Record Nr. UNINA9910131524103321 Long history, deep time: deepening histories of place / / edited by Ann **Titolo** McGrath and Mary Anne Jebb Pubbl/distr/stampa Acton, Australia: ,: Australian National University Press, , 2015 ©2015 **ISBN** 1-925022-53-6 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (xxv, 252 pages): illustrations (some colour), maps Collana Open Access e-Books Knowledge Unlatched Aboriginal history monographs Disciplina 994.0049915 Aboriginal Australians - History Soggetti Australia History Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Includes bibliographical references. Nota di bibliografia Nota di contenuto 1. Deep histories in time, or crossing the great divide? / Ann McGrath -- 2. Tjukurpa time / Diana James -- 3. Contemporary concepts of time in Western science and philosophy / Peter J. Riggs -- 4. The mutability of time and space as a means of healing history in an Australian Aboriginal community / Rob Paton -- 5. Arnhem Land to Adelaide / Karen Hughes -- 6. Categories of 'old' and 'new' in Western Arnhem Land bark painting / Luke Taylor -- 7. Dispossession is a legitimate experience / Peter Read -- 8. Lingering inheritance / Julia Torpey Hurst -- 9. Historyless people / Jeanine Leane -- 10. Panara / Bruce Pascoe -- 11. The past in the present? /Harry Allen -- 12. Lives and lines / Martin Porr -- 13. The archaeology of the Willandra / Nicola Stern -- 14. Collaborative histories of the Willandra Lakes / Malcolm Allbrook and Ann McGrath. Sommario/riassunto The vast shape-shifting continent of Australia enables us to take a long view of history. We consider ways to cross the great divide between the deep past and the present. Australia's human past is not a short past. so we need to enlarge the scale and scope of history beyond 1788. In ways not so distant, these deeper times happened in the same places

where we walk today. Yet, they were not the same places, having

different surfaces, ecologies and peoples. Contributors to this volume show how the earth and its past peoples can wake us up to a sense of place as history - as a site of both change and continuity. This book ignites the possibilities of what the spaces and expanses of history might be. Its authors reflect upon the need for appropriate, feasible timescales for history, pointing out some of the obstacles encountered in earlier efforts to slice human time into thematic categories. Time and history are considered from the perspective of physics, archaeology, literature, western and Indigenous philosophy. Ultimately, this collection argues for imaginative new approaches to collaborative histories of deep time that are better suited to the challenges of the Anthropocene. Contributors to this volume, including many leading figures in their respective disciplines, consider history's temporality, and ask how history might expand to accommodate a chronology of deep time. Long histories that incorporate humanities, science and Indigenous knowledge may produce deeper meanings of the worlds in which we live.