



LITERARY MONSTERS

Our show, Literary Monsters, is part concert, part puppet show, and part ghost story. It is a 50-minute performance that reimagines the monsters of gothic literature and pop culture through a queer lens and attempts to answer the question, "What is a monster?"

The audience views the shadow puppetry on a screen while they watch puppeteers create the magic on overhead projectors and on a moving panorama, or "crankie." We follow the show with a Q&A and an opportunity for audience members to see the puppets and effects up close.

Jess Martin

is a singer-songwriter and storyteller based in Western Massachusetts who performs extensively across Massachusetts and released an EP: Misfit in 2022.

Amy West

based in Boston, is a graduate of the UConn Puppet Arts Program who performs at puppet slams nationwide and builds puppets for theatrical productions.

Abby Hanna

also based in Western Massachusetts, is a skilled filmmaker and musician who adds dynamic visual and aural elements that enhance our storytelling.

Our production is designed for adults and teens interested in literature and in multi-disciplinary arts such as puppetry, live music, and visual storytelling. We actively seek to engage a diverse audience including art enthusiasts and the LGBTQIA+ community.

Performances include: Newton Free Library (Oct 2025); Springfield City Library (Oct 2025); Wistariahurst Museum (Sept 2025); Clapp Memorial Library (Sept 2025); Providence Fringe Festival (July 2025); Puppet Showplace Theater (April, 2024), Drawing Board Brewing (multiple dates).



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