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Kallandras is a Master Bard, often sent by the Bardmaster into war zones - because he always survives. Set during the trek through the Sea of Sorrows, this is the story of Kallandras' youth, in the labyrinths of the Brotherhood of Assassins.

## **Echoes Details**

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### **Amélie says**

I read this short story before all Michelle West's other books set in this universe and it's the one which made me want to read them.

Now that I read it again after reading the sacred Hunt duology, I can better appreciate Kallandras abilities as a bard-born and his childhood in the Dominion – a detail that I had completely forgotten but which certainly explained his grasp of their customs. It was also interesting to see the building of his relationship with his brothers and it allowed me to better understand the depth of his betrayal.

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### **Estara says**

This is a fascinating memory interlude into the initial choice and initiation of the boy who called himself Kallatin into the Brotherhood of the Dark Lady - and a memory of the one brother whom he lost and misses most.

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### **WillowBe says**

OK- I really like Ms. West/Sagara's books. But this thing in her books, or at certain pivotal junctions of the novels where I can't tell what the hell happened is driving me nuts! Maybe I'm just not smart enough for her style of writing. Or maybe my brain is too old or lazy to make the literary leaps which lead to understanding. Maybe all the EZ-2-Read paranormal stuff I read for Hot Jollies has jellied my intellect.

Whatever the reason, I like a story that I can tell what has happened. I know to feel happy or sad. I am not a big fan of tone poems, which is what this is somewhat like.

Dont'get me wrong: I thought this was a beautiful story, an affecting story, lyrical and melancholy, transporting me to another world by the 2nd page. I mean, it kept me from getting my work done, bec I had to read a bit more and more til I was done. That's how well she writes; I turn into a bad employee! But when I'm flummoxed at the end of the story, it's like being extremely parched, but given just enough water to wet your mouth, yet not quench your thirst. it's VERY unsatisfying. That's why I gave it two stars despite the great craft she displays in the telling.

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### **Gene says**

The beginning was confusing, but overall, the story was good.

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