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Rockwell Kent: A Force of Nature

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Cotuit: The Cahoon Museum is proud to announce the opening of *Rockwell Kent: A Force of Nature*.

This exhibition explores the extraordinary life and work of one of America's most adventurous artists. Painter, printmaker, illustrator, writer, and explorer Rockwell Kent (1882–1971) found inspiration in the rugged landscapes of Alaska, Greenland, Newfoundland, Maine, and Cape Cod. Through dramatic paintings, prints, illustrations, and books, the exhibition reveals how Kent captured the awe-inspiring power of nature while exploring themes of solitude, resilience, and humanity's relationship with the natural world.

Both Kent's art and his written works express his philosophical reflections on the natural world and humanity's role within it. Inspired by transcendentalist and mystical philosophies, his pieces often feature one or two central figures isolated amid nature's raw power: rolling waves, rugged mountains, or an almost invisible horizon. In addition to his extensive travels, his work maintained significant ties to Massachusetts through several projects, including his celebrated illustrated volume of Herman Melville's *Moby Dick* or *The Whale*. This masterpiece of illustration exemplifies the infinite, elemental aspects of life that Kent himself boldly pursued throughout his career as the "stormy petrel of American art".

The exhibition runs June 17- December 20, 2026. www.cahoonmuseum.org for more information.

About the Cahoon Museum of American Art

The Cahoon Museum of American Art is a unique Cape Cod destination. Located in the seaside village of Cotuit, MA, the Cahoon Museum welcomes visitors of all ages to experience dynamic

local and regional art exhibitions and enjoy fun, family-friendly activities. The museum showcases a collection of American art from the 18th century to the present in a charming historic home with a modern gallery addition. The Museum is committed to its mission to celebrate American art in ways that expand knowledge, enrich the spirit, and engage the heart.

The Cahoon Museum of American Art is located at 4676 Falmouth Road (Rt. 28) in Cotuit, MA. Museum hours are Wednesday - Sunday, 10 am-4 pm. For more information, visit **Cahoonmuseum.org** or call (508) 428-7581