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Chapter 921: Wait for Tomorrow, We'll Make Her Cry!

Lu Man brought Hu Zhonghui and He Mengmeng to go with her to Dong Hua and directly went to the hotel next to Dong Hua Station to stay there.

Because they'd considered that a lot of celebrities would come to Dong Hua Station, a five-star hotel was right next to the television station.

A lot of celebrities who come to participate in the show stayed nearby in that hotel.

After checking in to the hotel, the three of them pulled their luggage into the lift.

Waiting in front of the lift, they heard a "ding" noise. One of the lifts stopped, and Lu Man and the other two went over.

They saw the three people inside walk out and meet them face-to-face.

Taking a look, they found that it was someone they recognized.

It was Qiao Luna, and on one side of her was Qiao Luna's assistant, the one they met at the VIP waiting room in the airport.

On the other side was probably Qiao Luna's manager.

Lu Man's only contact with Qiao Luna was during that time in the VIP waiting room in the airport.

But at that time, she had yet to officially enter the entertainment industry. Qiao Luna did not recognize a small, unimportant person like her at all.

Because of that, they did not greet each other or talk at all.

Now, Lu Man had a bit of fame in the entertainment industry. Qiao Luna could at least recognize Lu Man.

Seeing Lu Man, Qiao Luna was slightly shocked.

Lu Man smiled and nodded at Qiao Luna. After being stunned for a while, Qiao Luna also nodded at Lu Man.

The two of them did not have any interaction at all.

Qiao Luna and the other two left the lift while Lu Man and the other two entered it.

When they had walked further, as soon as the lift closed, He Mengmeng said in a very soft voice, "Qiao Luna's assistant hasn't been fired yet? Her temper is not good at all. Isn't Qiao Luna scared that her assistant would cause trouble for her?"

Hu Zhonghui laughed. "Qiao Luna herself isn't very good-tempered. She acts like she's very close to the people with more fame than she does. As for those who aren't as famous as she is, she looks down on them a lot. It's the same with her assistant. The two of them are very suited to each other."

“No wonder that just now, even her nod seemed very pacifying and cold,” He Mengmeng said.

That was her feeling that Lu Man was not as good as she was.

“Ha ha, wait for tomorrow, let’s make her cry!” Hu Zhonghui rubbed her fist and palm together.

Lu Man laughed. “Why are you even more worked up than I am?”

“Of course I must be!” Hu Zhonghui had a strong aura.

Qiao Luna put on her sunglasses and her face mask, saying as she walked, “Why is Lu Man here?”

Qiao Luna could not remember and could not be bothered to remember the names of those C-list small-time celebrities.

Who asked Lu Man to be too good at making a ruckus, causing trouble on the Internet once in a while?

And it was all big trouble.

Being able to cause trouble so much that it would become a headline, that was very skillful of her.

Because of that, even if Qiao Luna wanted to look down on Lu Man, she still managed to remember her name. It was really angering.

Qiao Luna was very annoyed. Couldn’t Lu Man stop?!

The Internet would be peaceful for only a bit. She also wanted to buy herself a headline or a trending topic, but in the end, in a moment, the Internet would be flooded by Lu Man’s situation again.

Lu Man could casually cause a bit of trouble and she could go on trending, yet Qiao Luna needed to buy one.

She really felt unhappy in her heart!

“It’s probably that she has some show to film,” Qiao Luna’s manager, Huang Yawen said. In the end, she had not managed to ask who the celebrity in the same episode as Qiao Luna was.

“Her, coming to film a show for Dong Hua Station?” Qiao Luna was very disdainful. “She’s just a C-list celebrity. Can she even go on Dong Hua’s shows?”

Walking on Qiao Luna’s other side, her assistant, Xiao Zhao guessed, “Sister Yawen, Luna, do you two think that Lu Man could be here to participate in *Classic X Files*?”

Chapter 922: They Lose When It Came to Who Can Curry Favor Better

Huang Yawen and Qiao Luna were both stunned and both looked towards Xiao Zhao.

Xiao Zhao was scared that she had said something wrong and hurriedly said, “I’m just guessing, don’t treat me like a joke if I’m not right.”

“No,” Huang Yawen said, her face full of confusion. “I feel like what you are saying is very logical.”

Qiao Luna said in shock, “Yes. At the start, why didn’t we think about that?”

Xiao Zhao happily said, "I was just thinking that Classic X Files had always been looking among the young generation of actors to compete with the actors from the original work. The production group has practically invited everyone from the new generation of actors. Them seeking out Lu Man is nothing shocking."

Huang Yawen smiled, relaxed. "Luna, if the one acting in the same show as you is really Lu Man, then it'll be easy for you. The person who will manage to be outstanding will definitely be you."

Although the show Classic X Files was different from The Performer and winning or losing was not that important, in the end, the guests would still have to perform outstandingly.

It's alright if you don't win, but you must be outstanding.

One must know how to stand out in order to make the audience remember you, to have a deep impression of you, to try to weaken the outstanding parts of the opponent.

That way, one's performance can be considered a success.

Because of that, even though Classic X Files was not an official competition, the competition underneath the surface was greater than the one on the surface.

"Haha, that's right, let's hope it's Lu Man," Qiao Luna said as she smiled, hoping from deep in her heart that the person filming in the same episode as her was Lu Man.

She needed to pray more before she slept tonight, hoping it was Lu Man, hoping it was Lu Man, hoping it was Lu Man!

Xiao Zhao also rubbed her two hands and smiled as she said, "I hope it's Lu Man! That way, Sister Luna would definitely win. Lu Man and Sister Luna are not at all on the same level."

Lu Man still did not know that she had already been treated as someone who would be cannon fodder, nor that they really hoped that she would be in the same episode as her.

She stored her things properly and went to make a phone call to Han Zhuoli.

Before they set off, Han Zhuoli had reminded her multiple times that when she reached Dong Hua and checked in to the hotel, she definitely must tell him so he could feel more at ease.

It was a pity that it was Friday tomorrow and Han Zhuoli had important work to do. He really could not leave or he would really have come with Lu Man.

Lu Man directly used WeChat to make a video call to Han Zhuoli to let him see that she had already checked in to the hotel.

Han Zhuoli was having a meeting now. As he was waiting for Lu Man's phone call, he did not dare to put his phone on silent mode.

The production department manager was currently relaying the conclusion for the year, and the sound of the WeChat video call ringtone rang at that moment.

The production department's Manager Zheng frowned, stopped his reporting, and looked around.

"Who didn't put their phone on silent mode during the meeting?" Manager Lu from the advertising department opened her mouth unhappily and looked around. "Hurry and hang up the phone! The CEO himself puts his phone on silent mode during the meeting. This sort of thing, do we need the CEO to especially say it? Having a meeting is such a large event, but who dares to not have self-awareness at all, not knowing how to learn more from the CEO?"

The managers of the other departments were troubled as they realized that they were actually later to act than Manager Lu.

They saw that Manager Lu was seriously trying to show herself off in front of Han Zhuoli.

Everybody: "..."

They lose when it came to who can curry favor better!

Just from those words that Manager Lu said, they already had goosebumps. How thick-skinned did she have to be, how big of an ability did she have to deal with it, to be able to say those words?

But who'd have known that, at that moment, Han Zhuoli would slowly take out his phone?

Chapter 923: They Are All Just Unimportant Bystanders

Everyone took a look. Wasn't it Han Zhuoli's phone that was ringing?

Manager Lu: "..."

Could she take back what she said just now?

"It is my phone," Han Zhuoli said mildly.

Manager Lu: "..."

She did not know if it would be of use if she knelt down right now or not.

The other people were looking at Manager Lu gloatingly. The good thing was that their reaction time was a bit slower just now and they were a bit later to respond.

Manager Lu did not manage to suck up and, instead, managed to embarrass herself.

Han Zhuoli stood up. "Let's stop the meeting for a while."

After saying that, he took his phone and went out.

Left inside the meeting room were the managers of the different departments and Zheng Tianming.

Zheng Tianming kept a smile on his face. Only he knew that the CEO had been waiting for Lu Man's call.

Manager Lu's mouth trembled a bit, and she asked Zheng Tianming, "C... C-C-CEO didn't switch his phone to silent mode today?"

Zheng Tianming smiled and said, "What is there to be shocked about? The CEO does what he wants. He can refrain from switching his phone to silent mode, but we can't."

Manager Lu had wanted to suck up to the CEO. She had finally gotten a chance, and her desire to perform had been especially great.

Who would have known that it would fail?

Manager Zheng from the production department, whose report had suddenly been cut short, felt a bit unhappy.

But the person who interrupted him was Han Zhuoli. What else could he say?

And it just so happened that Manager Lu had made use of the chance to step on him and show off.

Haha!

“It isn’t the first time we’ve had a meeting with the CEO. How many years has it been? Could it be that you don’t know that your phone must be turned on silent mode during a meeting? Is there a need for someone to remind him?” Manager Zheng mocked. It made it obvious that someone was being overly smart!

In the end, haha!

Manager Lu’s face turned red; she was embarrassed and angry.

The other people did not say anything, but Manager Zheng’s mocking laughter hid a lot of meaning within it.

It was obvious that they were all very unhappy about her actions just now, stepping on people to suck up to others.

Han Zhuoli naturally did not know about the situation in the meeting room. He had taken out his phone and left the meeting room, and before he even totally entered his office, he had already excitedly picked up the video call.

He had just opened it when Lu Man’s face appeared on the screen.

“You’ve reached the hotel?” Han Zhuoli looked at the background on the screen.

“Yeah.” Lu Man especially pulled the camera further away from her and only showed half of her face to let Han Zhuoli see her hotel room. “It’s the hotel next to Dong Hua Station, don’t worry.”

“Alright.” Han Zhuoli was especially at ease but was not in a rush to hang up.

Then he heard Lu Man ask, “What about your work right now? Did I disturb you?”

“No. I knew that you were going to call, so I would have kept waiting,” Han Zhuoli said.

If these words were heard by some department heads, they would all chuckle.

Alright, if the CEO said that she did not disturb him, then she was not disturbing him. They were all just unimportant bystanders, not worthy of being acknowledged.

But Lu Man did not dare to disturb him for too long and hung up after chatting with him for a while. Only then did Han Zhuoli return to continue his meeting.

On the second day, which was a Friday, Lu Man brought He Mengmeng and Hu Zhonghui to head to the television station next door to the hotel.

Who knew that they would coincidentally meet Qiao Luna in the lift again?

Qiao Luna raised an eyebrow and automatically asked, "Are you here to participate in the show?"

Lu Man nodded. "To record Classic X Files."

Qiao Luna felt happy in her heart. As expected, her prayers were answered!

As expected, it was Lu Man who was filming the same episode as her.

"How coincidental. I am also here to film this show," Qiao Luna said, her expression unchanging.

"I've heard. We seem to be in the same episode," Lu Man said politely. "It's my first time participating in a variety show. I don't have any experience, so please take care of me."

Chapter 924: Need to Properly Teach Him

"You're too polite." Qiao Luna mildly nodded.

When the lift stopped, the two of them did not leave together.

Qiao Luna's car was waiting at the entrance of the hotel.

Although the hotel was next to the television station, that was just a figure of speech. It did not mean that the hotel was really right next to the television station and they could go over there just by walking.

Furthermore, given Qiao Luna's self-confidence, even if it could be reached in a few steps, she could not really walk a few steps. She definitely needed to take a car over.

When they got into the car, Qiao Luna showed a mocking expression.

Xiao Zhao took the time to say, "That Lu Man's face is quite thick-skinned. Did she forget that she caused you to be banned from the entertainment circle by the company for half a year?"

At that time, when *Red Tiger* was airing and competing with Zhang Lun's *Fighting Hero*, in order to suck up to Zhang Lun, Qiao Luna had publicly stepped on *Red Tiger* and Lu Man. Because of that, she was hidden away from the public eye by the Han Corporation for half a year.

During that half a year, Qiao Luna had been totally mocked by others. She had been unable to take up any activities at all, and it was all thanks to Lu Man.

With much difficulty, she had managed to survive the period where she was hidden from the public eye by the company, and when the time was up, it just so happened that her contract with the Han Corporation had also reached its end.

Qiao Luna was angry at the Han Corporation for doing that to her, and so she instantly switched companies to Zhong Hang.

Zhong Hang was quite good to her, finding good shows for her.

The sincerity of Zhong Hang towards Qiao Luna could clearly be seen.

As the first step of Qiao Luna's reemergence, Huang Yawen had chosen *Classic X Files* for her.

Huang Yawen had exerted a lot of effort because *Classic X Files* was at the top when it came to the viewership ratings among variety shows in the country.

If it were otherwise, Xing Ke Station would not have purposely pushed out *The Performer*, wanting it to attack *Classic X Files*.

As she'd been hidden for half a year, her popularity fell greatly. A lot of younger ones had chased up to her, wanting to replace her.

Nowadays in the entertainment industry, because of the different platforms and ways to produce stars, newcomers were too quick to appear.

Qiao Luna urgently needed to use *Classic X Files* to help increase her popularity again.

Because of that, whether it was Qiao Luna or Huang Yawen, they all placed a lot of emphasis on this chance, not allowing for a single mistake at all.

Qiao Luna smiled coldly. "Since she wanted me to take care of her, then I must properly take care of her! Yesterday, we were talking about how there could be a chance that Lu Man would be filming the same show and episode as me, and who would have thought that it was really Lu Man? The first challenge since my reemergence is meeting Lu Man. Heaven is really helping me."

If it were someone else, she really would not dare to have such confidence.

But Lu Man was someone who had just entered the entertainment industry. She was a C-list actor who had yet to become totally stable and was yet to gain any connections in the entertainment industry, yet she still wanted to be able to win against her?

Huang Yawen also smiled and said, "Your luck is really not bad. I chose *Classic X Files* because of the popularity of this show. It is very well-liked by the audience, but because of that, the statuses of the guests that the show invites are usually quite high. Even if they are young actors, they are all very popular. If it were before, you definitely wouldn't have needed to worry, but there is a bit of danger to the you now. Who would have thought that the production group would actually seek out Lu Man this time? I don't know why *Classic X Files* asked Lu Man to come this time, but you managed to benefit from it."

Originally, Huang Yawen was picking between *Classic X Files* and *The Performer*.

At that time, she felt that although *Classic X Files* was an old, classic, and popular show, *The Performer* was appearing with an explosive entrance. With a lot of popularity and with a lot of people talking about it, it really might not lose out to *Classic X Files*.

And furthermore, if the competition was fiercer, with more points to be contested, it would be very popular with the audience.

If they wanted to consider the popularity of the actors alone, Huang Yawen would be more inclined towards *The Performer*, and because of that, she had wanted to sign a contract with *The Performer* at the beginning.

Chapter 925: If You're Too Serious, You lose

Who'd have known that Lu Man would attack *The Performer* until it was half-dead?

Right now, what Qiao Luna needed the least was negative headlines, and so she directly gave up on *The Performer* and chose *Classic X Files* instead.

This was probably some kind of fate.

She was meeting Lu Man wherever she went.

When filming *Fighting Hero*, she met Lu Man's *Red Tiger*.

She had appeared in the public eye again with much difficulty and wanted to participate in *The Performer*. In the end, *The Performer* was made half-dead, once again by Lu Man.

And so, Qiao Luna chose *Classic X Files*. Who'd have guessed that she would meet Lu Man once more on this show?

Huang Yawen could not help but come up with a conspiracy theory. Did Lu Man hear about Qiao Luna's schedule and wanted to go against her?!

But even if she was going against her, the Lu Man right now was not Qiao Luna's match at all.

Whether Lu Man was really purposely attacking Qiao Luna, it didn't matter. Her coming to record the same episode and same show as Qiao Luna was her looking for death.

Lu Man probably felt dizzy from her previous wins and really thought that she could challenge anyone.

In some areas, Qiao Luna might not be as good as Lu Man, and the wins Lu Man had had in the past were all because she had the advantage of time, location, and connections. If she had been lacking in anything, Lu Man would have not have been able to win.

But on a variety show, popularity and status were very important.

At least as of now, Qiao Luna's status compared to Lu Man's was a hard-to-overcome difference.

Qiao Luna could not help but smile happily. "That's right, and that's why I'm saying that the heavens are helping me. I did not think that on my first reappearance in the public eye, I'd meet Lu Man. Thankfully, I can use this chance to take revenge and make Lu Man go through what she made me go through!"

Xiao Zhao clapped her hand once. "Sister Luna, I feel that your reemergence this time is really very lucky. You've just returned and you've already met Lu Man. You can step on this kind of small character to get to a higher position, and you can even take the chance to take revenge. You've just reappeared in

the public eye and it's already so smooth-sailing for you. This shows that you will definitely become very popular this time!"

Xiao Zhao's words made Qiao Luna's mood very good.

If one wanted to say that Xiao Zhao was very arrogant and would only manage to gain hate for Qiao Luna from others, why was it that Qiao Luna had not fired her?

Of course it's because Xiao Zhao was good at currying favor with people. She knew how to make Qiao Luna happy and what Qiao Luna wanted to hear.

Every time, she could manage to curry favor with Qiao Luna about the correct things.

And Xiao Zhao's arrogance had a certain range.

People who were not as good as Qiao Luna, she looked down on.

It just so happened that Qiao Luna had that kind of character as well. She got along very well with Xiao Zhao, and so she kept using Xiao Zhao.

"You can go and tell the driver, don't be in a rush to leave. Wait until Lu Man has left first before also leaving," Qiao Luna said.

This was how common people schemes to compete. They felt that if they arrived later, they had a higher standing.

Lu Man and the other two were behind Qiao Luna for a few steps and were not planning on leaving with Qiao Luna either.

He Mengmeng frowned slightly and stared at Qiao Luna's back. She lowered her voice to ask Lu Man, "Lu Man, did you forget that during the time when *Red Tiger* and *Fighting Hero* were airing at the same time, Qiao Luna had insulted you? You still asked her to take care of you, but why on earth would she do that?"

He Mengmeng's lips twitched. "Before this, when we met her in the VIP waiting room at the airport, we saw her arrogant temper. She really doesn't seem like the kind who will take care of people."

Hu Zhonghui chuckled. "You can even think of that, so how can Lu Man not think of that? She's just being polite. If you're too serious, you lose."

"Anyway..." Hu Zhonghui smiled evilly. "Haha, if Qiao Luna really believed what Lu Man said and is looking down on Lu Man, that would be very interesting."

Chapter 926: Really Has Too Many Bad Habits

He Mengmeng also thought about it and instantly felt happy. Nodding, she said, "That's right, that's right."

The three of them reached the hotel doorway, and the driver that Han Zhuoli assigned to Lu Man, Xiao Guo, was already waiting there.

Lu Man was about to officially start taking up activities, and she would have more and more of such jobs in the future.

Because of that, Han Zhuoli had assigned Lu Man a driver.

The driver also had skills and was quite well-trained like Xiao Chen, with the ability to follow people and deal with those following them.

If there was any problem, they could protect Lu Man.

While Lu Man and the other two had taken a plane over, Xiao Guo had driven over earlier.

B City was quite far from Dong Hua. If they had wanted to take the car, it would have taken around six to seven hours for them to arrive. It really would have been too tiring.

“Madam!” Xiao Guo called.

She did not know who Xiao Guo learned it from, insisting on calling Lu Man “Madam.”

Lu Man had said that he did not need to call her like that and that it was fine to just call her by her name, but Xiao Guo had laughed and did not respond, still calling her that the next time.

Lu Man also had no choice but to let him continue doing so.

“Aiya, I did not think that Lu Man also has a car.” Xiao Zhao saw Lu Man and the other two also get in the car.

“She doesn’t have a very high status, but she really is working on her image, acquiring all the necessary things,” Huang Yawen mocked.

Hu Zhonghui took a look from the side mirror of the car and told Lu Man, “Qiao Luna got on the car a very long time ago and has yet to leave. It looks like she’s competing to arrive later than you.”

This sort of thing, He Mengmeng saw often. “She has quite a lot of problems, even caring about these things when recording a show. Is there a need to?”

“That’s right, there’s no need to do it.” Lu Man did not care. “There’s no need to care about this sort of thing, let’s go.”

“Yes,” Xiao Guo responded and drove the car to leave.

After Lu Man left, Qiao Luna let the driver start the car a while later.

When Lu Man reached the television station, she asked around and found *Classic X Files*’s production group.

They were filming today, and the production team was already busy.

The workers were walking around; it was very messy.

Just at that moment, Chi Xingrui walked quickly, giving orders to do work as he walked outwards, almost bumping into Lu Man.

Thankfully, Lu Man avoided it in time and called, "Assistant Director Chi."

Chi Xingrui paused, then looked at Lu Man. He instantly smiled and said, "Aiya, you're here! Good good good, I'll have someone bring you to the dressing room so you can properly prepare."

Chi Xingrui frowned and looked at the time. "It's half an hour to recording, why isn't Qiao Luna here yet? Isn't she going to do makeup?"

Lu Man said, "She should be here soon, I left the hotel at the same time as her."

How smart Chi Xingrui was. He knew as soon as he heard that Qiao Luna must be playing that scheme again to make her seem like a big-shot, which was to arrive later than Lu Man.

These female celebrities, each was more troublesome than the next!

After Chi Xingrui criticized celebrities in his heart, he hurriedly called someone over. "This is Lu Man, the guest for the episode we are filming today. Bring her to the dressing room."

"Then please continue with your work," Lu Man said with a smile, then followed the workers.

Chi Xingrui went to deal with what he had been doing and had just walked two steps when he suddenly stopped and hit his forehead. "I forgot to ask Lu Man about her mystery guest!"

Chi Xingrui looked at the time. He was about to not be able to complete what he needed to do in time and could only put that aside temporarily to deal with his own work first.

Lu Man entered the dressing room. He Mengmeng took out the clothes Lu Man was going to wear for the filming from her bag, and Lu Man went into the changing room in the dressing room to change her clothes first.

It was still a bit cold indoors, and Dong Hua City did not have heaters in the winter. They could only use the aircon's warm air to deal with it, but it was not as warm as having a heater.

Chapter 927: I Can't Make the Decisions for This

Thus, she could only wear a down feather jacket over her clothes.

The makeup artist had done Lu Man's makeup halfway when Qiao Luna arrived, very late.

Lu Man really admired Qiao Luna. Even though she set off right behind her, she managed to delay for so long before entering.

"Why aren't you done with doing the makeup?" Qiao Luna frowned, seeing that the makeup artist was still working on Lu Man.

Xiao Zhao went to hurry the makeup artist. "How long more will it take?"

The makeup artist estimated the time. "There's still about twenty minutes."

She still needed to do Lu Man's hair.

"Wait for a moment, our other makeup artist will be coming instantly." The makeup artist thought that Qiao Luna was in a hurry to do makeup, and so said that.

Yet who knew that Xiao Zhao would wave her hand? "There's no need, we brought our own makeup artist here."

The makeup artist was stunned. Then what was the use of asking how long more it would take?

Xiao Zhao pursed her lips and said unhappily, "Sister Luna is not used to using the same dressing room as others."

The makeup artist laughed in her heart and said on the surface, "I can't make the decisions for this. Why don't you go and ask Assistant Director Chi?"

The emcee of this show did have a personal dressing room, but the emcee was a famous one, the main symbol of this show.

Although he was an emcee, he was an A-lister.

Could Qiao Luna compare?

Could it be that she wanted to take the dressing room of the show's emcee?

The makeup artist's words made Qiao Luna unable to do anything.

She actually wanted to show that she and Lu Man had different statuses, but she did not dare to risk anything with this show.

At least given how she had just reemerged in the public's eye.

And so she chose a seat to sit down on and had the makeup artist she brought do her makeup.

When Lu Man had finished clearing up, Qiao Luna was still being picky about her makeup. "Help me touch up my nose, it doesn't look sharp enough."

At that moment, the mysterious guests whom Qiao Luna invited to assist her came.

One was Li Youjun, who became the nation's boyfriend and got explosively popular through a web drama recently.

Qiao Luna asking him to come was really quite smart.

Although Li Youjun was extremely popular now, it was because of the web drama that had just become popular. Because he had just become famous, his foundation was not strong and he could not be considered to have a large audience base. As to how he will advance and what he'll become in the future, he needed to properly plan for that.

Now that he was popular, the most important thing was exposure and to appear on all kinds of popular variety shows.

Because of that, Qiao Luna sought out Li Youjun, and the matter just happened to meet Li Youjun's needs.

Li Youjun was using the popularity of his web drama, and he was currently the most popular.

His appearance would definitely be a surprise for the audience.

The other guest was a famous actress in the country, Shen Xijun, a strong female who'd acted a lot or could be thought of as a grandma-category type of person.

Those like Shen Xijun cannot be judged based on A-list and B-list anymore. Teacher Shen Xijun, who was almost 50, could only be described as a performance artist.

She was someone who was able to act in all kinds of roles and totally understand the character. She was able to do that yet make it seem very easy to onlookers, not seeming like it took any effort.

Shen Xijun rarely participated in variety shows, and Lu Man could imagine how shocked and happy the audience would be when they saw that it was actually Shen Xijun appearing on the *Classic X Files* stage. At the same time, she was admiring how Qiao Luna could ask Shen Xijun to do it.

Among the current A-list, aside for the few who were the top of the top, there were really no popular actors who could be compared with Shen Xijun.

She did not think that Qiao Luna could actually manage to invite Shen Xijun.

No, it would be more accurate to say that Zhong Hang could invite Shen Xijun for Qiao Luna.

Chapter 928: Too Unreliable

Zhong Hang was really putting in their full effort.

Hence, on Qiao Luna's side was Li Youjun, the new actor who was the nation's boyfriend.

And Shen Xijun, the outstanding performance artist.

Along with Qiao Luna, the representative of the new generation of actors.

It can be said that they managed to totally cover the elderly, the middle-aged, and the young audiences.

It looked like Qiao Luna was really placing a high level of emphasis on this show, and regarding the first challenge since she appeared in the public eye again, she had a lot of ambition.

"Teacher Shen, Youjun." Qiao Luna's makeup was done halfway when she pushed aside the makeup artist and hurriedly stood up to welcome them.

Shen Xijun and Li Youjun did not have much of a relationship with Qiao Luna. It was all Zhong Hang who contacted them for her.

Shen Xijun smiled and explained, "Sorry, I came a bit later. I just passed by the other dressing room on the other side and saw a few people I am familiar with, so I went to chat."

Shen Xijun was referring to the original show's actors whom the show had invited for this episode.

“No worries, it’s still quite early for you to have come,” Qiao Luna said with a smile. “The guests whom Lu Man has invited have yet to come.”

As Qiao Luna said that, she was also curious as to who Lu Man invited.

For them to not come until now, it can’t be that she didn’t invite anyone, right?

That would be really interesting.

“Oh?” Shen Xijun took a look at the time. “So they’re not here yet. They can’t be late, right? It’s about time for the filming already.”

Just as they were saying that, Chi Xingrui hurriedly walked over. He saw that Qiao Luna’s makeup was half-done and was stunned, then said, “Luna, how long more does your makeup need? We still have half an hour before we start filming. The other teachers are already prepared, we can’t let the teachers wait.”

The actor-teachers from the original show whom the show invited were all chatting in the other dressing room.

Because they had not seen each other for many years, it was like they had a lot of words they wanted to say and missed each other too much. They could not stop talking once they started.

Qiao Luna hurriedly said, “I saw Teacher Shen and was so excited that I forgot I was in the middle of doing makeup. I’ll go now, very fast.”

Qiao Luna returned to her seat and had the makeup artist continue doing her makeup for her.

On this side was the younger generation, and Shen Xijun was not familiar with them. She told Chi Xingrui, “I’ll go to the other dressing room to find Lao Zhu and the rest.”

“Ah, okay, please do.” Anyway, they were going to go on stage together in a while. It was alright for her to wait there.

After sending Shen Xijun away, Chi Xingrui looked around the dressing room.

Li Youjun was already sitting in front of the mirror to do makeup.

It was not as complicated doing makeup for guys compared to women, so the makeup artist who was doing makeup for Lu Man before helped do makeup for Li Youjun.

Just putting on a bit of foundation and drawing the eyeliner and eyebrow was enough. All they needed to do then was just to improve the lip color a bit.

Chi Xingrui still felt that something was wrong, like it was lacking a bit.

Suddenly, Chi Xingrui hit his thigh. He remembered. “Lu Man, where are the guests that you found? They aren’t here yet?”

Lu Man looked at the time and said, “There’s one on the road. They just told me that they are arriving soon. The other two will be able to arrive only after we start to film. Anyway, it’s the last event of the show. Their schedules are a bit busy, so they can only rush over for the last part of the show.”

Chi Xingrui frowned. He had yet to say something when Qiao Luna's side finished her makeup. As the makeup artist was helping her curl her hair, she opened her mouth and said, "Who did you ask? So unreliable. How busy are they to be able to rush over only at the last part?"

Xiao Zhao quickly said, "Can they be busier than Teacher Shen Xijun? Teacher Shen Xijun is a performance artist, and she found time to participate in the show. Could the guests you sought out be even more of a big-shot? For them to have such a full schedule?"

Chapter 929: Are You Dumb?

Haha, Xiao Zhao did not believe that the guests Lu Man sought out were big-shots.

She was just Lu Man. Who could she ask?

It must be someone who was not well-known but pretending that their schedule was very full.

Chi Xingrui was also a bit unhappy.

Before this, he felt that Lu Man was quite reliable and was praising her in front of Lu Dongliu. Why did she become so unreliable in a moment?

Her guest had yet to arrive even now. How could they arrange it?!

"Lu Man, are you sure they can come? It's not just you and Qiao Luna today. If it were just the two of you, it would have been fine. Even if they came a bit later, we could have room for discussion and the production team could wait with you," Chi Xingrui said. "But there are a lot of teachers present. We can't make them wait because of your personal problem, right?"

Lu Man believed that Du Lin, Sun Yiwu, and Ji Cheng would definitely be on time.

So she said, "I can promise, they will definitely come on time."

Qiao Luna's hairstyle was also done, and so she stood up and said, "Lu Man, you can speak the truth. Is it that you haven't found anyone yet and you're going to look for someone until the last minute, so you're trying to delay things here?"

Chi Xingrui felt that what Qiao Luna was quite logical.

Qiao Luna then said, "If you haven't found anyone, you can tell us the truth. We can think of a way together. What you're doing is to puff oneself up at one's own cost. Could it be that you want all of us to wait with you? And waste time with you?"

Xiao Zhao muttered by the side in a low voice, "If you can't find anyone, then directly say it! What's the use of pretending?!"

Hu Zhonghui said in a low voice, "Lu Man is talking to Assistant Director Chi, what are you doing, interrupting as an assistant?! Just properly take care of your own celebrity!"

She had long felt that Qiao Luna's assistant was very annoying.

Xiao Zhao looked down on Lu Man, just a lowly celebrity, so even Hu Zhonghui, her manager, she did not treat as an obstacle.

She was about to insult her when she was pulled on by Huang Yawen.

Huang Yawen looked at her coldly, warning her to stop talking.

“Lu Man, whether you found one or not, or whether the guest you found is not that ideal, you better say it out now. It’s no longer a situation concerning just you alone,” Huang Yawen said in a low voice. “The situation is concerning your whole show today. There are so many people coming to participate in our show. Who did you invite as a guest? Can’t you at least tell us about that.”

Chi Xingrui frowned. He felt that there were so many people attacking Lu Man, a little lady, and that that was not very good.

No matter how unsatisfied they were, or what they wanted to criticize, it was not good to do it in front of so many people.

So, Chi Xingrui said, “Lu Man, come out with me for a while.”

Qiao Luna and the others were gloatingly watching Lu Man and Chi Xingrui leave the dressing room.

Chi Xingrui said in a low voice, “Lu Man, what’s going on with you?! I believed you so much, and in the end, you’re causing such trouble for me today! I asked you before, if you can’t find someone, tell me, don’t be scared of being embarrassed! Our production group especially understands you, that you’ve just entered the entertainment industry and don’t have many friends, much less to say guests that can cause a good effect. So everyone already planned it for you. If you can’t find one, we can help you look. This is to ensure that the show can film normally.”

“But what about you? You said that you don’t need our help. Xiao Hu also said that you’ve already found someone. But now, where are they?” Chi Xingrui said. “You need to tell me the truth. Is it that you haven’t found anyone and you’re trying to delay the time?”

Lu Man said helplessly, “Why do you really believe Qiao Luna’s schemes? Am I that fake? Am I dumb or not? If I really have not found someone, it would be exposed sooner or later, so what would be the use of delaying now? I would even be blacklisted by your production group and your television station.”

Chapter 930: Slapping People Again

Chi Xingrui thought about it. Such a thing was really happening.

He had really been muddled by how anxious he was.

“Alright, then. Before this, you refused to tell me which guests you invited, but now you can tell me, right?” Chi Xingrui said in a low voice. “The guests whom Qiao Luna invited have already arrived. They are very well-known, and there’s no time even if you want to switch guests now.”

“Of course I can tell you now,” Lu Man said with a smile. Towards Chi Xingrui’s attitude, she was not annoyed at all.

It was quite understandable.

Chi Xingrui was the assistant director of the show, and he was very worried that something bad would happen. It was normal for him to be anxious.

Furthermore, he was not being rude to her.

“This time, I invited—”

Lu Man was just about to say it when she was interrupted by a voice, “Sister-in-law.”

Chi Xingrui heard it. Why was this voice so familiar?

He turned his head to look.

F*ck. It was Du Lin!

Why did Du Lin come?

The variety shows in their station had not invited him recently.

They wanted to invite him. After all, having him in a variety show was like having an assurance that the variety show would have high viewership ratings!

The episode that had him as a guest would normally have very high viewership ratings.

But Du Lin was really too popular now, and his schedule was especially full. Hence, though their Dong Hua Station’s show wanted to invite him, they could not.

So, why was this busy person here?

Wait!

Did Du Lin call Lu Man “sister-in-law”?

Du Lin was familiar with Lu Man?

Back then, Lu Man had helped Du Lin with his reemergence, and everyone in the public relations industry knew that its success was because of Lu Man.

And there was a portion of people in the entertainment industry who knew, but Chi Xingrui did not take notice of that at that time, and so he did not know about that.

As for Du Lin knowing Lu Man, Chi Xingrui was also very shocked.

He had thought that Lu Man did not know many people in the industry.

He did not think that she would actually know Du Lin.

Chi Xingrui was suddenly stunned. Could it be that Du Lin was the guest whom Lu Man invited?

That would be great!

Before this, Chi Xingrui had very low expectations of the guests that Lu Man was inviting. With Du Lin suddenly appearing, Chi Xingrui was extremely surprised.

“Du Lin!” Chi Xingrui hurriedly called. “You’re the guest Lu Man invited?”

“That’s right,” Du Lin said as he smiled. “So sorry I came a bit late.”

“No, no, you made it on time.” Chi Xingrui let out a breath of relief. As long as there was a guest here, that would be good.

Chi Xingrui finally felt relaxed now and was in the mood to joke with Lu Man. “Lu Man, you are really bad, keeping it a secret for me. It really got me so anxious.”

“There are still—” Lu Man wanted to say there were still two more.

She was just about to say Sun Yiwu and Ji Cheng out, but in the end, Chi Xingrui thought that Du Lin was the guest Lu Man found, and just that one.

He did not listen to Lu Man finish talking and directly said, “It’s good that he arrived, it’s good that he arrived. Let’s go in.”

Lu Man: “...”

Chi Xingrui did not give Lu Man an opportunity to speak anymore and pulled them back into the dressing room.

Chi Xingrui even curiously asked Du Lin, “Why do you call Lu Man ‘sister-in-law’?”

“Although Lu Man’s fiancé is not my actual brother, he is a character who’s like an older brother to me and who takes care of me very well. I call her fiancé ‘older brother,’ so naturally, I call Lu Man ‘sister-in-law,’” Du Lin explained with a smile.

While they were talking, they had already reached the entrance of the dressing room.

Chi Xingrui walked in first, and Qiao Luna found it strange. Chi Xingrui had been so worried just now, it was as if the filming background was on fire. Why was he smiling so brightly now?

Then she saw Lu Man following right behind Chi Xingrui, and then Du Lin, who walked in from behind Lu Man.

Du Lin!

Qiao Luna opened her eyes wide in shock.

Could it be that Lu Man had invited Du Lin?!

Even Huang Yawen and Xiao Zhao were so shocked that they could not speak.