

Silk Stalking

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Michael Richman — 05 Jun 1997, 20:45

[paste, re Short Sun trilogy]

It will deal with the colonists, and will take up about twenty years after the ending of "Book of the Long Sun," when Horn is asked to return to the Whorl to bring Silk to the colonized world of Blue.

I read that not as starting 20 years later but as the story of the next 20 years, during which Silk presumably stays aboard the Whorl, or at least the colonists think he does.

I was rather surprised with this announcement because I got the impression at the end of Exodus that the Outsider had abandoned Silk. I don't think Silk would have survived to the end of the series without the active help of the Outsider, and I pictured him dying a few minutes after Horn last saw him.

I found the ending to Long Sun very disturbing (even more than Urth) in that it seemed that Silk had been betrayed by everything he'd believed in, and that all he had left was Oreb.

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