

# Another reason to visit UMS

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**KOTA KINABALU:** There is another reason to visit Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) with the completion of its Art's Street De Pinakol Step.

It is a staircase made of 138 steps and painted with the Pinakol-based pattern and was officiated by UMS Board chairman Datuk K Y Mustafa at UMS here, yesterday.

The launching ceremony was organized by UMS through its Student Affairs Department

in collaboration with the Student Co-Curriculum and Development Center and Faculty of Humanities, Arts and Heritage (FHAH) at the UMS Chancellor Hall.

Pinakol refers to the most important accessory which symbolizes ethnicity and completes the traditional attire of the Rungus ethnic in Sabah. It also refers to the bands of beads that are worn crosswise over the chest and back.

The paintings along the staircase were also done by the 102 students of Visual Arts Technology Program in FHAH, with the help of four local artists.

Besides that, stalls run by UMS students every Saturday are open, selling food and drinks to visitors and to showcase their drawing arts.

Tourists can also rent traditional attires at stalls for an opportunity to wear and take pictures in them.