

Build China's Cultural Confidence

On the 10th National Congress of the Association of Literature and Art and the 9th National Congress of the Chinese Writers' Association, President Xi Jinping called upon Chinese artists and writers to boost awareness of and confidence in Chinese culture, create new prospects for Chinese literature and art, and add new luster to Chinese culture. The president's speech offered wisdom on guiding the development of arts and culture.

Xi had four expectations of the artists. The first is to “enhance confidence in Chinese culture and use the arts to inspire people” . The second is to “serve and praise the people with positive works” . The third is to “be more innovative” and the last is to “hold the idea and inspire society with high culture” .

Commenting on the first expectation, Xi said, “To revive the nation, we must be confident in our path, in our theory and in our system as well as our culture. Artists should learn to draw essence and power from Chinese culture to create classical works to inspire people” .

Regarding his second expectation, Xi said, “It is the people who create history. Artists should care about people's lives, voices and emotion, and create works that inspire the people and are appreciated by the people” .

Regarding the third and fourth expectations, Xi said, “Artworks reflect a nation's soft power and creativity. China should not only provide the world a development model but a variety of great artworks. Artists have the responsibility to educate people, inspire people and promote positive values.”



Unit Diary

From Unit 1 I have learnt:

Words & Expressions: _____

Sentence Patterns: _____

Grammar: _____

Practical Writing: _____

I need to improve: _____

