

## **SHEILA NEVINS**

Vice President, Documentaries and Family Programming -- Home Box Office

Sheila Nevins was named vice president, documentaries and family programming, for Home Box Office in June 1986. She is responsible for overseeing the development and production of all documentaries and family programming for HBO.

In her years as vice president, HBO's critically acclaimed documentary and family programs have won numerous awards including ten Emmy Awards, eight George Foster Peabody Awards and five Academy Awards. "I Am A Promise: The Children of Stanton Elementary School" won HBO's most recent Academy Award in the Documentary Feature category (1993). Other Academy Award winners include: "Educating Peter" (1992) and "You Don't Have To Die" (1988).

Nevins joined HBO in 1979 and worked for four years as HBO's director of documentary programming. During this period, she supervised the production of more than 150 programs, winning 35 CableAce Awards for programming excellence from the National Cable Television Association as well as the first George Foster Peabody Award presented to a cable program, "She's Nobody's Baby," produced with Ms. Magazine. She also served as executive producer for HBO's "Braingames," which won a 1985 George Foster Peabody Award.

Before joining HBO, Nevins worked as a producer with Don Hewitt for CBS's "Who's Who," as a producer/writer with Dick Cavett for the Children's Television Workshop and as a writer for Time-Life Films. She earlier worked as a field producer for ABC, and as a producer for National Education Television's "Great American Dream Machine." Before she was named HBO vice president, she worked for three years as a president for Spinning Reels, based in New York.

Nevins has a B.A. degree from Barnard College and an M.F.A. degree from Yale University School of Drama. She is a trustee of the IDA, a member of the Writers Guild of America and is included in Who's Who of American Women.