Ridgefield sculptor featured in segment of OPB show

Camera crews spent hours following Ridgefield sculptor **Beth Heron** from May through October 2009. Those efforts came to fruition April 1, when an eight-minute segment on Heron, 54, appeared in an episode of "Oregon Art Beat" on Oregon Public Broadcasting.

Heron had been nervous about how all the footage would be edited, but was pleased with

the result.

"I'm very happy," said Heron, an adjunct instructor of metal art and welded sculpture at Clark College in Vancouver. "I thought they did an excellent job."

The segment featured some of her friends and her son, Nick Kohler, as well as examples of her public art.

Among them was "Scend," a sculpture Heron



Beth Heron created "Scend" to house a time capsule.

created for Clark College to house a time capsule to be opened in 2034. The title refers to the lift of a wave, and was inspired by the idea of a message in a bottle adrift at sea.

"It's kind of like we're throwing a bottle out into the water and hoping someone in the future will find it and open it," Heron said.