**Visual Journal Assignment: Place**

Another one of the purposes and motivations behind the visual journal is to help us acknowledge where we have been, where we are, and where we are going. Life is a journey and the visual journal is a great place to document the different places that life has taken you.

Theme: A Sense of Place.

On you journal page or pages (two page spread), explore the places that your life journey has taken you, where you are, and/or where you would like to be.

Ideas and Questions to consider:

* What is a special place that you have visited?
* What do you consider home?
* What are some places that you visit often or every day?
* Where would you like to visit or live someday? How different is it from where you are now?
* What is your bedroom like or the room you spend the most time?
* What is your favorite place or room where you feel the most comfortable? Or the opposite?
* What fodder or physical items have you collected that you could include to help give a sense of place (ticket stubs, stickers, fliers, cards, menus, pictures, etc.)?

**Things to include and incorporate onto your Visual Journal Page:**

1. An image of the place
   * Photograph, image transfer, print
   * Drawing
2. Some writing or text about the place
   * Poem
   * Lyrics
   * Questions
   * Collaged text, hand written, and/or stenciled
3. Drawing element in the medium of your choice
   * Doodles that have to do with the place
   * Geometric shapes/ abstract drawing expressing some feeling about the place
   * Observational drawing of the building, place, or room
   * Drawings of things associated with the place
4. Layering/Exploration/experimentation with materials and or techniques learned
   * Collage
   * Watercolor techniques
   * Watercolor pencil techniques
   * Image transfer
5. Fodder or physical item from the place that you are journaling about
   * Ticket stubs, receipts, pressed flowers, photographs, stickers, flyers, cards, menus, etc. collaged incorporated onto the page