

## **Shafer Art Gallery Receives Addition to Permanent Collection**

At the February 2008 board meeting, Foundation directors voted unanimously to purchase a painting by R. C. Gorman. After viewing the Gorman exhibit and receiving recommendations from Bill Forst, Barton art instructor & past gallery director, and Megan Benitz, current gallery director, "Rainbow Jar" was selected. This piece will become a part of the Shafer Gallery's permanent art collection.

R. C. Gorman was a Native American artist of the Navajo nation. Referred to as "the Picasso of American Art" by the *New York Times*, his paintings are primarily of Native American women characterized by fluid and vibrant colors, though he also worked in sculpture, ceramics, and stone lithography.