actor but also to the other professionals, the studio and even other directors. The fact that Nathaniel got five seats for himself and his family was not normal as places were usually given scarcely and he knew only Maggie's influence in Hollywood was responsible to have made that possible. That's why he was looking for her to thank her.

Finally finding her, she was talking to a man around thirty years old. Looking in his direction, she waved at him to made him coming over. Excusing himself from his family, he made his way to her.

"Ah good, you are here. I present you Nathaniel Lyndon. Nathaniel, this is Marc Webb, a director who wanted to talk to you." Maggie introduced.

Exchanging a handshake, the two men observed each other before Marc started talking.

"I'm going to be honest here, I think this movie was kind of bad. I was almost willing to leave until I started paying special attention to you. I got curious so I googled you and I was surprised to find out it was your first movie. You have that kind of heroic aura around you and I believe you would be perfect for the movie I'm going to make. The studio already got the green light, I'm just searching for the right main character and I think I found him." Marc said, looking at him intently.

"What is the name of the movie?" Nathaniel asked, curiously. He chose not to debate on what Marc said earlier about 'Now You See Me' being shitty. Everyone was entitled to their own opinion and the man in front of him was without a doubt an expert in this area. Nathaniel was anything but that.

"The Amazing Spider Man." Marc answered with a smirk.