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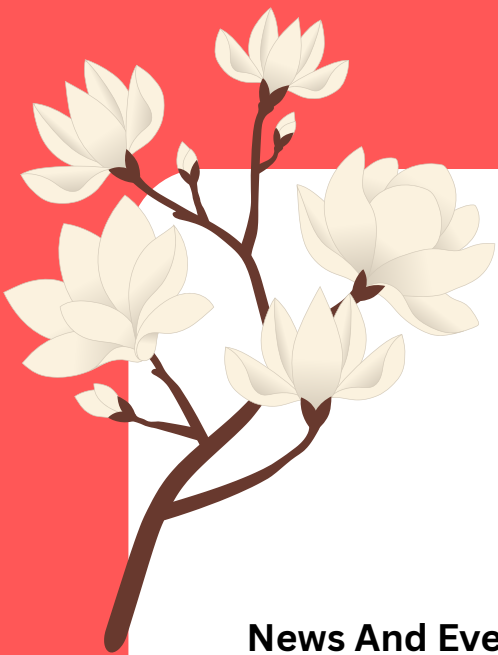
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# Chinese New Year

The Lunar New Year, also known as the Spring Festival, does not have a fixed date on the Gregorian calendar. Instead, it begins with the first new moon of the lunar year, typically falling between January 21 and February 20. This timing marks the end of the coldest part of winter and the symbolic beginning of spring—a time for planting and new beginnings. While it is the most important holiday in China, it is also celebrated across Asia under different names, such as Seollal in Korea and Tết in Vietnam, each with its own unique cultural flavors.

The celebrations peak on Lunar New Year's Eve with the "Reunion Dinner," the most important meal of the year. In Northern China, families traditionally wrap and eat dumplings (\$饺子\$), while in the South, Niangao (sticky rice cake) is preferred. The goal is to stay up late—a practice called Shousui—to welcome the new year. On New Year's Day (Chu Yi), the atmosphere shifts to public celebration. People dress in new red clothes and visit relatives to exchange greetings. Traditional activities like Lion and Dragon dances fill the streets, and children receive Red Envelopes (\$红包\$) containing "lucky money" to ensure a safe and prosperous year.

Beyond the firecrackers and feasts, the Spring Festival is rooted in the concepts of "Family" and "Renewal." It is a time for people to clear away the "dust" and bad luck of the past year to make room for fresh opportunities. For many, it acts as a spiritual reset. The core value is filial piety, as families gather to honor their ancestors and show respect to their elders, reinforcing the social and emotional bonds that hold the community together.

In the United States, Chinese Americans and other Asian communities keep the spirit alive through a blend of tradition and local community events. In major cities like New York, San Francisco, and Chicago, massive Lunar New Year Parades draw thousands of spectators. Many families still prioritize the reunion dinner, though they may gather on the nearest weekend if the holiday falls on a school or work day. Community centers often host "Spring Festival Galas," and it has become increasingly common for local schools and museums to hold cultural workshops, sharing the joy of the holiday with people of all backgrounds.

## News And Events



Weather

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**A** historic winter storm is battering the U.S., affecting 200 million people from Texas to the Northeast. The system has brought heavy snow and dangerous ice, forcing airlines to cancel over 11,000 flights and leaving thousands without power. Officials in 16 states declared emergencies due to severe whiteout conditions. As major cities brace for heavy accumulation, meteorologists warn that sub-zero temperatures will linger long after the storm passes.



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**C**ES 2026 in Las Vegas marked a pivotal shift toward "Physical AI." While previous years focused on software chatbots, this year highlighted AI-powered robots and autonomous systems. NVIDIA CEO Jensen Huang described this as the next wave of computing, where intelligence meets physical reality. From humanoid assistants to next-gen self-driving cars, the event demonstrated that AI is rapidly expanding beyond screens to fundamentally reshape the physical world around us.



## MADURO'S ARREST IMPACT ON INVESTORS

International

<https://www.transnationalmatters.com/category/legal-articles/>

In a stunning geopolitical escalation, U.S. forces arrested Venezuelan President Nicolás Maduro on January 3, 2026, following targeted airstrikes on military sites in northern Venezuela. The operation has sparked intense global controversy. While Washington frames the intervention as a necessary move to restore democracy and combat corruption, international observers and humanitarian groups have condemned the action as a violation of sovereignty that could destabilize the entire region.



Economy

<https://nearshoreamericas.com/argentina-and-peru-seen-as-hottest-markets/>

**2**025 defied recession fears, marking a successful "soft landing" for the global economy. Inflation cooled to near 2.5%, allowing the Federal Reserve to pivot and cut interest rates to fuel growth. The year was defined by an aggressive "AI infrastructure" boom, with tech giants pouring billions into chips and data centers. Despite trade fragmentation, the U.S. economy showed remarkable resilience, maintaining low unemployment and setting a stable foundation for 2026.

# 饺子

岁序更新，华章再启。在中国及许多亚洲国家，春节不仅是四季之首，更是深植于血脉的精神图腾。而除夕夜那顿万家灯火中的年夜饭，则是这一年中最庄重、最温情的仪式。在琳琅满目的佳肴中，饺子始终占据着无可替代的地位。它形如“元宝”，承载着“招财进宝”的朴素愿望，更像是一只只归巢的小船，在热气腾腾的汤锅中起伏，满载着人们对新岁的美好憧憬与祝愿。

饺子的魅力，往往始于那份不走捷径的指尖温度。制作过程虽不复杂，却处处透着匠心。先将细腻的面粉倒入盆中，徐徐注入温水，手掌在盆中回旋，感受面粉由散乱到聚拢，最终化为温润的面团。揉至光洁如玉后，覆上一块湿布静静“醒”发，让时间赋予面筋最佳的韧性。待到面团被搓成长条、切成匀称的剂子，擀面杖便在手中轻快起舞，伴随着规律的“笃笃”声，一张张中间略厚、边缘薄透的圆皮便如花瓣般绽放开来。



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馅料则是饺子的灵魂，也是每个家庭独有的“味觉密码”。追求清爽健康的家庭，偏爱那一口素饺的自然清香。脆爽的白菜、鲜嫩的韭菜，辅以肥美的香菇、爽滑的粉丝或细腻的豆腐。蔬菜切碎后微微挤去多余水分，仅需盐、香油与少许生抽点缀，便能最大限度锁住食材的本味。相比之下，肉饺子则更加醇厚丰盈。经典的猪肉白菜或韭菜馅，讲究的是肉质的细腻。肉末中加入葱姜末、料酒与酱油，需顺着同一个方向用力搅打上劲，使肉馅细腻多汁。当新鲜蔬菜与肉馅完美融合，香气在搅拌间便已扑面而来，口感层次分明，令人垂涎。

包饺子过程，本身就是一场家庭内部最温馨、最动人的仪式。每逢岁末，一家人褪去忙碌，默契地围坐成圈，在这方寸圆桌间构建起一个温暖的小世界。长辈们一边熟练地揪着面剂子，一边悠悠地絮叨着陈年往事与里弄家常；小辈们则停下指尖的忙碌，轻声诉说着这一年的成长与近况。

在欢声笑语的流转中，指尖翻飞如蝶，适量的馅料被轻巧地包裹进圆润的面皮。对折之间，虎口顺势精准一挤，一个挺拔饱满的半月形饺子便稳稳落入盘中；若是遇上心思细腻、手艺精巧的人，还能在边缘处捏出一圈细密如画的麦穗花边，或是将其塑造成福态十足、象征财富的元宝形状。

为了给这份团圆增添一丝惊喜，许多家庭至今仍保留着那个“幸运硬币”的老传统——在众多的饺子里，悄悄藏入一枚洗净的硬币或一颗饱满的红枣。

谁若能在除夕夜的喧嚣中，恰好咬到那枚带有特殊寓意的饺子，便预示着新的一年定会被岁月的温柔加倍眷顾，万事顺遂。在那一瞬间，满屋的欢笑声与清脆的喝彩声交织在一起，化作了冬日里最炙热的年味。



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当一盘盘热气腾腾的饺子在沸水中欢快地翻滚、逐个浮起，那氤氲升腾的缭绕白烟瞬间驱散了冬夜彻骨的寒意，让浓郁的年味在这一刻跨越烟火人间达到了顶峰。这不仅仅是一道历经千年岁月的传统美食，更是一份厚重的文化传承与灵魂深处的情感归宿，每一道褶皱都铭刻着光阴的故事。它严严实实地包裹着岁月的宽厚与温柔，紧紧连接着万里游子那颗渴望归乡的心，承载着每一个平凡家庭对“团圆”二字最深沉、最热烈也最质朴的期盼。即便远隔重洋，在美国的华侨们也常常在春节时包上一盘盘饺子，通过视频电话与中国的家人共享这份跨越时空的温暖与祝福，让两地的思念在那一口口鲜香中得到慰藉。在那一口溢满唇齿的鲜香之中，我们细细品味的不仅是舌尖上的珍馐，更是那份与家人围炉相守、灯火长亲的极致幸福时光，让漂泊的灵魂终在这一刻得到了最温暖的慰藉。

## CES 2026

The year 2026 marks a historic turning point in the evolution of technology, as witnessed at the International Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas. If previous years were defined by the rapid rise of digital large language models, CES 2026 will be remembered as the era of "Physical AI," where silicon intelligence finally gained the mechanical grace and tactile sensitivity to operate seamlessly within our three-dimensional world. This shift was not driven by a single breakthrough but by a convergence of advanced compute, innovative robotics, and a renewed focus on solving the most stubborn friction points of daily life.

At the very foundation of this technological revolution lies the Nvidia Rubin platform, the formidable successor to the Blackwell architecture and the primary engine for the "Physical AI" era. Serving as the sophisticated "silicon brain" behind the show's most advanced machines, Rubin introduced the world to the power of HBM4 high-bandwidth memory. This generational leap effectively shatters the data bottlenecks that previously constrained real-time robotic reasoning, allowing machines to process vast streams of environmental sensor data with near-zero latency.

By integrating the specialized Vera CPU and the high-performance Rubin GPU into a unified architecture, Nvidia has provided the raw compute necessary for robots to perceive, plan, and act in complex environments without relying on the cloud. This platform enables high-fidelity inference directly at the edge, ensuring that a humanoid or an autonomous vehicle can react to sudden obstacles in milliseconds. It is the invisible, high-octane engine powering everything from industrial automation to the next generation of intelligent, software-defined transportation.



The Roborock Saros Rover emerged as a revolutionary milestone, marking the first time a domestic vacuum has successfully conquered the staircase. While the industry has long focused on flat surfaces, the Saros Rover addresses the "final frontier" of multi-story homes through its world-first wheel-leg integrated architecture. This bio-inspired design allows the robot to move beyond the limitations of traditional wheels, transforming it into an all-terrain machine capable of navigating complex topographies with human-like agility.

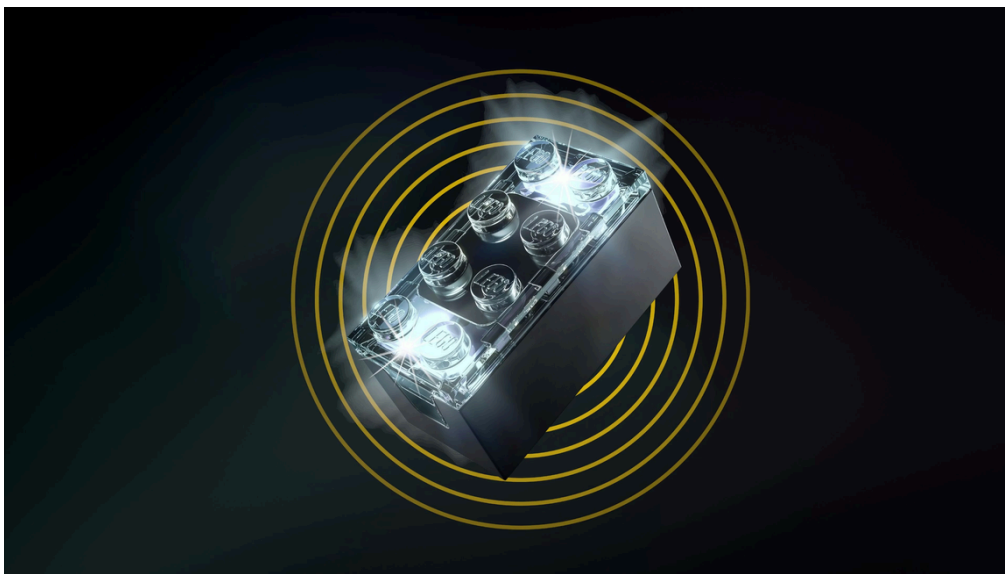
The defining characteristic of the Saros Rover is its articulating limb system, where each wheel is mounted on a mechanical "leg" that can independently lift and extend. Guided by the StarSight™ 2.0 system, the robot identifies step heights and literally "steps" up a staircase. Unlike previous concepts, it cleans each tread as it climbs, maintaining a level chassis for optimal vacuuming and mopping. This breakthrough offers a truly hands-free solution for multi-level living.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SuyBti4YC-Y>

Beyond mobility, the Saros Rover features a record-breaking 22,000Pa suction paired with the DuoDivide™ anti-tangle system. By utilizing a retractable navigation suite, Roborock kept the profile at an ultra-slim 8cm, allowing it to glide under low furniture. The ecosystem is rounded out by the All-in-One Station 4.0, which automates maintenance with 100°C (212°F) hot water washing and rapid heat-drying. As a pioneer of "Physical AI," the Saros Rover sets the definitive blueprint for the future of autonomous, multi-story home service robots.

LEGO has unveiled its most significant innovation in decades: the Smart Play system, centered on a revolutionary 2x4 "Smart Brick" that breathes life into static models without requiring a smartphone screen. This engineering masterpiece houses a custom ASIC chip smaller than a single stud, packed with an accelerometer, color scanner, and a proprietary Neighbor Position Measurement (NPM) system to detect the 3D position and orientation of nearby components. Interactive storytelling is central to the experience; when paired with Smart Tags, the brick utilizes an onboard synthesizer to generate adaptive, real-time audio rather than just playing pre-recorded clips. For instance, it intensifies helicopter rotors during movement or triggers Darth Vader's breathing when his figure acts as a proximity trigger. Arriving in March 2026, the system features wireless induction charging—similar to an electric toothbrush—and prioritizes "pure play," enhancing physical building with invisible intelligence.



<https://www.heute.at/i/lego-smart-play-bringt-interaktives-star-wars-erlebnis-120153584/doc-1je7ui90l4>

This era of Physical AI also extends into wellness with the RheoFit A1, proving advanced tech can be both restorative and imaginative. This autonomous device uses AI body-mapping to drive a motorized roller that identifies and treats muscle tension without requiring the user to exert effort. Collectively, these CES 2026 innovations signal a shift away from digital screens toward a future where technology acts as a supportive, physical presence. By embedding intelligence into tangible objects like the Smart Brick and RheoFit, these products demonstrate how "phygital" experiences can seamlessly enhance our lives.

Life has become increasingly convenient since the Industrial Revolution, and as life progresses with the times, the changing pace forces us to quicken our pace. In modern times, have we forgotten the beauty hidden in everyday life? Is the fast pace of life causing our appreciation and feeling for beauty to disappear?

### **The Unseen Cost of Convenience: On Reclaiming the Pause for Beauty:**

The ongoing development that has taken place since the Industrial Revolution is primarily

the result of a desire for ease-of-use and maximum effectiveness. People today have an increased ability to take time away from tasks, automate work functions, and shorten travel times through technology. Today's consumers experience a much easier, faster, and more globally connected environment logistically. However, this very speed and focus on "instant gratification" may lead to us having lost the ability to enjoy and experience the quiet, subtle beauty in our everyday existence. A look at what is happening in our fast-moving society indicates that the speed at which we go is not simply changing how we live, but diminishing our capacity to notice and feel the beauty of our living.

I remember the last time I was captivated by beauty wasn't on a carefully planned trip to a glass art museum, nor during a joyous holiday. It was just an ordinary Thursday evening, a light mizzle falling. I had just finished my after-school class (Basically, all high school and junior high school students in China need extracurricular tutoring to help them perform better in class and on exams.) I slowly walked towards the bus stop, my gaze wandering aimlessly. Reaching the platform, under the dim streetlights, a fleeting glance instantly drew my attention to a peculiar sight on the ground: raindrops falling, mingling with the refraction of light and gasoline, creating a vivid watercolor painting. At that moment, I froze. My body felt instantly emptied, my mind transported to another dimension. In that instant, all my worries vanished: When would the bus arrive? How much homework was left unfinished? All anxieties disappeared. I only saw the reflected light on the ground, listened to the gentle dance of the raindrops, and a strange tranquility washed over me. That ethereal peace enveloped me so deeply, like a gift from heaven.

However, this didn't last long. The harsh hand of reality pulled me back from my reverie. I looked for a moment, then picked up my phone, because my task wasn't finished. Even when beauty is right in front of us, we can't stop. Life is like a rope constantly pulling us forward, accelerating our pace, and pursuing greater convenience. It seems we've gradually lost the ability to "stop and appreciate beauty." It's not that everyday beauty has disappeared, but rather that our perspective on beauty has been clouded by the workings of the "attention economy" and the creed of "efficiency above all else." We've lost not only habits, but also the depth and space of our imagination.

So what does it mean to "stop and appreciate beauty"? It's not about taking a break halfway through a task, but about deliberately allowing yourself to be "useless" and daydream—willingly opening your senses, without rushing or demanding results. In Benjamin's words, it's like standing before a real painting and feeling a "halo" surrounding it; you have to quietly stay with it for a while before that light shines upon you. Modern life, however, presents the exact opposite

# AI Agent Vibe Coding

Programming is shifting in a fundamental way. The work that once revolved around setup and syntax is now being replaced by a process centered on creativity. You simply focus on what you want to create, and the system will handle the mechanical steps that used to slow everything down. You describe the logic and structure, and the machines turn these descriptions into executable code. This is no longer about memorizing various libraries. It's on guiding an intelligent partner who understands your intentions. By early 2026, what began as a small online experiment had evolved into a complete ecosystem of intelligent agent tools that are not merely assistive tools, but partners that collaborate with you to build software, shaping it in real time as you think.

## The Toolkit

**Google Antigravity:** It moves away from a single chat interface and provides a dedicated Agent Manager. The user can tell it to build anything, and it will spawn agents to handle the code. It includes a built-in browser where the agents watch themselves click through the UI to verify that the code is actually functional and matches the intent.

**Windsurf:** The tool doesn't wait for you to tag a field or manually explain context. It listens to your terminal outputs and tracks your navigation to predict your next three moves.

**Kiro:** It is built for production-grade reliability and architecture. Before a single line of code is written, Kiro generates a full technical spec to ensure the AI doesn't cause bugs. It uses steering files and hooks to keep its agents within project-specific security and style.

**Cursor:** It focuses on pure developer flow and speed. The composer feature allows users to describe massive changes across dozens of files, which the tool executes in seconds. It now even supports specialized subagents that can tackle separate parts of a complex refactor in parallel.



# CURSOR

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Lovable: It is a browser-based powerhouse designed to turn descriptions into live, full-stack applications. The user can edit the UI visually or through natural language, and it instantly refactors the underlying React code and database schemas.

The mistake most people make is thinking these tools are just AI inside a code editor. There is a fundamental technical shift here called Agency. Traditional AI is reactive: the user gives it a prompt, it produces a block of text, and then you have to manually copy, paste, and debug it.

Modern vibe coding tools are proactive. They utilize the Model Context Protocol (MCP) to interact with users' computer environments. They don't just suggest code, they execute it. They open the terminal, run the build command, see the error, and try a different fix until the tests pass. They observe your browser and your terminal logs. They plan out multi-step tasks and work.



## The Future

As we move deeper into 2026, the bottleneck in software isn't coding, but what to build. We are entering the Era of the Architect. When the cost of writing code drops to nearly zero, the value of human judgment and architectural taste skyrockets. We are rapidly moving towards a world where software can be built on demand, custom-made to users' ever-changing needs, because the cost of creating software has effectively dropped to zero.



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