



# Good, Bad and Bizarre AMAZING Bard's AIRSTREAMS

One of the most bizarre Airstream adaptations, and probably the costliest that I am aware of, is in our backyard. It is a hidden jewel on private property in Woodbury, CT. Acclaimed as one of Connecticut's top 30 hidden gems by Connecticut Magazine the massive sculptures on this property are centered by the flying Airstream art known as "Airstream Interplanetary Explorer".

It has not been available to be seen by the public for the last 5 years. A rare opportunity will be available this month as the artist is opening the massive 200+ acre sculpture park to the public on extended weekends through the month of October 2020. The opportunity is not cheap as the cost to enter the property is \$80.00 per car.

The Airstream, a mid 1970's 28 foot Ambassador, was shortened by about 4 feet and altered with additional windows. At night it is lit internally along with LED running lights giving a very eerie look 20 plus feet off the ground. The entire structure is 84 feet long and was assembled in 2011. The high-flying structure also features rotating TV and radio antennas, a vinyl folding web chair and cosmic designs attached to the side for comic outlandishness.

The artist, Edward Tufte, is a bit eccentric yet a well-respected professor emeritus from Yale University teaching political science, statistics and computer science with a specialty of data visualization.

Kathy and I had the chance to meet Dr. Tufte on his Woodbury Sculpture Park in 2013. For ticket information see: <https://www.edwardtufte.com/tufte/hogpen-hill-farms>

