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CHICHESTER YOUTH THEATRE TAKE A WALK ON THE WILD SIDE

On Saturday 17th November shoppers in Chichester were entertained with some animal magic, in the form of the Chichester Festival Youth Theatre's latest street dance for Children on the Edge.

Specially formed to create an animal themed street dance in Chichester High Street, these young people gave a fantastic show for local shoppers to raise money for Chichester based charity, Children on the Edge. Passers by the cross were greeted by a rooster, giraffe, zebra, horse, camel, frog, eagle, anteater and a cheetah as they went about their Christmas shopping.

These nine young people achieved the desired effect by sporting a colourful array of animal head dresses and smart white boiler suits. They came from a variety of schools in West Sussex and raised the fantastic amount of £480 for the work of the charity, which exists to help children living on the very margins of society. The money they raised will pay for 28 children in the slums of Uganda to receive a nutritious meal every day for an entire year at the Centre run by Children on the Edge.

Dale Rooks, Director of Chichester Festival Youth Theatre said how proud she was of the dancers for their contribution to this wonderful fundraising event and passers by commented on how great it was to see young people putting themselves out in this creative way for a good cause.

To find out more about Children on the Edge simply visit www.childrenontheedge.org or call 01243 538530 and to read more information about Chichester Festival Youth Theatre go to www.cft.org.uk/youth-theatre or call the Theatre's Learning and Participation department on 01243 784437

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