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Innovative way to learn how to play music by ear

KUALA LUMPUR, Fri. - Playing it by ear - you have heard this before. One man means this literally by helping people actually learn playing music this way.

Alex Leow has a teaching method that helps fulfil people's dreams of playing music with minimal use of notes.

The general manager of Music Talentech Services says his method helps the majority of people to play music in a relatively short time and is taught on a one-to-one basis.

Leow will be exhibiting his product at Malaysia's premier showcase on invention, innovation, industrial design and technology - ITEX '99 from Sept 23-26 at the Mines International Exhibition Centre.

He took over 14 years to fine tune his teaching method and about 6,000 have been trained or are undergoing his course comprising five levels. "My method is under consideration by the Summit University of Louisiana as a core subject in their Bachelor's Degree in Music programme," Leow said.

His will be among 30 items designed by local innovators including a pavilion dedicated to Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad which will exhibit 20 of his (Leow's) inventions and ideas. Among the many interesting innovations during the exhibition are solar electricity generators, solar batteries and filter for second-hand smoke.

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