



OCTOBER 2-30

FRANKENSTEIN

by Mary Shelley

"The world to me was a secret, which I desired to discover; to her it was a vacancy, which she sought to people with imaginations of her own."

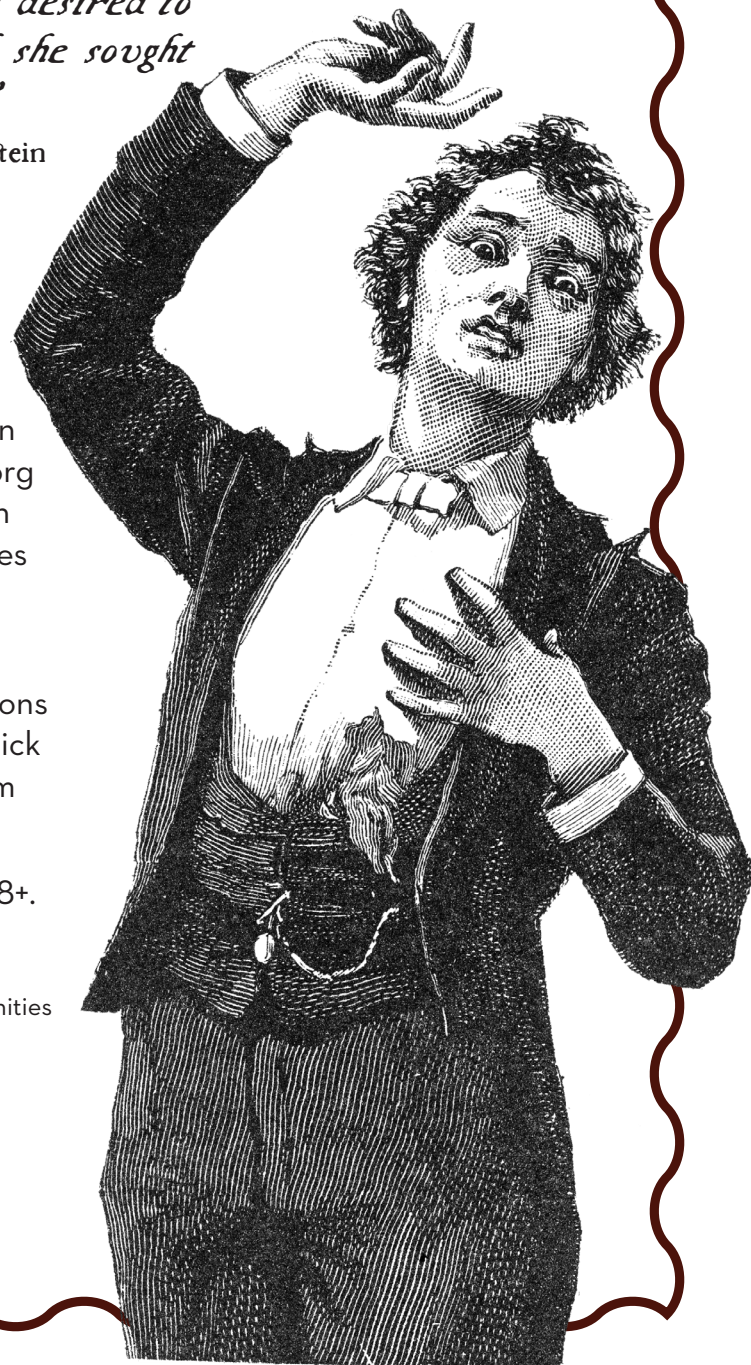
– Victor Frankenstein

Published in 1818, Mary Shelley's novel *Frankenstein; or, The Modern Prometheus* has impacted literature, art, film, music, and pop culture ever since. This year, Orem Reads will be exploring the book and its cultural relevance. Sign up for the reading challenge at orem.beanstack.org starting October 2 to track your reading and earn tickets that you can enter into prize drawings. Prizes will be given out at the finale.

We hope you'll join us for a month of dramatic performances, film screenings, and book discussions centered on the first-ever science fiction novel. Pick up a free copy of *Frankenstein* at any of our Orem Reads events. Limit one per household.

Events are designed for adult participants ages 18+.

All Orem Reads events are part of the 26th Annual Utah Humanities Book Festival. Our thanks to the festival's sponsors.



EVENTS

Orem Reads Kickoff: Mary's Monster

Monday, October 2 | 7 PM | Ashton Auditorium

Join professional storyteller and community-theater actress Laurie Allen in a one-woman show exploring the life and impact of Mary Shelley, told in Mary's voice and presented in theater-in-the-round staging. There will be a talkback discussion with the actress after the performance.



Orem Reads: Utah State Poetry Book Concert

Saturday, October 7 | 2 PM | Library Hall

Utah State Poetry Society presents the Utah Poet of the Year Award to Susan Foster. Join us to hear Susan read poems from her book *The Falling Water Calls It Grief*, followed by a book signing and refreshments.

Orem Reads: *Frankenstein* Chat & Snack #1

Wednesday, October 11 | 7 PM | Sorenson Legacy Room

Join us for a book club-style potluck discussion of chapters 1-12 of *Frankenstein*. Bring a snack to share! Find discussion prompts on the reading challenge at orem.beanstack.org.

Orem Reads: Grassroots Shakespeare Presents *Hamlet*

Thursday, October 12 | 7 PM | Storytelling Wing

Grassroots Shakespeare brings you *Hamlet*, the famous cautionary tale about the dangers of listening to ghosts! After the show, join us for a talkback with the actors about the themes of the play and how they relate to *Frankenstein*.

Orem Reads: *Frankenstein* Craft Night*

Wednesday, October 18 | 7 PM | Sorenson Legacy Room

Bring your sewing machine to the library and make a monster of your own! At this craft night you'll learn how to do foundation paper piecing, a quilting technique used to create an image with fabric, to start making a *Frankenstein's* monster block. Class is limited to 20 participants. Sign up at bit.ly/orcraftnight.

Orem Reads: *Frankenstein* Movie Night

Friday, October 20 | 6:30 PM | Ashton Auditorium

It's alive! It's alive! Enjoy a double-feature movie night, featuring the iconic horror film from 1931 and its 1935 sequel, in which Dr. Frankenstein creates a bride for his monster, on the big screen at Library Hall.

Orem Reads: *Frankenstein* Chat & Snack #2

Wednesday, October 25 | 7 PM | Sorenson Legacy Room

Join us for a book club-style potluck discussion of chapters 13-24 of *Frankenstein*. Bring a snack to share! Find discussion prompts on the reading challenge at orem.beanstack.org.

Orem Reads Finale: Book Tasting*

Monday, October 30 | 7 PM | Library Hall

Wondering what to read now that you've finished *Frankenstein*? Come to our Book Tasting, where you'll discover intriguing new books across a variety of genres. Actual snacks also provided! Sign up at bit.ly/orfinale.

*Registration required