

## UMS Students Artwork at Art Inspiration Exhibition 2015

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**THURSDAY, 16 APRIL** – A total of 32 art works by 30 local artists including nine from the Faculty of Humanities, Arts and Heritage (FKSW) Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) was displayed at Ocean7 Art Gallery, Oceanus Waterfront Mall Kota Kinabalu in conjunction with Art Inspiration Exhibition 2015.

The exhibition, which was also supported by the Sabah Visual Arts Association (PSVS) aimed at creating art awareness among the local community and promoting Tourism Art by introducing local talents internationally.

According to the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research and Innovation) UMS, Professor Dr. Shahril Yusof,

UMS students involvement in showcasing their art work would open up better career opportunities.

“Graduates today must be more willing to become job creators and not just waiting to fill up vacancies in any organisation. Through this exposure, I believe our art students would have a brighter career opportunities,” he said when officiating at the exhibition.

He added that the organisation of the exhibition was also a good example for the Malaysian Education Development Plan (Higher Education) First Shift, which is Holistic, Entrepreneurial and Balanced Graduates.

“The exhibition also provides an opportunity for UMS students to gain exposure on the challenges in the entrepreneurial world who are skillful such as the art enthusiasts today,” he said.

Prof. Shahril also welcomed the involvement of the industry and the community who were experts in their respective fields to serve with UMS thus helping to increase in the production of excellent graduates.

Present at the opening were Chairman of Ocean7 Art Gallery, Datin Sharifah Habsah Habib Alawi and Deputy Dean (Student Affairs and Alumni) FKSW, Associate Professor Dr. Baharudin Mohd Arus. – *ZMD (fl)*

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