

Arabella 201

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No, she couldn't just fess up to **the** plagiarism! That'd be the end of her piano career for the **rest** of her life. The glory of coming second would be gone **in** a blink. The jeers and jabs would push her into the abyss. The scandal would stick to her like glue for life, and she'd become a laughing stock.

If she owned up to the theft, her parents and Zachary would be majorly disappointed. Her aunt and uncle would loathe her even more, barring her from the Murphy family. Those who had supported and liked her would drop her like a hot potato.

Gritting *her* teeth, she shot back, "That's just your side of the story. Included in textbooks? Who saw that?"

Jasmine, seeing Yolanda still playing dumb, was fuming, "Alright, I'll make you eat your words!"

someone snap a picture of the latest textbook and projected the score onto the big screen.

will see the similarities. It's not just a line

yeah, it really is."

is exactly the

Jasmine isn't slandering her, she

Melody's intro and outro are way better

music, don't worry. I'll have someone play Melody's climax, so you can hear for yourself if they are the same!"

but quickly sat down at the piano and played the climax

were stunned. They couldn't read sheet music, but it was hard to deny the plagiarism when the music was

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He glanced **at** Yolanda, "As the host of the competition, I'm sorry to announce that the second prize winner Yolanda, due to plagiarizing Maestro Melody's work, is stripped of her award. According to the rules, she can't participate in similar competitions from now on."

Yolanda was trembling all over.

"Now, let's take a photo to commemorate the first and third place winners, and President Jasmine." The host tried to usher the journalists closer to snap photos and move past this incident, but Yolanda suddenly raised her voice, "I didn't plagiarize!"

"The evidence is right there, and she still denies it?"

“Could she actually be innocent? Look at her, plagiarizers should be guilty, not like this.”

climaxes were the same. if she didn't plagiarize Maestro Melody's

is clearly plagiarism!”

days have no moral bottom line for fame and gain, is it the imbalance of the creator's mentality or the lack of character? You plagiarized Melody's work, and the industry will kick you out. You should admit your mistake, yet you have the nerve

home! Can

Jasmine obviously didn't believe her, “Do you think anyone here would believe you? You say you didn't plagiarize, dare you say it in front

a mystery, and no one had

know her, but it seemed like she was going to call her out?! Would such a master-level person

Maestro Melody to pressure her. Everyone knew that Maestro Melody's whereabouts were a mystery. She guessed that Maestro Melody just didn't

to call Melody or connect

Yolanda felt a bit uneasy, her freshly manicured nails unknowingly dug into her

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Now, only Arabella herself could step forward can embarrass Yolanda and expose the truth!

Arabella originally wanted to kick Yolanda out of the industry without making a scene, but some people really had no shame, plagiarizing and then refusing to admit it.

Everyone followed Jasmine's gaze and looked surprised. Was that girl Melody?

“Her? Melody? No way.”

“But President Jasmine is definitely looking that way, and aside **from** her, there's no one else nearby.”

“Melody's won countless piano awards both domestically and internationally. It can't possibly be some random girl.”

“Maybe it's too dark and President Jasmine got the wrong person? She just looks like a high school student!”

The audience was dim because the spotlight was on the stage, but everyone still noticed that stunningly beautiful face shining brightly in the darkness. “If President Jasmine said she herself was Melody, I might believe it. But how could that girl be Melody?”

“I don't think it's possible either.”

It was then that Attlee and Olga noticed Jasmine's gaze had landed on a girl in the audience, who looked strangely like Arabella from the back. No, it wasn't just a resemblance, Olga recognized that outfit. She had a run-in with Arabella at the restroom door earlier, and Arabella was wearing that exact outfit!

Jasmine said she was Maestro Melody? No way!

the piano? Even if she knew a few chords, it didn't mean she could compose music. How could she be Maestro Melody?!

to say Serena was Maestro Melody, that would be more believable, considering she was Kenneth's daughter

familiar. Then hearing Olga's words, he was in disbelief, Arabella?

was a bit shocked. Arabella was at the

said she was Melody? How could

followed Jasmine's gaze to the audience. There was

Melody? What

be so young? Jasmine must have made a mistake.

"Arabella? So you're

pretended to be Maestro Melody and got President Jasmine to expose me. President Jasmine was too kind and fell for your

Melody, and it was

discovered the mastermind, "If you were impersonating someone else, I wouldn't care. But Maestro Melody is an idol to many here. Did you ask for their permission before impersonating her? Do you think her fans are easy to bully?!"

in the audience started

how could she possibly be Maestro Melody? Melody is

it's

to be Maestro Melody,

"Me neither!"

personal beef between these two."

decided to make Arabella taste the same bitterness. "You've been enjoying the wealth that should have been mine for eighteen years. Our parents found me, their long-lost daughter. You couldn't accept it,

between the two? So, it seemed like the

everyone who had been admiring Arabella's beauty started talking bad about her.

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Maestro Melody seemed way too young and good-looking. They figured Maestro Melody would at least be the same age as President Jasmine.

Yolanda couldn't believe her ears. Arabella was really Maestro Melody? No way!!

Even Attlee, Olga, and Zachary in the audience were shocked and in disbelief.

"Are you seriously doubting Melody's skills?" Jasmine asked.

Yolanda's face was beyond pale, but she still insisted, "Really? If her piano skills are that good, let's have her play for everyone!"

Wow! What a nerve! No one had ever dared to make such an unreasonable request! Was she overestimating herself?

the song isn't hers. So, Maestro

to remember this unreleased

was about to have security escort her out, Arabella

make her

gracefully walked onto the stage. Her beautiful features were stunning. This girl

with your back to it? How about you show everyone?" Yolanda was sure Arabella would make a fool of herself!

the championship trophy in her hands. Had the award ceremony

most was Bella being on stage too. What on

her back to the piano, her

didn't look at the sheet music, yet she played

melody and momentum are just like their

Maestro Melody could create such a beautiful

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Taking the microphone from the host after her performance, Arabella casually said, "I wrote the song last year for the earthquake survivors, so I can play

it without the score."

Talking about proof!

Attlee and Olga in the audience were gobsmacked, finding it hard to believe that this chick who just nailed the piano performance used to be their daughter.

could she play the piano? And such a

was turned down. Who would've thought that the one who snubbed them was

Arabella was Maestro Melody. Her performance just now clearly put her head and shoulders above everyone else! And to think she

way! President Jasmine said that this song is already in the textbooks. You must have gotten a sneak peek at the sheet music to embarrass me, and learned it by heart!" There was no way

mooching off the Murphy family's wealth after taking over her position as their daughter. Nothing to brag about! After hearing Arabella's performance, Frida was shell-shocked. She

composed 'Misery, and since you were able to create such

A showdown??

ten minutes to improvise. If you really have talent and your improvisation can surpass Maestro Melody's,

Arabella chimed in,

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Serena had just one question **after** listening to Arabella's impromptu performance: how on earth could she play so well without any preparation? Throughout the years, Serena had listened to a lot of niche piano pieces. She was sure that the melodies Arabella just played had never been performed in public before. It was highly possible that

they were truly improvised! She couldn't understand how a melody that hadn't been repeatedly polished and carefully thought out could be played so brilliantly **on** the spot!

She had foolishly asked Arabella before if she had learned piano and if she'd won any awards. She even bragged about winning over fifty championships since childhood and her teacher being the famous piano master Andy.

Now she felt utterly embarrassed. In front of Arabella, Andy was nothing.

Melody was a legend in the piano world, unbeaten till this day! She had won countless top awards both domestically and internationally, a real big shot! In Melody's eyes, regardless of how many championships her opponents won, even if it was five hundred, she wouldn't bat an eyelid. Her skill level was out of this world!

Serena felt like she had definitely made a fool of herself. When she asked those arrogant questions earlier, Arabella was still playing games. She thought Arabella was just average. Her previous disdain and self-righteousness had now become slaps in the face, hitting her again and again.

the moment. Was it frustration? Unwillingness? Sadness? Disappointment? Depression? Feeling useless? Or some other

Yolanda, "Arabella has completed her improvisation. I believe

creative level better than anyone. Once displayed, it would definitely be a joke. How

"If you can't improvise,

pieces in the past, but she couldn't remember a complete melody without looking at the sheet music. Even if someone put the sheet music in front of her, she would still play it awkwardly, definitely not as smoothly as Arabella just did.

pieces?" Jasmine found it ironic. She had overestimated her.

lower lip, still insisting, "I just went blank

Jasmine found it incredibly amusing, "Since you're not good at improvising and don't remember any famous pieces, then play

stood there. She had been practicing the piece "Misery" for the past month

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"She can't even remember sheet music?"

"Remembering sheet music

is the most basic thing for people learning the piano. It's unbelievable that she can't even remember a complete piece of

music."

"And what's more, she can't even play 'Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star.' That's just ridiculous! I could play that when I was four."

"How could someone like her get second place?"

"There must be something fishy about her second place!"

requires high-level performance, but also your own composition. From the first preliminary round to the top eight in the third round,

take turns to perform, showing their better side and getting more points. But Yolanda had been performing 'Misery' from beginning to

the competition with one song. So you performed with one song from beginning to end. I even thought you were confident. I didn't expect that it's the exact opposite, and you could only play

was almost crying, "I can

the audience

it! Show your skills and

well, you're scared, aren't you? You don't

"Apologize!"

to Maestro

don't

to the piano world! Please leave

here! Get

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The moment she said that, everyone started whispering to each other.

They all thought Yolanda had been playing piano since she was little, but turned out. She only started in high school?

Yolanda tried to explain in a low voice, "Later, my parents found me a piano teacher."

Before she could finish, Arabella calmly asked, "This lady, is she the piano teacher you're talking about?"

A young woman stepped onto the stage, glanced at Yolanda, and greeted everyone, "Hello, everyone, I'm Yolanda's piano teacher, I taught her for a month."

A month. She only learned piano for a month....

Everyone was stunned.

a hard time remembering each melody and often made mistakes with her fingering. Then in the following days, she suddenly got it, wrote a

I looked it up online for a long time and couldn't find any similar pieces, so I believed her and highly praised her musical talent. I asked her, she said she was suddenly inspired and improvised it. To

piano teacher didn't expect was, her intuition was right. This piece

it was so

backed away two steps, the revealed truth shocking her into silence, her body

her piano career, was completely

below the stage were

"Shameless!"

a thief!"

at defending herself, I wonder if she

the master!"

to the creator

"Must apologize!"

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"Let's get **outta** here, son." Mrs. Panter said, tugging at Zachary's hand, "**You** see, this girl ain't worth yo ur love. Marry her and you'll be a laughingstock for

life."

“That girl, **so** young, but she’s Maestro Melody.” Mrs. Bright sighed.

“Who you talking about?” Mrs. Panter questioned, following her gaze.

“The one standing in the middle of the stage, cold as ice, but the prettiest of them all.” Mrs. Bright pointed out, “That’s Maestro Melody. Bet you didn’t see that coming.”

Mrs. Panter stared at Arabella’s icy face on stage, a little taken aback. So she was Maestro Melody? This might spell big trouble for the Panter family.

“I wonder who the lucky guy would be to marry her. Heard some entertainment companies tried to commission a piano piece from her, offering big bucks, but she wasn’t interested. Said she didn’t need the money.” Mrs. Bright’s words left Mrs. Panter shocked and flabbergasted.

was the real deal. Her aloofness and arrogance stem from her talent.

compared to her, seemed so plain. Just an average girl, nothing special. He

stood up, leaving with his mother.

stage noticed, and instinctively wanted to stop them. But a crowd was demanding her to

and Olga were also being mocked and ridiculed. Feeling utterly humiliated, they just wanted to get out should be

her mouth, speechless

were still demanding an apology!

Yolanda teared up, bowed deeply to Arabella,

crowd and ran off stage, couldn’t stand to

her run off, Attlee and Olga quickly

People surrounded Arabella.

recently. I

in this competition, could I have the honor to learn from

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“Absolutely right! Maestro, **don’t** you worry.”

Indeed, Maestro. When can we expect some new tunes? The fans have been waiting forever.”

Arabella gave a slight smile, “I’ll get on it as soon as I can.”

“Awesome!” In their joy, the crowd no longer obstructed the maestro’s path and parted ways. The host announced the end of the event, and the audience started to disperse.

Arabella headed towards her parents. Seeing their excitement, she slightly smiled, “Let’s talk in the car.”

“Uh, okay.” Kenneth was shocked that his own daughter turned out to be a piano maestro!

Back in the day, David was willing to pay big bucks for her to compose a piece, but she refused. Afterward, David complained, saying the maestro was too arrogant!

out to be David’s

watched as the maestro left with

hang out with other influential people. When will I be like the maestro and be buddies with a

eyes,

close

your dreams, you can

her mood. This trophy probably didn’t mean much to Arabella. Just as she was about to hide this embarrassing

okay.” Serena

my ass, as if

would produce a musical genius! Amazing! We need to celebrate tonight!” Louisa couldn’t stop smiling. Kenneth was also thrilled, “Bella really brought honor to the Collins family! Her talent was overlooked when she was with the Murphy

Those heartless bastards, just mentioning them

phone and told the person on the other end, “Let everyone know, anyone who collaborates with the Murphy family is

bully his precious