Record Nr. UNINA9910150351003321 Autore Goble Erika Titolo Visual phenomenology: encountering the sublime through images // Erika Goble New York;; London:,: Routledge,, 2017 Pubbl/distr/stampa 1-315-45929-9 **ISBN** Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (181 pages) Collana Phenomenology of Practice Disciplina 111/.85 Soggetti Sublime, The Visual perception - Psychological aspects Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di bibliografia 1. An introduction to the sublimity of images -- 2. The flight of Icarus: Nota di contenuto the sublime as awe & terror -- 3. The Tate's blue butterflies: the sublime as the experience of the exquisite & the monstrous -- 4. The raw appeal of a figure with meat: the sublime as the experience of horror & delight -- 5. The challenge of doubting Thomas: the sublime as the experience of clarity & mystery -- 6. On a starry night like this, I would like to die: the sublime as existance & inexistence -- 7. Sublimity and the image -- 8. Pedagogy and the sublime image. This volume--the second in Max Van Manen's Phenomenology of Sommario/riassunto Practice series--brings together personal narrative, human research methodology, and an extensive knowledge of aesthetic discourse to redefine the sublime in terms of direct and immediate experience. Erika Goble first traces the concept's origin and development in Western philosophy, revealing how efforts to theorize aesthetic quality in axiomatic or objective frameworks fail to account for the variety of experiential paradoxes that can be evoked by a single image. She then examines several first-person descriptions of encounters with the sublime in order to reflect on a series of questions that have escaped aesthetic philosophy so far: What makes an experience uniquely sublime? What does this experience reveal about the human

> phenomenon of sublimity when it is evoked by an image? What does the experience of the sublime reveal about ourselves as being in the world with images? Goble's book is a corrective to the rampant

philosophizing in contemporary discussions of the sublime and an invaluable contribution to phenomenological research.