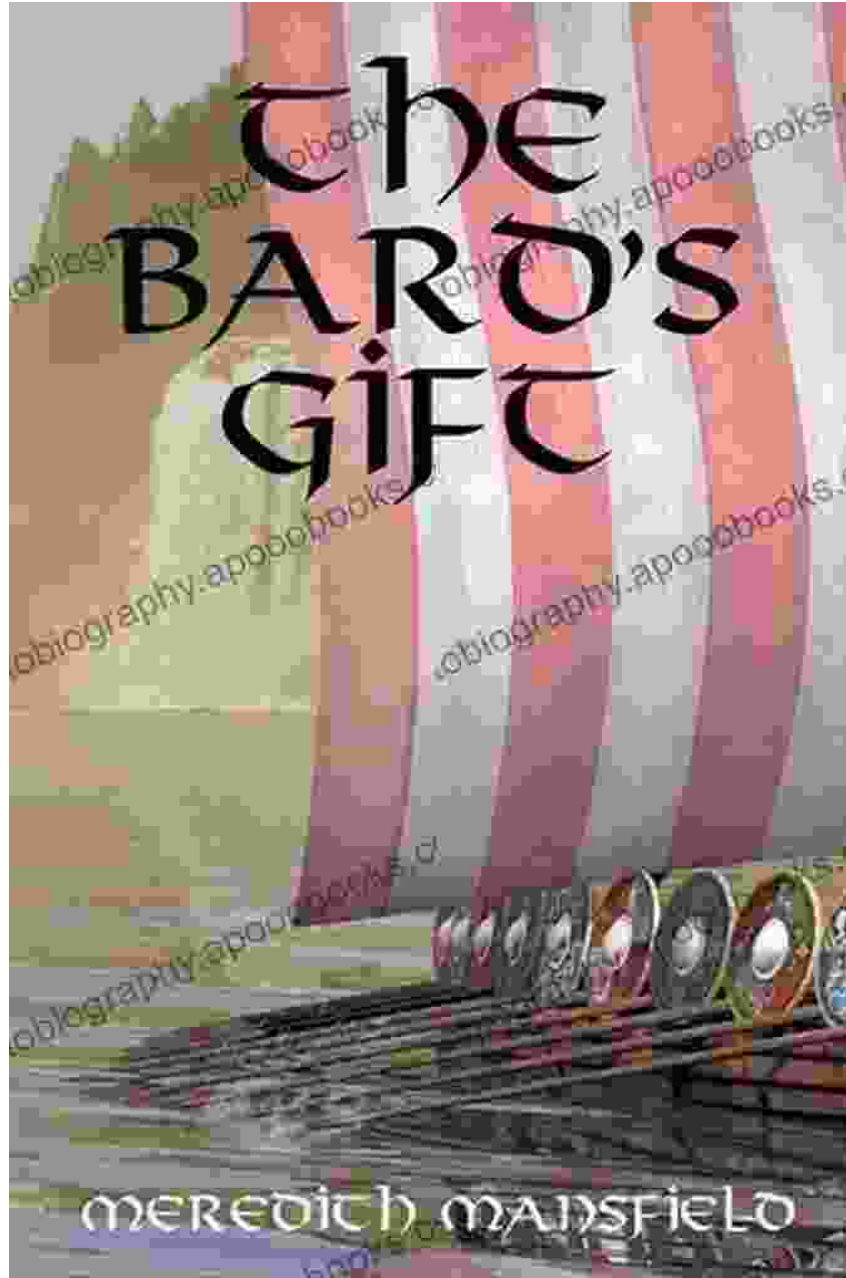


# The Bard Gift: A Journey Through Shakespeare's Sonnets by Meredith Mansfield



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## A Review

In her new book, *The Bard Gift: A Journey Through Shakespeare's Sonnets*, Meredith Mansfield takes readers on a personal and insightful journey through the sonnets of William Shakespeare. Mansfield, a poet and professor of English, brings her own unique perspective to these timeless works, revealing their beauty, complexity, and relevance to our lives today.

The book is divided into three parts. In the first part, Mansfield provides a brief overview of Shakespeare's sonnets, their history, and their place in the literary canon. She then goes on to explore the sonnets in more depth, grouping them into themes such as love, beauty, time, and mortality. In the third part of the book, Mansfield offers her own personal reflections on the sonnets, sharing her insights and experiences as a reader and a writer.

One of the things that makes *The Bard Gift* so special is Mansfield's ability to bring the sonnets to life. She does this through her own personal reflections and experiences, as well as through her close readings of the poems. Mansfield's writing is clear, engaging, and accessible, making this book a pleasure to read for both scholars and general readers alike.

Another thing that makes this book so valuable is Mansfield's insights into the sonnets. She offers a fresh perspective on these classic works, revealing their timeless beauty and relevance. Mansfield's interpretations are thoughtful and insightful, and they provide readers with a new way to appreciate these poems.

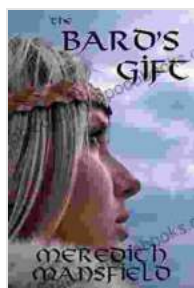
If you love Shakespeare or poetry, then you will definitely want to read *The Bard Gift*. This book is a beautiful and insightful exploration of Shakespeare's sonnets, and it is sure to enrich your understanding and appreciation of these timeless works.

## About the Author

Meredith Mansfield is a poet, writer, and professor of English at the University of California, Berkeley. She is the author of several books, including *The Hummingbird's Tongue*, *The Marriage of Phaedra and Hippolytus*, and *The River King*. Mansfield has received numerous awards for her work, including the National Book Critics Circle Award, the Pulitzer Prize, and the MacArthur Fellowship.

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