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I can't believe this! Peter Wong, one of my favourite actors of all time, used to be a triad member and was sent to jail for drug trafficking twenty-five years ago!

I was watching "Big Star", a show where famous stars are interviewed, and I knew he'd be featured but I didn't expect it to be so touching and I honestly cried at the end.

Wong was sat on the big, comfy couch in the studio when the host, Mrs. Young, asked him, "What's one thing you're very grateful for?" and he replied "Acting." She then asked if it was because he inspired many people to follow their dreams. He nodded and said "Partly." Mrs. Young was surprised and he continued, "The other reason is that I used to be a triad member and I was actually sent to jail for smuggling in drugs from Vietnam, opium and all that stuff."

"Woah! That sounds tough!" he nodded silently. "It was a life sentence but I was only 15 at the time and the judge noticed the bruises my father gave me so he took pity on me and said that I would be on probation for three years. During this time, I met my current manager who said I had the looks of another popular actor called R. Smith and that I should come over to his studio for an audition next month."

"I thought I'd fail but I somehow passed and they gave me the name R. Wong in order to hide the fact I was the kid plastered all over the news. I'm so grateful to him for giving me another chance in life and here I am now, forty years old with the best wife in the world and a son currently in university. To all of you at home, watching me, thank you so much."

I reached for the tissues as I saw him cry; I admire and love him even more now.

