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A Vibrant Stage for Talent: Open Mic Nights at UiTM CPP

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Open Mic Nights 2024 are more than just evenings of entertainment—they are vibrant celebrations of creativity and community. Held monthly, these events transformed “The Brick” café at Universiti Teknologi MARA Penang Branch (UiTM CPP) Permatang Pauh Campus into a lively hub where students gather to express their talents and share their stories. Organised by the English Language Club, the sessions in April, May, and June 2024 have left a lasting impact on both participants and audiences alike.

The Essence of Open Mic Nights

The concept of Open Mic Nights revolves around providing a platform for individuals to perform in front of a live audience, whether through music, poetry, storytelling, or comedy. Each session starts at 9 PM and lasts an hour, filled with diverse performances that showcase the multifaceted talents of students from various faculties.



These nights are guided by the capable hands of Mr. Noor Azli Affendy Lee, who serves as the sole club advisor, ensuring the smooth execution of each event. The dates for the sessions were April 23, May 14, and June 4, with each night drawing a different crowd and a unique set of performers.

April Session: A Launch into Creative Patriotism

The April session kicked off the series with the main theme of patriotism. Students from different courses and faculties took the stage, delivering performances that ranged from heartfelt poetry to soulful acoustic music. This inaugural event set the tone for the months to come, highlighting the enthusiasm and talent present within the UiTM CPP community.

May Session: Deepening the Mental Health Connections

By the time the May session rolled around, the buzz around Open Mic Nights had grown. More students were eager to participate, and the performances became more polished and diverse. With the main theme of mental health, notable acts included spoken word pieces that touched on personal and societal issues, as well as musical performances that got the audience clapping and singing along. The variety of acts showcased how the event nurtures not just artistic skills, but also fosters deeper connections among students.





June Session: Celebrating Diversity with Sheer Motivation

June's Open Mic Night was a celebration of the semester's culmination and the diverse skills within UiTM. With the theme of motivation, performers embraced their academic and personal stories, sharing them through song, dance, and narrative. This session was particularly significant as it reflected the university's commitment to inclusivity and the celebration of different backgrounds and experiences. Each act contributed to a tapestry of motivational expression that left the audience inspired and connected.

Behind the Scenes: Organising and Impact

Organising these events requires meticulous planning and a dedicated team. The English Language Club of UiTM CPP not only manages the logistics but also ensures that the events are inclusive and welcoming to all students. The efforts of the committee are evident in the success and growing popularity of Open Mic Nights.

According to the final report, the primary outcomes of these events include enhancing program management skills among committee members, improving communication skills, promoting The Brick café and the English Language Club, fostering an appreciation for arts and literature among UiTM students, and generating revenue for the club.



The Open Mic Nights have established themselves as an essential part of campus life, providing a space for students to express themselves creatively and build community ties. As they continue to evolve, these events promise to be a cornerstone for nurturing talent and fostering a vibrant student culture. In conclusion, Open Mic Nights 2024 exemplify how a simple platform can evolve into a powerful medium for expression, connection, and community building. They stand as a testament to the creativity and diversity of the student body, and as these events continue, they will undoubtedly inspire and engage more students in the semesters to come.

