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*'A charity of rare imagination'*

Jonice Turner, The Times



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**HIGHLIGHTING OUR FIRST ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS**

**23 JULY 2009**

Our 2009 Achievement Awards were in recognition of the amazing successes made by our children and young people. In front of over 300 supporters and in the stunning surroundings of Banqueting House, guests were treated to performances and films celebrating success and highlighting just how far you can go with support and hope.



Over 90 children and young people received awards across the following categories: Personal Development, Academic Achievement, Sporting Achievement and Creative Arts. For many, this was the first time their achievements had been publicly recognised, and their comments from the evening illustrate the impact it had on them.

*'Patrick from Eastenders (Rudolf Walker) gave me my award, which was really cool! I got my award for personal achievement for my cupcake business venture. I exhibited my photographs there as well and in September I'm starting a diploma in photography'* – Nicola, aged 21



*'It was amazing! It was all a big, big, big shock. It means a lot for me to be one of the first people to get the Kids Company award – I'm privileged to get it. I got it for teaching boxing to kids and giving them advice.'* – Elijah, aged 22



*'I was so proud of my award for my academic and personal achievements. My biggest achievement is the fact that I stayed focussed, when before I used to bunk school. Next year I just want to get my A levels out the way, to be honest!'* – Mya, aged 16

Our 2010 awards will be even more amazing. If you would like to be part of it, please let us know at:  
[2010awards@kidsco.org.uk](mailto:2010awards@kidsco.org.uk)

*'I feel that Kids Company has helped me to focus and channel my energies in a positive way. The workers have helped me both spiritually and emotionally to move in the right direction. They have showed me new avenues. I am now a level two fitness instructor. I'm working towards my level three, with the help of Kids Company.'*

Stephen, aged 23



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