

# MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION FORM B - BUILDING

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MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING  
220 MORRISSEY BLVD  
BOSTON, MA 02125

**Town** Provincetown  
**Place** *(neighborhood or village)*  
**Address** 344 COMMERCIAL ST  
**Building ID** 1017  
**Parcel No. (PID)** 12-1-149-0  
**Mapbase #** 12-1-149  
**Building Area** 1111.113  
**Historic Name**  
**Present Use** Commercial  
**Original Use** Residential  
**Date of Construction** 1880  
**Source** NR Nomination  
**Style/Form** Astylistic  
**Architect/Builder**  
**Exterior Material** plywood  
**Foundation** brick  
**Wall/Trim** wood  
**Roof** Flat  
**Outbuildings/Secondary Structures**

### Photograph

*(3"x3" or 3-1/2"x5" black and white only) Label photo on back with town and property address. Record film roll and negative numbers here on the form. Staple photo to left side of form over this space. Attach additional photos to continuation sheets.*

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### Sketch Map

*Draw a map showing the building's location in relation to the nearest cross streets and/or major natural features. Show all buildings between inventoried building and nearest intersection or natural feature. Label streets including route numbers, if any. Circle and number the inventoried building. Indicate*

### Major Alterations *(with dates)*

Commercial conversion; extensive figural painting on exterior; balustrade at roofline.

**Condition** Good  
**Moved**  no  yes **Date**  
**Acreage** 0.027  
**Setting**

**Recorded by** Johnette Davies  
**Organization** Kise Straw & Kolodner  
**Date** *(month/year)* March 2004  
**Form Status**  new  update

Assessor's Number    USGS Quad    Area(s)    Form Number

*Follow Massachusetts Historical Commission Survey Manual instructions for completing this form.*

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### ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

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*Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings in the community.*

344 Commercial St. is a 2-story, 2-bay, astylistic dwelling converted to commercial use; flat roof has a built-up roof surface; exterior is clad in plywood with wood trim, with extensive murals painted on the plywood panels, a portion of the 1st story is clad in stone veneer, west façade is clad in wood shingles and vertical wood siding; building sits on a brick foundation; fenestration includes storefront windows and arched display window; primary entrance is accessed by paired door; the left portion of the primary façade has a 1-story bay topped by a balcony; a wood balustrade creates a parapet at the roofline; the building has been joined with 346 Commercial Street.

### HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

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*Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.*

### BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

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Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. *If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.*