

# Traditional musical instrument skills workshop at UMS

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KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) will host the Sabah Traditional Musical Instrument Skills Workshop at the UMS Recital Hall, here, from Mar 16-18.

UMS Music Programme Head Roslee Hj Wahid said, to date, more than 100 people have registered for the workshop, among them school teachers, Kent Teachers' Training College students and UMS Music Programme students.

"We hope the programme will be beneficial to the students and there will be more people, especially the young generation who will be interested to learn the

making and playing techniques of traditional musical instruments.

"We also welcome the public to attend a bamboo musical instrument ensemble performance at the UMS Recital Hall, at 2pm on Mar 18," he said on Thursday.

The workshop is coordinated by Rumpun Bambu and UMS with the cooperation of the Tuaran Education Office.

Workshop Chairman Kuhim @ Ebin Ugat who is also the founder of Rumpun Bambu said, the workshop is one of the efforts to advocate local traditional musical instruments and to introduce them to the public, especially the young generation.

Kuhim has extensive experience in traditional music as he has been involved in the scene for 15 years.

"I have been an educator in primary and secondary schools as well as teachers' training colleges.

"I have also spearheaded the studies of bamboo-based traditional musical instruments in UMS with Lawrence Fauzi Kat-ing," he said.

Kuhim received his arts education from the National Arts Guidance Department in Kuala Lumpur and he extended his studies on the production and teaching techniques of bamboo musical instruments in Y-Ian University of Taiwan.