



Special Photo

Artist Pandora Williams works on the installation of *Improbella Frugipara* in the Fine Arts Building at GSU.

## Artist's collection grows

*Two more art pieces were recently placed on display in the Fine Arts Building, courtesy former Georgia first lady, Betty Foy Sanders*

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Artist Pandora Williams was at Georgia Southern recently to install *Improbella Frugipara*, her ceramic sculpture that is, like much of Williams' work, inspired by her interest in the Earth's ecology.

Williams also brought a second piece, *Ostentatio Virga*, a striking ceramic sculpture that follows the lines of a magnolia seed husk found in the Blue Ridge.

Both works are gifts to the university from Betty Foy Sanders, Georgia's former first lady and the woman for whom the university's art department is named. Sanders is also a well-known Georgia artist, a native of Statesboro and a GSU alumna.

"Mrs. Sanders' pays close at-

tention to our students and their educational needs," said Patricia Carter, chair of the Betty Foy Sanders Department of Art. "She wants GSU students to see and study all the forms of art, including creations by working artists such as Pandora Williams."

A committed environmental activist, Williams has worked for five years with the Southeastern Rock Climbers Coalition in its efforts to save Boat Rock in southwest Fulton County from encroaching development.

While climbing at Boat Rock she began to understand the interactive relationships of soil, seeds, pods, plants and microbes and, with her artist's eye, see opportunities for creativity.

Williams lives and works in

the Atlanta area, but her work has been exhibited in locations such as Spruill Gallery in Dunwoody, Soapstone Gallery in Decatur, the Center for the Arts in Rock Hill, S.C., and the Woodruff Art Center in Atlanta.

The Betty Foy Sanders Department of Art is an accredited member of the National Association of Schools of Art and Design.

The art department's curriculum encompasses practical, theoretical and historical aspects of the visual arts.

A variety of cross-cultural and contemporary art is on display in Gallery 303 and other locations on campus throughout the year.

For more art department information call the departmental office at 681-5358.