

Ningbo: The Legend of the City of Academicians Continues

By Gou Wen

Not long ago, both the Chinese Academy of Sciences and Chinese Academy of Engineering (the two academies) released their lists of newly accepted members in 2021.

This year, three Ningbo scientists are on the lists: Ma Yuqiang and Li Jun, who are Ningbo scholars, and Ying Hanjie, who was born and raised in Ningbo.

So far, the total number of Ningbo members of the two academies has reached 120.

The Brother Members from the Same Family

Ma Yuqiang, born in 1964 in Xiaoyun Village, Yuyao, is a professor at the School of Physics, Nanjing University. Professor Ma holds a Ph.D. and supervises doctoral students' research projects.

His research interests are in the field of soft condensed matter physics, an interdisciplinary area of physics, chemistry, and life sciences. He has made fruitful achievements in several frontier topics.

Ma Yuqiang is an alumnus of Ningbo University, where faculty and students are excited at and inspired by his successful application to the membership. "I am so proud that Dr. Ma is selected as a member of Chinese Academy of Sciences," said Xu Yikai, a student at the School of Physical Science and Technology, Ningbo University. He also said that he would take Ma Yuqiang as his role model and work harder to promote scientific research to discover more about the physics world.

In 2017, Ma Yugang, Ma Yuqiang's younger brother, was accepted to the membership of the Chinese Academy of Sciences. Ma Yugang, born in 1968, is a nuclear physicist and now a researcher and professor at the



The statues of academicians in Ningbo.

[Photo by Xu Neng]

Institute of Modern Physics, Fudan University.

As Ma Yuqiang is admitted to the Academy, Ningbo already has two groups of brother academicians.

Before that, Yang Fuyu and Yang Fujia have become the first brother academicians of Ningbo and their ancestral home is in Zhenhai.

Keep Exploring Mathematics that Brings Shock

Li Jun, a native of Yinzhou, Ningbo, was born in Shanghai. In 1998, he became a professor of mathematics at Stanford University. He returned to China in 2019 to teach at Fudan University.

In Li Jun's office, there is a modern painting to which he was attracted by the color because it brings him a feel of shock, even

though that was only done by a John Doe artist.

In the field of mathematics, he is also constantly exploring and finding the feel of shock, "Mathematics is like a building. You can feel the beauty only if you really get to know it," said Li.

After returning to China, he works in the Shanghai Center of Mathematical Sciences. As Chief Professor, he insists on teaching college freshmen. "Before I retire, I will teach the first year undergraduates every year," said Li.

For him, it is a pleasure to stay with students. Moreover, he explores the subjects of interest with his students because students can learn how to do in practice.

In teaching, Li Jun told students that research requires imagination. He encouraged the students to boldly guess the re-

sults. He stressed that they should be courageous to have some new ideas before making new things.

Encourage Young People as the Pride of Village

Ying Hanjie is also on the list of the Chinese Academy of Engineering this year. He was born in Cixi in 1969 and grew up in Jintang Village, Cixi. Now, he works in the National Engineering Research Center for Biotechnology as Executive Deputy Director.

At present, Ying Hanjie's main research interests include bio-separation engineering and enzyme engineering. He developed several new drugs for diseases such as myocardial ischemia and diabetes.

In his hometown, Jintang

Village, people are delighted for his achievement. "We are a farmer family. I often tell them that studying is the only way out," said Ying's father. When Ying was a child, he was very diligent to help others on the farm works. At the same time, his parents supported him to keep learning although the family was not rich.

His teacher at high school was still impressed with him. In one of the semester summaries, he wrote, "(Ying) studied hard, having high enthusiasm, the ability to research, and strong critical thinking."

Since the 1980s, this village has witnessed a number of local young students to become professors in famous universities. Now, their achievements have become timeless inspiration to the students in the village.



双语汇 Different Tongues

雪窦山：山朝古刹，自在欢喜

By Xu Zhuowei

Located in Xikou Town, Fenghua District, Ningbo, Mount Xuedou is known as one of the five famous Buddhist mountains in China and also "the first mountain of Siming". Surrounded by numerous peaks, Mount Xuedou has spectacular waterfalls and splendid scenery.

雪窦山被誉为“四明第一山”，是中国五大佛教名山之一，位于浙江省宁波市奉化区溪口镇。雪窦山九峰环抱，瀑布齐鸣，景色秀丽。

The famous tourist attractions of Mount Xuedou include the Qianzhangyan Waterfall, the Xufuyan Waterfall, the Miaogaotai Platform, and the most representative one is Xuedou Temple. Located in the center of Mount Xuedou and having a history of more than 1,700 years, the Temple was founded in the Jin Dynasty, prospered in

the Tang Dynasty, and flourished in the Song Dynasty.

雪窦山的标志性景点包括千丈岩、徐凫岩、妙高台等，其中最著名的属雪窦寺。位于雪窦山山心的雪窦寺，创于晋朝，兴于大唐，盛于两宋，至今已有1700余年的历史。

There is a gigantic Maitreya Buddha statue in Xuedou Temple. The statue depicts the image of the Budai monk, with a cloth bag in his left hand and a Buddhist bracelet in the right. With a total height of 56.74 meters, the Buddha statue looks magnificent and extraordinary, fully representing the inclusiveness, joy, mercy, and ease philosophy of the Maitreya Buddhist culture.

雪窦寺内有一尊弥勒大佛像。大佛以布袋和尚为造型，左手提布袋，右手握佛珠，袒胸露腹，笑容可掬。大佛通高56.74米，宏伟壮观，气势非凡，展示弥勒文化包容、欢喜、慈悲、自在的精神和理念。Mount Xuedou has attract-



Mount Xuedou/雪窦山。

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ed countless intellectuals and tourists for its time-honored Buddhist culture and beautiful

scenery. Now it has become a national tourist attraction and a must-come-to place for tourists.

雪窦山悠久的佛教文化和瑰丽的风景名胜，吸引了无数文人墨客到访。如今，雪窦山已成为国家级旅游景区，是游客必“打卡”的地方。

SPOTLIGHT

Ningbo Old Bund Selected as National Night-time Cultural and Tourism Consumption Clusters

By Dong Na

With the recent announcement of the first batch of national night-time cultural and tourism consumption clusters, Ningbo Old Bund becomes the only winner in the city.

The Old Bund boosts a history of more than a hundred years. It has kept an old neighborhood and developed a new urban culture in historical buildings by hosting, among others, the Ningbo Art Museum as well as the best model base for Ningbo's leisure industry, and a national AAAA-level tourist attraction.

At present, more than 140 businesses and enterprises are stationed in the Old Bund, including nearly 60 bars and cafes with leisure features, 36 restaurants, 10 retailers, 38 cultural, sports, and high-quality creative culture enterprises, with a total business income of 4.55 billion yuan in 2020. Besides, the night tour pier was opened last year, turning the Old Bund into an important window to appreciate the beauty of the city and a star project of Ningbo's nighttime economy.

In 2019, 2.16 million tourists visited the Old Bund, enabling the total tourism revenue to reach 290 million; In 2020, the total number of tourist arrivals and total tourism revenue were 2.4 million and 210 million respectively.

Now, the public spaces such as squares, piers, and promenades along the river, at the Old Bund are included in an overall planning layout. Along the river, sculptures are made, and street art shows are performed to create a unique cultural atmosphere to denote the Bund as a humanistic symbol of Ningbo and a featured cultural development platform.

With the completion of the 1,640-meter river walkway along the Old Bund this year, light upgrading and transformation, intelligent systems and other projects have been promoted one after another. To further enhance the connectivity of the Old Bund area, the currently ongoing People's Square Project, a 310 million yuan investment, will link the Old Bund with the Raffles-Greenland Center business district.

The Old Bund has a mission: to be the best commercial pedestrian street, the most international window for people-to-people exchanges in Ningbo, and to create a landmark neighborhood through renovation and upgrading.

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