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Dr. Trisha Martinez is native to Wyoming, born in Cheyenne, with family roots stemming from northern New Mexico. She is a University of Wyoming alumna and received her Ph.D. in American Studies from the University of New Mexico. Professor Martinez is trained as a critical regional, popular culture, and transnational studies scholar who engages decolonial and innovative frameworks to illuminate the complex interplay between land, borders, and cultural production. Her heritage and ties to northern New Mexico inspire her studies on the Southwest, including performances of belonging and acts of place making. Professor Martinez's doctoral research on US based Latino migration, by examining the migration of Manitos, Hispanos from Northern New Mexico. This research was inspired by the work of *Following the Manito Trail*, an ethnographic study that draws upon the voices of Manitos through the collection of oral histories, and her own personal family experience-as many relatives migrated to Wyoming in the early 1930s as shepherders.

Trisha Martinez's Provocation for Students:
What is a memory you have that is tied to a
geographic place?