



pac Kids Spotlight

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WHAT HAVE YOU SEEN AT THE PAC?

I have seen *Romeo & Juliet* by TheatreworksUSA, *Cinderella* by Allegro Dance Theatre, *The King & I* by West Hardin, The Peking Acrobats, Youth Theatre of Hardin County's *Cinderella* and the PAC's *Thoroughly Modern Millie*.

WHAT DID YOU LEARN FROM WATCHING A LIVE PERFORMANCE?

It's important to realize as an actor that you learn just as much from watching a show as from performing in one. From the shows I've seen at the PAC, I've taken ideas and influences and integrated them within my own acting.

HOW HAS SEEING LIVE PERFORMANCES CHANGED YOU?

Every show should have a character that someone can connect to or that they become interested in. Once I find that character, and certain characteristics I like, I try to combine my own thoughts and movements in acting with other things I've seen onstage.

WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN INVOLVED IN AT THE PAC?

I have been in *Cinderella*, *The Lion King* and *The Pied Piper* with Allegro Dance Theatre, *Pirates of Penzance* and *Meet Me In St. Louis* with John Hardin and *Grease* with the PAC.

WHAT DID YOU LEARN FROM YOUR PERFORMING EXPERIENCE?

The first thing I learned was what a beautiful performance space it was. I learned the "ins and outs," onstage and backstage, and I quickly fell in love with the space.

HOW HAS PERFORMING BEFORE AN AUDIENCE CHANGED YOU?

Performing in front of an audience has done nothing but push me to further my acting career. There is no greater thrill than a full house standing during a curtain call.

WHY IS THE PAC IMPORTANT TO YOU?

The PAC is unparalleled in providing theatre for Hardin County. It is amazing theatre that I hope to be continuously involved with in the future.



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