

Little Sweet 461

Chapter 461: Be at a disadvantage

Right now, there were only two candidates who had yet to audition.

One of them was a popular newbie, Xu Ming - the hottest choice for the supporting role who possessed both skill and good looks while the other was Luo Chen, very popular among the fans of the original work who originally played Lin Luo Chen.

Wu Zheng Fei thought back to his sources once again and was sure that aside from his routine training, Luo Chen hadn't taken up any special training and hadn't hired any famous instructors to guide him.

When Luo Chen first acted as Lin Luo Chen, he was very fresh, young and natural. Now, Luo Chen's acting skills were still quite green and even if he was able to meet a certain standard, he couldn't compare with the Xu Ming today.

After all, the role of Lin Luo Chen in the second season was much more challenging than in the first season.

What kind of artist could this impulsive and brainless manager produce? He only knows how to use low methods like abusing others' fame to gain popularity.

Tsk, he wants to abuse Xu Ming's fame?

Then we'll let him abuse it all he wants!

After all, in the entertainment industry, getting flamed is also a way of gaining fame, right?

We just hope that they can handle it!

The producer glanced at Xu Ming and Luo Chen and his eyes lit up. "Now, we're left with Xu Ming and Luo Chen. These two people are also the candidates everyone is most interested in for the role of Lin Luo Chen. In order to clearly distinguish between the strengths of these two candidates, why don't we do this?"

The producer thought about it and suggested, "Xu Ming and Luo Chen can have their auditions at the same time. The two directors and I will pick a topic. After that, it's up to the two of them to decide how they would like to act it out! What do you all think?"

The producer spoke so naturally that the assistant director was tempted to go along with it. "This idea's not bad! But, who's going first and who will go second? The one who goes first seems to be at a disadvantage, right?"

"I'll go first then. Senior Luo Chen hasn't acted in so many years that I don't want to have an unfair advantage." Xu Ming glanced at Luo Chen at the side and volunteered himself.

The producer nodded, satisfied with Xu Ming's offer. "Since this is the case, Xu Ming, you'll start!"

The assistant director already agreed to it, so while Song Jin Lin furrowed his brows slightly, he didn't object to it either.

Ye Wanwan crossed her arms and the corners of her lips lifted into a sneer.

As they would be throwing out the topics on the spot, there would definitely be less time for the one who went first to think of a strategy and on the surface, it looked like Xu Ming would be at a disadvantage.

However, the fact was that the first person could do whatever he liked but for the second person, if Luo Chen coincidentally did the same act as Xu Ming, he would definitely be criticized for copying Xu Ming even if his idea was original.

Also, first impressions were the strongest. Luo Chen, going second, would be in a passive position.

The first scene Song Jin Lin drew from the lot was the one when Lin Luo Chen met the male lead many years after he fell for the devil's teachings. Lin Luo Chen had to reply to interrogations from the male lead.

Xu Ming stood in the middle of the big hall and shut his eyes.

In just five short seconds, he got into character.

He placed one hand behind himself and stood upright like he was inviting strong winds.

"Tsk, the right path? Evil path? What's right and what's evil? Yun Hai, you're still so naive!"

Xu Ming looked at the empty space as if the male lead, Yun Hai, was standing there. He revealed a mocking gaze of contempt towards the invisible lead.

Following that, Xu Ming's acting immediately became 30% crazy and 70% violent. "Let me tell you - history has always been written by the victors! From this day forward... this place... is good if I say it's good and evil if I say it's evil!"

Chapter 462: To surpass oneself

Every movement and expression was executed well; even his rate of speech and pauses were in line with character.

He was on a totally different level compared to the newbies' exaggerated performances.

[Wah! Our Xu Ming's amazing! Aggressive, domineering, cool and awesome! He's totally my ideal Lin Luo Chen! Who said nobody could surpass Luo Chen as Lin Luo Chen?]

[As a fan of the original work... Xu Ming wasn't bad indeed, much better than all the others who auditioned just now! He really executed the tyrannical Lin Luo Chen well! He gave a feeling of breaking free from his bondage and becoming unworldly!]

[I find that Luo Chen has a greater advantage - not only does he have more time to prepare, but he can also copy our precious Ming's acting and bluff his way out! Isn't this a little unfair?]

[I'd like to see how he'll act later; if he dares to copy our precious Ming, we'll flame him to death!]

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As for Xu Ming's acting, the assistant director and producer nodded with satisfaction repeatedly. Even Song Jin Lin, who hadn't looked too happy the entire evening, started to ease up as well.

When the assistant director turned to Luo Chen, he looked quite insincere and gave a perfunctory reminder, "Luo Chen, you may start!"

Compared to Xu Ming who got into character in five seconds, Luo Chen continued sitting in his seat after the assistant director told him to start.

Very soon, people started throwing insults.

[What's going on? He's taking so long to get into character? Xu Ming only took five seconds!]

[As a professional actor, getting into character quickly is the most basic skill. He can't even do this and this is when he has the advantage of going after Xu Ming!]

[The gap between these two people is too wide!]

[Xu Ming has the bystanders' vote! We can't wait for Xu Ming to bring us a whole new Lin Luo Chen!]

[As one of the original fans, after watching Xu Ming's performance, it makes me look forward to it too!]

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Luo Chen's circumstances were in fact quite unfavorable. It was exactly because he was the original actor and had a high benchmark that fans' expectations of him were naturally more demanding.

Not only did he have to perform better than all the candidates, but he also had to surpass himself.

After about 15 seconds, Luo Chen finally made some movements.

He lifted his head up slowly and looked in the direction of Xu Ming. There was no evil in his eyes, nor was there indifference. Instead, there was a tinge of intimacy and wistfulness.

Yun Hai was once his closest brother studying under the same master, but today, the contrast between these two people was like heaven and earth.

Yun Hai was the most outstanding man in the young generation who was on a righteous path, while he was a devil people scorned.

However, even though they had changed and everything else stayed the same, even though Lin Luo Chen had already given up on everything... when he saw Yun Hai, this brother whom he had once gone through life and death with, he still treated him as an old friend.

Xu Ming wasn't doing anything when Luo Chen turned to look at him, but now, Xu Ming suddenly morphed into the male lead, Yun Hai, in Luo Chen's mind.

This was a solo audition; the director hadn't arranged for anyone to act with them as the male lead. While Xu Ming simply imagined the male lead to be standing there during his audition, Luo Chen actually spoke directly to Xu Ming, treating him as Yun Hai.

After Luo Chen glanced at Xu Ming, he lowered his eyes and let out a low chuckle, "Ha..."

Luo Chen's young and handsome face looked as if he'd lived a lifetime. "The right path? Evil path? What's right and what's evil?"

Luo Chen sighed lightly and looked at Xu Ming; his clear eyes seemed to show the youth who used to ride on horses and talk about anything under the sun with him. "Yun Hai, you're still so naive!"

When Luo Chen reached this segment, he merely said two short lines that were the same two lines Xu Ming said; everyone knew what was going to happen next and what the lines were but...

Everyone there, including the audience who had been throwing insults, held their breaths with their eyes fixed on the screen, waiting for Luo Chen's next performance.

Chapter 463: The master shows how it's done

After Luo Chen said that line, he finally stood up slowly.

Step by step, he walked over to Xu Ming. He stood next to his old pal, shoulder to shoulder with him and when he lifted his gaze, it was like he was looking at a faraway galaxy—

"Let me tell you - history has always been written by the victors!"

"From this day forward... this place... is good if I say it's good and evil if I say it's evil!"

When Luo Chen said that line, it was unlike Xu Ming's crazy and violent interpretation; instead, his tone was as wispy as the clouds. It was like he was saying something very ordinary. His tone was like a clear lake that was deathly still.

After he finished that line, he walked away slowly, brushing past Xu Ming.

This signified that a pair of brothers, who once shared the same principles and wielded swords together, had now parted ways and were taking different paths in life...

After a long time, there was still silence at the scene.

Even the comments on the bullet screen on the live broadcast stopped.

"That concludes my audition."

When Luo Chen turned around, faced the production crew and took a bow, everyone came back to their senses.

Song Jin Lin, who had been blank-faced throughout the evening, looked excited. He stared at Luo Chen in disbelief.

Even Xu Ming himself was shocked. His face looked pale.

He was involved with Luo Chen's act the whole time, so he felt a more direct impact than anyone else.

He was almost sucked into the act by Luo Chen and believed he really was Yun Hai...

The bullet screen which stopped just now was flooded once again——

[Da... damn! Awesome! He was totally possessed by Lin Luo Chen!]

[What do you mean possessed by Lin Luo Chen? This is Lin Luo Chen himself! I thought Xu Ming's performance was perfect but now, after watching Luo Chen's, this was truly a case of the master showing everybody how it's done!]

[Xu Ming's act was almost perfect and I know he's very good at acting, but Luo Chen, whether or not he's good at acting, probably didn't use his skills - he was completely immersed in the storyline because he WAS that person in the story - he's Lin Luo Chen!]

[This is the difference between the master himself and the other actors! Xu Ming was Lin Luo Chen before but in just a second, he was brought into the act by Luo Chen and became Yun Hai!]

[Actually, while all of you were paying attention to Xu Ming, I was watching Luo Chen and realized that he's not slow at getting into character because he was already in character all along; he didn't need to get into character at all!]

[This is too exciting! The original is truly the original. This role isn't something that can easily be played by just anyone else!]

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Song Jin Lin was deep in thought.

The scene he chose today wasn't a random choice, but it had a deeper meaning to it.

This scene looked easy, but it was actually the most important emotional plot shift in the sequel - it depicted an important break between Lin Luo Chen and the male lead.

One must know that in the second series, the relationship between the supporting actor and male lead was very crucial - they were friends yet enemies; they had differing principles yet were so alike.

These contradicting states were very difficult to act out.

For instance, although Xu Ming's performance just now wasn't bad, it was too flimsy - he simply acted out the storyline and ignored the relationship with the male lead and the link to the entire plot.

In contrast, Luo Chen's acting was so intense - with just a few lines and a simple storyline, he was able to convey the entire story and at the same time, he displayed the conflict and struggles within the character.

He must've put in hard work to understand this character thoroughly. Otherwise, it would be impossible for him to reach this level of skill.

Chapter 464: Successfully secured

But he needed to be sure.

Whether it was just sheer luck or whether Luo Chen really had this kind of skill.

With this thought, Song Jin Lin said firmly, "Act 13, scene 7; act according to your own perceptions!"

After Song Jin Lin said that, the audience, which was initially excited, became silent once again as they looked at the two people nervously.

On the bullet screen, Xu Ming's fans were unhappy and started retorting...

[It's not over yet! Why are all of you so worried? It could've been sheer luck just now!]

[Exactly. Luo Chen was obviously trying to play little tricks. Xu Ming had to act by himself, so obviously, his results would be slightly worse, but Luo Chen used Xu Ming to help him out! So scheming!]

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Luo Chen didn't notice the reaction of the surrounding people. It was only when he heard Song Jin Lin say "act 13, scene 7" that he felt somewhat stunned.

Ye-ge personally taught me this act and even emphasized it. I didn't expect director Song would really pick this one.

While Luo Chen was still stunned, Xu Ming had already gotten into character and begun acting.

Xu Ming showed he had really undergone professional training - he was able to get into character very quickly once again and he entered the next portion of the storyline.

Swish Xu Ming performed the motion of drawing out his sword then he instantly attacked the space opposite. The vicious and murderous intention in his eyes seemed tangible like it could be transmitted through the screen to the audience...

[So... so amazing! Now, this is more like Xu Ming's true skill! Just his gaze alone was enough to send shivers down my spine!]

[He acted out the blood-thirsty great devil so brilliantly!]

As everyone was exclaiming and praising Xu Ming for his fascinating performance that was even better than his previous act, Luo Chen was making mental comparisons in his head.

Xu Ming's acting the scene exactly the same as I did before I was corrected by Ye-ge.

If Ye-ge didn't go through this scene with me, my performance would definitely be similar to Xu Ming's.

Right now...

Xu Ming's audition won much applause, and his manager, Wu Zheng Fei, was relieved as well. The assistant director and producer were both nodding their heads.

However, Song Jin Lin, sitting in the middle, didn't have a change in expression at all. Instead, he looked straight at Luo Chen. "Luo Chen, you may begin!"

Xu Ming naturally noticed the special attention Song Jin Lin was giving Luo Chen. He took a deep breath to suppress the dissatisfaction in his heart and he glanced coldly at Luo Chen.

His teacher had guided him through this scene before and he was very certain that his interpretation of this scene was the best.

If Luo Chen's act was similar to his, Luo Chen would definitely appear weaker...

Luo Chen nodded and began.

He strictly followed what Ye Wanwan taught him and finished acting the scene.

Luo Chen's interpretation of the role was far removed from Xu Ming's aggressive and emotional act; when he pulled out his sword, his gaze was cold, detached, purposeless and empty...

There was no expression on his face, yet everyone felt a chill in their hearts...

After watching Luo Chen's performance, Song Jin Lin's face finally lost its calmness. He asked with slight excitement in his voice: "Why did you use this method to act out this scene? Walk me through your reasoning!"

Luo Chen glanced in the direction of Ye Wanwan then considered his words carefully before responding with certainty: "I think Lin Luo Chen had gone through so much injustice and torture at that point and while his temperament did change drastically, the biggest difference between him and the old Lin Luo Chen wasn't the change in temperament but the veneration he had for life."

"If he revered life and considered people as humans, he would have a murderous intent, but if he viewed life like grass and dirt, then when he kills, there would only be indifference!"

The moment Luo Chen said his piece, Song Jin Lin immediately slammed the table. "Well said!"

Song Jin Lin's eyes reddened slightly. "Before teacher Lin Zong passed away, he once pulled me in to talk about this scene - at that time, he said the greatest change in Lin Luo Chen was exactly as you said just now! Luo Chen, you're pretty good! I can tell you studied this character diligently!"

When Song Jin Lin said that, Ye Wanwan heaved a sigh of relief.

She knew Luo Chen had successfully secured this role.

Chapter 465: Replaced

For the fans of the original work in addition to neutral observers, the mention of Lin Zong's name signified power and prestige.

When Song Jin Lin said that, everyone viewed Luo Chen in a different light.

[Amazing! He's truly the original! That's why he has a more thorough understanding of the character! He even managed to hit teacher Lin Zong's intention on the mark!]

[Thanks to the production team for the live broadcast of the casting, allowing us to witness the return of the Lin Luo Chen in our hearts!]

[Lin Luo Chen must be none other than Luo Chen!]

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Seeing the crazy number of comments on the bullet screen, Wu Zheng Fei's face turned green.

Initially, he wanted to boost Xu Ming's reputation and had even gotten someone to draft all kinds of news releases already; who'd have known that Xu Ming would actually be used as a cat's paw instead, allowing that guy to walk all over him?

They even chose to broadcast the entire casting live. Now it was impossible for him to change the public's opinion or secretly bribe director Wang to change the outcome!

He totally underestimated his opponent this time!

After Song Jin Lin said that, he instantly stood up and personally walked over to Luo Chen. "Welcome onboard 'Terrifying Dragon 2,' I'm very glad to be able to work with you once again!"

Hearing Song Jin Lin's words, Luo Chen's heart trembled slightly. He slowly extended his arm and said, "Thank you director Song for giving me this opportunity!"

Witnessing this historical moment when the original cast members were successfully chosen for both the male lead and supporting actor, everyone cheered excitedly on the bullet screen.

Xu Ming had always thought highly of himself; he hadn't expected he would lose to a has-been before everyone's eyes. He immediately turned around and left.

There was no point in staying. Wu Zheng Fei's face darkened and he quickly followed after him.

However, when he brushed past Luo Chen, Luo Chen suddenly said icily, "Mr. Wu, did you forget something?"

Ye Wanwan raised her brows slightly - she didn't think the little sheep would attack.

Wu Zheng Fei gritted his teeth and apologized, smiling hypocritically: "I'm really sorry, manager Ye's tricks were indeed amazing. I was wrong about Luo Chen. But, heh, one's reputation lasts forever and there's still a long way to go. You can't just rely on your little tricks to get by in the entertainment industry!"

Once he was done, he harrumphed and walked away.

After Ye Wanwan and the director discussed some details of the collaboration, she left the building with Luo Chen.

The casting they had prepared so long for had finally come to an end and Ye Wanwan could finally loosen up a little.

Dazzling Media:

After they returned to the office, Ye Wanwan quickly prepared the arrangements required for Luo Chen's signing of the contract.

Luo Chen's team started preparing as well.

When Ye Wanwan put up a recruitment notice, she left to go to country B at the last minute, so she only managed to recruit a single assistant.

"Terrifying Dragon 2' is your first show since your comeback. I think I don't have to stress the importance of this show to you. Now, I need you to do just one thing - focus on going over the script. As for the other matters, I will..."

Ye Wanwan was sitting in front of her desk and was speaking to Luo Chen when urgent knocks rang on the door.

"Please come in."

Assistant Xiao Qing looked frantic as she pushed the door open and entered. She looked at Luo Chen and Ye Wanwan anxiously and said, "Ye-ge, we're in trouble! The production crew just called us to tell us that..."

"What is it?" Ye Wanwan furrowed her brows.

"They said they replaced the supporting actor with someone else and they won't need Luo Chen anymore!"

"What?" When Ye Wanwan heard that, she was stunned. Luo Chen's face gradually turned pale.

Chapter 466: Spit it back out the way you snatched it away

Since it was a public casting this time, it would be no use even if Wu Zheng Fei found a sponsor - the production crew wouldn't take such a big risk of offending the public by replacing the supporting actor after he was already chosen.

"You mentioned they found someone else. Who was it?" Ye Wanwan suppressed the suspicion in her heart and spoke calmly.

The little assistant was hesitant and didn't dare to speak. Instead, she passed a piece of paper over weakly. "This... this is the fax the production crew sent over. Ye-ge, please take a look at this. They'll be making the list of main actors public this afternoon!"

Ye Wanwan took the fax and scanned through it. In the next second, she noticed the two shocking words after the position of the supporting actor—Gong Xu!

"Gong Xu?" After seeing that name, Ye Wanwan knitted her brows.

That's why Ye Wanwan said... who had the ability to make the production crew swap the actors even after the casting was broadcasted live?

Although Gong Xu, a rich second generation kid, had a terrible reputation in the industry, he came from an extremely wealthy background and his paternal aunt was one of the founders of country M's entertainment giants, SA Entertainment. So he wasn't just a regular rich second generation kid - otherwise, he wouldn't still be so popular considering his level of ability.

I took so long to plan and spent so much energy on this, but in the end, we've encountered such a drastic change!

Ye Wanwan closed her eyes and something seemed to flash in her eyes as she pinched her brows. She was about to speak when footsteps came up to the door.

Zhou Wen Bin was dressed in a luxurious grey custom suit and was standing at the door casually. He shook his head and said regretfully, "Ay, young man, you're still too inexperienced. As someone who's been around for a while and since we're colleagues, I really had to give manager Ye a reminder. For such a big production like 'Terrifying Dragon,' you can't get the role simply by having some acting skills..."

Ye Wanwan looked coldly at Zhou Wen Bin as he flaunted his power, not saying a word.

Zhou Wen Bin relished Ye Wanwan's look of failure for a while then he turned to Luo Chen and said, "Little Chen, Bin-ge taught you before that as an actor in the entertainment industry, only having skills is useless!"

Zhou Wen Bin spoke while slowly strolling towards Luo Chen. He reached out to grasp his shoulder. "Little Chen, if you regret this now..."

Before Zhou Wen Bin's fingers touched Luo Chen, a fair wrist firmly intercepted him.

Zhou Wen Bin chuckled as if he didn't mind it at all. He retracted his arm as his perverted eyes scanned the youth's body and he said faintly, "If you regret this now, there's still time..."

"It's just that, I, Zhou Wen Bin, have never wanted secondhand goods - someone who's followed others - before, so if you want to come back, you better show me your sincerity, hahaha..."

He sneered as he strolled away leisurely.

After Zhou Wen Bin left, there was an overwhelming dead silence.

After a long time, Luo Chen tried his best to force a smile and said, "Ye-ge... I'm fine... you've already helped me a lot... it's me... I'm useless..."

If Ye-ge chose someone else before, he wouldn't have to put in so much effort and he wouldn't be picked on by Zhou Wen Bin...

Ye-ge, why don't you... choose someone else instead...

Luo Chen was about to open his mouth but the corners of Ye Wanwan's lips suddenly curved into a wide smile. She pressed his shoulder, forcing him to take a seat on the sofa. She then said carefully, "Sit still!"

"Ye-ge?" Luo Chen looked at Ye Wanwan blankly.

Ye Wanwan stood upright and smiled, "Tsk, since they're not playing by the rules, don't blame me for taking extreme measures!"

Zhou Wen Bin. Whatever methods he used to snatch that role, I'll make him spit it back out the same way!

Ye Wanwan looked at the little assistant and asked, "Where's Gong Xu right now?"

The little assistant replied honestly, "He's in the office. I saw him in the makeup room upstairs..."

Ye Wanwan straightened her lapels and strode out of the office.

"Ye-ge!" Luo Chen muttered as he watched Ye Wanwan's retreating figure. His eyes were filled with concern, unsure what Ye Wanwan was planning to do.

Chapter 467: Isn't this his Little Candied Plum?

Upstairs, in the makeup room:

Gong Xu leaned against a big, comfortable chair with his legs crossed and a phone in his hand. He was currently engrossed in his game while the hairstylist, makeup artist, and stylist frantically worked around him.

There were two little assistants by the side. One of them held a massive coconut, standing beside him attentively. Once Gong Xu moved his gear to neutral, she would have to bring the coconut over carefully and let him have a sip.

The other person was standing a few steps away, busy snapping photos of him.

"Xu-ge, it's done. Please take a look to see if these are alright?" The assistant brought the camera over nervously for approval.

Gong Xu took a quick glance and the disapproval was evident on his face. "Tsk, you didn't even get a good shot of young master's stunning looks!"

The little assistant quickly tried to suck up to him. "How could that be, Xu-ge? You don't have a single bad angle - you look good no matter how you're photographed!"

Gong Xu did not care for such flattery anymore and simply picked a couple of photos impatiently. "This, this and this. Send them to my phone, I'm posting them on Weibo..."

"Yes, right away!"

"Don't forget to photoshop all the pimples on my forehead!"

"Yes yes yes!"

After the photos were done with, Gong Xu posted them on Weibo with a sorrowful expression.

He attached a photo of himself first then smacked his lips and typed out a sentence: [It's been three days since I met you and I haven't received any news about you. Little Candied Plum, there's an endless sea of people. How can I find you~]

The little assistant beside him leaned over and read the post. Her face darkened instantly.

Our dear artist is starting up his tricks again and asking for trouble. My heart is so tired...

"F***! Lighter! Do you know how precious a strand of young master's hair is?"

"Sorry, sorry!" The hairstylist apologized profusely.

Lately, Gong Xu's mood had been exceptionally irritable and he was harder to work on. These people could only blame their bad luck...

Everyone was fearfully trying to manage this "little ancestor." Suddenly, there was a loud "bang" that came from the door - someone had kicked it open from the outside.

All they saw was a young man standing at the door casually. After he swept his gaze at everyone in the room slowly, his eyes landed upon Gong Xu. The man gave him a forced smile.

Gong Xu stared at that insolent man who dared to kick open the door of his makeup room. "Who are you?"

After the little assistant next to Gong Xu saw the man, she quickly whispered into Gong Xu's ear, "Xu-ge, he's that Ye Bai I mentioned to you before... this guy probably knows that you snatched Luo Chen's role and is looking for trouble now!"

"He's Ye Bai..." Gong Xu raised his brows.

After Ye Wanwan locked onto her target, she didn't say anything as she curled her lips and walked towards Gong Xu step-by-step. When she got to him, she placed one foot on Gong Xu's chair.

A strong sense of oppression hit him in the face. Gong Xu subconsciously cowered and yelled, "Ay ay ay, what do you want? Trying to rebel, huh!"

"Ye Bai! What're you doing?!" The two assistants panicked as well. They berated her while shouting towards the door, "Security! Where's security?"

Ye Wanwan tapped a photo in her phone leisurely and placed it right in front of Gong Xu, letting him take a look.

The moment Gong Xu, who was still yelling, saw that photo, he was completely stunned.

Damn!

This... isn't this my Little Candied Plum!!!

Why would this chap have a photo of my Little Candied Plum?

Chapter 468: I'll see who dares to touch him

When Gong Xu was tempted to continue looking at the photo, Ye Wanwan quickly retracted the phone and said, "Look at me."

Gong Xu looked at Ye Wanwan instinctively. This one glance made him continue to stare in a daze...

"You..."

"Do I look like her?" Ye Wanwan lowered her voice and asked by his ear.

Gong Xu stared at the man's face and nodded repeatedly.

At first sight, he didn't notice it because their temperaments were too different, but taking a closer look, why did he find that this man looked so similar to his Little Candied Plum?

"The person in the photo is my little sister," Ye Wanwan said.

The moment the man said that, Gong Xu's eyes widened in complete disbelief.

Wh... what!

The Little Candied Plum I've been looking for and went almost crazy for the past two days is actually this guy's younger sister?

For a split second, Gong Xu stared at Ye Wanwan as if he was looking at the God of Sun, Apollo, glistening and shining, wishing he could worship her!

Within the few seconds of conversation Ye Wanwan and Gong Xu had, Gong Xu was the only one who saw the photograph.

Now came a herd of hurried footsteps - the staff rushed over with a couple security guards.

The tall and bulky bodyguards asked aggressively, "Who's causing trouble here?"

The little assistant by the side pointed at Ye Wanwan and said, "It's this guy here, he's causing trouble and tried to hurt someone. Chase him away right now!"

They couldn't take it if a single strand of hair was damaged on Gong Xu's scalp.

When those bodyguards heard that, they immediately charged towards Ye Wanwan.

However, before anyone could get near her, Gong Xu's expression turned icy instantly. He slammed the table and shouted, "Get lost! I'll deal with whoever dares to touch him!"

Seeing Gong Xu's reaction, the two little assistants and staff were taken aback.

The bodyguards looked at each other, confused and not daring to move.

The little assistant quickly got closer to Gong Xu and asked cautiously, "Uh, Xu-ge, what... what is it? This insolent guy here offended you just now, right?"

Gong Xu immediately roared at him, "Offended your grandfather! Who said you could shout at my Ye-ge!"

The little assistant's face was covered in his spit and she was completely stunned, "Huh?"

Gong Xu ignored his assistant. He stood up and pulled out the chair he was just sitting on. He looked at Ye Wanwan and lavished her with praise. "Ye-ge, Ye-ge, take a seat!"

Seeing how Gong Xu made a complete 180, everyone in the room looked at each other, confused and dumbstruck. They had no idea what was going on.

The other little assistant said in a daze, "Xu-ge... you... this is...?"

Gong Xu turned his head and started scolding them, "Is your head! Hurry, go get tea for Ye-ge! Can you be on your toes? And you! Go get a coconut for Ye-ge right now!"

Both the assistants: "...huh?"

What on earth happened?

Why did our great young master, second generation ancestor, suddenly become so polite and respectful towards Ye Bai?

Although they didn't fully understand the situation, they didn't dare go against Gong Xu's orders, so one of them quickly went to get tea while the other rushed to prepare a coconut.

Gong Xu personally took the big coconut, placed a straw in it and held it close to Ye Wanwan. "Ye-ge, have a drink, have a drink!"

Ye Wanwan forced a smile and looked suspiciously at the man with that beautiful, dazzling and handsome face then she supported her forehead with one hand and said faintly, "I heard that... young master Gong intends to act in 'Terrifying Dragon 2'?"

Chapter 469: This must be a misunderstanding

When Gong Xu heard that, his face froze and he suddenly remembered he just snatched the role of Lin Luo Chen from Ye Bai.

When he thought about how he already offended his future brother-in-law before he even found Little Candied Plum, beads of cold sweat started trickling down Gong Xu's forehead.

After pondering it for a short while, Gong Xu said without hesitation: "'Terrifying Dragon 2'? Who said that? I'm acting in 'Terrifying Dragon 2' - how come I don't know anything about that? No! That's definitely not a thing!"

"Oh? Is that so?" Ye Wanwan laughed. She brought out the fax sheet the little assistant gave her.

Gong Xu glanced at the list of artists and immediately gnashed his teeth, wishing he could drag Zhou Wen Bin out for a beating.

If Zhou Wen Bin hadn't kept nagging him, why would he court death by snatching the role of an artist under Ye Bai? He wouldn't have dared to offend Little Candied Plum's older brother otherwise!

Afraid that this incident would cause the distance between him and Little Candied Plum to widen, Gong Xu made up his mind and said, "Ye-ge this was a misunderstanding. This must've been a misunderstanding! Why would I possibly take on a role as a supporting actor when the original cast was fine!"

After speaking, he turned his head immediately to look at his assistants. "Both of you, what's going on exactly? Who allowed you to get me this role without authorization?"

The two assistants were completely lost. After they looked at each other, one of them replied, "Huh? Xu-ge, wasn't this role the one you..."

Wasn't this the role he insisted on taking? He even said he would crush Ye Bai for coming over! Why's he acting like he has amnesia now?

The assistant didn't get a chance to finish speaking when Gong Xu anxiously interrupted: "Shut up! How dare you deny it? You're so gutsy that you dared to make decisions behind my back without authorization, huh? Call Zhou Wen Bin over right now!"

The assistant didn't have a choice. In a situation like this, he really couldn't handle it. So, he dashed out quickly to look for Zhou Wen Bin.

Everyone else in the makeup room couldn't follow these developments either and they all stood there in a daze...

After the little assistant left to find Zhou Wen Bin, Gong Xu kept blinking his peach blossom eyes which glistened like water. He looked at Ye Wanwan miserably. "Ye-ge, it was truly a misunderstanding - why would I possibly steal the role of an artist under you..."

Ye Wanwan took a sip of her tea. She smiled plainly and did not expose him.

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In the office on the second level:

Zhou Wen Bin was in a pleasant mood, wiping his precious antiques in the office while taking a call.

"Huh, Ye Bai got the role of Lin Luo Chen? Who told you that?"

"He's just a newbie; you think too highly of him! This role is in my hands now!"

"Why, you don't believe me? So what if the casting was broadcasted publicly? You think that having a public casting means the role belongs to him?"

Zhou Wen Bin was chatting on the phone with his friend when Gong Xu's assistant suddenly pushed the door open and entered hastily. "Zhou... director Zhou!"

Despite seeing how flustered the little assistant was, Zhou Wen Bin was unconcerned since he was in a good mood. He glanced at the assistant and said, "Why're you so flustered?"

The little assistant wasn't completely sure about the situation, so he didn't dare speak irresponsibly; he could only put on a bitter expression and say: "Xu-ge wants you to go over for a while..."

"Why? The great young master is throwing his tantrums again?"

Zhou Wen Bin was already used to this and didn't pay much attention to it. He stood up and said, "Let's go, I'll take a look!"

Shortly after, Zhou Wen Bin followed the assistant and reached Gong Xu's makeup room.

"Gong Xu, what's the matter? Who made you angry this time?"

Zhou Wen Bin spoke kindly while walking in, but the moment he lifted his gaze, he actually noticed that aside from Gong Xu, Ye Bai was in the room as well. He was shocked for a moment then revealed a mocking expression.

Heh, this Ye Bai guy really knows how to create his own path to destruction - he actually dared to run here to directly interrogate Gong Xu?

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I guess Ye Bai was driven to a corner and had to take desperate measures, huh?

But of course, this wasn't surprising - if Luo Chen didn't get this role, all of Ye Bai's efforts would go to waste.

I already said this before - as long as I'm part of Dazzling, Luo Chen will crawl back to me sooner or later!

Thinking up till this point, Zhou Wen Bin became even more cheerful as he strolled over leisurely. "Ye Bai, what're you doing here? The production crew already cast Gong Xu as Lin Luo Chen; doesn't it look bad for you to make a scene here?"

Upon hearing Zhou Wen Bin's rude comments, Gong Xu's face instantly turned icy.

Ye Wanwan crossed her legs, leaned her forehead against her hand and smiled sarcastically at Zhou Wen Bin. "Oh? Gong Xu got the role of Lin Luo Chen? Why haven't I heard anything about this?"

At that moment, Zhou Wen Bin, who was still as pleased as punch, didn't notice any difference in Gong Xu. Seeing as Ye Bai was unwilling to accept the truth, he sneered. "Our Gong Xu's busy preparing to enter the cast of 'Terrifying Dragon 2.' He doesn't have time to entertain your unreasonable provocations!"

Now that Luo Chen was useless, she couldn't fight with him and in the eyes of Chu Hong Guang, she would be completely worthless. However, she had Gong Xu - this foolish but rich second generation kid - to cover him. So right now, she wasn't worried about this youngster who thought too highly of himself.

When Zhou Wen Bin finished speaking, he immediately turned to the security guards by the door and ordered: "Security, what're you guys waiting for? Chase this man out of the office! Does the company pay you to slack off? If Gong Xu's preparations for the sequel are interrupted, you guys will be chased out like this guy!"

Before the security guards could move, Gong Xu jumped up from his chair. With a "bang," he slapped the makeup table. He had reached the end of his patience as he berated him: "Zhou Wen Bin, shut the hell up! Who said I would be acting in 'Terrifying Dragon 2'? Who said I would be Lin Luo Chen?"

Up until now, Zhou Wen Bin had been smugly satisfied, but after he heard that, he instantly froze. He hadn't realized the full consequences of what Gong Xu meant when he replied: "Uh... Gong Xu, what do you mean? Weren't you the one who allowed me..."

Gong Xu furrowed his brows. Arrogance appeared between his brows, making his stunning face look even more charming. "What did I allow! Who gave you permission to give me the role of Lin Luo Chen? Luo Chen was the original actor for Lin Luo Chen. His acting's fantastic and the public supports him, yet you interfered and snatched the role from an artist in the same company. What malicious intentions do you have? Do you even have a bit of team spirit? Now you actually tried to put this basin of s*** on little master's (my) head - were you trying to ruin my reputation?"

"..." Zhou Wen Bin stood upright. He was astonished and couldn't come back to his senses for a long time, completely stunned by what Gong Xu said.

The two assistants were dumbfounded as well as they stared at Gong Xu's act of righteousness.

Is Gong Xu... possessed today?

Also, what does he mean by ruin his reputation?

This great young master already ruined his own reputation; who could ruin it even further?

Even Ye Wanwan's lips twitched, not to mention other people.

Who exactly said that Gong Xu's acting is horrendous?

This guy's acting... is pretty amazing...

Those who didn't know might really think he was a righteous youth with five stresses and four beauties