

A HOSTESS, wearing a red Santa's hat, brings  
their table.

MAX

(to the Hostess)

Thank you. Could you please let  
Giuseppe know we're here?

HOSTESS

Of course.

As she walks to the kitchen, Max pulls out

EMMA

Thank you.

She sits down. Max sits across.

MAX

This's my favorite place. Giuseppe  
is a magician and here he comes

GIUSEPPE (60), in a white chef's jacket, walks  
table. Max stands up and offers him a hand

MAX (CONT'D)

Hello, my friend.

Giuseppe smiles widely and grabs Max's hand

GIUSEPPE

We missed you on Sunday. Brunch  
amazing.

MAX

Sorry, something came up.

He points at Emma.

MAX (CONT'D)

This is Emma.