

When Life Takes a Turn – Chapter 0130

Actually, besides just Zayn, everyone at the scene was able to distinguish her as a woman. Furthermore, she did not have an Adam's apple. Plus, her makeup was not done well enough to cover up her feminine charms.

She looked exactly like how the characters in television dramas would cross-dress, but the audience would instantly be able to tell except for herself. Instead, she would think that she had done a very good job, leaving everyone speechless.

However, Zayn was also able to tell that the cross-dressed woman was from a wealthy family. That was because she had two bodyguards amongst the crowd.

Soon, he shifted his gaze from the woman and looked at the painting in her hands. The painting was about a meter long and about half a meter wide. Despite it being abstract art, anyone would be able to notice what kind of hidden meaning the painting had through its distinct colors and patterns. Just one glimpse at it and anyone could tell that it was a masterpiece. .

As everyone knew, there were many famous painters in the past with Picasso being one of the outstanding ones with "Mona Lisa". Therefore, it was a rare sight to be able to see his paintings on the streets. If it were genuine, the price of 460 thousand dollars would be considered a very good deal.

However, many people would begin to suspect if it was genuine at all. If it really was genuine, why would it be sold at a place like that? Would it not be safely kept somewhere instead?

Many people among the crowd had begun to ask this very question, hence the store owner calmly said, "I know you won't believe me. Hmph, did you think you wouldn't be able to see Picasso's work being distributed on the streets? Let me tell you then. This painting that I have is 100% genuine. It was once owned by a good friend of mine, but because his business was failing, he sold me this painting for 400 thousand dollars. I'm now merely trying to sell it for a profit of 60 thousand dollars. I don't suppose that's too much to ask now, is it?"

The slightly plump store owner was donned in a violet suit, but he gave off the aura that he was a professional.

“What do you think, Mr. Smith? Would you like to purchase this painting? If you don’t, I would like to offer this to someone else now.” The store owner took the painting away from “Mr. Smith’s” hands.

“Mr. Smith” remained silent as he began to ponder. ‘I can’t tell whether this is genuine or not, but 460 thousand dollars isn’t actually that expensive. If I were to actually buy a fake, that would be so embarrassing. If I took it back with me, I’d definitely be seen as a laughing stock. I must be careful.’

However, at that moment, a man in a suit with a strange presence walked over. He was a middle-aged man who seemed to be successful. The man then said to the store owner, “Sir, sell me this Picasso’s painting for 460 thousand dollars. You have a deal!”

The store owner had a delighted expression on his face as he said, “You really are magnificent, kind sir. You’re able to buy it for 460 thousand dollars without a single negotiation! You’re much more generous than some other people. In that case, this Picasso’s painting is now yours.”

The middle-aged man was instantly elated as he hurriedly accepted the painting. As he studied the painting in detail, he revealed an ecstatic and infatuated expression on his face as he shouted out “Very good” a few times.

“This really is Picasso’s painting. What a rare gem! How rare a find! Picasso was one of the famous artists for his paintings. Many people only know about Leonardo Da Vinci’s paintings, but not many know that Picasso’s work is actually much better than Leonardo’s! I’ve been searching for genuine art by Picasso for many years now. Never would I have thought that I’d actually find it here. This is such a rare find, such a rare find!”

The middle-aged man was very excited as both his hands trembled uncontrollably. It was very hard for anyone to suspect if he was putting on a show.

If it was not because Zayn was born from a wealthy family and being forced by his parents to study art since he was young, thus allowing him to have profound knowledge about it, he would not have been able to tell that it was a fake painting and that it was all just a scam.

Sure enough, “Mr. Smith”, the woman who cross-dressed as a man, was the first to fall into their trap.

Immediately, she became anxious as she hurriedly said, “Excuse me, sir, I was the one who saw this painting first! So, it’s only natural that you should let me have a say first!”

The store owner frowned and had a calm expression as he said, “Didn’t you not want it anymore? Now that another client has laid his eyes on it, how can you actually stop me from doing business?”

“Of course I want it! Who said I didn’t? “Mr. Smith” hurriedly said, “My old man loves Picasso the most. So, if I buy this back, I’ll definitely be able to make him happy.”

Her words made many people sympathize with her. Clearly, everyone could tell that she was a woman. Only she was still tricked by her own self and thought that she had been very successful in her disguise.

A hint of glee flashed in the store owner’s eyes, but it very quickly turned into an aggrieved one as he frowned. “About that... Why didn’t you tell me sooner? Now that another client has laid his eyes on it, you’re just making things difficult for me!”