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TALES OF THE CITY TALKING POINTS

- o The National Endowment for the Arts awarded an FY 1993 grant of \$750,000 to Public Television Playhouse, Inc. to support the award-winning American Playhouse. The program has ranked among the top ten most-watched public television program each year and has received excellent critical response.

- o As part of American Playhouse, the Public Broadcasting Service made available a mini-series titled "Armistead Maupin's Tales of the City," a program based on Maupin's widely acclaimed worldwide best selling books that began as a newspaper serialization.

- o No station was required to carry this program. Because of the viewing material stations carrying the show aired a statement at the beginning of each hour advising viewer discretion.