
JANUARY

Tamil Heritage Month

1 Gantan-Sai; New Year's Day

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4 World Braille Day

5 Twelfth Night

6 Epiphany; Guru Gobind Singh Jayanti

7 Orthodox Christmas Day, Nativity of Christ

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9 Pausa Putrada Ekadashi

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13 Lohri

14 Julian New Year; Makara, Maghe Sankranti; Pongal Begins

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18 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Begins

19 Timkat; World Religion Day

20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day

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24 World Day for African and Afrodescendant Culture

25 Mahayana New Year

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27 Int'l Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust ; Isra and Mi'raj

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29 Lunar New Year; Nat'l Day of Remembrance of the Québec City Mosque Attack and Action Against Islamophobia

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**ISRAEL A.E.
GASKIN**

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Jean-Michel Basquiat's art exudes social justice, exploration of individuality, and belonging intertwining his personal experiences with broader issues in artistic expression. My art piece pays homage to an individual who embodies a lot of which my artistic influence stems from. I want you to think of what sets you apart from the crowd; what characteristics, and traits you practice, and what experiences construct your beliefs. Why are you, you?

The art piece reimagines Jean Michel Basquiat. Blending torn magazine paper with the bleeding juxtaposition of vibrant colours and texture. This piece honours Basquiat's barrier-breaking artistry and legacy as an icon of New York street art.

FEBRUARY

Black History Month

1	Imbolc; St. Brigid's Day; World Interfaith Harmony Week
2	Candlemas; Setsubun; Vasant Panchami
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9	Sexual Health Week Begins
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11	Int'l Day of Women and Girls in Science
12	Māgha Pūjā
13	Tu B'Shevat Begins (sunset)
14	Mid-Sha'ban; Pink Triangle Day; Tu B'Shevat Ends (nightfall); Valentine's Day
15	Parinirvana Day
16	Aromantic Spectrum Awareness Week
17	Family Day
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20	World Day of Social Justice
21	Int'l Mother Language Day
22	Chosen Family Day
23	Meatfare Sunday
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25	Ayyám-i-Há (Intercalary Days) Begins; Maha Shivaratri
26	Pink Shirt Day
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28	Ayyám-i-Há (Intercalary Days) Ends; Losar



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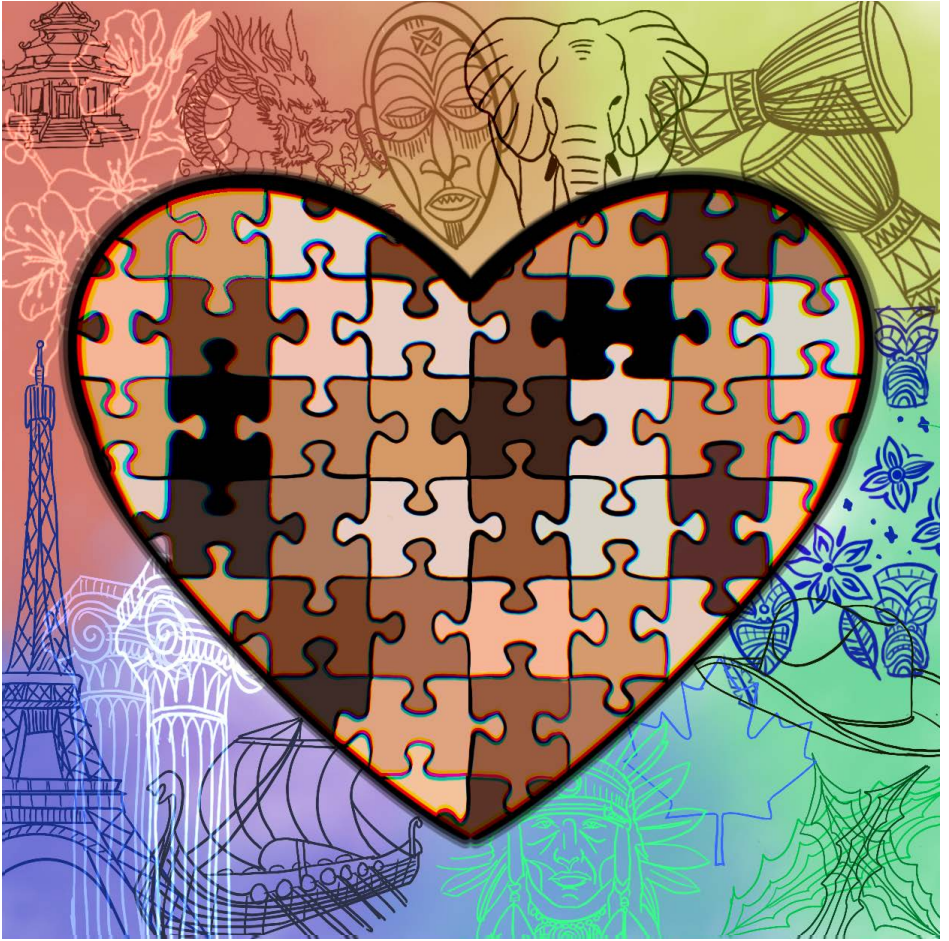
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My artwork celebrates the beauty of diversity by combining different features into one unified face. It reflects the idea that our differences make us stronger and invites everyone to embrace a sense of belonging and connection.

MARCH

Bangladeshi Heritage Month; Bisexual Health Awareness Month; Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month; Hellenic Heritage Month; Irish Heritage Month; Persian Heritage Month

1	Ramadan Begins; UNAIDS Zero Discrimination Day
2	Cheesefare Sunday
3	Black Mental Health Day; Clean Monday
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5	Ash Wednesday; Lent Begins
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8	Int'l Women's Day
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10	Commonwealth Day; Int'l Day of Women Judges
11	Isakawarsa; Nyepi; Saka New Year
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13	Purim Begins (sunset)
14	Holi; Purim Ends (nightfall)
15	Int'l Day to Combat Islamophobia
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17	Irish Heritage Day; St. Patrick's Day
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20	Naw-Rúz (Bahá'í); Ostara Day; Two Spirit and Indigenous LGBTQQIA+ Awareness to Celebration Day
21	Int'l Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination; World Down Syndrome Day; Nowruz
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24	Int'l Day for the Right to the Truth Concerning Gross Human Rights Violations and for the Dignity of Victims
25	Int'l Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade
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29	Eid al-Fitr (Ramadan Ends); Isakawarsa; Nyepi; Saka New Year
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31	Int'l Trans Day of Visibility; Nat'l Indigenous Language Day



**DEVIKA
PULLANJOLI
WARRIER**

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This artwork reflects the beauty of diversity and the interconnectedness of cultures, symbolised by the puzzle pieces forming a unified heart. I want people to see that, despite our unique backgrounds, we all fit together, contributing to a global tapestry where everyone belongs.

APRIL

Genocide Remembrance, Condemnation and Prevention Month; Sikh Heritage Month

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2	World Autism Awareness Day
3	Int'l Day Against Victim Blaming
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6	Int'l Asexuality Day
7	Int'l Day of Reflection on the 1994 Genocide Against the Tutsi in Rwanda
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9	Int'l Day of Pink; Vimy Ridge Day
10	Mahavir Janma Kalyanak
11	Int'l Day of Silence
12	Hanuman Jayanti; Pesach (Passover) Begins (sunset)
13	Mesha Sankranti, Solar New Year; Palm Sunday; Puthandu; Vaisakhi
14	Aluth Avurudda; Pohela Boishakh; Rama Navami
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17	Lent Ends; Maundy Thursday
18	Good Friday
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20	Easter Sunday; Easter (Eastern Orthodox) Begins; First Day of Ridván; Pesach (Passover) Ends (nightfall)
21	Easter Monday; Grounation Day
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23	Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day) Begins (sunset)
24	Armenian Genocide Commemoration Day; Yom HaShoah Ends (nightfall)
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26	Lesbian Visibility Day
27	Int'l Girls in ICT Day
28	Nat'l Day of Mourning for Persons Killed or Injured in the Workplace; Ninth Day of Ridván
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NAHIDA DIABA

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This piece is about celebrating the stories of Black, African women everywhere. By leaving the face blank, I wanted every woman to see herself in it—to feel represented, connected, and proud. The patterns and warm colors reflect the richness of our cultures and the power of our shared experiences. It's a tribute to our sisterhood, our resilience, and the belonging we create for each other in a world that doesn't always see us. This is for you, for me, for us.

MAY

Armenian Heritage Month; Asian Heritage Month; Dutch Heritage Month; Jewish Heritage Month; Polish Heritage Month; South Asian Heritage Month

1 Beltane; May Day; Twelfth Day of Ridván

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4 Int'l Family Equality Day

5 Dutch Heritage Day; Nat'l Day of Awareness and Action for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls, and Two-Spirit People; South Asian Arrival Day; Vesak, the Day of the Full Moon

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11 Mother's Day

12 Tamil Genocide Education Week

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15 Global Accessibility Awareness Day; Lag B'Omer Begins (sunset)

16 Int'l Day of Living Together in Peace; Lag B'Omer Ends (nightfall)

17 Int'l Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia, and Biphobia

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19 Agender Pride Day; Malcolm X Day; Victoria Day

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21 World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development

22 Harvey Milk Day

23 Declaration of the Báb

24 Pansexual Visibility Day

25 African Liberation Day; Nat'l Accessibility Week; Week of Solidarity with the Peoples of Non-Self-Governing Territories

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28 Ascension of Bahá'u'lláh

29 Ascension Day

30 Martyrdom Day of Guru Arjan Dev Sahib

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PRIDE@GBC

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Pride Month is a time when Two-Spirit, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Questioning, Intersex, Aromantic and Asexual (2SLGBTQIA+) communities and allies come together in the spirit of activism, remembrance, and celebration.

The College marks this month with an incredible variety of events. Hundreds of GBC students and employees marched together in Toronto's 2024 Pride Parade, marking the first time the college had an official parade contingent.

JUNE

Deafblind Awareness Month; Filipino Heritage Month; Nat'l Indigenous History Month; Italian Heritage Month; Portuguese Heritage Month; Pride Month

1	Intergenerational Day; Shavuot Begins (sunset)
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3	Shavuot Ends (nightfall)
4	Hajj Begins; Int'l Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression
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7	Eid al-Adha
8	Pentecost
9	Hajj Ends; Whit Monday
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12	World Day Against Child Labour; Loving Day
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14	World Blood Donor Day
15	Father's Day; Trinity Sunday
16	Int'l Day of Family Remittances
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18	Int'l Day for Countering Hate Speech
19	Feast of Corpus Christi; Int'l Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict; Juneteenth
20	World Refugee Day
21	Nat'l Indigenous Peoples Day
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23	Nat'l Day of Remembrance for Victims of Terrorism
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25	Somali Heritage Week
26	Muharram/Hijri New Year
27	Canadian Multiculturalism Day
28	Stonewall Riots Anniversary
29	Toronto Pride Festival
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**KHRISTINE
RAMOS**

This illustration represents the beauty of diversity inside and out, through each hand designed with its own unique characteristics, like wrinkles, scars, tattoos, size, lost finger, not only physically but also emotionally through the colours of the each puzzle pieces with different hearts that represent each and everyone's unique personalities, lastly on the background I added words of encouragement, all these puzzle pieces connect all together and become a beautiful whole.

Everyone has a battle that they might or might not show, so it is important to always be kind and be mindful of what we say, always reach your hand out, it's okay!

JULY

Disability Pride Month; Egyptian Heritage Month; Tibetan Heritage Month

1 Canada Day

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5 Ashura; Femme Appreciation Day

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9 Martyrdom of the Báb

10 Asalha Puja; Nikola Tesla Day

11 Imam Day

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14 Int'l Non-Binary People's Day

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16 Int'l Drag Day

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18 Nelson Mandela International Day

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25 Int'l Day of Women and Girls of African Descent

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28 Day of Commemoration of the Great Upheaval

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30 Int'l Day of Friendship

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MARITZA

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The artwork captures the artist's experience of celebrating their Trinidadian heritage at the Toronto Caribbean Carnival, embracing their roots while being born in Canada. Through a vibrant collage, it reflects the joy of reconnecting with one's cultural identity and finding a sense of belonging between two worlds.

AUGUST

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- 1** Emancipation Day; Lughnasadh
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- 2** Tisha B'Av Begins (sunset)
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- 3** Tisha B'Av Ends (nightfall)
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- 8** Raksha Bandhan
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- 9** Int'l Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples
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- 12** Int'l Youth Day
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- 13** Obon Begins
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- 16** Obon Ends
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- 18** Butch Appreciation Day
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- 20** Paryushana Parvarambha
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- 21** Int'l Day of Remembrance and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism
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- 22** Int'l Day Commemorating the Victims of Acts of Violence Based on Religion or Belief
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- 23** Int'l Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and Its Abolition
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- 26** Ganesh Chaturthi
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- 30** Int'l Day of the Victims of Enforced Disappearances
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- 31** Int'l Day for People of African Descent
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CATHY WONG

There is an emphasis on frugality for many immigrants, including the story of my family. One way we have supported ourselves and others in the community was through our home garden. In this coloured pencil drawing, my family's crops are collected in a bag, ready to be shared with neighbors, family and friends. Giving from the garden, whether it be seeds, crops, knowledge or stories, cultivates a sense of belonging in a community.

SEPTEMBER

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- 1 Labour Day

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 - 7 Mennonite Heritage Week

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 - 10 World Suicide Prevention Day

 - 11 Coptic New Year

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 - 18 Int'l Equal Pay Day

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 - 21 Int'l Day of Peace; Gender Equality Week

 - 22 Navratri Begins; Rosh Hashanah Begins (sunset)

 - 23 Bi+ Visibility Day; Int'l Day of Sign Languages

 - 24 Rosh Hashanah Ends (nightfall)

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 - 30 Nat'l Day for Truth and Reconciliation; Navratri Ends
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**GBC WOMEN
IN SPORT CLUB**

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This artwork symbolizes the strength and resilience of women in sports, showcasing silhouettes of diverse athletes united in their passion. At the center, the globe with holding hands represents our shared commitment to breaking barriers and embracing unity across all cultures and communities. Together, we forge a path toward inclusivity, empowering one another to rise and thrive in every space we occupy.

OCTOBER

German Heritage Month; Hungarian Heritage Month; Islamic History Month;
Korean Heritage Month; Latin American Heritage Month; Women's History Month

1 Int'l Day of Older Persons; Yom Kippur Begins (sunset)

2 Int'l Day of Non-Violence; Dussehra; Vijayadashami; Yom Kippur Ends (nightfall)

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6 Sukkot Begins (sunset)

7 Ukranian Heritage Day

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10 World Mental Health Day

11 Coming Out Day; Int'l Day of the Girl Child

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13 Shemini Atzeret Begins (sunset); Sukkot Ends (nightfall); Thanksgiving

14 Simchat Torah; Shemini Atzeret Ends (nightfall)

15 Int'l Day of Rural Women; Int'l Pronouns Day

16 Spirit Day

17 Int'l Day for the Eradication of Poverty; Diwali Begins

18 Persons Day

19 Ace Awareness Week

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21 Bandi Chhor Divas

22 Birth of the Báb; Diwali Ends; Gujarati New Year

23 Birth of Bahá'u'lláh

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26 Intersex Awareness Day

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29 Int'l Day of Care and Support

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31 Samhain Begins (nightfall)



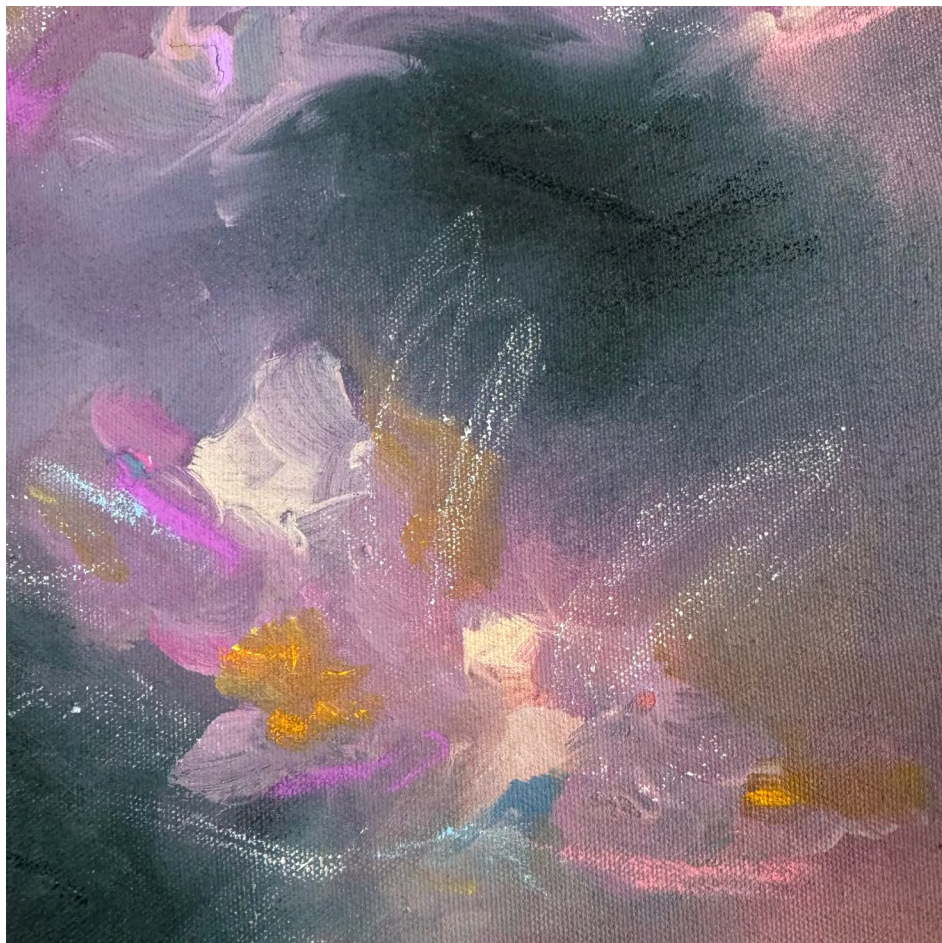
**KRYSTINA
CARVALHO**

This piece represents the power of connection and unity within our community at GBC. Each hand, reaching toward the center, signifies our unique identities coming together to create a space where everyone belongs. Through diversity and collaboration, we build strength, harmony, and a sense of shared purpose that brings us closer together.

NOVEMBER

Albanian Heritage Month; Hindu Heritage Month; Lebanese Heritage Month;
Transgender Awareness Month

1	Samhain Ends (sunset)
2	Day of the Dead; Trans Parent Day
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5	Guru Nanak Jayanti
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8	Indigenous Veterans Day; Intersex Day of Remembrance and Solidarity
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11	Remembrance Day
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13	World Kindness Day
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16	Int'l Day for Tolerance; Louis Riel Day
17	International Students' Day
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20	World Children's Day; Trans Day of Remembrance
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22	Holodomor Memorial Day
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25	16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence Begins; Day of the Covenant
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27	Ascension of 'Abdu'l-Bahá
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29	Int'l Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People
30	Scottish Heritage Day



**SARA VARGAS
NESSI**

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Inspired by generational storytelling, I embarked on a journey to rediscover my country of origin, Venezuela. Using reference photos and my dad's stories from his early '80s travels, I painted interpretations of places I never visited before moving to Canada.

DECEMBER

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- 1 World AIDS Day

 - 2 Int'l Day for the Abolition of Slavery

 - 3 Int'l Day of Persons with Disabilities

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 - 6 Nat'l Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women

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 - 8 Bodhi Day

 - 9 Int'l Day of Commemoration and Dignity of the Victims of the Crime of Genocide and of the Prevention of this Crime

 - 10 Human Rights Day

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 - 12 Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Int'l Universal Health Coverage Day

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 - 14 Hanukkah Begins (sunset)

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 - 18 Int'l Migrants Day

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 - 20 Int'l Human Solidarity Day

 - 21 Yule Begins

 - 22 Hanukkah Ends (nightfall)

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 - 24 Christmas Eve

 - 25 Christmas Day

 - 26 Boxing Day; Kwanzaa Begins

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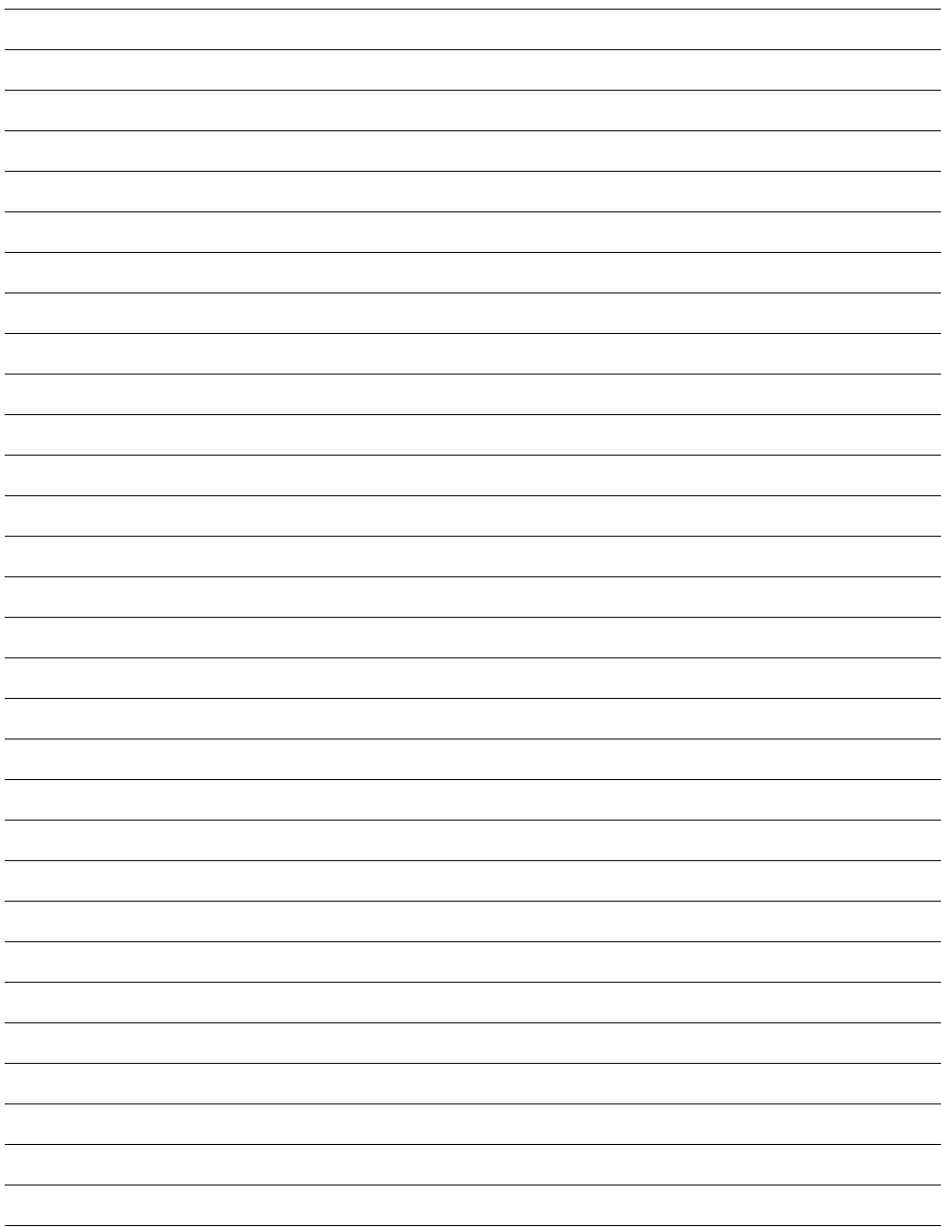
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 - 30 Pusha Putrada Ekadashi

 - 31 New Year's Eve
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