

# Come meet the mother of all science-fiction writers.



Before Bram Stoker...  
before Jules Verne...  
before Edgar Allan Poe...  
there was

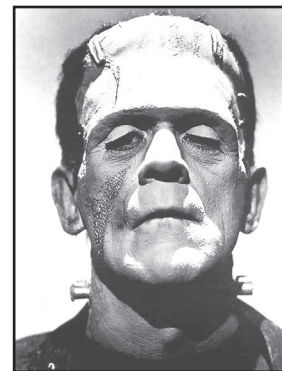
## Mary Shelley

In 1816, Mary Shelley wrote *Frankenstein: or, The Modern Prometheus*,  
and gave birth to a literary genre.

Join local women writers from the international organization, Broad Universe, as  
we honor the 212<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Mary Shelley's birth!

Learn about the amazing life and work of a woman whose vision reached far  
ahead of her time. Hear the truth about the original "mad scientist" and his  
creation!

Vampire fiction writers Inanna Arthen and Morven Westfield and SF/Fantasy  
author Trisha J. Wooldridge will read briefly from their work. Complimentary  
refreshments will be provided.



## Thursday, August 27

### 6:30-8:00 p.m.

## Jacob Edwards Library, Southbridge, MA

  
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BroadUniverse is an international organization supporting women writers of science  
fiction, fantasy and horror that honors Shelley, author of the first science fiction novel,  
as their patroness.

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