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Artist Susanna Horenbout is commissioned by King Henry VIII to paint a picture of the ceremony in St. Paul's Cathedral to commemorate the capture of the French king, Francis I, in battle. While working on a sketch before the ceremony begins, Susanna overhears a bitter nobleman hinting at violence to the King, and she realizes she might be the only one who can stop an attack on Henry. As the King makes his way to the cathedral through the cheering crowds, Susanna desperately tries to find a way to save his life—while saving the nobleman from the certain death his anger will bring down upon him.

"Dangerous Sanctuary" is a short story set between *In a Treacherous Court*, the first novel featuring Susanna Horenbout and John Parker, the "King's Blade," and *Keeper of the King's Secrets*, the second novel featuring Susanna and Parker.

## **Dangerous Sanctuary Details**

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## From Reader Review Dangerous Sanctuary for online ebook

### Dana says

I love this author's work but this very short story does not add to the series in the least.

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### Kim says

I really enjoyed this little novella about Susanna and John! A great interlude to keep fans of the series (and the couple) happy before reading book 2, Keeper of the King's Secrets. Definitely made me that much more anxious to begin the next book as soon as possible.

Fans will enjoy this as just one more small reason to love Susanna and John's story.

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### Stephanie (Bookfever) says

Another amazing story about Susanna Horenbout and John Parker.

Dangerous Sanctuary is a short story set between the first book, In a Treachrous Court, and the second book, Keeper of the King's Secrets.

This story begins with Susanna working on a painting of the ceremony in St. Paul's Cathedral to celebrate the capture of king Francis from French I. By coincidence Susanna overhears word of someone who's thinking about hurting the king.

With Parker not able to reach the bitter nobleman until it'll be too late, Susanna realizes she would be the only one who can save the king as well as nobleman from his own death because of his anger.

I decided to read this when I received Keeper of the King's Secrets in my mailbox last week, since this story comes before the second book I wanted to read it before that.

I have yet to read a book by Michelle Diener that I dislike, the first couple of books I read from her were amazing and this short story isn't an exception.

There is just something about Michelle Diener's writing that captivates me. I was hooked from the first to the very last word.

I love Susanna's character. She's so brave and talented and not to mention Flemish. She's definitely one of my favorite fictional female main characters.

John Parker as always was handsome, sexy and ready for action. I love how much he wants to protect Susanna but not always can. But Susanna is definitely capable of standing up for herself, which we see in this book by the way she confronts Pole.

Not many authors can pull off short stories, but this one was absolutely successful. It had the right amount of everything that's needed from a short story that sets between books. Danger, suspense, amazing heroines and sexy heroes, ready to save the say and stop the villain (who in my eyes wasn't exactly a real villain because I understand his reasons) right in time.

This short story was just the perfect addition to the Susanna Horenbout and John Parker series.

Also, I would urge you to read the extra stuff after the actual story about the history. It's very interesting.

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### **Maria says**

This book should be called how to realistically stop an assassination of the king in 20 pages. Impressive.

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### **Amy R says**

This was a fun short story about Parker and Susanna from In a Treacherous Court!

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### **Edie Ramer says**

This has everything I love in a story of any length. Smart characters who do brave things because it's part of who they are, and an unstable villain who has a reason for going a little crazy. Throw in the very realistic danger and the wonderful ending, and this is a reader's gem. Because of its short length and the enjoyment it gave me, I know I'm going to read this at least a few times.

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### **Misty Rayburn says**

Official review coming soon.

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### **Dan says**

Short, but good.

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### **Julie Clarahan says**

I totally love this series. I found it quite by accident and have devoured every book since. This was a lovely short story. I am so looking forward to the next book.

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