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the extreme, upper end of the rental market, providing every conceivable luxury, you can also find a "charming, clean, one-bedroom cottage with a beach pass to Lucy Vincent Beach in Chilmark for \$1,500 in July and \$1,600 in August," according to Kendall.

"The Vineyard and the Cape are just forty-five minutes apart by ferry," says Kendall, "but it's two different worlds. The Cape is built up and filled with chains and strip malls. On the island you see open spaces and rural beauty. There's a lot of community commitment to preserving what is special about this island."

ART AND COMMERCE

A wide variety of fine art and artisans are found on the island, especially in Edgartown, which is replete with galleries, followed closely by Vineyard Haven and Oak Bluffs, where the tiny eclectic Dragonfly Gallery is very popular. In West Tisbury, The Granary offers museum-quality art of all kinds, including a great selection of photos by legendary *Life Magazine* photographer Alfred Eisenstaedt. Visit Martha's Vineyard Glassworks, also in West Tisbury, and buy a one-of-a-kind whimsical object or a functional, hand-blown goblet.

One of the most original artists on the Vineyard is Anthony Holand, copper sculptor extraordinaire and owner of the Tuck and Holand studio on State Road in Vineyard Haven. When he was in college, Holand spent a summer on the island working in a bike shop. The next year he came back. "I kept putting off leaving in September, trying to find a way to stay." He landed a job as an apprentice metal sculptor with Travis Tuck, one of the great masters in the almost lost art of copper repoussé, in which copper sheets are hammered, chiseled and alternately heated and cooled; no molds are used. Tuck's, and now Holand's, one-of-a-kind weathervanes are world-renowned. After Tuck died in 2002, Holand carried on his mentor's work, adding his own island-inspired, numbered and limited striped bass series. "I'm doing several designs with fish," he says, "including a weathervane of a school of seven fish that actually articulate. They swim in the wind."



Copper sculptor Anthony Holand creates a weathervane with fish that swim in the wind.

How to get here

New Bedford to Martha's Vineyard – Cape Air www.flycapeair.com

Cape Air operates 9-passenger Cessna 402s with flights from New Bedford (year-round) and Providence (May-Nov.) to Martha's Vineyard, with roundtrip flights available for under \$100 and discount books of 10 one-way tickets.

The Steamship Authority www.steamshipauthority.com

Offers routes to and from Woods Hole, Hyannis, Nantucket and New Bedford daily year-round. Steamship Authority boats dock in the town of Vineyard Haven in the winter, and both Vineyard Haven and Oak Bluffs in the summer. This is the only line that accommodates cars and trucks.

New England Fast Ferry www.newenglandfastferry.com

Provides luxury catamaran trips in under one hour from New Bedford to Vineyard Haven. New Bedford is 1.5 hours closer to CT than Woods Hole thereby cutting total travel time down by over an hour. Ferry runs from January – mid-October.

New Bedford to Martha's Vineyard Express Ferry

www.mvexpressferry.com

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