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**KUCHING:** Universiti Malaysia Sarawak's (Unimas) Centre for Language Studies (CLS) will hold its first Postgraduate Colloquium and Language Carnival this week.

During the carnival tomorrow and Thursday, CLS will also launch its Academic Guidebook and bi-annual refereed online journal, entitled 'Issues in Language Studies'.

The event, organised in conjunction with Unimas' 20th anniversary celebration, is designed to showcase the language courses offered at CLS, which include Mandarin, French, Japanese, Arabic, Malay and English.

Each course will have its own activities and booths. Among the planned activities are a Reader's Theatre competition, performances by international students, khat and Chinese calligraphy workshops, career talks and a variety of language games at the individual booths.

CLS post-graduate students will be presenting their research at the language colloquium.

There are prizes to be won by the colloquium

presenters and carnival participants.

With Unimas' student population at approximately 11,000, the event is expected to attract a large number of participants. It is open to the public, students and teachers, and other higher institutions.

The sponsors are Sarawak British Council, Edition 99 Sdn Bhd, OurYouth.my, Corpremium Sdn Bhd and De Jackie's Inspirations.

The event is also being supported by Sarawak Bloggers Association, Sarawak Society for the Prevention of Cruelty against Animals, Red FM, Indocafe, PAWADA, and Rabiah Amit Kek Lapis Sarawak.

The launch of this inaugural CLS Postgraduate Colloquium and Language Carnival signifies a propitious future for CLS as an important essence in Unimas' academic life.

As Unimas reaches its 20th year mark, it needs a strong and vibrant language department for language studies, and CLS is definitely gearing up for the role.