



## The Challenge:

Have you ever found a place in your home, neighborhood or city, and felt an invisible energy, almost like magic? In Roman culture, this was called "Genius Loci", which referred to a location's distinctive atmosphere, or spirit. In our urban environments these places can be more difficult to find, or lost altogether—but they do exist.

Locate your special place and create a visual tribute to the genius loci of the spot. It can be part of your home, in a park or garden, on a street corner, or just a forgotten place in the alley.

Artifacts can be in any form; photos, drawings, handmade sculptures or totems, a written account - anything that shares the essence of the place.

## Format

You will be provided a 9" x 5" x 3" cardboard box as the platform for your entry. Use the box as your stage, canvas or landscape. Your box will be displayed in landscape format.

All entries must fit in the box, and allow the flaps to close fully for shipping. You may choose to decorate the flaps (which must be folded flat against the outside of the box when displayed).

Your work will be shipped between SF and DEN, and you must secure any objects inside your box, or provide adequate padding for shipping. We will seal the boxes. Please keep the total weight under 1 pound. Entries are due to your curator June 3rd.

## About the Exhibit:

This is a community sharing project between the citizens of San Francisco and Denver. Artwork from each city will be shipped to the other, for side-by-side display during the summer of 2009. It will be displayed in a mobile-museum format.

This exhibit is a collaboration between the Denver Community Museum and the San Francisco Mobile Museum. The dates are: Denver: 6/13-7/12/2009, San Francisco: 7/18-8/8/2009.

entries are due:

**6/3/09**

location

**DENVER/SF**

duration

**8 WEEKS**

Remember, this is about sharing your sense of a place, not a competition. Questions? Contact Maria Mortati, [maria@mortati.com](mailto:maria@mortati.com), 415.235.8994.