Christmas Show raises nearly £5,000 for Barnardo's Scotland

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Barnardo's Scotland are £5,000 better off thanks to the efforts of the MGA Academy of Performing Arts who put on their annual 'A Christmas Wish' show in December. This brings the total sum raised over the last five years to £25,000.

The Academy has supported Barnardo's Scotland with donations from ticket sales of their Christmas show, held at the Usher Hall in Edinburgh, since 2012. Audiences have fully embraced the tradition and always generously donate their spare change in the bucket collections and programme sales on the night also.

The Academy's generosity also extends to offering 100 tickets for the show to some of the young people and families supported by Barnardo's Scotland. One parent commented: "We all had a ball! Rachel loved the Usher Hall, she said it was beautiful. Then when the show started she was so funny trying to dance on her seat and making all the hand movement. So she was one very happy girl!"

The leading children's charity's events manager, Kara Gillies, said: "The MGA Academy of Performing Arts have been huge supporters of Barnardo's Scotland and we're overwhelmed by the total raised to date. This is a huge contribution that allows us to continue supporting some of the country's most vulnerable children and families. We would like to say a massive thank you to the talented performers and the kind audience who always make the evening a brilliant one!"