SURROUNDED BY HER HANDWORK - The pieces Mrs. Seale has created range from delicate women’s faces and figures to tall, or monstrous carved into logs. She has also worked with beeswax in the sculpture in her right. Each piece has its own character, and her home is filled with faces.

EUNICE CARVER

Adding Faces To Nature’s Sculpture

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EUNICE - On a large chunk of cypress wood, Mrs. Olive Seale of Eunice has carved a face. Complete with closed eyes and a nasal bridge, she has been working on it for months. Mrs. Seale, who has been carving for the last 20 years, started carving the wood when she was a dress designer student in Mexico and now has what she considers the distinct distinction of being a “recycled student” at LSU in Baton Rouge, where she is picking up art courses.

She has been carving faces into cypress for about 10 years, she says. When she was growing up in the swamp, she used to sneak around flea markets, looking for pieces to examine. That first piece has led to a 30-year-old metal hand door knob which she has dubbed her self-portrait, each piece has its own character, and her home is filled with faces.

The house is protected with glass, but she is not worried about it. Wood feels good and has something to offer. She has placed some of her prize pieces in a small area in the back yard. Mrs. Seale has been collecting wood and materials for a long time. She has a large collection of wood and other material that she has stored in a small shed in the back yard.

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