

Mr. Gu 271

Chapter 271: Counterattack

When Lu Nian heard Lu Zhu's words, he frowned. His tone was filled with helplessness. "Brother, she's already dead. You're digging your own grave. You should put her down and move on!"

"Then can you let her go?"

Hearing Lu Zhu's question, Lu Nian's breathing hitched. His gaze fell on the blue sky and white clouds outside the window. In a daze, he seemed to see his sister smiling sweetly and calling him brother.

His sister was truly adorable.

Lu Nian slowly closed his eyes. He suppressed these memories to the bottom of his heart.

"I don't remember her anymore," Lu Nian said coldly.

"Alright, in that case, I'll take the photo of your sister from your bedside table."

When Lu Nian heard Lu Zhu's words, he frowned and said resignedly, "You're not allowed to touch my things!"

When Lu Zhu heard Lu Nian's words, he understood. He asked, "Will you come back next year on the anniversary of your sister's death?"

Lu Nian: Was he being threatened?

"Alright, I'll take it away now," Lu Zhu said bluntly.

"Yes!" Lu Nian said through gritted teeth. He regretted not carrying his sister's photo with him.

"Qi Qi has been talking about you a lot lately. She spends all her time in the kitchen, saying that she wants to learn how to cook. She'll cook for you when you get home!"

When Lu Nian thought of Lu Qi's dark dishes, his eyes were filled with disdain. "Then I won't go back!"

"How dare you!"

"I'm not eating it anyway. If you like it, you can have it." With that, Lu Nian hung up without hesitation.

After hanging up, Lu Nian felt as if all his strength had been drained. He had wanted to persuade Lu Zhu to walk out of his sister's death, but he was turned around.

Annoyed, Lu Nian called Brother Cao.

"Brother Cao, go to the school and take a look. How's that woman's training going?"

When Brother Cao heard Lu Nian's words, his eyes widened.

That woman?

What?

His Mr. Dong Hua was a refined and polite young master. How had he become like this?

“Okay.” What troubled Brother Cao the most was that he had just come to an agreement with Xia Xue this morning. Why was he inspecting Xia Xue now? It had only been a few hours, and he was inspecting Xia Xue. Was that not a good idea? However, he did not want to say anything more to the angry Lu Nian.

“Help me observe someone.”

Hearing Lu Nian’s words, Brother Cao’s eyes lit up. Did Lu Nian have someone he liked? “Who is it?”

“Qiao Nian.”

“Who is she? Why are you thinking of her? Or have you taken a liking to her?” Brother Cao asked.

“You don’t have to know. Just do as I say,” Lu Nian said impatiently.

“Okay.” Brother Cao felt that he had vaguely guessed the truth.

At school.

Qiao Nian and Wang Xuan arrived at Training Room 23. At this hour, the other students were all resting.

The two of them pushed the door open and entered the small piano room. They heard someone push the door open and enter, followed by Gao Lin’s excited voice.

“Sister Xia Xue, did you tell the dean to only open this training room to you?”

Xia Xue sat down unhappily and said dejectedly, “I’ve already told you, but the dean said that this matter has to be approved by the principal. He still has to consult the principal. I don’t know when it will happen.”

Hearing Xia Xue’s words, a trace of confusion flashed in Gao Lin’s eyes. “Sister Xia Xue, you’re now a female musician hand-picked by Mr. Dong Hua. This is also a matter that will bring glory to the school. Why would the dean consult the principal over such a small matter? However, Sister Xia Xue, I think you should let everyone hear how good you are at the violin. You don’t have to practice it secretly.”

Hearing Gao Lin’s words, Xia Xue shook her head gently and said, “Xia Xue, not everyone will envy me. Some people will even be jealous of me. I just don’t want to cause trouble. Besides, there’s nothing wrong with being humble. Moreover, the concert hasn’t started yet. I should keep a low profile.”

Hearing Xia Xue’s words, Gao Lin nodded in agreement and said, “Sister Xia Xue, you’re right. One has to be wary of others. I hope the school can agree to your request as soon as possible. That way, you can practice without any worries.”

Xia Xue smiled gently and nodded. “I heard from the director that it shouldn’t be difficult to apply for it.”

Wang Xuan, who was standing inside, was speechless when she heard their words. How could this Xia Xue be so pretentious?

Chapter 272: Debut

It was clearly because Xia Xue was afraid of letting the cat out of the bag that she had hidden herself away to practice in secret. That wasn't called being humble or keeping a low profile. It was called having a guilty conscience.

If Qiao Nian hadn't seen Mr. Dong Hua at noon today, nor played the violin in front of him, the school would have agreed with Xia Xue's suggestion to close practice room 23. Then, Qiao Nian would probably never know that someone had stepped on her to reach the peak of her life!

At this moment, many students rushed over. They were all here for Xia Xue.

Qiao Nian looked through the gap in the door and saw those people walking over. Her lips curved up slightly. The time had come.

It wasn't easy for those students to find Xia Xue. One by one, they hurriedly asked all the questions they wanted to ask.

"Senior Xia Xue, we've finally found you. How did you get in touch with Mr. Dong Hua?"

"Senior Xia Xue, you must have met Mr. Dong Hua, right? How old does he look? What's his personality like?"

"Senior Xia Xue, Mr. Dong Hua has taken a liking to the song you played. What did he think of you?"

"Senior Xia Xue, since you're already Mr. Dong Hua's female musician, can you tell Mr. Dong Hua to let our school attend the concert?"

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Xia Xue was surrounded by those people. She was also confused by their questions.

In the past, she had been very well-known in school and had received a lot of attention, but she had never been the center of attention like she was now.

Xia Xue glanced at the classmates surrounding her. She felt as if she was the center of attention. Their eyes were filled with anticipation.

At this moment, Xia Xue's heart, which had been calm for a long time, suddenly rippled.

Was this what it was like to be doted on by fans?

Xia Xue enjoyed being flattered.

Xia Xue's heart was beating wildly. She swore to herself that she would definitely become Mr. Dong Hua's female musician. Her name would be recorded in history.

Gao Lin, who was standing beside Xia Xue, looked at her classmates in shock. She knew that Brother Cao's Weibo post would definitely excite everyone, but she didn't expect it to be so effective.

Gao Lin looked up and saw a sea of people. There were also many people lining up, all wanting to see the female musician Mr. Dong Hua had personally selected.

Gao Lin couldn't help but sigh. Sister Xia Xue had reached the peak of her career.

Gao Lin quickly came back to her senses. She hurriedly shielded Xia Xue behind her and said loudly to the students, "Seniors, juniors, don't get too excited. Sister Xia Xue is from our school. It's our school's honor that Mr. Dong Hua personally selected her as his female musician. Sister Xia Xue will also benefit our school. However, Mr. Dong Hua has always kept a low profile. He doesn't like anyone disturbing his life, so he hasn't made his identity public. It's not convenient for us to reveal any information about him here. Please forgive us."

When the students heard Gao Lin's words, they became even more curious and hurriedly asked.

"Senior Xia Xue, don't worry. We won't leak anything you say. We just want to know what kind of person Mr. Dong Hua is!"

"Senior Xia Xue, you're so beautiful and kind. Just tell us!"

"Senior Xia Xue, Mr. Dong Hua is also our idol. Can you tell us a little about our idol?"

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When Gao Lin heard her classmates' words, she immediately smiled and said, "When Mr. Dong Hua wants to make his identity public, he will naturally make his appearance. Everyone, don't be anxious!"

Xia Xue, who was standing at the side, finally came back to her senses. She nodded slightly, agreeing with Gao Lin's words.

Actually, it wasn't that she didn't want to disclose information about Mr. Dong Hua. It was just that she had never seen Mr. Dong Hua in person. She couldn't possibly spout nonsense!

"Senior Xia Xue, then you must have made an appointment with Mr. Dong Hua to practice the music at the concert, right? Where do you usually practice? In school?"

"Senior Xia Xue, what instrument are you going to use?"

"Senior Xia Xue, what song are you practicing this time?"

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The students outside chased after him relentlessly.

Qiao Nian stood in the room, picked up the violin, and began to play.

Chapter 273: Mr. Dong Hua!

A gentle and delicate tune rang out from the piano room. Everyone who heard the sound of the violin instantly fell silent, slowly admiring it.

"Oh my god, it's actually Mr. Dong Hua's Missing!"

"This is the best version I've ever heard. It's exactly the same as the original."

"No, this is the original version!"

"Stop talking. Everyone, listen carefully."

Everyone fell silent. They listened intently to the sound of the violin coming from the piano room. One of them closed his eyes to sense every note.

Gao Lin's heart was racing. Her eyes were sparkling as she stared at the piano room door, her mind racing.

Only Mr. Dong Hua could play the tune of longing perfectly with the violin.

At the thought of this, Gao Lin was so excited that she could barely breathe. She knew that Mr. Dong Hua wanted to use this method to silence everyone.

Gao Lin wasn't the only one who thought so. The other students thought so too.

Xia Xue looked at the piano door in admiration. She closed her eyes and listened carefully to the sound of the violin. Her eyes flew open, and her heart began to race. The person in the piano room must be Mr. Dong Hua.

Could it be that Mr. Dong Hua had been in the piano room since early in the morning?

Was Mr. Dong Hua thinking of practicing with her?

Xia Xue's face turned slightly red. Her lips curved up slightly, forming a happy smile.

Xia Xue glanced at Gao Lin in satisfaction. Fortunately, Gao Lin had helped her reply to her juniors and had spoken very appropriately. She did not have to worry about offending Mr. Dong Hua for saying the wrong thing.

The violin music in the piano room gradually stopped.

Everyone was still immersed in the song "Yearning".

After a while, everyone came back to their senses. They looked at each other. Although they were curious about the person in the piano room, no one dared to go forward to investigate.

They were very worried that if they rashly walked into the piano room, they might anger Mr. Dong Hua. If that happened, their future musical career would be ruined.

Everyone was both curious and afraid of Mr. Dong Hua. All of them felt uneasy.

At this moment, someone in the crowd asked, "Senior Xia Xue, is the person in the piano room Mr. Dong Hua?"

"That's right, that's right. Was Mr. Dong Hua playing the violin just now? This song is exactly the same as the one in Mr. Dong Hua's album!"

"The live version is even more shocking than the record!"

"Mr. Dong Hua is truly amazing. If only I could be one-tenth as good as Mr. Dong Hua."

"If I can participate in Mr. Dong Hua's concert, I think I can die without regrets."

"Mr. Dong Hua is a god forever!"

Everyone spoke one after another, confirming that the person in the room was indeed Mr. Dong Hua.

Apart from Mr. Dong Hua, no one else in this world could play such a beautiful violin song.

A classmate looked at Xia Xue with envy. "Senior Xia Xue, I'm really envious of you. Not only did he appoint you as his female musician, but he also specially came over to practice with you. I'm already crying with envy!"

"That's right, that's right. Mr. Dong Hua must have taken a liking to Senior Xia Xue's potential. That's why he's training Senior Xia Xue so seriously!"

"Mr. Dong Hua is so good to Senior Xia Xue. If it were me, I would rather be single for the rest of my life!"

"Forget it. Even if you're single for ten lifetimes, you don't have the ability. Senior Xia Xue is a talented person. What do you have? You're just fat!"

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Listening to the envious praises of her classmates, Xia Xue's lips curved up slightly. She was overjoyed. She had not expected to benefit so much from taking someone else's place.

Right now, she only hoped that the person she had replaced would never know for the rest of her life. Her future was bright, and no one could stop her.

She, Xia Xue, would definitely become a famous musician

Chapter 274: Scheming B*tch

Xia Xue smiled slightly at all her classmates and said humbly, "Thank you for your affirmation of me, everyone. Mr. Dong Hua chose me, and I will definitely study twice as hard to not embarrass him. Every one of us will meet our own Bo Le [1. A historical figure known for his good judgment of horses]. Every one of us is our own protagonist, so we don't have to envy anyone else. We just have to work hard ourselves!"

In the piano room, Wang Xuan frowned when she heard Xia Xue's hypocritical voice. She whispered with disdain, "Why do I feel that she's giving an award speech? Is there something wrong with her brain? If she didn't take your place, would she be where she is now? She's simply shameless!"

Qiao Nian smiled gently and said, "Indeed!"

The people outside were still talking at once.

"Senior Xia Xue, since Mr. Dong Hua came to our school to practice with you, why don't you invite him out so that we can meet him in person?"

"Yes, yes. Senior Xia Xue, hurry up and invite Mr. Dong Hua out. We want to hear a few words from him."

"Senior Xia Xue, I'm begging you!"

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When Xia Xue heard her classmates' words, she looked troubled. Now, she just wanted to perform well in front of Mr. Dong Hua, so she explained, "Students, I'm really sorry. I can't go against Mr. Dong Hua's wishes. Mr. Dong Hua has always kept a low profile. He doesn't want to appear in public. If I invite Mr. Dong Hua out, won't it go against his original intentions?"

Seeing that her classmates had stopped talking, Xia Xue continued, "If everyone really likes Mr. Dong Huang, then please pay more attention to his works. The music of the concert will also be made into an album. Please purchase and collect it. This is the greatest support for Mr. Dong Hua."

Qiao Nian stood in the piano room, listening to Xia Xue's righteous speech. Her lips curved into a cold smile.

If Xia Xue hadn't replaced her, and if she were really Mr. Dong Hua, she would definitely think that Xia Xue was an obedient and sensible girl. However, there were no ifs in this world.

Qiao Nian placed the violin into the case and walked towards the door with Wang Xuan.

When the people outside heard footsteps approaching, they held their breaths nervously and stared unblinkingly at the door of the piano room, waiting quietly for Mr. Dong Hua to appear.

Qiao Nian opened the door to the piano room. Under the watchful gazes of her classmates, she walked out with the violin on her back.

Wang Xuan followed closely behind Qiao Nian.

When everyone saw Qiao Nian, they were all stunned. Confusion was written all over their faces.

Qiao Nian received everyone's gaze and looked puzzled.

At this moment, Gao Lin was completely stunned. She had never expected Qiao Nian to walk out of the room.

What was going on?

How could the person in the piano room be Qiao Nian?

Hadn't Qiao Nian already returned home? Why was she in the piano room?

Gao Lin clenched her fists tightly, glaring at Qiao Nian.

Xia Xue sensed that something was wrong with Gao Lin. She turned to look at Gao Lin and realized that Gao Lin seemed to know that girl.

Gao Lin recalled that Sister Xia Xue had once reminded her not to let Qiao Nian enter this music training room. She thought that Qiao Nian had returned home, so she didn't pay Qiao Nian any attention!

Whatever she feared would happen. Qiao Nian had actually come to this music training room!

Gao Lin secretly blamed herself. She remembered now. Qiao Nian must have heard from her that Sister Xia Xue had met Brother Cao here. Qiao Nian ran over to pretend to meet Brother Cao by chance, and wanted the opportunity to snatch Sister Xia Xue's position!

She was simply a scheming b*tch!

With this thought in mind, Gao Lin took a step forward and questioned coldly, "Qiao Nian, what are you doing here?"

Chapter 275: Goddess

When Qiao Nian heard Gao Lin's question, she pursed her lips slightly and raised her eyebrows. She asked, "Can't I come to this training room?"

When Xia Xue heard Gao Lin call the girl "Qiao Nian", her eyes flickered.

Why did she find this name familiar?

Oh.

Oh, right.

She remembered.

Qiao Nian seemed to be the self-taught student Gao Lin had mentioned, the one who could perfectly play "Spring and Snow".

Xia Xue couldn't help but size Qiao Nian up. Her eyes gradually lit up.

Even though she had high standards, she had to admit that Qiao Nian was very beautiful.

Her long, black hair looked like glossy seaweed under the sunlight. Her facial features were exquisite and well-defined, especially her beautiful fox-like eyes. One couldn't help but not look away.

Coupled with Qiao Nian's tall and sexy figure, the dress she was wearing perfectly accentuated her S-shaped curves.

Xia Xue's eyes darkened slightly. Not only was Qiao Nian good-looking, but she also played the zither well. Xia Xue instantly felt a sense of danger.

The other students were also staring unblinkingly at Qiao Nian, their eyes filled with admiration.

All of them were amazed.

What a beautiful girl. She looked as if she had walked out of a painting!

Even Xia Xue, the school belle, paled in comparison.

Even if the school belle were to stand in front of her, she would be reduced to an unremarkable backdrop.

It seemed that the new campus belle would be replaced.

Gao Lin clenched her fists tightly. Seeing how fearless Qiao Nian was, her anger surged. She said angrily, "I think you're doing this on purpose. You knew that Sister Xia Xue would be practicing the violin here, but you insisted on causing trouble."

Qiao Nian looked at Gao Lin in confusion and asked, "Who set the rule that only Xia Xue can enter this training room? No one else can."

With that, Qiao Nian glanced at the students surrounding Xia Xue. She looked even more confused. Puzzled, she asked, "Why can they all come, but I can't?"

Gao Lin's face turned red. She didn't know what to say.

Qiao Nian looked aggrieved. She continued, "If you want to see Mr. Dong Hua's charm, can't I?"

"You..." Gao Lin was so angry that she wanted to argue with Qiao Nian, but she was stopped by Xia Xue. Reluctantly, she shut her mouth.

When the students who had come to watch the show saw Qiao Nian like this, their hearts ached for her. They nodded instantly.

"Yes, yes. Qiao Nian, don't be sad. Of course, you can look at Mr. Dong Hua too!"

"Student Qiao Nian, don't be sad. When Mr. Dong Hua comes out later, you'll be the first to take a look, right?"

"Student Qiao Nian, can you give me your contact information?"

"I want one too!"

"And me!"

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Seeing Qiao Nian surrounded by her classmates, a trace of gloom flashed in Xia Xue's eyes.

When she was selected as the school belle, she had never seen anyone so excited that they asked for her contact information on the spot.

Xia Xue clenched her fists lightly. She was the focus of everyone's attention.

Xia Xue looked at Qiao Nian, then at the students. Smiling, she tried to smooth things over. "Alright, everyone, quiet down. Mr. Dong Hua doesn't like noise!"

Hearing Xia Xue's words, everyone fell silent.

Qiao Nian's gaze fell on Xia Xue's face. She asked curiously, "When I was inside just now, I heard from you that Mr. Dong Hua was here. Where is he? I want to see my idol too!"

Xia Xue gave Gao Lin a look. Gao Lin took a step forward arrogantly and questioned angrily, "Didn't you hear Mr. Dong Hua play the violin just now?"

When Qiao Nian heard Gao Lin's words, she looked puzzled. She asked, "Did I?"

The other enthusiastic classmates hurriedly nodded and said, "Student Qiao Nian, Mr. Dong Hua was playing the violin in a private room just now!"

"Mr. Dong Hua really did!"

“Student Qiao Nian, you just came out of the piano room. You should be closer to the other rooms. Didn’t you hear him?”

Chapter 276: Completely Humiliated

Qiao Nian shook her head gently. The pearl earrings on her ears swayed, accentuating her fair face.

The students were all dumbfounded.

A beauty was indeed a beauty. With just a slight movement, she was so beautiful that one could not take their eyes off her.

Xia Xue noticed the gazes of her classmates and felt indignant. However, she still put on a gentle facade and said softly, “Everyone, don’t be anxious. I’ll go look for Mr. Dong Hua first and ask for his permission. If he’s willing to show his face, everyone will be able to see their idol.”

When the other students heard Xia Xue’s words, they were all extremely excited. They looked at Xia Xue with fawning expressions.

“Senior Xia Xue, you’re the best.”

“Senior Xia Xue, you’re indeed the prettiest girl in our faculty. You’re really a beautiful and kind little fairy!”

“Senior Xia Xue, I’ll always love you the most!”

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Qiao Nian also looked harmless. She looked at Xia Xue expectantly and said gently, “I’ll have to trouble Senior Xia Xue to invite Mr. Dong Hua over.”

Wang Xuan, who was standing beside Qiao Nian, suddenly had a thought. Not only was Nian Nian talented in music, but she was also a natural actor!

Xia Xue gave Qiao Nian a meaningful look and nodded lightly. Bearing everyone’s expectations, she walked towards the erhu room near the piano room.

Walking to the door, she knocked tentatively.

Nothing happened inside.

Xia Xue turned back to look at her classmates. Seeing that their attention was all on her, she pursed her lips into a helpless smile and walked towards the next door.

Xia Xue knocked again.

There was still no reaction from inside.

Xia Xue had already knocked on two doors, but there was no movement at all. Could it be that Mr. Dong Hua didn’t want to see her, so he kept quiet?

However, in order to attract the attention of her classmates from Qiao Nian to her, she had said that she wanted to consult Mr. Dong Hua.

Some words could not be taken back so easily.

Xia Xue began to walk to the next door. She knocked three more times, but there was still no movement.

After that, Xia Xue knocked a few more times, but there was still no response.

When Xia Xue stood at the door of the last room, she pursed her lips and cleared her throat, asking obediently, "Excuse me, Mr. Dong Hua, are you there?"

When the onlookers heard Xia Xue's question, they all held their breaths in excitement, their hearts beating faster and faster. They were so nervous that they didn't dare to speak.

However, there was still no movement in the room.

The blood drained from Xia Xue's face. She stood there awkwardly, unwilling to give up. She knocked again.

However, there was still no movement from behind the door.

"What's going on?"

"Could it be that Mr. Dong Hua is deliberately putting on airs?"

"No way. Even if Mr. Dong Hua doesn't want to see us, he just has to say the word."

"That's true. Senior Xia Xue is the female musician handpicked by Mr. Dong Hua. No matter what, Mr. Dong Hua will give Senior Xia Xue face!"

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Xia Xue felt utterly humiliated.

As long as she participated in Mr. Dong Hua's concert as a female musician, she would reach the pinnacle of her career. If the media knew about the training room issue, they would definitely say that she was not well-liked by Mr. Dong Hua.

Xia Xue clenched her fists tightly. A faint smile appeared on her face as she said gently, "Mr. Dong Hua, I'm really sorry for disturbing you."

Xia Xue's mind raced as she tried hard to weave her words. "The students admire you very much and are eager to meet you. Everyone wants a response from you, so I came to ask if it was convenient for you to come out. If not, I'll tell everyone."

Xia Xue waited for half a minute, but there was still no response.

Wang Xuan stood at the side and looked at Xia Xue's humble and polite manner. She couldn't help but laugh out loud. However, she knew that she was covering her laughter, so she didn't alarm anyone.

If Xia Xue knew that the Mr. Dong Hua they were talking about was Nian Nian, would they break down?

She was looking forward to seeing the expression on Gao Lin's face.

Chapter 277: How Is This Possible?

Xia Xue couldn't stand it anymore. She was so frustrated that she couldn't help but knock on the door again. In her heart, she prayed to God for a response.

Gao Lin looked at Xia Xue worriedly. Seeing that there was still no reaction from the door, her heart jumped to her throat.

Xia Xue exerted some strength and accidentally pushed the door open. It turned out that the door wasn't locked at all.

The door was empty.

Xia Xue was stunned. She looked at the empty room in disbelief.

A trace of confusion flashed in Xia Xue's eyes. She opened all the doors to the rooms, but they were still empty. There was no one there.

Everyone looked at the empty room with confusion written all over their faces.

Wang Xuan tried hard to suppress her laughter. She looked up at Xia Xue and asked curiously, "This is so strange. You just said that Mr. Dong Hua is playing the violin in his room. May I know where he is?"

Gao Lin's mind raced. Her gaze fell on Qiao Nian's face.

Of course, she didn't believe that a self-taught person could play the violin so beautifully. She stepped forward and questioned Qiao Nian loudly, "Qiao Nian, are you up to no good?"

When the others heard Gao Lin's words, they were confused. Their gazes lingered on Gao Lin and Qiao Nian.

Seeing that everyone was looking over, Gao Lin said angrily, "Qiao Nian, admit it. Did you play the violin recording of Mr. Dong Hua's Missing? Did you make us think that Mr. Dong Hua was in the training room? You fooled us. Is there any meaning in doing this?"

Everyone's gaze fell on Qiao Nian's face, their eyes filled with confusion.

When Xia Xue heard Gao Lin's words, she recalled how silly she had looked when she knocked on all the doors just now. She couldn't help but frown. However, in front of everyone, she still tried hard to suppress her anger. "Student Qiao Nian, everyone is looking forward to meeting Mr. Dong Hua. Your actions have disappointed everyone. Please don't do this again. Everyone will be sad."

"Sigh, I thought I would be able to meet Mr. Dong Hua!"

"Exactly, exactly. I didn't expect it to be just a farce."

"Let's go. If you think about it carefully, you should know that Mr. Dong Hua won't come to our training room. We shouldn't be daydreaming!"

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When Qiao Nian heard everyone's words, she raised her eyebrows slightly. Her eyes were cold as she enunciated each word clearly. "Gao Lin, who told you that I played a recording of Mr. Dong Hua's music?"

When Gao Lin heard Qiao Nian's question, she laughed out loud in disdain. She said sarcastically, "You didn't? Did you bow the strings then? You don't even blink when you lie. You don't even know how to write a draft before you brag. Who would believe you?"

The others sized Qiao Nian up curiously. They realized that Qiao Nian was carrying a violin on her back. From the looks of it, she was really here to practice.

At this moment, everyone began to hesitate. For a moment, they didn't know if Qiao Nian had played a recording just now, or if Qiao Nian had played Mr. Dong Hua's tune.

Wang Xuan stood at the side and said, "If you're talking about the song 'Missing', then it should be Qiao Nian who played it. She's been teaching me to play this song recently."

Gao Lin recalled how Qiao Nian had explained the score to Wang Xuan in the morning.

Could it really be Qiao Nian who had played it just now?

However, Gao Lin quickly threw this thought to the back of her mind. She refused to believe that Qiao Nian was the one who had played that song. After all, that song just now was exactly the same as Mr. Donghua's original version.

"Hahaha." Gao Lin burst out laughing. She turned to look at the onlookers and asked, "Do you believe that the music just now was played by Qiao Nian? I don't believe it!"

No one said anything. Instead, they looked at Qiao Nian in surprise.

"Can she really play such a beautiful tune?"

"I don't know. I heard that she's a new student."

"Can new students really play such a beautiful tune nowadays? Is it really that sick?"

"She's carrying a violin on her back. It looks like it's really her."

"Do you think she played the music?"

"How is this possible? What's her motive for doing this?"

When Gao Lin heard this, her eyes lit up. She said, "She heard from Mr. Dong Hua that Sister Xia Xue can play the violin well, so she came over on purpose to attract Brother Cao's attention and replace Sister Xia Xue as Mr. Dong Hua's female musician."

Chapter 278: Vicious

Gao Lin's words enlightened everyone.

Xia Xue broke out in a cold sweat. She looked at Qiao Nian in disbelief. If Mr. Dong Hua heard her words, she would be forced to give up the position of female musician!

Xia Xue's eyes couldn't help but turn red. She sighed softly and said, "If that's the case, this student is truly a scheming person. I can't help but shiver!"

"I don't think so. She's so beautiful. She doesn't look like that kind of person."

"She's beautiful and kind. I don't think she'll think that way either."

"Don't you know what it means to have a vicious heart? The more beautiful a woman is, the more vicious she is!"

"If that's the case, then it's truly terrifying!"

"How did a vicious person get into this school?"

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When Wang Xuan heard everyone's words, she looked disapproving and said loudly, "Everyone, don't listen to Gao Lin's nonsense. Previously, in the classroom, she knew that Nian Nian had a ticket to Mr. Dong Hua's concert. She was jealous, so she deliberately picked a fight!"

Wow!

Everyone looked at Qiao Nian enviously.

"Student, do you really have tickets?"

"Student, where did you get the tickets? Do you have any other channels?"

"Student, can I see your ticket and touch it? I want to feel how the ticket feels."

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The other students also gathered around curiously. One had to know that Mr. Dong Hua's tickets were extremely expensive.

Seeing that these people were taking advantage of the situation, Gao Lin sneered and said disdainfully, "So what if she has tickets? Senior Xia Xue is a female musician personally selected by Mr. Dong Hua. That's much more prestigious than sitting down and listening to the concert."

"You're right."

"However, those who have tickets are all extraordinary. I'm really envious!"

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No one wanted to offend Gao Lin, because they had just discovered that Xia Xue treated Gao Lin as a good friend.

Gao Lin could naturally tell that no one was willing to offend Qiao Nian. However, when she thought about how the glory she and Sister Xia Xue had just received had been snatched away by Qiao Nian, a ball of fire burned in her heart.

Gao Lin's gaze inadvertently fell on Wang Xuan's face. Her anger instantly found an outlet. She quickly walked up to Wang Xuan and questioned coldly, "Wang Xuan, no matter what, you're still an outstanding student in our class. Qiao Nian taught you how to play the violin. Do you have to flatter her and belittle yourself?"

Without waiting for Wang Xuan to speak, she continued, "I understand now. You're flattering her on purpose because she has the tickets. No wonder you've been sneaking around with Qiao Nian. Doesn't your conscience hurt?"

When Qiao Nian heard Gao Lin's words, her beautiful fox-like eyes curved up slightly. Her eyes, which were like a sea of stars, swept across Xia Xue's face. She sighed meaningfully. "Yes, stealing from others. Doesn't your conscience hurt?"

Xia Xue sensed Qiao Nian's gaze on her. Her breathing quickened, and her heart jumped to her throat.

Strange.

She found herself suffocating under Qiao Nian's gaze.

Could it be that Qiao Nian knew something?

Or was Qiao Nian the one who had been playing the violin here yesterday afternoon?

Xia Xue was flustered, but she quickly calmed down.

So what if that person was Qiao Nian?

Mr. Dong Hua had already appointed her to be his female musician. Moreover, Brother Cao had already posted on Weibo. This matter was already set in stone. It could not be changed.

If Qiao Nian really wanted to blame someone, she could only blame herself for being unlucky.

After thinking through the implications, Xia Xue's uneasy heart slowly settled back down. She looked at Qiao Nian with a serious expression, as if she were reprimanding her. She said, "Student Qiao Nian, I know that you're eager to become famous. I can also understand that you want to replace me as the female musician of Mr. Dong Hua's concert. This represents your ambition. However, Student Qiao Nian, Mr. Dong Hua's concert is about to begin. Please don't come to this practice room again to disturb my practice."

Chapter 279: Proving Her Innocence

"Oh my god, Senior Xia Xue is really too kind!"

"No wonder Mr. Dong Hua chose her. Who wouldn't like a good person who's beautiful, kind, and does both?"

"Yes, yes. We have to learn from Senior Xia Xue in the future."

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When Wang Xuan heard these words, she couldn't help but feel like vomiting.

Where did this woman get her courage from?

She was actually so blindly confident.

She really didn't know how he cultivated to be so thick-skinned.

How could someone like Xia Xue say that Nian Nian wanted to replace her?

Was she worthy?

Wang Xuan looked at Xia Xue expressionlessly and asked, "Why can't we come here in the future? Is this your private place? And what right do you have to say that we came here to attract Brother Cao's attention? Also, you said that the tune just now was played by a stereo. Are you immortal, or do you have special abilities and X-ray vision?"

When Gao Lin heard Wang Xuan's continuous questions, she instantly felt that Wang Xuan was very stupid. She didn't even want to stoop to the level of an idiot like Wang Xuan, but for Senior Xia Xue's sake, she still said, "I'm sorry, I'm just stating the facts!"

Qiao Nian looked at Gao Lin coldly. Slowly, she took out her violin and placed it on her left shoulder. Her beautiful fox-like eyes were cold. "Whether I am or not, it's not up to you to decide."

Everyone looked at Qiao Nian in disbelief.

What did Qiao Nian mean? Was she going to play the violin in front of everyone?

Was she trying to prove her innocence?

Oh my god!

Everyone stared unblinkingly at Qiao Nian. They were truly curious. Had Qiao Nian played the music recording just now, or had she played it herself?

Qiao Nian didn't waste any more time. She slowly closed her eyes and began to bow the violin.

The familiar music began again.

Everyone looked at Qiao Nian in shock. Wasn't this the music they had just heard?

Could it really be Qiao Nian?

The tune was as gentle and delicate as ever, carrying a strong sense of longing. Anyone who heard it would be heartbroken.

Gao Lin stood rooted to the ground, her eyes wide open. She looked at Qiao Nian in shock.

How... how was this possible?

Qiao Nian was just a freshman, and she was just a country bumpkin. She had studied all her music on her own. How could she play such a beautiful violin song?

This was impossible!

This was absolutely impossible!

Even though Gao Lin had seen Qiao Nian play the violin with her own eyes, she refused to believe that Qiao Nian knew how to play the violin well.

Xia Xue, who was standing at the side, grew paler and paler. Her breathing gradually became erratic, and her legs felt a little weak. If she hadn't been supporting herself against the wall, she might have collapsed.

Xia Xue's heart gradually sank into the abyss. Tears welled up in her eyes, and she fought back her tears.

She had also played this song in front of Brother Cao. It was clearly the same song, but her song had no emotions to speak of. Moreover, she couldn't play it well at all.

At this moment, she knew that she had lost.

She knew very well that Brother Cao was looking for Qiao Nian.

When Qiao Nian finished the last note, she slowly opened her eyes. Her eyes were filled with sorrow as she placed the violin back into the case.

After a long while, everyone came back to their senses. They wiped their tears and began to cheer and applaud.

These voices were like an invisible hand slapping Xia Xue and Gao Lin hard in the face.

Xia Xue's heart felt as if it had been pierced by countless needles. It hurt so much that her heart couldn't beat. She looked at everyone looking at Qiao Nian with admiration, and the hatred in her heart grew more and more obvious. The admiration in everyone's eyes should have been directed at her.

Qiao Nian!

It was all Qiao Nian's fault!

Qiao Nian had stolen all the glory that belonged to her!

Xia Xue clenched her fists involuntarily. For the first time, she had the urge to destroy someone.

Xia Xue's mind raced as she thought about how to deal with Qiao Nian.

At this moment, a feminine voice came from the door.

"Why are you all gathered here?"

Chapter 280: Brother Cao Is Here!

This familiar tone stunned everyone.

Everyone turned around and saw Brother Cao walking in with one hand on his waist.

“Oh my god!”

“It’s actually Brother Cao!”

When Brother Cao heard this, he almost slipped. He rolled his eyes at the man and asked, “Why didn’t I know that I was dead?”

When Brother Cao walked in, everyone saw a young and beautiful man following behind him.

The man was wearing a very ordinary white shirt and black suit pants. His head was slightly lowered. From the looks of it, he should be Brother Cao’s assistant.

However, because that man was too good-looking, everyone couldn’t help but take a few more glances.

When Qiao Nian saw the beautiful man, she was slightly stunned. She didn’t expect Mr. Dong Hua to be here as well.

Mr. Dong Hua looked at Qiao Nian with his phoenix-like eyes. When their eyes met, he tacitly looked away, as if he had never seen her before.

Qiao Nian pursed her lips slightly. Mr. Dong Hua had already arrived. There would be a good show to watch soon.

With this thought in mind, Qiao Nian carried her violin on her back.

Brother Cao led Mr. Dong Hua inside. The students made way for them.

One of the students in the crowd got to the point. “Brother Cao, has Mr. Dong Hua arrived?”

Brother Cao lowered his gaze slightly and glanced at the man behind him. Then, he pretended to sigh. “I’m afraid I’ll have to disappoint you. Am I, an outdated manager, no longer welcomed by everyone?”

“How can that be? Brother Cao is the most handsome man in the world!”

“That’s right. Brother Cao is so outstanding. How can he be outdated?”

“Brother Cao’s aesthetic taste is as unique as ever!”

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When Brother Cao heard someone praising his aesthetic taste, his eyes instantly lit up. He looked at that person dotingly and said, “You have good taste. You know that this is what trendy looks like!”

Brother Cao’s words instantly caused everyone to scream.

Xia Xue stood there. She wasn’t as excited as the others. She felt vaguely uneasy. She didn’t know how much Brother Cao had heard.

She wondered if Brother Cao had heard Qiao Nian play the violin.

What was Brother Cao doing here?

Was he checking on her progress?

Or had Brother Cao already realized that she wasn't the one who had played the violin that day?

Xia Xue's mind was in a mess. She turned to look at Qiao Nian, who was standing calmly not far away.

Could it be that Brother Cao had already greeted Qiao Nian?

At the thought of this possibility, Xia Xue's heart began to race uncontrollably, as if it was about to jump out of her throat.

Xia Xue had mixed feelings, but she still had to put on a gentle and sweet facade.

A bright smile appeared on Xia Xue's face. She walked towards Brother Cao. "Brother Cao."

After Xia Xue spoke, her gaze fell on the man behind Brother Cao. Since this man was Brother Cao's assistant, she should have a good relationship with him. Hence, Xia Xue smiled at the man.

However, the man lowered his gaze at this moment and missed her greeting.

Xia Xue's body stiffened, but it only lasted for a moment. She quickly regained her usual composure.

Seeing Xia Xue like this, Brother Cao recalled how Xia Xue had specially returned to the dormitory to change her clothes. He felt uncomfortable all over.

He didn't like hypocritical women.

Brother Cao nodded and led Mr. Dong Hua to the front. He turned back to look at the people in the hall and frowned slightly. Puzzled, he asked, "Why are there suddenly so many people?"

Xia Xue knew that something was wrong. She was a little worried that Brother Cao would think that she had become Mr. Dong Hua's musician, so he had deliberately invited everyone here to increase her popularity.

She hurriedly explained, "They all thought that you and Mr. Dong Hua would be coming today, so they came over to take a look at you. I was just persuading everyone to go back early to study."