

# Malaysians to spread love through online autism awareness campaign

**KUALA LUMPUR:** In conjunction with World Autism Month this month, Malaysians are encouraged to participate in several interactive online activities lined up to show care for one another especially during these challenging Covid-19 pandemic and the Movement Control Order (MCO) time.

Project advisor and communication lecturer of Faculty of Modern Languages and Communications at Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM), Assoc Prof Nurul 'Ain Mohd Hasan said the 'Autism Awareness' campaign was aimed at building a society that cared about autism community in conjunction with World Autism Month in April.

"This online campaign aims to create awareness and also raise fund for 'GENIUS Kurnia'. Everyone can join in the fun activities at home from April 20 until May 17 by participating in four weekly challenges.

"The MCO period gives us the opportunity to connect with autism community in the forms of challenges and story-sharing sessions through the social media platform," she said in a statement.

Among the activities are creative-painting and short video clip on information relevant to Covid-19 and staying safe during this crucial time of MCO. then post it in social media platforms mainly Facebook and Instagram with hashtags #UPM4Autism and #SemarakAutisme #StaySafeAtHome and tag @GeniusKurniaOfficial and @UPM\_for\_autism in the posts.

Those interested can visit GENIUS Kurnia's official website <https://iautism.my/> for enquires.

Meanwhile, director of GENIUS Kurnia, Assoc Prof Hasnah Toran also hoped that more corporate organisations would come forward to help out towards the education of autistic children.

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