First Day Homework – A Favorite Place: Two Views

Objective:
To get you thinking about a place you know in multiple ways, particularly how the environment makes you feel and what it’s physically comprised of.

Instructions:
This is intended to be a short written piece of no more than two pages. On the first page, please write about a favorite place of yours and how it makes you feel, both sensibly (sight, smell, etc.) and emotionally; call it the right-brain view. On the second page, please write about the place from a physical science point of view, i.e., identify (as best you can) what comprises that environment in terms of earth, air and water, how those came to exist or were developed (the historical perspective). Call this the left-brain view.

You don’t need to connect the two parts -- i.e., deciding what physical part of the environment brings about your senses and emotions -- but you’re welcome to try, so long as you stay in the two page limit.

Format:
Please turn in the completed assignment in class on Thursday, March 31. We will collect assignments on paper because at times we will pass your work around between the instructors for reading and grading. This homework will be part of your Participation grade.