

STRANGERS BOUND BY FATE

陌生人

Su Yu is a professor, Ji Jing-Sen his favorite student. But three years ago Ji left without warning, to Su's great dismay. Now work brings them together, seemingly strangers once more.

Su Yu is a 31-year-old professor, Ji Jing-Sen is 23 and Su's favorite student. An ill-defined relationship, something more than academic, develops between the two. One day, Ji leaves with no farewell. Three years later Su is asked to carry out a survey of plant life in the Penghu Islands. In a photograph in the information pack he is sent, he sees Ji. Despite Su's desperate hopes for a reunion, Ji acts as if the two have never met and Su is heartbroken. They once knew each other's every thought. Why are they now acting like strangers?

The artist's gentle style reflects the pain of love. Much like a manga version of *Brokeback Mountain*, this is a rare story of romantic love between two men.

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Emerging Taiwanese artist Kuang Hsia Chia excels at portraying the emotions of her characters, building moving stories of hidden love from everyday events. She is popular with readers on Taiwan's Comic Star platform. She has been invited to represent Taiwan at the 2019 Angoulême International Comics Festival.



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JI
JING-SEN?

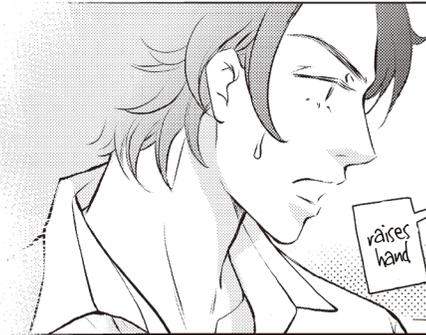


JI JING-



JING-
SEN!

WHY
DIDN'T YOU
RESPOND
WHEN I
CALLED
YOUR
NAME?



raises
hand



This
student...



PRESENT!

MR.
BANANA
RAMA!

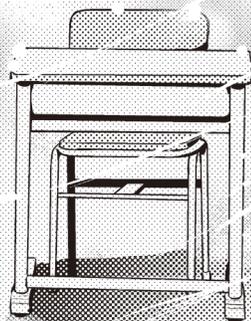
Three
years
later..

URING PESCADO
PLANT GROWTH



onservation and Dev

One day he
suddenly
disappeared.



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HUFF
HUFF
HUFF



HURRY
UP!

BANANA

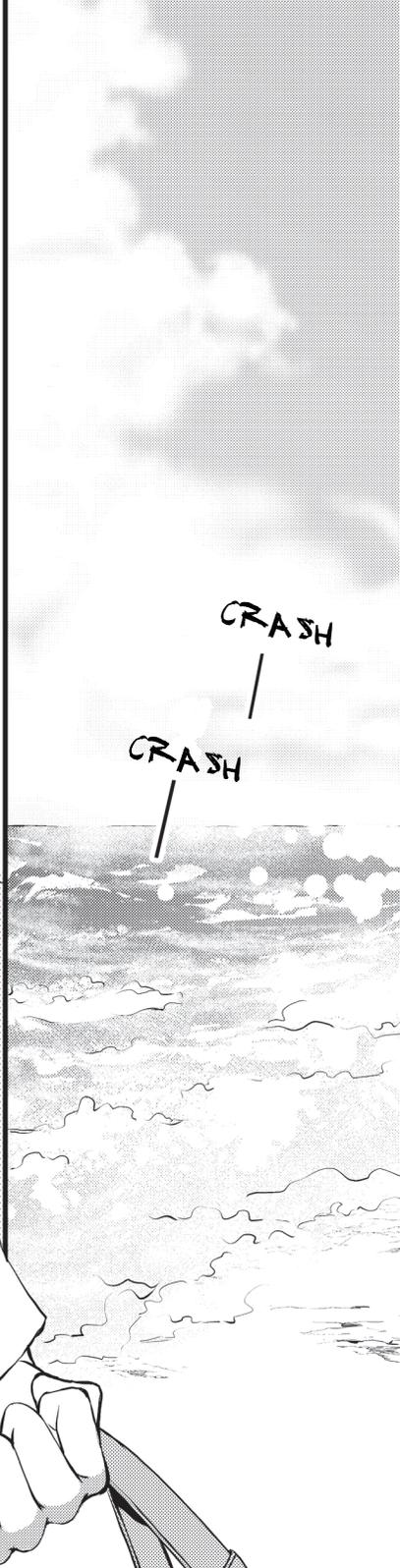


DON'T
CALL ME
BANANA
RAMA!

IT'S
MR. SU!

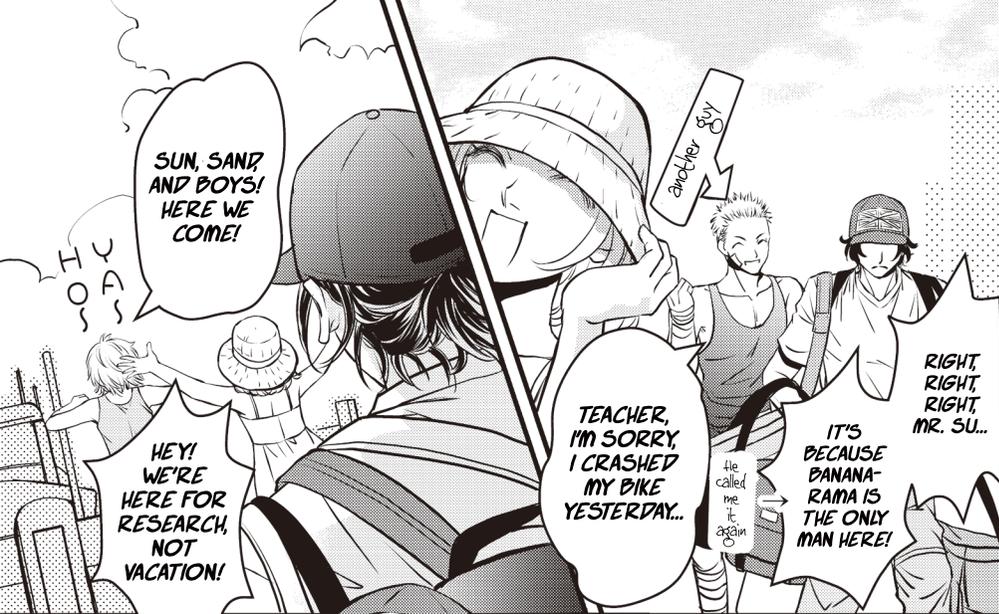
AND HOW
ABOUT
GIVING ME
A HAND
WITH THIS
LUGGAGE?

Students
these days
need to
learn to
show their
teachers
some
respect!



CRASH

CRASH



SUN, SAND
AND BOYS!
HERE WE
COME!

SO
H
C
A
S

HEY!
WE'RE
HERE FOR
RESEARCH,
NOT
VACATION!

TEACHER,
I'M SORRY,
I CRASHED
MY BIKE
YESTERDAY...

another
guy

He
called
me
it
again

IT'S
BECAUSE
BANANA-
RAMA IS
THE ONLY
MAN HERE!

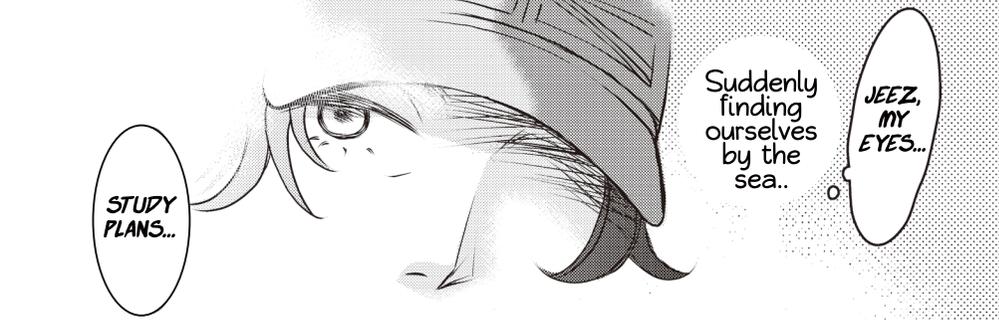
RIGHT,
RIGHT,
RIGHT,
MR. SU...



I'M
REALLY
STARTING
TO
REGRET
HAVING
INVITED
YOU
GUYS...



LA
LA
♪



STUDY
PLANS...

Suddenly
finding
ourselves
by the
sea..

JEEZ,
MY
EYES...

Title: Recording and Measuring Plant Growth in the Pescadore Ecological Conservation and Environment Fund

THE DOMESTIC TOURISM INDUSTRY HAS BEEN PROMOTING TRIPS TO UNINHABITED ISLANDS...

WE'VE ALREADY INVITED A TEAM OF EXPERTS TO CONDUCT AN INITIAL SURVEY.
TIME IS RUNNING OUT...



BUT BEFORE THIS HAPPENS, WE NEED TO COLLECT MORE DATA ON BOTANICAL BIODIVERSITY...



PROFESSOR, YOU'RE TOO MODEST REGARDING THE TRAVEL EXPENSES...

IT'S A GREAT IDEA...
BUT I'M AFRAID I'M NOT AN EXPERT ON THIS SUBJECT...

...THE FUND IS BACKED BY A LOCAL CONGLOMERATE.

ALL OF OUR RESTAURANTS AND SHIPPING COMPANIES...
...ARE READY AND WAITING TO HELP OUT.

