

SPOTLIGHT

This month The PAC Spotlight shines on:

Elizabethtown High School's Bethany Gocking



What do you want to do when you grow up?

I want to do something in the nursing field while continuing to pursue my love for dance.

What have you participated in at the PAC?

I have participated in many productions of *The Nutcracker* and performed with The Youth Theater of Hardin County.

What have been your most rewarding PAC experiences?

One of my most rewarding PAC experiences was performing as "Clara" in *The Nutcracker* in 2017. Having the opportunity to act and dance in this role fulfilled a life-long dream for me. At the age of five, I watched Madison Case perform the role and decided at that moment that I wanted the opportunity as well.

What did you learn from your PAC experiences?

I'm naturally a shy person. My experiences on the stage at The PAC have brought me out of my shell and stretched me in the best ways. I'm very thankful for all the opportunities I've had to explore talents I didn't even know I possessed.

How have you benefited from the PAC?

From the time I've spent at The PAC in various performances, I have learned many lessons in responsibility, confidence, leadership, and various art forms. The memories and the friendships I've built over the years at The PAC are something I will treasure for the rest of my life.

Why is the PAC important to you?

The PAC is important because it is a safe space where I'm not afraid to be my true self.

Why should the PAC be important to others?

The PAC should be important to others because guests get to escape their troubles for a couple of hours. They are taken on a journey under the sea or over the rainbow or back to another time era. The arts are important not only for the performers but also for the spectators.



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