## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

## FORM 8-K

# **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

September 2, 2005 (Date of Report, date of earliest event reported)

## **Stage Stores, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

1-14035

(Commission File Number)

NEVADA

91-1826900

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**10201 Main Street, Houston, Texas** (Address of principal executive offices) 77025 (Zip Code)

(800) 579-2302

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

### Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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- □ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 8.01. Other Events.

On September 2, 2005, Stage Stores, Inc. (the "Company") issued a news release announcing the Company will make a presentation at the Roth Capital Partners New York Conference on September 8, 2005. A copy of the news release is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.

### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (c) Exhibits.
  - 99 News release issued by Stage Stores, Inc. on September 2, 2005, announcing the Company will make a presentation at the Roth Capital Partners New York Conference on September 8, 2005.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized.

#### **STAGE STORES, INC.**

September 8, 2005 (Date) <u>/s/ Michael E. McCreery</u> Michael E. McCreery Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer