

**Francofest | Oct. 23 – Nov. 1**

Established in 2011, Francofest was developed to highlight French-speaking diversity and fill the need for a French-speaking festival in Halifax. Volunteers and organizations devote themselves each year to celebrating different and wonderful aspects of Halifax's Acadian, Francophone and Francophile culture through music, literature and film. [Info HERE](#)

Nocturne: Ground | Oct. 16 – 19

Halifax's 18th annual Art-at-Night Festival, Nocturne, will take place October 16th-19th with dozens of outdoor and indoor installations, performances, interactive projects, artist talks, workshops, and more! This year's festival invites local artists to display their interpretations of the theme: *ground*. Don't miss out on this FREE art experience! [Info HERE](#)

**NOVA SCOTIA SPOTLIGHT | Port Hood**

Port Hood is a vibrant seaside community on the West coast of Cape Breton Island, located on the Ceilidh Trail, about 30 minutes from the Canso Causeway. This popular summer-bound town is home to professional hockey player Al MacInnes, and is known for its warm and welcoming atmosphere. Although small in size, Port Hood is famous for boasting a grand total of five beaches, making it Cape Breton's beach capital! [Info HERE](#)

**STUDENT SPOTLIGHT**
Jaewoon GEP B

Hometown: Siheung, South Korea

Favourite thing about Halifax: The scenery

Fun Fact: I play the guitar

Favourite Hobby: Going to the movies

Language Learning Tip: Go to a language school

Current Obsession: Meeting people from other countries and learning about their culture



Vision Boards

With the start of a new school year, ALCC students took the time to visualize their hopes, goals, and desires in terms of English achievements and their time here in Halifax. Some common themes included: making Canadian friends, trying some Canadian holiday traditions (such as carving Jack-o-lanterns at Halloween), becoming more confident with speaking English, and visiting more scenic and historical sites in Nova Scotia.



Alderney Landing

Buses are efficient, but nothing beats the view from Halifax harbour! ALCC took an afternoon trip to Dartmouth on the ferry to explore and learn about the Alderney Landing Ferry Terminal. With a library, a playground, and a small farmers market on Wednesdays and weekends, Alderney Landing is a community staple! Luckily for us, it's only a fifteen minute boat ride from downtown Halifax.



Bouquets

ALCC teachers endeavor to make lessons relevant and interesting for our students, so we try to incorporate their interests and much as possible. Our GEP A students particularly enjoy gardening, so they made their very own bouquets in class, and learned some new, relevant garden and flower-related vocabulary and English expressions in the process. There is no limit to how fun language learning can be!

