

**Josephine: A Musical Cabaret****at Neptune Theatre | Feb. 13-Feb. 16**

As part of Black History Month, don't miss *Josephine: A Musical Cabaret* put on by Neptune Theatre. Born in 1906 in St. Louis, Josephine became an international superstar after moving to Europe in 1924. Baker was a spy, civil rights activist, and a trailblazer for her time. This performance combines cabaret, theatre, and dance to tell her story. [Info HERE](#)

**Winter Wine Festival | Feb. 15**

Winter in Nova Scotia might be long, but at least it provides perfect conditions for ice wine! If you have a taste for good Nova Scotia wines, be sure to check out Lockett Vinyards on February 15 for the opportunity to sample a wide variety of some of the best wines our province has, as well as some delicious food. This annual event offers both alcoholic and non-alcoholic tickets for non-drinkers, and is open to adults only.

[Info HERE](#)**NOVA SCOTIA SPOTLIGHT |  
Pollett's Cove**

Pollett's Cove is a popular destination for hikers who seek a challenging trek. Located on the northwest coast of Cape Breton Island, it boasts stunning views of a sandy beach, grassy meadows, a freshwater stream, and friendly horses! Pollett's Cove is only accessible by boat or on foot via a 10 kilometre hike along the coastline from Pleasant Bay, but if you're interested in the hike, you won't be disappointed!

**STUDENT SPOTLIGHT  
Arezoo | GEP 1**

**Hometown:** Tehran, Iran

**Favourite thing about Halifax:** The friendly people

**Fun Fact:** I came to Canada without my husband

**Favourite Hobby:** Driving

**Language Learning Tip:** Talk to native speakers

**Current Obsession:** Family movies





### Past & Future Vision Boards

Happy New Year! A satisfying winter break is the perfect opportunity to reflect on events of the past and upcoming year. For our first week back to school, ALCC students and staff grabbed their scissors, paper, and glue to create vision boards representing their year in review, and their aspirations for the upcoming year. May 2025 bring everyone the health, happiness, and prosperity we all deserve!



### Ice Skating at the Emera Oval

Winter is long in Nova Scotia, but we still find a lot of ways to have fun! This month, ALCC students and teachers visited the Emera Oval for ice skating. Ice skating is just one of the many fun winter activities Halifax has to offer, but it's also one of the most popular. If you love ice skating, or would like to try your hand at it, the Emera Oval offers FREE ice skate rentals for up to two hours several times a day, several days throughout the week in the winter.

### Origami

Origami is the Japanese art of folding paper into shapes and figures, and has existed for more than a thousand years! The word "origami" comes from the Japanese words *ori*, meaning "fold", and *kami*, meaning "paper". Our very own teacher Miranda taught ALCC students and teachers to fold useful origami paper boxes. In the past, Japanese people used to use these boxes to weigh rice. They can hold more than you think!



### Chinese Paper Cutting

January has been the month of paper crafts at ALCC! Chinese paper cutting, also known as *Jianshi*, is a traditional art form that involves cutting intricate patterns and images out of paper. This ancient art form dates back as far as the Han dynasty, in 202 BCE. Our very own ALCC alumna, Liping, happens to be an expert at Chinese paper cutting, and was kind enough to do a demonstration for our students and staff.

