

Tell us something we don't know about Jane...

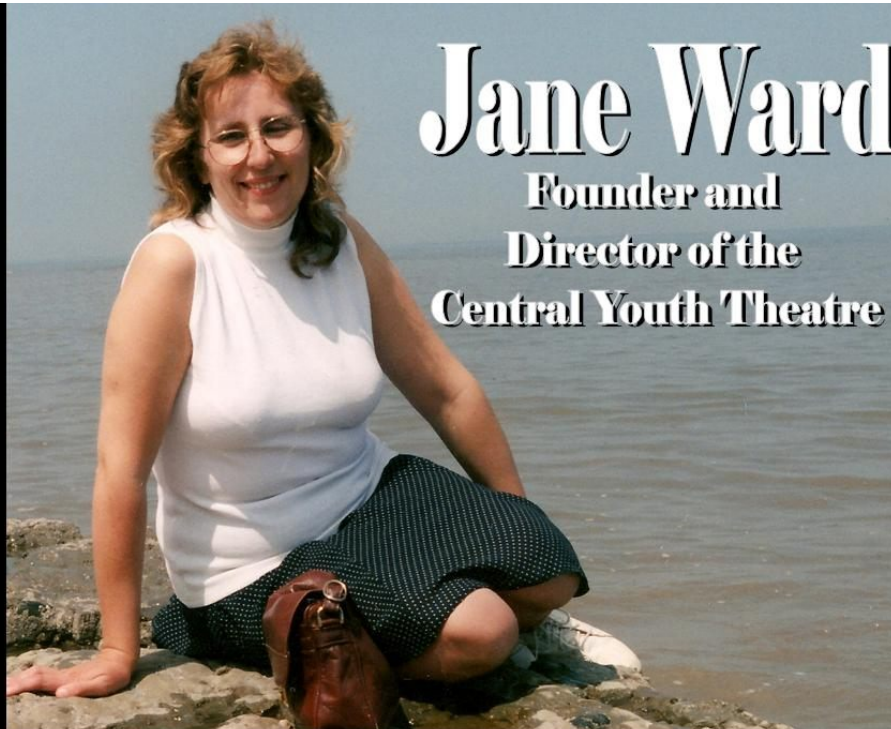
"She had the first Tudor car in England! Also, Russel Gethings licked all of Jane's cheese then put the cling film back on and put it in the fridge and never told her. Jane ended up eating cheese which had been completely licked!"

Vicky Mullaney and Jane Sealey

Claire Pearson

"Jane is mad, eccentric, enthusiastic, dipsy, lovable, and she takes over your life!"

"She's not as scary as she'd have you believe."



Jane Ward

Founder and Director of the Central Youth Theatre

What was the best thing about the youth theatre?

"The best...Jane. CYT is Jane Ward. Her enthusiasm and guidance were and are everything."

Edmund O'Driscoll

Did you imagine that CYT would still be running after 25 years?

"YES! It doesn't surprise me... Nothing Jane does surprises me! It's a fantastic achievement."

Matthew Hewitt

Jane is...

"...crazy, manic, inspirational, chaotic, funny and determined."

David Smith

"Jane's energy and inspiration is amazing. She clearly loves CYT and that has motivated her to do it every day for twenty five years."

Jane Heptonstall

Pam Cole-Hudson

"I have really fond memories of CYT. It always brings a smile to my face. I have a lot of respect for Jane, her perseverance and the huge opportunities she keeps giving to young people."



Alys Cummings

"What can I say? CYT was such a huge part of my life that a portakabin in Dunkley St felt like my second home. I just think we were all so lucky to have it, Jane deserves a medal and the title of most determined and patient woman in the universe. I am wildly envious of all the people just joining. Thank you Jane."

Tell us something we don't know about Jane ...

"She wore a pair of lime green hot pants on the trip to Hungary!"



Jane is...

"...ditsy, chaotic, a mother figure, the boss, the governor!"

Andy McCarthy

"...lime green and vastly underpaid."

Ian Wilkinson

"...demanding, kind, brutally honest, bossy and generous."

Stephen Kelly

"...maverick, inspirational, overambitious, lunatic, maternal, wonderful."

Tom Parry



Jane is...

"...passionate, inspirational, bad at driving, funny, admirable, blunt."

Frazer Price

"Barbara Streisand's long lost sister!"

Vicky Mullaney and Jane Sealey

Liz Griffiths

"The best thing about CYT was meeting Jane Ward, who became a linchpin in my life."

"Jane is fabulous, fearless, frantic, tottering, selfless, stoic."

Tell us something we don't know about Jane...

"Jane dresses up as Andy Pandy when she goes to parties!"

Russell Gethings

"That Ward Woman Again. Whenever Jane used to call, we would say this phrase. I think it originated from her calling the council for funding. She now uses it as part of her e-mail address, TWWA."

Tell us something about Jane we don't know...

"Her middle name's Gwendaline! Also, she has a photo in her private photo album of her dressed as a nun for Sound of Music. She looks like Ronny Corbet in the Christmas shows!"



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