Research on Promotion Strategy of Cultural and Creative Products of Xi’an Tourism Based on Regional Culture*

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Abstract—Culture is a symbol of a region, and the distinctive characteristic culture of a city is the basis for developing the tourism. The featured products of tourism pay attention to innovation. Tourist cultural and creative products should be rich in the city's unique humanistic temperament, so that people can see the unique regional characteristics from its cultural derivatives at a glance. Xi’an City is a famous tourist city. In the design of tourist cultural and creative products, local culture should be fully displayed and the characteristics of regional culture should be rationally utilized. This paper makes a deep understanding and reflection on the current situation of tourist cultural and creative products in Xi’an City, analyses and studies the existing problems in its marketing, and puts forward reasonable suggestions based on the results of the study.

Keywords—Xi’an regional culture; tourism literary creation; product promotion

I. INTRODUCTION

Cities are the epitome of human economic, social and cultural development. A city with deep foundation and coordinated development of economy and humanities is a city with lasting competitiveness. Xi’an, the ancient capital, has long history and profound cultural connotations. With the establishment of the National Central City in 2018, the development of characteristic tourism is more promising. Against this background, tourist cultural and creative products based on regional culture and traditional skills are developing rapidly.

As a part of cultural and creative industries, tourist cultural and creative products have both the attributes of tourist souvenirs and the characteristics of cultural and creative products. It integrates knowledge and technology, takes creativity as the soul, and the connotation as the core, and creates new value in tourism industry in the form of materialization. Because of its unique connotation, tourist cultural and creative products show the profound history and culture accumulated in the city from ancient times, and become souvenirs that can be taken away and easy to collect. Souvenirs with both cultural connotations and creative forms condense the long historical charm into their own poetic and picturesque flavor, bringing visitors a deep cultural touch, which is the value of tourist souvenirs.

XI’an City is the political, economic and cultural center of many dynasties in Chinese history, and the starting point of the Silk Road. It has made unique contribution to the survival, reproduction and progress of human history and civilization of the Chinese descendants. It is one of the sources of excellent Chinese culture. It shoulders the responsibility of actively disseminating Shaanxi regional culture, which has shown the humanistic spirit of Chinese culture. And its regional environment makes it form unique and connotative cultural characteristics.

This study will have a valuable reference for the marketing of cultural and creative products of XI’an tourism, and have an important significance for the beautification of XI’an city image and the coordinated development of culture and tourism industry.

II. PRESENT SITUATION OF TOURIST CULTURAL AND CREATIVE PRODUCTS IN XI’AN CITY

In recent years, with the development of tourism industry in XI’an City, it took only four or five years to complete the development process and level of other places that needed ten years. Throughout the market of tourist cultural and creative products in XI’an City, there are two characteristics as follows: There are abundant categories of tourist cultural and creative products. They are mainly traditional folk and handicraft souvenirs, tourist souvenirs developed on the basis of famous tourist attractions in XI’an City and innovative art derivatives. The business addresses are attached to the business circles, scenic spots, museums, bookstores and other places with dense passenger flow. Because these places can not only attract potential customers imperceptibly, but also create a situational consumer experience for consumers, so as to stimulate consumers’ desire to buy and achieve the purpose of sales. Conditions for market promotion are favorable. There are many favorable conditions for the promotion of XI’an tourist cultural and creative products. Firstly, the long history and profound cultural heritage of XI’an City attract numerous tourists to stop and linger. Therefore, there are many consumers paying for the design and development of tourist cultural and

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creative souvenirs. Second, Xi'an City also actively develops its own cultural and creative industries.

However, such a good development situation does not mean that tourist cultural and creative products in Xi'an City have completely entered a benign state of development. There are still many items to be improved and changed.

III. THE PROBLEMS OF MARKETING PROMOTION OF TOURIST CULTURAL AND CREATIVE PRODUCTS IN XI'AN CITY

Xi'an's profound cultural connotations and poetic ancient capital temperament make the city's tourist souvenirs a carrier, and make the once poetic Chang'an reappear in the form of souvenirs with modern creativity. For tourists, most of the journey to Xi'an is for visiting historical sites, feeling the poetic and picturesque blending of history and modernization, and cultivating sentiment in such cultural implications. Based on this psychological appeal, tourists will buy a satisfactory souvenir as a spiritual comfort in the journey, which is of special significance. Therefore, the cultural and creative shops in Xi'an Scenic Spot are always crowded with tourists in the peak season of tourism, but seldom set off a buying wave. The reason why some of these souvenirs can't convince most consumers to buy comes from the following problems existing in the marketing promotion of the souvenirs of Xi'an tourist cultural and creative products.

A. Ignoring the Emotional Needs of Consumers

In the mass production, tourism product developers tend to overlook the important point that souvenirs should meet the affection needs of consumers, resulting in the following two situations. First, they pay more attention to the cost of processing, resulting in the emergence of many small crafts mixed in the cultural and creative camp in the market. Such products are often similar in shape, crudely manufactured and lack the connotation. Compared with high-quality souvenirs with exquisite workmanship, there is still a big gap, ignoring the consumer's need for commemorative significance and collection value. Secondly, it is too close to the archetype of antiquities, blindly pursuing similarity and ignoring the different aesthetics of different consumers to antiquities.

B. Decentralization of Cultural and Creative Brand Business

At present, some of Xi'an's cultural and creative brand business is also relatively decentralized, and the production line between creative design and physical processing is not smooth enough. The "processing cost" and excellent design is not balanced enough, which leads to over-commercialization and reduces the cultural connotation. With the development of cultural and creative industries, it is more necessary to have a comprehensive platform to link up various aspects, so as to form a brand-exclusive industrial chain.

C. The Marketing Concept is Not Deep Enough

As a business guiding ideology of "focusing on consumers' needs and starting from the market", marketing concept covers the scope from product development and design to packaging, shop environment and shopping experience. However, the current situation mentioned above that some of the cultural and creative souvenirs seldom convince customers to buy and the problems still existing in some tourist cultural and creative souvenirs reflect that the marketing concept of the developers is not deep enough.

Therefore, the better development of tourist cultural and creative souvenirs in Xi'an City requires developers to take the market as the guide, and improve product development design and product packaging, store environment, shopping experience, etc.

IV. MARKETING PROMOTION STRATEGY OF XI'AN TOURIST CULTURAL AND CREATIVE SOUVENIRS

Through digging out the marketing problems of Xi'an tourist cultural and creative souvenirs, Nanjing tourist cultural and creative souvenirs show a good development trend, but there are still some shortcomings in marketing. By finding out the crux and formulating corresponding countermeasures, it can not only make Xi'an tourist cultural and creative souvenirs get better development, but also promote the coordinated development of Xi'an tourism industry and cultural and creative industry.

A. Satisfying Consumers' Purchasing Motivation and Emotional Needs

Tourists' purchase of tourism products is a kind of perceptual consumption behavior. After experiencing the cultural implications of Chang'an, they make souvenirs a precious souvenir to Xi'an based on practical, gift, novelty and cultural motives. Therefore, the demand of customers determines which kind of products in the market will flourish and which kind of products will eventually be eliminated. Xi'an's tourist cultural and creative souvenirs need to meet the emotional needs of consumers, reasonably display the cultural connotations of tourist products. And then, the customers can perceive the cultural connotations of Xi'an through souvenirs and feel the unique temperament of Xi'an. This aesthetic feeling with cultural feelings can make tourists deeply touched by culture, thus generating emotional resonance. Grasping the emotional needs of customers is also conducive to the marketing of products.

B. Highlighting the Brand Influence of Tourist Cultural and Creative Souvenirs

On the basis of identifying the core competitiveness of Xi'an culture, the market-oriented development of tourist cultural and creative souvenirs in Xi'an City needs to adhere to the brand strategy, which is the best way for customers to recognize and generate trust. For example, Shaanxi Historic Museum is the most representative of cultural collections and ancient cultural relics at this stage. When developing cultural and creative souvenirs, it should consider the value of collections and practical orientation of souvenirs.
comprehensively. It is necessary to select the collection prototype of cultural relics with outstanding cultural significance. People can apply it to creative design of cultural and creative products, and unify it into the distinct ornaments such as Shaanxi Historic Museum or Stamp, so as to clarify its origin, and form the brand effect. At the same time, the established cultural and creative brands in Xi'an City should create popularity through planning, use the power of the media to publicize thematic activities, use celebrity effect to achieve publicity effect, and use public welfare activities to build momentum to enhance brand image and awareness.

C. Details Make Excellent Products

Products that can flourish in the market are bound to have more subtle strategies to grasp the details and move people through the details. At present, when the homogeneity of tourist cultural and creative souvenirs is serious, consumers will inevitably compare the details of similar products and determine their purchasing intentions. For example, Xi'an's tourist cultural and creative products can make excellent products in the aspect of the packaging of the products, which can attract consumers with the motive of giving gifts to relatives and friends. Integrating the symbols of Xi'an City into packaging design reveals high-grade and fashion in simplicity and generosity, which not only conveys Xi'an traditional culture, but also meets the aesthetic needs of modern people, and has something in common with brand effect. In practical function, it fully takes into account the needs of consumers, so as to maximize the commercial value of products and achieve a more successful marketing promotion.

D. Stores Provide High-quality Experience and Service

Under the social environment of increasingly rational consumer purchasing behavior, it is necessary to accurately grasp the emotional needs of customers and psychologically impress consumers with "emotion", so as to achieve more successful marketing promotion of Xi'an tourist cultural and creative souvenirs. By creating elegant and appropriate store environment with strong cultural atmosphere, customers may have psychological recognition in the silent transforming influence, and be infected by the cultural charm of the ancient capital. In such an experience environment, providing customers with high-quality service will make customers have stronger demand and motivation to buy a satisfactory souvenir as a precious souvenir for this journey.

Therefore, the quality of commodities and the environment and services of stores are the key to experiential marketing. By grasping this point, tourists from other places can feel the humanistic accomplishment in the influence of Xi'an culture. While marketing and promotion are successful, they can also beautify the impression of Xi'an in the minds of tourists.

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