HOTEL MANAGEMENT STUDENT EMERGED OVERALL CHAMPION IN THE 10th MAH-ATI SABAH HOSPITALITY COMPETITION 2007

MS team won 2 gold and 1 silver medals in the 10th MAH-ATI Sabah Hospitality Competition 2007 which was held recently at Asia City Complex on 10-11 November 2007. The UMS team which was represented by Siti Radziah Rosmani, Siti Suhana Mohd Zin and Li Hongjie were competing in the Cooking, Table Setting and Bed Making competition under College Category. The MAH-ATI is the annual event jointly organized by Malaysia Hotel Association (MAH) and Asian Tourism Institute (ATI). The event showcased Sabah's salon culinaire and hospitality skills which attracted almost all the big hotels in Sabah and Labuan. As the overall champion under the college category, the UMS team brought back the trophy to be kept at UMS. The prizing giving ceremony was held at Shangri-La Tanjung Aru by Information & Human Resource Minister YB Datuk Yee Moh Chai. All the students were intensively trained under Mr. Khairil Hafez Harith Yahya and Mdm. Izyanti Awg. Razli. According to the Head of the Program, Yuzainy Janin, the achievement show the capability of the UMS to compete and produce a marketable graduates in the market.



The event organized by MAH-ATI is timely as it will create and instill interest among the public to regard the industry as a skilled and professional profession. Through this event, people in the skilled hospitality staff would be able to show off their artistic talents as well to further improve the quality



of service in our hospitality industry in Sabah. This would also be the right avenue to cultivate and mould skilled chefs, bartender, waiters, maids in the country, maybe even to gain some world recognition in due course. Ultimately our goal is to set standards of quality in the hospitality industry and eventually the tourism industry in Malaysia. The competition was judged by representative chef from World Association of Cooks Societies (WACS).

The team led by Trainer, Mr. Khairil Hafez, took home 2 gold medals for hot cooking category and table setting category and silver medal for bed making category. CONGRATULATIONS!!

The Annual Sabah Hospitality Competition serves a local platform for professional, apprentices, students to compete alongside the peers.