MARY WHO WROTE FRANKENSTEIN

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Host Your Own
WRITE-IN EVENT

LOOKING TO ADD SOMETHING NEW TO YOUR EVENTS LINE-UP?

Host a write-in event for aspiring authors!

November is National Novel Writing Month, but write-ins can be held any time of the year.

YOU WILL NEED

• A quiet space for writers to sit and write. Consider hosting in a private room or event space, or after hours.

• Notebooks, paper, pens and pencils. Invite writers to bring their own notebooks or laptops, but be sure to have some supplies on hand just in case!

• Refreshments. Writing requires brain fuel! Lemonade, tea, coffee and treats will do just fine.

These are just suggestions! Feel free to adjust as you see fit.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

• Welcome writers to the event. Consider starting with an inspirational reading of MARY WHO WROTE FRANKENSTEIN, or share some of Linda Bailey’s writing tips (please see the next page).

• Quiet writing time. Decide on a specific amount of time for writers to get down to work. Thirty minutes to an hour is a good place to start.

• Break. Time for everyone to get refreshments, stretch their legs and mingle.

• Sharing time. Give everyone a few minutes to talk about their manuscript or share a brief reading with the group.
• Read the kind of story that you want to write. Read lots of those stories! See what other writers have done. Look for inspiration and techniques to write a story that is completely your own.

• Try to get “inside” your important characters. Imagine that you actually are that character. How do you feel? What do you want? What do you care about?

• Take time to daydream. Focus on your story, but allow your mind to wander too. Try daydreaming just before you go to sleep or just after you wake up. Your imagination may be especially active then.

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Calling ALL WRITERS!

We are hosting a write-in event at this location. Whether you’re starting something new, in the middle of a revision or hoping to finish that last chapter, you are welcome to join us for quiet writing time followed by a meet and greet.

WHEN: .................................................................
WHERE: ..................................................................
FOR AGES: ................................................................

Please bring your own notebooks or laptop. Refreshments will be provided.

Speak to our staff for more details!