



Mark of autumn: Golden paddy rice is dried in a courtyard at a farm in Sihong, East China's Jiangsu province, on Oct 23, marking *shuangjiang* or "frost's descent", the 18th of 24 solar terms in the Chinese lunar calendar.
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Folk dance: A foreign student from Xian Jiaotong University learns the *Ansai* waist-drum dance in Yanan, Northwest China's Shaanxi province, on Oct 20. The large-scale folk dance has a history of more than 2,000 years.
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Tibetans perform: At the Wuzhen Theater Festival in Wuzhen, East China's Zhejiang province, a Tibetan opera team of farmers and herders from Southwest China's Tibet autonomous region perform on Oct 23. ZHANG RUFENG / XINHUA



Rhythm of life: Pupils create a 100-meter-long painting on Oct 22 in Hohhot, North China's Inner Mongolia autonomous region, depicting the beauty and happiness of their daily lives. DING GENHOU / FOR CHINA DAILY



TCM time: Students from a primary school in Handan, North China's Hebei province, learn traditional Chinese medicine by grinding ingredients at a store on Oct 22. HAO QUANYIN / FOR CHINA DAILY