

## A Personal Message from our Patron - JACKIE TRENT

Hi Everyone - this is Jackie!            And Welcome!

Another Year, another Show.....and a new impetus for **Stoke Youth** 2006!

As you walk into the theatre tonight, to join the thrill and excitement generated by our front of house staff, back-stage technicians, players, musicians, parents and supporters alike, you support a history of performing arts in our City first generated by the **City of Stoke-on-Trent Amateur Operatic Society** over 100 years ago.... Over the years, the Youth Section have performed under the able wing of the adult Society, but tonight they take flight as **Stoke Youth Musical Theatre Company** under the guidance of their able Chairman, Mr Paul Hassall.

I want to say a special `Thank You´ to Mike Whittaker, who was at the helm from 1996, as it was Mike and his team who originally brought me into the fold of supporters of **Stoke Youth**.

My annual Scholarship Award will be presented, on stage, to a performer chosen by Committee. This will follow the last night finale and Paul Hassall will make the award on my behalf. So, settle into your seat, wait for the curtain to rise and see if you can spot the new `Star to be´ as you enjoy tonight's production of `HONK!´ And a final message to everyone: not from me, but from ROBERT SMITH, who won my Award two years ago;

“I am at Mountview Drama School, where I have completed my first year. Just to let you know that I'm doing well and that I am very grateful to everyone for the help and support that I've received.”

THAT'S WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT; SO GO DO.....

Have a Great Evening

All my Love

Jackie Trent