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Chapter 761: Looking At The Photos, Tangning Is The Winner

She looked exactly like a person from a painting!

In ancient times, there were a wide variety of hairstyles. Amongst them, the snake bun was one of the most difficult to pull off. But, when applied to Tangning, it did not appear like a burden at all. As she was playing a forgotten concubine, she did not wear any fancy hairpins or accessories, yet she looked noble and elegant. Her yellow dress made her look ethereal and warm. But, her eyes contained a cold and unapproachable aura.

Before Qing Lan had traveled through time, she barely wore warm colored colors. But, because the previous emperor had once told her that yellow made her look ethereal and warm, she fell in love with this particular set of clothes. However, her tragic story began from there. Because, from that moment onwards, the emperor never saw her again. Although he didn't throw her into exile, she was practically a forgotten concubine.

"So beautiful...You're honestly beautiful."

It was at this same time that Qing Lan met the neglected prince Jun Yilan. A forgotten concubine took care of a neglected prince. They were only three years apart in age, but they were practically like mother and son.

The Qing Lan in the past wouldn't have been able to guide Jun Yilan. But, the Qing Lan that traveled through time was exceptionally talented.

To prevent his beloved woman from suffering the same fate as someone who was in exile, Jun Yilan strived to take over the throne.

Tangning's heart ached for the two main characters.

At the same time, she couldn't help but feel relieved. Luckily, she lived in the modern world; in a country that was rich, powerful and free.

"If we release these photos to the public, everyone will go crazy! She's much too beautiful!" the makeup artist sighed.

"What about the male lead?" Tangning couldn't help but ask. "I still don't know who the male lead is. You guys must have done a costume fitting for him too, right?"

"Nope," the staff all shook their heads, "We honestly haven't!"

"Fine, I won't make things difficult for you." Perhaps, the only person on set that knew who the male lead was, was the director.

Tangning cooperated for the next two costume fittings and had photos taken while the photographer cheered in excitement. Tangning did not say a word, she simply smiled. After her work was complete, she returned to the set to watch the supporting characters being filmed.

The director was Chen Feng and his filming quality was naturally flawless. But, apart from this, the entire crew were especially focused. It was clear to see that Mo Ting had put in a lot of effort in a short period of time to find a variety of skilled actors. After all, there was nothing more important than good acting. So, Tangning felt a lot more relaxed.

The mystery behind the male lead became an endless topic of discussion amongst the crew. But, Chen Feng did not explain anything. After all, when the time was right, he knew everything would naturally be revealed.

Soon, 'The Forensic Concubine' released Tangning's photos to the public. In an instant, heated discussions filled the air.

"Quick, look, Tangning's photos have been released. Wow, she definitely doesn't disappoint. She's so beautiful!"

"As a fan of 'The Forensic Concubine', I feel relieved after seeing these photos. I'm especially convinced by Tangning's acting, because even her photos are capable of drawing people in."

"Tangning's acting is all in her eyes. They are especially good at sending precise messages. After seeing these photos, I am extra certain that she is suited to being an actress."

"My Ning is gorgeous!"

Afterwards, someone placed Tangning's photo next to Bai Yu's and began comparing them. This was a normal response as both women were hot topics and they were competitors. So, the public wanted to compare their capabilities.

But, even though Bai Yu's fans previously praised her so highly, when placed beside Tangning, she was suddenly like a mere passerby. In fact, she looked especially old next to her.

"I feel like Bai Yu is acting as Tangning's mother..."

"Haha, I know right. Previously, when I looked at Bai Yu, I thought she looked OK with her thick and stunning makeup. She completely had the powerful presence of 'Concubine Ning'. But, now that she is placed next to Tangning, anyone can point out her flaws."

Bai Yu's fans immediately retaliated.

"The two of them are from different periods, of course you can't compare them."

"Exactly. The headpiece on Tangning's head is heavy enough to squash her to death."

"Tangning looks like a fragile white lotus. She's nothing like our domineering Bai Yu."

Seeing this, 'The Forensic Concubine' released photos of Tangning in her empress dowager costume. Now, the two women were on the same level, the fans had nothing else to say. Because, even when Bai Yu's costume and makeup changed to another stage in life, her gaze was still the same. On the other hand, Tangning was different. As a forgotten concubine, she looked cold and miserable, but as an empress dowager, she appeared powerful but helpless. She said it all in her gaze.

"Simply looking at the photos, Tangning is the winner."

“I’ve always felt that Tangning was born with the gift of acting because she has a good level of understanding. Although other people can be trained, they can’t compare to her.”

“Look at the way that Bai Yu’s fans over-exaggerate with their praises and end up slapping each other in the face. It sure is an eye-opener.”

“I’m looking forward to ‘The Forensic Concubine’. I’m really anticipating it...”

“Although I already know the story, I can’t wait to see Tangning act it out. It will definitely be fun to watch.”

“Although the male lead is a bit of a shame, I still hope to see photos of them together.”

“Exactly...”

The public’s reaction was due to the assumption that Huangfu Shuo was the male lead. But, even after Tangning had been on set for a few days, no one had heard anything about the male lead even though Tangning and Huangfu Shuo had already met. In reality, Huangfu Shuo liked being around people, whereas Tangning preferred peace and quiet. The two merely tolerated each other, but they didn’t have much to chat about because their personalities were too different.

Huangfu Shuo was like the life of the set. Whenever he heard other’s gossip, he would play along with them, “Yes, I’m the male lead. Who else would suit the role better than me? You guys keep talking about the male lead all day. Am I not handsome enough?”

In reality, ‘The Forensic Concubine’ had no intention of revealing their male lead; it was a part of their plan.

“Yu Jie, it seems like this is all the other production has. After all, the male lead isn’t very favorable,” Bai Yu’s assistant comforted her. “They’ve already thrown their ultimate move. Let’s see what else they can do in future to attract attention.”

Perhaps, the only flaw with ‘The Forensic Concubine’ was the fact that Huangfu Shuo wasn’t suitable for the male lead. However, at this time, a fan suddenly questioned on the drama’s official website, “The website still hasn’t officially announced their male lead. It’s still a surprise. I’m going to anticipate the day when the mystery is revealed.”

Huangfu Shuo had manipulated the public for so long because he wanted to divert Bai Yu’s attention. So, now that filming had commenced, he could finally clarify everything.

As a result, the public were shocked.

“It turns out, Huangfu Shuo isn’t the male lead!”

“So he’s not the male lead. Haha, I found myself subconsciously breathing a sigh of relief.”

“In that case, who could it be? I’m really looking forward to finding out!”

Chapter 762: The True Jun Yilan !

Although Tangning wanted to know who the male lead was, she did not show it on her face. She knew, when they finally had scenes together, they'd eventually meet. So, it was only a matter of time.

Because Tangning had no manager and assistant by her side, the crew took extra care of her. In fact, some members of staff didn't quite understand what she was thinking.

"Look at you. You're so famous and can have everything you want, why don't you find yourself an assistant? If you look at other big shots, they always have 2 assistants and 4 bodyguards by their side; this has already become the norm. Yet, you're still doing everything on your own."

The auntie that delivered lunch to the set noticed that no one ever came to collect Tangning's lunch for her, so she personally brought it to Tangning.

As Tangning ate, she felt very warm inside.

"I think I'm fine on my own. I don't have anything that requires special care. Auntie, you're a good person."

"Haiz, it's hard to come across a steadfast person like you. Eat more."

It's not that Tangning didn't need an assistant. But, because of the incident with Song Xin, she no longer thought it was necessary to have one. Especially after giving birth to twins, she no longer felt like a person had any need for special care.

Tangning smiled and accepted the auntie's kindness. But, a moment later, a surprised shriek could be heard coming from the set, "I heard the male lead appeared on set! The male lead is here!"

"Did you see who it was?"

"I only heard about it. Won't we end up seeing him in the afternoon?"

Indeed, in the afternoon, Tangning and the male lead would be filming a scene together. Tangning refused to believe that he wouldn't be showing up.

"Oh God, I can't wait!"

After lunch, Tangning sat on set reading her script; the scene that afternoon would be quite important. Firstly she would be filming with the secondary male. Afterwards, she would film a scene with the male lead which almost results in a break in their relationship. So, she needed to have 100% focus.

This scene was also the first scene between herself and Huangfu Shuo. She was actually quite excited. Even though Huangfu Shuo defied convention, his acting ability could not be ignored.

So, not long after, Tangning and Huangfu Shuo began their first scene together.

Huangfu Shuo's character was one that stuck by the female lead's side. While everyone assumed that he was a eunuch, he was actually a prince from another kingdom who had been undercover beside the female lead for many years. This man's feelings towards the female lead were complex and everchanging. But, of course, he simply appeared like a cheery person in front of everyone.

As his character's personality was similar to how he was in real life, Huangfu Shuo was extremely relaxed and his interaction with Tangning was very entertaining. The two actors only made two mistakes before

they completed the scene successfully. Afterwards, it was time for Tangning and the male lead's scene. After hearing that the male lead was already on set, Huangfu Shuo joked in a shameless way, "I refuse to believe that there is another actor on set who is better at acting and more handsome than me."

But, at this time...

...a dark figure appeared from the change room. He was tall and incomparable!

"Oh God!"

"Look, look!"

"Oh my God..."

Every single person that saw Mo Ting couldn't help but feel excited; almost losing control of their emotions.

On one side of the set, Huangfu Shuo was talking his head off, making everyone smile and laugh. But, on the other side, everyone that saw Mo Ting walk past, felt their minds explode in shock.

"I'm the most handsome. I refuse to believe that the male lead would be better looking than I am!"

At this time, Mo Ting appeared from behind him.

The two men were very different in height. As everyone looked at them, they covered their mouths in shock. Meanwhile, Tangning was so stunned that she threw her script to the side. Even though she had guessed that the male lead was Mo Ting, she had never seen him in clothes like this.

He was indeed born with a king-like presence. From the looks of it, Huangfu Shuo definitely looked like a supporting character.

"Am...Am I seeing things? Is that President Mo?"

The staff member next to Tangning shook her arm and asked, "Is he alive and real?"

"Yes," Tangning regained her composure and nodded her head at the staff member.

"I've never seen a man look so good in ancient attire. I feel so lucky. I'm about to faint."

"Oh! President Mo has arrived to work with his wife!"

"This is the true Jun Yilan. No one is more suited to this character than him."

Seeing everyone was in a craze, Huangfu Shuo turned around to leave. But, he was frightened by Mo Ting who was standing behind him. Huangfu Shuo could not deny that Mo Ting was the emperor; the emperor that hated the world – Jun Yilan.

"What a surprise, Tangning. Did you already know about this?"

"I am in the same position as you guys. I only found out now," Tangning replied to the staff.

"In that case, is mother pleased with this result?" Mo Ting said in a similar tone to his character in the script.

“I tried so hard to test you, but your lips were sealed. Did you do that to create this moment?” Tangning couldn’t help but glare at him. “Even if you didn’t hide, you would have still surprised me. After all, I’ve never imagined that you’d look so dazzling in these clothes.”

“What are your thoughts guys? President Mo may look dazzling, but, what about his acting? We only know that he can create scripts, but he can’t act, can he?”

“I don’t care if he can act or not. As long as he joins the cast, even if he has to stand there and say nothing, I would still be satisfied.”

The staff once again erupted in discussions. At the same time, Huangfu Shuo, tried to show off his identity as an elder by saying to Mo Ting, “After you put on your costume, you and I will become colleagues. I don’t think you are a gangster boss, right? Nor is it likely that you’ve ever acted before.. Since you have no experience, do you want me to teach you?”

Mo Ting was dressed in a black robe. His appearance was imposing, unlike a normal human. But, everyone was worried about his acting.

Although he was the President of Hai Rui and the investor behind this drama...

...it didn’t mean that he could act.

If his acting turned out horrible, what would they do?

Mo Ting lowered his head and questioned Huangfu Shuo, “How do you plan to teach me?”

Tangning giggled because of this. Afterwards, she lowered her head and returned her focus to her script. After all, the scene coming up was quite important.

The eunuch played by Huangfu Shuo was discovered by Jun Yilan, so without consulting Qing Lan, he directly replaced the helpers by her side. Although Tangning knew that the eunuch had ulterior motives, she disliked Jun Yilan’s methods. After all, she was his mother.

As a result, the couple got into a huge fight. At first, Jun Yilan respected Qing Lan because she was his ‘mother’. But, stressed and angry, he immediately grabbed onto Qing Lan’s neck and asked if she had a heart.

This scene required explosive power and strong emotions...

Even for an actor like Huangfu Shuo, it was difficult to complete the scene, let alone someone like Mo Ting.

Mo Ting was like a mystery. He didn’t know anything, yet he chose to be the male lead.

But, most importantly, Director Chen Feng actually agreed with him?

Had he gone crazy from wanting to win against their competitor? If they couldn’t find a male lead, they could have given it to him. Was it necessary to use someone that knew nothing?

Chapter 763: President Mo, Is Everything Alright ?

“Even if someone is to teach him, that someone would be Tangning. Did you think that Tangning’s acting isn’t as good as yours?” the staff whispered into Huangfu Shuo’s ear.

Huangfu Shuo froze for a moment and cleared his throat to get rid of the awkwardness.

“President Mo, is everything alright?” Director Chen Feng approached Mo Ting personally to check on him.

Mo Ting gently shook his head and reassured the director with this small gesture.

As mentioned previously, Mo Ting had suffered a lot when he first took over Hai Rui. But, to prevent himself from being used by others, he personally experienced everything within the industry himself. Whether it was singing or acting, he forced himself to learn about it and to get used to it. Because he understood, as long as he had things under control, he wouldn’t need to ask others for help.

“OK, get ready. It’s time to start filming!” Chen Feng returned to the camera and reminded Tangning, “Tangning, take notice of any changes in your emotions.”

Tangning looked at Mo Ting before she nodded at the director. The first scene was of the moment that Jun Yilan noticed Tangning’s character getting excited over some interesting knick knacks that the eunuch had brought from the outside world. However, she had never smiled like that in front of Jun Yilan. So, he was angry.

The camera first showed Qing Lan facing Jun Yilan side ways. After zooming in for a close-up of Qing Lan, it would then focus on Jun Yilan.

“Can President Mo really do it?”

“I’m nervous...I think I’m more nervous than President Mo.”

“President Mo’s not an actor. When he’s quiet, he is like an ethereal being. I hope he doesn’t destroy himself with his actions.”

Before the set was cleared, the remaining members of staff placed their gaze upon Mo Ting. They were afraid that he wouldn’t be able to act and would be a disappointment.

In reality, they didn’t have high expectations. Some of them even covered their eyes, afraid that the scene awaiting them would be terrible.

As soon as the clapperboard clapped down, Tangning could be seen sitting on a carved wooden bench and giggling as she flipped through a picture album. At this time, Jun Yilan stepped in and saw the joy on her face, so he said, “I’ve never seen you laugh like this. This is the first time.”

Qing Lan lifted her head. As soon as she saw Jun Yilan, she quickly hid the album behind her back in surprise.

Jun Yilan flicked back his robe and sat down on the wooden bench. His gaze and tone of voice contained a sense of disappointment. That’s right, it was disappointment. He then lowered his head and tried to suppress his emotions before he transformed back into the Jun Yilan that Qing Lan knew. However, as he spoke, his voice sounded a little dull.

“I thought, over the years, after depending on each other for so long, you would not feel like you had to hide anything around me. But, in the end, I was simply faced with disappointment. Do I make you so unhappy?”

Qing Lan looked a little sad, but she held back her emotions and replied, “If you don’t have anything else, please leave. I am tired.”

After speaking, Qing Lan stood up from the bench. However, just as she took one step, Jun Yilan grabbed onto her wrist, pulled her back and pressed her against the carved wooden door. The two looked at each other. The fire in Jun Yilan’s eyes looked ready to explode; he looked cold and in pain, yet angry and helpless. The complicated emotions made him confused as to what to do.

So, his hands trembled.

“I told you to be careful of the eunuch.”

“You’re my son. You should be calling me mother!”

“You don’t believe me?” Jun Yilan asked as he gripped onto Qing Lan’s neck.

“Jun Yilan, don’t forget our identities. I am your mother. I can use whomever I want. It is my business. You have no right telling me what to do.”

“But, what to do? I’ve already replaced the eunuch. From today onwards, he will no longer appear in Tai Chen Palace!”

Qing Lan’s face turned red as veins began to show in her eyes. Soon, tears began to flow down her cheek, past her jaw, eventually landing on Jun Yilan’s right hand.

But, she had a stubbornness in her eyes, “Bring him back!”

Hearing this, Jun Yilan loosened his grip on Qing Lan’s neck and looked at her with ridicule, “I forgot, mother has no intention to hurt me over an outsider.” After speaking, he retreated a few steps and left without looking back.

Qing Lan leaned against the door as her soft sobs turned into a painful cry.

“Cut!” Director Chen Feng yelled, before he stood up and exclaimed, “That was great! I never knew President Mo had such a hidden talent. Most importantly, I can’t believe the two of you completed the scene in one take.”

Everyone on set were stunned...

What just happened?

When did the scene end?

Everyone held their breaths. The way that Mo Ting strangled Tangning made them feel like they had been strangled. It was much too realistic.

“Jun Yilan is deeply in love...”

“Oh...Qing Lan has it really tough. She has to control her emotions while dealing with Jun Yilan’s tenderness. It’s so heartbreaking...”

“Wait a minute, what did I just see? Mo Ting is amazing! No one has ever said that President Mo can act.”

“He can do everything. Does he still want the rest of us to live?”

Chen Feng looked at the confused expression on everyone’s faces and explained to them, “President Mo wasn’t born with this talent. He had gone through training when he first took over Hai Rui.”

“How come no one knew about it?”

“I think even Tangning wasn’t aware of this.”

Mo Ting actually knew how to act. In fact, his acting was unfathomable!

As soon as everyone found out about this, they were filled with excitement. This world was too amazing. How could a man be this perfect?

After stepping off the set, Mo Ting returned to his usual cold self, dressed in a tidy suit with a serious expression on his face. But, when he was in his costume, he immediately became Jun Yilan.

“Did you still want to teach President Mo how to act? With President Mo’s smooth acting, your skills are just like child’s play!”

Huangfu Shuo scoffed and turned around with his arms crossed, “When a man is too perfect, they become boring!”

A capable actor was capable of leading the other actors they worked with, especially those that participated in the same scene.

Tangning had already gotten used to controlling her emotions. But, just a moment ago, when she was filming with Mo Ting, she truly forgot she was Tangning. Her every response was a reaction to Mo Ting’s response.

So, she couldn’t imagine the level of Mo Ting’s acting.

This man deserved a beating. How could he say that he couldn’t act when they were at home?

“So, President Mo, can you explain what this is all about? Didn’t you say that you couldn’t act?” Tangning asked as she lifted an eyebrow.

Chapter 764: Strongly Request For The Crew To Announce The Name Of The Male Lead

“I honestly can’t act. Jun Yilan is the one that can,” Mo Ting smiled gently.

As for the reason why the couple managed to film the scene in one take? It was because Mo Ting had helped Tangning rehearse while the drama was still going through its preparation stage.

“I’m going to make you pay when we get home!” Tangning said in a dissatisfied tone.

Mo Ting simply replied with a loving smile.

“Haha, this time we will definitely win against the other drama!” the staff were extra excited.

As Mo Ting was now a part of the cast, everyone was experiencing an emotional high and were exceptionally excited. When the other cast members finished filming their parts, they stuck around to watch Tangning and Mo Ting act.

The feeling created by watching two formidable forces up against each other, let everyone learn the art of acting as well as experience the feeling of heartbreak.

They were like viewers behind a television screen. When they witnessed sweet scenes between Tangning and Mo Ting, they would laugh like crazy. But, when they filmed heartbreaking scenes, they would find themselves crying tears of sadness.

“Oh God, I can’t wait for the edited version.”

“But the other drama has already been completed halfway.”

“Who cares about them? They started way ahead of us. With our rate of progression, I’m sure we will catch up very soon.”

“Watching Tangning and Mo Ting acting together is so satisfying.”

Of course, all this happened on the set of the drama because everything was kept confidential and nothing was leaked to the public. Whenever Mo Ting had no scenes to film, he would appear at Hai Rui and appear in front of the public like he had no involvement with filming. But, in reality, he quite enjoyed acting with Tangning. ‘The Forensic Concubine’ was quite enjoyable because the love and hate between Jun Yilan and Qing Lan made the drama feel complete.

During this time, there was endless news about ‘Concubine Ning’.

Bai Yu couldn’t find any information on ‘The Forensic Concubine’, so she couldn’t eat nor sleep.

Her photo had already lost to Tangning, she wasn’t going to lose in anything else.

So, she hired a professional paparazzi and instructed him to sneak into the filming studio to find out who the male lead of ‘The Forensic Concubine’ was. But, unbeknownst to them, the crew of ‘The Forensic Concubine’ were carefully selected and had gone through specific training. So, when someone came to get information, one of the staff simply smiled and replied, “We hired a new actor who has never acted before.”

“Are you sure?”

“Of course. You don’t believe me? Everyone on set knows this.”

The paparazzi returned to Bai Yu with the information he had gathered and Bai Yu slammed her hands on the table in response, “That’s great! Mo Ting is indeed tricky. He was afraid that the public would disagree with him hiring a rookie, so he kept the entire filming under wraps, forcing the public to accept it after filming is complete.”

They did indeed hire a new actor and he had indeed never filmed anything before...

But...

...Bai Yu did not suspect that anything was weird.

Soon, the rumor that 'The Forensic Concubine' had hired a rookie and was too afraid to reveal it to the public, was leaked to the outside world. This, of course, attracted objection from fans of the novel. They loved the character of Jun Yilan too deeply, so there was no way they'd let it be ruined.

"If it's an actor with no experience – we refuse to watch it!"

"Exactly! Our Jun Yilan is a pitiful yet powerful man. I don't want someone to end up portraying him like a stupid and sweet boy."

"I refuse! I refuse! I strongly request for the crew to announce the name of the male lead."

"Such a small scheme was enough to put 'The Forensic Concubine' into a crisis. What a joke! These fans have no brains," Bai Yu scoffed after seeing the comments left on 'The Forensic Concubine' website.

"This President Mo is quite stupid. Even if he had no choice, he shouldn't have gone with this option."

"Yu Jie is smart for throwing the other crew into a crisis."

But, it wasn't that they didn't want to announce the male lead. They were afraid that if they announced it, they'd shock everyone to death!

So, even with everything that was happening, 'The Forensic Concubine' took on the pressures and continued to film into the night.

But, because of provocation from Bai Yu, Hai Rui's PR became extremely passive. So, news quickly spread on set that the situation had escalated to a point where fans were attacking the author, Tang Xiao.

Mo Ting immediately gave Fang Yu a phone call, "Settle the fans."

After Huangfu Shuo heard that the incident definitely had something to do with Bai Yu, his entire body boiled in anger. It was bad enough that she was pretentious, she even tried to hurt others. He really wanted to tear off her mask.

Meanwhile, Fang Yu had not contacted the fans of the novel yet. After all, he had nothing to subdue them with and even if he did, every fan had a different ideal for Jun Yilan. His only choice was to reveal the truth, otherwise, it was too difficult to make them settle down.

But, if he really couldn't subdue a few simple fans, then he wasn't Fang Yu.

So, he did not personally mention the male lead. Instead, he indirectly used Tang Xiao to talk to the fans, "'The Forensic Concubine' has suffered many obstacles. Due to manipulation from a particular person, every single male lead candidate ended up rejecting the role. Because of this, I had already suffered a setback. But, I never expected that my fans would also become my enemy's weapon."

"I have faith in Hai Rui and the production. So, why can't you guys have faith in me?"

"I created Jun Yilan, one word at a time. Don't you think that I'd care about him more than you? Since it's an actor that even I acknowledge, then it must mean the truth is unlike the rumors. As my fans, have

you not considered my situation? By causing a commotion, how do you expect me to react? After all that you've done, who do you think is the final benefactor?"

"I offered this script without accepting any money for it. So, don't you dare say that I got paid out."

"Also, Tangning accepted this role as a friend. We simply want to bring 'The Forensic Concubine' to life. I never expected my fans to end up opposing me."

"Shouldn't you know who my true opposition is?"

It was the crew of 'Concubine Ning'!

After Tang Xiao's reminder, most of the fans finally came to their senses and realized that they shouldn't allow themselves to be used. Hai Rui definitely had a reason for their actions. Plus, knowing that everyone was putting so much effort into producing the drama, they realized that they shouldn't act as obstructions if they were truly fans.

"When the time is right, Hai Rui will naturally announce the male lead. I can make a small revelation: he is better than the male lead in our opposition's drama and is even better than the two previous candidates. If the result is not according to what I've said, I will immediately withdraw from the webnovel industry and never write again!"

With Tang Xiao's guarantee, the fans immediately regained their confidence in the drama.

In fact, they began to ridicule the opposing drama, "The oppositions sure are evil and shameless. They even tried to drive a wedge between the production and its fans."

"Isn't this because my forensic concubine made them nervous? So, they did something so disgusting and shameless."

"Forget about it. I have faith in the drama. Since Xiaoxiao said that the male lead is his dream man, then he must be perfect..."

Chapter 765: Doesn't It Make You More Attracted To Me ?

Over the next few days, 'The Best Ex-girlfriend' ended up holding a celebration for the completion of their filming. Throughout the entire filming process, Chen Xingyan's change left the deepest impression on the director. After an entire film's worth of training, she was now a lot more natural in front of the cameras; she did not disappoint as Mo Ting's sister. It was as if her fate was destined to be tied to the entertainment industry because her ability to adapt to different situations was not something the average person could compare to.

"Xingyan, keep up the good work. Continue with your current attitude. Since your whole family is involved with the entertainment industry and you are working in it, you should make a name for yourself. That way you won't humiliate your brother. Plus, you have a great manager that you should appreciate..."

During the celebration, Director Wang drank a little too much, so he spoke a lot more than usual. However, his words were extremely sincere and moved Chen Xingyan.

After the celebration, An Zihao leaned over and whispered in Chen Xingyan's ear, "Let's go. We should go home to get some rest."

Chen Xingyan quickly bid farewell to the crew and left the hotel with An Zihao. However, as soon as she stepped off the lift, she noticed a familiar figure at the reception desk. Even though the woman had a face mask on, Chen Xingyan had clashed with her so many times that it was impossible for her not to recognize her. It was Bai Linlin, and next to her was a man.

"I was wondering why Bai Linlin hasn't been causing trouble lately. It turns out, she's in a relationship."

"Is that Bai Linlin?" An Zihao looked at the couple in detail.

"I'm certain."

"But, if I'm correct, that man is Bai Yu's husband," An Zihao raised his eyebrows at Chen Xingyan.

"Are you saying...?" Chen Xingyan covered her mouth, "Are you saying that Bai Linlin is having an affair with Bai Yu's husband?"

"Looking at their sneaky expressions and how intimate they are, I'm afraid that may be the case."

"Isn't that too ridiculous? Why don't we follow them and take some photos? Hasn't Bai Yu been bothering Ning Jie a lot lately? If news of this gets out..." Chen Xingyan immediately tried to follow the couple, but An Zihao stopped her.

"Silly, there are security cameras...Go home and get some rest. I'll handle this matter."

"Awww...but, it's so exciting," Chen Xingyan couldn't hide her excitement.

An Zihao looked at her in a helplessly dotting way. After escorting her to the car, he made her wait half an hour before they returned home. As soon as they walked in through the front door, Chen Xingyan immediately pounced upon An Zihao and wrapped her arms around his neck, "Did you get the evidence?"

"What do you think?" An Zihao asked as he pinched her on the bottom.

"Why don't we do something exciting too?"

An Zihao knew what she was thinking, so he immediately rejected her, "You're still young..."

"I'm already 20-years-old..."

"Go get some rest. I'm going to speak to Tangning about what to do with the security footage of Bai Linlin cheating with her brother-in-law."

"Fine, you have serious matters to tend to. Bai Yu is going to suffer..." After speaking, Chen Xingyan slid off An Zihao's body.

An Zihao patted her on the head as a bitter smile appeared on his face. This woman didn't seem to understand the dangers of rubbing against his body. Worst of all, he was finding it more and more difficult to control himself. If he could no longer endure one day and actually slept with her, what would he do?

An Zihao sighed and turned around to return to his study room. He then gave Tangning a phone call. But, the person to pick up was Mo Ting.

“Errr...I didn’t mean to call Tangning so late at night, but there’s something that I really want to share with her.”

“Uh huh, I guess you’re a qualified girlfriend of hers,” Mo Ting said as he raised an eyebrow.

An Zihao held his head helplessly. Although he didn’t want to admit that he was like a woman in Mo Ting’s mind, in front of Mo Ting, he had to admit defeat.

“Keke, well...Xingyan and I attended a celebration dinner today. But, we ran into Bai Linlin and Bai Yu’s husband having an affair at the hotel. Due to the fact that Bai Yu has been clinging to Tangning, I thought this information would be of use to you guys. So, I went to the security office and secured a copy of the surveillance footage.”

“You don’t need to make a phone call about something like this,” Mo Ting said coldly.

An Zihao could have said that he had things to tell Tangning that he didn’t want Mo Ting to know about. But he didn’t.

Above all, it wasn’t his responsibility to catch the adulterous couple. Couldn’t Mo Ting at least be thankful?

If this was in the past, he would have questioned Mo Ting. But now, due to guilt, he could only stare at Mo Ting and let him be right.

“What did Zihao say?” Tangning was actually standing by Mo Ting’s side feeding the babies.

“He discovered Bai Linlin having an affair with Bai Yu’s husband,” Mo Ting said as he put down his phone.

Tangning was a little stunned but quickly accepted it, “It doesn’t really come as a surprise. Bai Linlin is young and beautiful, whereas Bai Yu is ambitious and ruthless. Any man would go for the first option.”

“I wouldn’t,” Mo Ting looked at Tangning seriously. “My every choice is you.”

Recently, Tangning discovered that she had turned into Mo Ting’s fangirl. She had become a lot more obsessed with this man. Everytime she discovered something new about him, she would wonder if there was anything that he couldn’t do.

After putting down her babies, Tangning tugged on Mo Ting’s shirt and pulled him closer to her, “I still have a debt to collect.”

Mo Ting smiled as he followed Tangning into their bedroom.

“How many other things have you not told me?” Tangning asked as she pressed Mo Ting against the wall. “After marrying you for so long, I’ve realized that there is still so much to discover about you. Mr. Mo, you sure know how to surprise and delight me.”

“Doesn’t it make you more attracted to me?” Mo Ting asked with a smile. “But that can’t be right Mrs Mo, I feel like the thing that attracts you the most about me is something else...”

“You...” Before Tangning could finish talking, Mo Ting lifted her in his arms and carried her to the bed.

“Mrs Mo, I can’t hear a word you’re saying at the moment. All I can think about...is having you.”

Throughout their day of filming, especially when they acted alongside each other, the majority of their scenes were heartbreaking. It was a combination of love and hate; of being in love, but not being able to be together. Everytime she experienced scenes like this, Tangning would reflect on herself and be even more grateful for the man before her and their family.

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‘The Forensic Concubine’ ended up filming for a good few months and remained under wraps the entire time. At this point, there were still a few big scenes that had not been filmed yet.

Perhaps to speed up the progress, after causing trouble between Hai Rui and fans of the novel, Bai Yu went under the radar for a while and placed her focus on ‘Concubine Ning’. Actually, when it came to acting, she really wasn’t bad. However, she acted kind while playing vicious tricks, which was much too disgusting.

After An Zihao handed the evidence of Bai Linlin cheating with Bai Yu’s husband to Mo Ting, Mo Ting was in no rush to put it to use. After all, President Mo had always been black-bellied. He knew that good things should be used where they made the biggest impact because that was the most effective way to utilize a resource.

Before anyone knew it, the time of year with the most award ceremonies came around again.

As ‘Concubine Ning’ reached its completion, Bai Yu began to attend many promotional events. Of course, she continued to appear in front of everyone with her fake smile and spoke words of fake kindness. But, everytime she went out at night, ‘someone’ would help her ‘take good care’ of her husband.

Chapter 766: Prepared To Announce The Male Lead !

“‘Concubine Ning’ is scheduled for the 15th of the new year. Their aim is to be released before ‘The Forensic Concubine’. Whenever two ancient dramas are released around the same time, the one to be released first always holds the advantage. Firstly, viewers always favor whoever comes first. Secondly, when two similar things follow each other, the viewer will easily get bored. Moreover, ‘Concubine Ning’ has secured a place on the best channel and is due to be broadcast during primetime. This is definitely not beneficial for us.”

During a meeting at Hai Rui, an executive in charge of operations began to voice his opinion.

“Bai Yu has always had a good relationship with the public and her image has been well-maintained. Even though she previously had a falling out with us, when we look at the bigger picture, the crew of ‘Concubine Ning’ has kept everything under control.”

“Most importantly, we have yet to reveal our male lead. After the first round of promotions, the anticipation for ‘Concubine Ning’ has doubled in comparison to us.”

“President Mo, ‘The Forensic Concubine’ hasn’t finished filming yet. What should we do? Are we going to vie for a vacation release instead? If that’s the case, we will miss out on this year’s Fei Tian Awards.”

“Who said that we will have a later release date than ‘Concubine Ning’?” Mo Ting asked the people in the room. “‘Concubine Ning’ has indeed secured a place on the best channel during primetime, but they are merely occupying the weekday time slots. What about Saturday and Sunday?”

“Weekends are ruled by variety shows...”

“What about after the variety shows are over?”

“Is President Mo trying to say that we will take the weekend time slot?”

Mo Ting was going to let ‘Concubine Ning’ promote in whatever way they wanted. After all, he had plenty of explosive information in his hands. If he was to reveal it, ‘Concubine Ning’ would become nothing. Most importantly, he had evidence that Bai Linlin was cheating with Bai Yu’s husband. But the thing was, since Bai Yu was the victim, he couldn’t reveal it to the public; he had to deal with it in private. Because, he knew that if he was to reveal it to the public, Bai Yu would end up gaining sympathy.

It was during this decisive stage that something big happened to the crew of ‘The Forensic Concubine’.

Due to the weather and the negligence of the production crew, Director Chen Feng ended up getting into an accident during filming and was sent directly to the hospital.

Soon, news of this was leaked and a variety of speculations began to form.

“I heard that Director Chen Feng fell off a cliff and died...”

“I heard that the location where ‘The Forensic Concubine’ was filmed is cursed. There have already been multiple deaths there.”

“Oh no, how unlucky...”

“I also heard that when Director Chen Feng died, his head was separated from his body. How terrifying!”

Regardless of the rumors, one thing was for sure: ‘The Forensic Concubine’ would need to be suspended and its progress delayed.

Actually, regarding a matter like this, all Hai Rui had to do was step forward and clarify the situation and the truth would be revealed. But, the distressing thing was, Director Chen Feng’s legs were currently not very convenient to do so.

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“Even God is on my side,” Bai Yu sneered after reading the news. “Let’s see how long this tattered crew can hold on.”

“There’s actually no need to be worried, Yu Jie. The ratings will eventually prove who the real winner is,” her assistant comforted.

“In that case, help me keep a close eye on the competition. ‘Concubine Ning’ is almost due for release, I don’t want any accidents to happen,” Bai Yu instructed coldly.

As Tangning was aware of the history between Bai Yu and Huangfu Shuo, she decided to tell him that Bai Linlin and Bai Yu’s husband were having an affair to help him relieve his anger. But, after Huangfu Shuo finished listening to Tangning, he did not feel as satisfied as he would have before. It wasn’t because he didn’t hate Bai Yu, it was because he understood one thing: no matter how badly Bai Yu treated him in the past, he had to control himself. He knew that everything Bai Yu owed him would eventually be returned.

Due to the accident on the set of ‘The Forensic Concubine’, Mo Ting gave the entire crew a break. During this time, Huangfu Shuo came across Bai Yu at a hotel. As he looked at her husband standing beside her, he couldn’t help but feel a sense of ridicule.

This was no accident. He had deliberately appeared at this hotel after finding out her whereabouts.

As usual, Bai Yu acted like she owned the world. So, as soon as she spotted Huangfu Shuo, she immediately stood in his path and prevented him from leaving, “I don’t think I’ve introduced you to my husband, have I?”

“I don’t think it’s necessary. I have become quite familiar with him lately,” Huangfu Shuo said with a deeper meaning.

“Since you’re familiar with him, then you should know that I’m not someone you should offend,” Bai Yu warned beside Huangfu Shuo’s ear.

Huangfu Shuo felt Bai Yu was pitiful, but he did not think that she deserved sympathy.

“By the way, I heard that your crew has suspended filming. Poor things. You guys previously struggled to find a male lead, and this time, your director was injured. Your production has had its fair share of difficulties,” Bai Yu’s gaze contained a sense of joy. For some reason, underneath the neon lighting, she suddenly felt like a stranger, “Did you know that ‘Concubine Ning’ will be broadcasting after the new year? I hope you can contribute to the viewership ratings...”

“As for when your drama will make an appearance in front of the viewers, I can only wish you the best of luck!”

Huangfu Shuo crossed his arms as he faced Bai Yu’s provocation and smiled, “Aren’t you tired of putting on a mask in front of people?”

“Who told me to be an actress?”

“Bai Yu, I specifically came here to see what a joke you are. Sooner or later, you are going to discover that you are a stupid b*tch.” After speaking, Huangfu Shuo pressed the lift button and disappeared from the couple’s sight.

Bai Yu looked in the direction that Huangfu Shuo left and laughed in ridicule, “He’s already reached this stage, yet he’s trying to put up a front.”

But, unfortunately for Bai Yu, Huangfu Shuo wasn’t putting up a front. ‘The Forensic Concubine’ simply hadn’t announced their intention.

Although they hadn't completed their filming, it wasn't going to affect their broadcast. It was a weekend drama; there could always be a season one and season two. How was this considered as facing difficulties?

Huangfu Shuo felt like he had a responsibility to tear off Bai Yu's mask in front of the public because it hurt his conscience. But, he was going to wait until after 'The Forensic Concubine' began broadcasting.

As for the affair between her sister and her husband. It would leave a deeper impression if she discovered it herself...

Bai Yu simply felt that Huangfu Shuo and Tangning were the same: they both knew how to put on an act and were disgusting. So, during her next promotional event, she displayed her sympathy towards 'The Forensic Concubine'. She deliberately mentioned another drama as if she was generously sharing her popularity with them.

A little while later, Hai Rui updated the public on Director Chen Feng's condition and clarified all the previous rumors.

Apart from this, they also appeared ready to make a big move.

They were prepared to announce the male lead!

"At this point, it doesn't matter who it is. Didn't they already stop filming?"

"I know right. After so much time has passed, my level of anticipation has already disappeared."

"I've already prepared myself to watch 'Concubine Ning'. As for 'The Forensic Concubine', let's just read the novel instead..."

Chapter 767: The Actor Playing Jun Yilan Is...

The majority of the public had already become passive towards 'The Forensic Concubine'.

After its closed filming and long-term refusal to reveal their male lead, as well as propaganda from 'Concubine Ning', 'The Forensic Concubine' was now seen as just a drama that had come to a premature end and was considered a waste of Tang Xiao's masterpiece.

"Now that things have reached this point, I don't think they have any chance for a comeback," Bai Yu's assistant cheered after she compared the level of anticipation between the two dramas. "Yu Jie, our drama is about to start broadcasting. I'm sure, with your level of appeal, the results are going to be amazing. Just sit back and watch the ratings go through the roof."

"This kind of thing still depends on luck. Fortunately, I have always been lucky in this regard," Bai Yu said to her assistant as she got changed in the change room.

"By the way, it's almost the new year. Can I go home early? My family is having a family reunion tonight..."

"You can go home after you drive me home," Bai Yu waved her hand generously. Unfortunately for her, Bai Linlin was overseas and her husband had returned to the US. Who would have thought that she'd

spend the new year all on her own in Beijing? But, it didn't matter. Winning against Tangning was already enough to make her happy.

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Before she knew it, Tangning's babies were already 6 months old. To spend the new year together, Tangning gathered both the Tang Family and Mo Family together. Even Bei Chendong and Han Xiner attended.

Everyone fought to carry the babies and the two smiley rascals ended up receiving a large pile of red pockets because the elders loved them so much that they didn't want to let go.

"Ning Jie, is 'The Forensic Concubine' really going to lose to 'Concubine Ning'? The feedback I've seen from recent entertainment news hasn't been very good. What's going on?" Han Xiner's biggest concern was the topic that everyone was currently discussing within the industry. If they were simply discussing it, she would have let it slip. But she hated the fact that people were praising 'Concubine Ning' while stepping all over 'The Forensic Concubine'.

"Don't underestimate these two. If you have spare time to care about others, why don't you use that time to think about when you'll marry me," Bei Chendong appeared from behind Han Xiner. After he was done talking to her, he turned to Tangning and offered, "If you need help, just give me a call. Since I've won Best Actor before, I do hold a bit of authority in the industry."

"No need," Mo Ting's cold voice immediately drowned out Bei Chendong's warm enthusiasm.

"Why must you be so proud?"

"At least I'm a father. What about you?"

Bei Chendong: "..."

Bei Chendong had even failed his marriage proposal. So, he had no choice but to look away to avoid the awkwardness.

Mo Ting let out a gentle laugh before he wrapped his arm around Tangning and led her over to the elders so they could celebrate the new year together. Although in his 30 plus years of life, he had never spent the new year with so many people, it didn't seem like such a bad thing.

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A few days later, there was another meeting at Hai Rui. The operations executive once again brought up the issue with 'The Forensic Concubine'. He felt that Mo Ting needed to make a decision soon because they were currently in a very difficult situation. 'Concubine Ning' had already climbed up the ranks and become the most anticipated drama, while 'The Forensic Concubine' wasn't even in the top 10.

"If President Mo doesn't come up with a plan soon, 'Concubine Ning' is going to crush us. It's almost time for them to begin airing."

"Let them air then..." Mo Ting replied.

"But..."

“If I can’t win this battle, then you can take over the position of CEO,” Mo Ting said straightforwardly. “The meeting will end here. You can wait to see the next step of my plan.”

Since Mo Ting had already made a promise like this, the man had nothing else he could say.

Seeing ‘Concubine Ning’s’ stance, Mo Ting decided to change his strategy a little. Weekend broadcast? There was no need to show mercy in that way...

Since they were currently ranked number one as the most anticipated drama, he was going to let them go ahead and air it. He was going to let Bai Yu taste a little sweetness before she experienced failure and despair.

Of course, the fact that Hai Rui had not announced their male lead made Bai Yu assume that Hai Rui had given up fighting. This was good news for her. It meant she no longer had to waste any more energy.

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[‘Concubine Ning’ premiere receives a viewership rating of 2! Receives rave reviews from audience]

[‘Concubine Ning’ premiere on fire! Bai Yu deserves the name of Viewership Queen!]

[‘Concubine Ning’ continues to perform well on its second day. At its highest point, reaches a viewership rating of 2.6]

Soon, the opening of ‘Concubine Ning’ broke all previous viewership ratings. After just two days, everyone was filled with praise. While happily watching the broadcast of ‘Concubine Ning’, many people were reminded of a drama called ‘The Forensic Concubine’ which tried to pose as a competitor. Unfortunately, life was filled with ups and downs...So they assumed, by now, ‘The Forensic Concubine’ had already fallen to the depths of the abyss.

“‘Concubine Ning’ is so good, it’s honestly a good drama to watch.”

“The drama is of a high quality. I guess they have a conscience.”

“Tangning previously claimed that the script had been changed. But, from the looks of it, it seems more like she was angry because her role had been stolen.

“It’s karma. Look at how the ‘Forensic Concubine’ has come to a standstill.”

“Pfft, I don’t care. I like watching ‘Concubine Ning’ and I like Bai Yu.”

After seeing the comments online, Bai Yu was prepared to pop a champagne to celebrate. As long as the viewership ratings remained at the current level, the Fei Tian Best Actress Award in February would definitely be hers.

“I never thought Mo Ting would become such a weakling.”

But, Bai Yu would have never imagined that after this snowy night, everything would change.

The next morning...

An explosive piece of news appeared in Beijing. Mo Ting had announced that he was going to act!

That's right, Mo Ting was acting!

All of a sudden, the Big Boss of Entertainment stirred up a storm in the industry. Some were doubtful, some were shocked, some just wanted to follow the crowd and others were waiting to be pleasantly surprised. When everyone heard this news, their reactions were different.

When Bai Yu heard this news, she simply sneered, "What game is he trying to play this time?"

But, just as she was waiting to see how her viewership ratings would surpass her previous record, an interesting video began circulating in Beijing...

It was a collaboration between Hai Rui and a famous browser. As soon as the netizens opened the browser, the video would automatically pop-up. As the video was of a high quality, it quickly attracted the attention of youngsters...

As for the content of the video, it was none other than a climactic scene from 'The Forensic Concubine': the scene where Jun Yilan was forced to abdicate his throne on his wedding night with Qing Lan...

"Hey, I saw a video today...I think it was related to 'The Forensic Concubine'!"

"Me too!"

"+1!"

"F*ck, to see this video, I repeatedly opened the browser. I tried so hard to see it. Did you guys notice who the actor playing Jun Yilan was...?"

"My God! It's Mo Ting! I'm going to explode. Quick, let's tell everyone. It's f*cken so good that I want to cry!"

"Oh dear God, it's Mo Ting; it really is Mo Ting; it's actually Mo Ting! I can't believe it! Have you guys seen it yet? If you haven't, you should hurry over and check it out..."

Chapter 768: This Competition Was Exciting Enough, Wasn't It ?

Soon, the video received a large number of views. In fact, a few detailed fans even noticed that clicking on the video would take them straight to the official website of 'The Forensic Concubine'.

This time, the official website was no longer plain and deserted. Because now, sitting in the spot where a question mark previously represented the male lead was a photo of Jun Yilan.

That's right, it was a photo of Jun Yilan from the drama!

And there, written on the top right hand side of the photo in beautiful ancient calligraphy were the words, Jun Yilan — played by Mo Ting.

"I'm going to go crazy! I've never seen an actor that is so accurate to the author's description. Mo Ting is perfect! Especially when he is dressed in armor. He looks powerful, but heartbreaking."

"But, the problem is, can Mo Ting act?"

“I don’t care if he can act or not. Even if he just stands still and does nothing, I’m willing to sit through 80 episodes.”

“When will ‘The Forensic Concubine’ be aired? I really want to see Jun Yilan. I’m so excited!”

“My heart has never felt so much suspense from a drama before. I hope Hai Rui announces their air date soon. Otherwise, a few snippets from the drama would be just as good...”

“It’s so good. Tangning and Mo Ting are exactly what we wanted from Qing Lan and Jun Yilan. The vibe is perfect!”

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There were plenty of cheers from the audience, especially from youngsters. Because anyone that watched the video were drawn in by the short 10 seconds of footage.

Since the youngsters were all focused on finding more information about ‘The Forensic Concubine’, the number of people sitting in front of the television diminished. Even though Bai Yu still had complete confidence in her drama.

“I refuse to believe that a short clip like that would be able to cause much of an impact.”

Indeed, a short clip wasn’t going to do much, but, the next day, the viewership ratings for ‘Concubine Ning’ still shocked the industry.

During its opening, the rating exceeded 2. But, after 2 days, it had already dropped to 1.4, all because of the simple video released by ‘The Forensic Concubine’. 10 seconds was all it took to almost cut ‘Concubine Ning’s’ viewership rating in half.

As for the fact that Mo Ting was acting as Jun Yilan, the entire industry was shocked.

After all, no one expected that Mo Ting could act.

Above all, plenty of experts doubted that he had any acting skills at all.

But, in the past, didn’t Tangning manage to change from a model to an actress?

Regardless, the most shocking thing was, the reaction towards Mo Ting acting as Jun Yilan was huge. For the entire day, the words ‘Mo Ting Jun Yilan’ sat at the top of search rankings. One could imagine that the amount of attention it attracted was frightening.

Mo Ting seized the moment. So, as if on purpose, that night at 8pm, during ‘Concubine Ning’s’ broadcast, he released the latest trailer for ‘The Forensic Concubine’. This time, the video lasted for 3 minutes!

With the release of this 3 minute trailer, the fans once again went crazy. After all...

...the Jun Yilan portrayed by Mo Ting was so handsome that even the Gods had to agree!

Everyone aimed to watch the trailer because of Mo Ting’s handsomeness. But, they ended up being convinced by the 3 minute clip. They had to admit that the acting in the drama, especially Tangning’s

was realistic and full of life. As for Mo Ting, he exceeded everyone's expectations. He completely looked like an experienced actor who handled every scene with ease.

"Boo, this is no fun. I want to watch the real thing."

"How is 3 minutes enough? Just release the real thing, Hai Rui!"

"Wow, I originally thought that since Tangning and Mo Ting were a couple, their acting would be lacking. But, as soon as they got into character...I couldn't find any trace of the real them."

"I don't care. This is the Jun Yilan that I wanted! I'm extremely satisfied!"

Because of the 3 minute trailer, plenty of people ended up losing interest in 'Concubine Ning'. After all, it had only started airing for 2 days and they hadn't developed any sentimental feelings towards it yet. Above all, 'The Forensic Concubine' was an adaptation of a quality IP with fans that already felt deeply about it. So, with the addition of Mo Ting, the drama created quite a stir.

As a result, by the fourth day, the viewership ratings for 'Concubine Ning' dropped to 1.1. If it continued at the same rate, it was possible that it would even drop below 1. So, the crew of 'Concubine Ning' suddenly felt a sense of panic.

Meanwhile, Bai Yu was so angry that she smashed everything on the floor.

She never imagined that 'The Forensic Concubine' would make a comeback like that.

Her glory, her viewers and her chance to become the Queen!

Because of Mo Ting and Tangning, she had lost it all.

In response, 'Concubine Ning' decided to host a few events to save the situation. But, trying to win back viewers that had already been lost was not an easy task to achieve.

As she watched Tangning and Mo Ting's followers increase and 'Concubine Ning's' viewers decrease, Bai Yu finally felt it was impossible to make a comeback. Initially, she thought that she'd be able to take a breath after 'The Forensic Concubine' finished its first round of promotions. But, the thing that made her breakdown even further was the announcement that 'The Forensic Concubine' would be airing on an opposing channel during the exact same primetime slot.

Previously, when the channel that 'Concubine Ning' was airing on, saw that the popularity of 'The Forensic Concubine' was through the roof, they had contacted Mo Ting in private. At that time, Mo Ting simply said to them, "If you are willing to remove 'Concubine Ning' from your channel, then I'm happy to air 'The Forensic Concubine'. Otherwise, don't even mention it."

But, of course, the channel couldn't just remove 'Concubine Ning' for no reason. So, they had to regretfully give up on the right to air 'The Forensic Concubine'.

They must have never imagined that cooperating with 'Concubine Ning' was equivalent to offending Hai Rui and Mo Ting...

So, Mo Ting ended up cooperating with their biggest competitor and chose the same airing time.

This competition was exciting enough, wasn't it?

Although everyone expected 'Concubine Ning' to suffer a huge blow, when they actually saw the ratings, they were still shocked beyond belief.

0.59 vs 3.1.

The viewership ratings for 'Concubine Ning' was even worse than the morning news broadcast.

'Concubine Ning' was the perfect example of opening high and ending low.

But, in reality, everyone knew that the situation had changed because of Mo Ting's attack.

It was because he was a smart decision maker.

So, the first day of airing for 'The Forensic Concubine' resulted in rave reviews.

"Haha, I'm so happy. Seeing Qing Lan and Jun Yilan together fills me with joy."

"Their characters were once young and pure!"

"Although we know that sadness awaits them, I still want to keep watching."

The audience were cold-hearted. Even though they appeared to be loyal on the surface, they had pretty much forgotten that they had previously said that they'd only support Bai Yu when they watched 'Concubine Ning'. Now, apart from 'The Forensic Concubine', they no longer had any intention to watch any other drama.

Meanwhile, Mo Ting used solid proof to show everyone, if they provoked Hai Rui, they would only end up like Bai Yu, regardless of how much they appeared to be at an advantage.

Chapter 769: The Leader Of The Wife-doting Club

Of course, after watching the first two episodes, everyone had the same questions. How did Mo Ting know how to act when he had never stepped foot into this part of the industry?

He was like a hidden expert, capable of doing anything that an average person did not dare to do.

Some people were completely puzzled, whereas some easily found the answer. There was no other reason than to say that Mo Ting was a genius.

All of a sudden, the entire Beijing were talking about 'The Forensic Concubine' and the plot as they searched for resources and began buying things related to it.

On the other hand, 'Concubine Ning' finished airing without anyone paying much attention to it. This was the result of the so-called 'international best actress'...

It was rare to see a drama being crushed to this extent. Originally, Bai Yu wouldn't have ended up with this fate. Unfortunately, she offended Mo Ting and tried to scheme against Tangning. So, it was reasonable for Mo Ting to make things difficult for her.

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Of course, even though Bai Yu's drama became a flop, it didn't mean that she had reached a dead end. After all, her kind image still existed. As long as she maintained this image, she still had a chance to make a comeback.

"Yu Jie, all the best jobs have been recently taken by other big names. It seems, when selecting celebrities from the same price range, organizers are no longer taking us into consideration...Should we..."

"Are you expecting me to lower my expectations? If I do that, would I still be the international best actress, Bai Yu?" Bai Yu yelled angrily.

"In that case...Have a look at this job," the assistant nervously handed Bai Yu some information. They had already reached this point, yet she still had to put up a front. Her drama failed beyond belief and had turned into a complete joke. How could she still be so proud?

Bai Yu received the information from her assistant's hands and glared at her as she threw it on the ground, "Are you asking me to join a reality show like a rookie?"

"Sorry Yu Jie, I'll immediately take it away."

As she watched her assistant pick up the information from the floor, she quickly stopped her, "Wait. It might be worth a try."

Selling her EQ was her speciality!

The assistant handed her the information once again. After Bai Yu looked at it, she agreed to attend a reality programme called '1 day, 1 night'. Most of the reality shows these days were copyrights purchased from South Korea. Not many of them came from original ideas, but, it couldn't be denied that it was a quick and easy way to gain popularity.

After all, a high EQ was always popular.

But, to Bai Yu's surprise...Huangfu Shuo also ended up joining this television programme. In fact, he was appearing on the same episode as her.

Didn't Huangfu Shuo never attend variety shows?

"Yu Jie, why don't we find an excuse not to go?"

After hearing her assistant's suggestion, she glared at her. She was currently at a slump in her career. If she recklessly rejected this job, would any variety show invite her again?

"I'm going on it."

But, she wanted to know why Huangfu Shuo had decided to do this.

So, before the programme began filming, Bai Yu went to look for Huangfu Shuo in private, "Did you go on this show because of me?"

Huangfu Shuo stood in his doorway without inviting Bai Yu in as he replied in a calm, leisurely tone, "Miss Bai, did you know that you are thinking too highly of yourself? I am just a B-list actor. Attending programmes like this are natural for me. What about you? An 'international best actress' is actually

devaluing herself like this. Did you know that the difference between you and Tangning is becoming more and more apparent?"

Bai Yu was rendered speechless...

Because Huangfu Shuo's every word struck her where it hurt.

"Ah Shuo, can you not side with Tangning?"

"I'm not siding with anyone," Huangfu Shuo crossed his arms. "I'm waiting for you to turn the tables. Don't disappoint me, Miss Bai."

"You must be happy to see me heading down this steep slope."

"Why wouldn't I be?" Huangfu Shuo replied naturally. "I'm sorry, Miss Bai, I think it's best if we see each other on the programme. I'm afraid that if the reporters capture a photo of us, I won't be able to clarify myself. After all, my popularity has been on the rise because of 'The Forensic Concubine'."

Bai Yu held back her tears as she turned around and left. But, even so, Huangfu Shuo did not feel an ounce of sympathy for her. He understood her too well. She had no sincerity whatsoever, because her speciality was lying to herself.

So...they were attending a programme together...

Huangfu Shuo sneered. It was true that he was attending the programme because of Bai Yu. He had previously said that he was going to tear off Bai Yu's mask before 'The Forensic Concubine' did anything. And the time was now right."

It was time to watch a good show!

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"I heard that Bai Yu is attending a variety show," Tangning said to Mo Ting while she fed Guo Guo after dinner. "Why is she doing something so devaluing?"

"The only reason she has survived in this industry is because of her petty tricks. How smart at decision-making did you expect her to be?" Mo Ting asked. "Either way, there are a few encounters on the way..."

Mo Ting did not continue, but Tangning already understood the extra layer of meaning to his words.

Whether it was Huangfu Shuo's revenge or Bai Linlin and her husband's affair, both these instances were about to tear Bai Yu apart.

The couple did not converse any more. They simply placed their energy upon their two babies. As she looked at her two cute sons, Tangning couldn't help but pinch Tang Tang's cheek; Guo Guo always cried, so she couldn't provoke him.

But, the most hilarious thing was, as Tang Tang lay in his father's embrace, he ended up peeing all over Daddy Ting's pants.

“Ah ah ba...” Now that the two rascals were 7 months old, they were beginning to mumble random words and Tang Tang was especially talkative when he was happy. After drawing a map on his father’s body (with pee), he was so happy that he was yelling loudly.

Tangning couldn’t help but laugh at this scene.

“Hurry and have a bath...”

Mo Ting placed a gentle kiss on his son’s head before returning him to his crib. He actually enjoyed it when the two rascals did something cheeky in his arms. As a father, there was nothing more heartwarming than this.

The next day, Mo Ting went to work as usual. However, just as he stepped out of his car, he was immediately surrounded by reporters. It seemed, it was time to replace the security for the underground parking lot.

“President Mo, are you planning to pursue a career in acting?”

“President Mo, will you be changing the focus of your work?”

“President Mo, after ‘The Forensic Concubine’, will you have any other projects?”

“President Mo, everyone is curious about your acting. Can you share with us the training you undertook?”

“I don’t think it’s necessary to share the details of my work. However, I must say that, the thing I enjoy the most is staying at home and being a father...” Mo Ting shut the reporters up effortlessly.

As a result, a new rumor started to circulate: Mo Ting only participated in ‘The Forensic Concubine’ because of Tangning...

After all, he was ‘the leader of the wife-doting club’.

Chapter 770: Are You Interested In Exposing Her ?

To Mo Ting, participating in ‘The Forensic Concubine’ was as easy as buying a bunch of vegetables. It wasn’t as complicated as the public thought and didn’t require any careful thinking. It was simply something he could do.

During this time, it was normal that Mo Ting kept a low profile, but even Tangning kept an unusually low profile.

As the drama was produced by their own agency, apart from necessary promotions, Mo Ting did not organize any other events. After all, the viewership ratings were already high and Tangning had already fulfilled her responsibility as an actress. Now, Mo Ting only had one path for Tangning: to film when there was something to film and to keep a low profile when there was nothing to film.

It seemed like he wanted to tell everyone that only a good script had the ability to keep Tangning within the industry and that she lived to act. This further established Tangning’s status as a top grade actress that only acted in good productions.

At this time, all Bai Yu was thinking about was how to make a comeback.

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The '1 day, 1 night' reality show was a programme where 5 guests were placed on a deserted island and underwent activities for survival. They would be left with a code to call for help, but they would only be given 24 hours to figure it out. As long as the 5 guests successfully found all the hints on the island, they would receive keys to use on a car for escape and their mission would be considered a success. However, if they failed, they would have to undergo a challenge.

This programme had always had a decent viewership rating in Beijing.

As the islands they visited were different every time, the audience got to see a variety of unique scenery. But, on top of this, they also got to witness different thrills and excitement.

Soon, it was time to start filming the programme. Apart from Bai Yu and Huangfu Shuo, there was also an old singer and a young couple he doted on.

They weren't all from the entertainment industry. For example, the young couple were famous travelers that had traversed many foreign countries and had extensive experience in survival.

The five people were placed on an unknown island with their bulky luggage.

As the young couple were used to it, they did not struggle. Even though, the man couldn't help but carry his wife's luggage as well. As for Huangfu Shuo, he ended up offering his help to the old singer, leaving Bai Yu to fend for herself.

But, amongst these people, only Huangfu Shuo knew that Bai Yu was a fake.

So, to relieve her load, he knew she was going to put on an act.

As expected, not long after they arrived on the island and everyone was having a rest, Bai Yu expressed that she wasn't tired and offered to scope out the place for them.

No one requested for her to do such a thing, but a few moments later a shrill scream could be heard coming from the forest. Everyone looked towards the noise and found Bai Yu sitting on the floor holding onto her ankle...

"Sorry, I don't want to drag you guys down. You can leave me here and continue without me."

The old singer immediately turned to Huangfu Shuo and said, "Carry her."

Huangfu Shuo shook his head, "My responsibility is to take care of you. Look, your body isn't well. If something happens to you, it will be a bigger burden on us."

After the other young man heard what Huangfu Shuo said, he immediately nodded his head, "He's right, why don't you let me carry you instead..."

"How about this, before the sky turns dark, we should get accustomed to everything on the island. So, why don't we let Bai Yu rest here for now and we'll go scope out the island. We can return at a set time to pick her up. That way, we won't waste any time and energy," Huangfu Shuo suggested.

“I also think this is the best option,” the young woman immediately said.

“Bai Yu, if we leave you here to rest, you won’t be scared, will you?” Huangfu Shuo asked.

He knew, according to Bai Yu’s personality, she would never cause a scene in front of everyone. So, she simply acted like she was really understanding and said to everyone, “OK, I’ll wait for you here. Who told me to be such a clutz?”

“Cool, let’s hurry and get moving then...”

After their discussion, the group of four advanced forward.

Meanwhile, behind them, Bai Yu’s face burned red in anger. However, there was nothing she could do.

After taking a few steps, the young married woman immediately approached Huangfu Shuo and queried, “Do you dislike Bai Yu? I can sense that she’s good at putting on an act. I don’t understand what an ‘international best actress’ like her is doing here. I already can’t stand her, yet she even tried to make my husband carry her. I bet she didn’t want to walk, that’s why she deliberately hurt her foot.”

A woman’s intuition was especially accurate.

Huangfu Shuo smiled, suggestively admitting to the woman’s guess.

“So it’s true? What a b*tch. I hate people that are fake.”

“In that case, are you interested in exposing her?”

The young woman did not say a word, but the two people understood each other.

The good thing about this programme was, after 12 hours, the guests had a chance to eliminate anyone that was a burden.

Of course, up until this point, no team had ever given up on one of their team mates. They all chose to take on the challenge. However, this time was going to be different.

Before coming on the show, Bai Yu deliberately watched a large number of the previous episodes and knew that no team had ever abandoned a team mate. That’s why she agreed to join.

But this time, she was wrong...

Bai Yu wasn’t scared at the beginning because she was angry. But, after night hit and her vision became blurry, she finally felt her palms get sweaty. She couldn’t believe that her team mates had left her there for a few hours without checking on her.

Of course, Huangfu Shuo and the others weren’t going to go too far. So, before Bai Yu broke down, they returned and led her to the camp they had set up. They then started examining the hints they had found during the time when Bai Yu wasn’t around.

Although Bai Yu was present, she did not understand a thing they were saying and felt completely like an outsider.

“Am I especially useless? All I’ve caused is trouble.”

“It’s fine,” the young woman smiled and replied. “You have no experience in this type of stuff, so we understand.”

“But, my foot...”

“You can continue resting tomorrow. Leave the hints for us to find. That way you won’t have to worry about being a burden.”

After hearing this, Bai Yu’s expression lightened. Since her screentime was low today, she wasn’t going to let go of the opportunity again.

On the surface, it didn’t seem like she had given a reply. But, after night hit, she began to put on her sympathy act. While everyone was sleeping, she pretended to practice walking outside, like she wanted to be a useful person that could help out.

She was so fake...

“F*ck, for the sake of herself she’s quite ruthless!” the young woman couldn’t help but say to her husband. “I must give her full points for being able to act to this extent.”

“If she doesn’t want to sleep, it’s her problem. How dare she keep everyone up. What were the producers thinking when they invited this weirdo!”

The other guests were complaining because Bai Yu was cheering for herself loudly outside the tents...

That’s right, she was giving herself words of encouragement!

She thought she was a great person...