Pictures tell the story—a role in one of the more powerful anti-war movements in our nation, party time with rock and roll legends, and living the good life in Martha’s Vineyard—photographer Peter Simon’s amazing life is chronicled through his decades of spectacular and intimate candid shots representing a true Who’s Who of our time. A Martha’s Vineyard vacation must include a visit to the Simon Gallery.

“It’s all there,” says Mr. Simon. “On one side is my time in the music world during the late ’60s through the ’80s, when I used my camera to get backstage and meet my idols—Led Zeppelin, the Grateful Dead, the Stones—all legends who brought music to a higher level. These artists were the musical pioneers of that era and these images continue to live on.”

Also in the gallery are Mr. Simon’s images from the late ’60s during the Vietnam protest years. “I was very involved in the anti-war movement as I did not want to get drafted or fight a war I did not agree with.” In stark contrast are his evocative scenes of Martha’s Vineyard. “The docks, piers, lighthouses, stretches of beach, lobster traps—the beauty of the Vineyard is a huge component of my work.” The Simon Gallery is in the heart of Vineyard Haven on Main Street and if you cannot get there, go virtual, you will be swept away. petersimon.com