





Andrzejczak likes "House of Cards" because it does show the political world, which he is involved in, even if it is an exaggerated version of it.

"It makes it seem like politics is a lot more interesting than it really is," said Andrzejczak. He said a certain amount of negotiating and wheeling and dealing between members of the State Legislature to get bills passed does occur. "But, when it does happen - at least for the state - it's a little bit more public and well-known. Federally, I think it's probably very accurate as far as (what goes on) behind closed doors."

Forrest started watching "House of Cards" because he teaches television history, and the show was becoming a phenomenon. It reminds him of a Danish show called "Borgen."

"'Borgen' in Danish refers to the Parliament building. It would be like if we had a show called Congress. It follows a female prime minister through her day-to-day activities and the deals that she makes. It's a little optimistic, more engaging, more realistic, and the characters aren't quite so one-dimensional. I found it a much more compelling series. In a way, I guess 'Borgen' is sort of like 'West Wing' meets 'House of Cards,' because 'West Wing' was at times a little overly optimistic, and 'House of Cards' goes in the other direction. I think 'Borgen' plays it right down the middle," Forrest said.

Andrzejczak said he has found "House of Cards" interesting from the first episode.

"By the end of every episode, you want to watch the next one to see where it's going to go and what's going to happen, and I feel like they do that with pretty much every episode. Now going into the new season, I'm still interested to see where they left off from last season. This one should be good because it is more international affairs whereas the previous season was more what's going on in Washington," Andrzejczak said.

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