Record Nr. UNINA9910255074203321 Autore Kaufmann David Titolo Reading Uncreative Writing [[electronic resource]]: Conceptualism, Expression, and the Lyric / / by David Kaufmann Pubbl/distr/stampa Cham: .: Springer International Publishing: .: Imprint: Palgrave Macmillan, , 2017 **ISBN** 3-319-62292-7 Edizione [1st ed. 2017.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (VII, 169 p.) Collana Modern and Contemporary Poetry and Poetics, , 2634-6052 Disciplina 809.1 Soggetti **Poetry** Literature, Modern—20th century Literature, Modern—21st century Literature—Philosophy Creative writing Poetry and Poetics Contemporary Literature Literary Theory Creative Writing Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Includes index. Nota di contenuto 1 Introduction -- 2 The Author as Collector: Kenneth Goldsmith' s Aestheticism -- 3 Isn't It All Just Bullshit?": From Uncreative Writing to Warhol and Back -- 4 Writing While White: Uncreative Writing, Racism and Disavowal -- 5 For Expression: Uncreative Writing, Affect and Critique -- 6 Approaching The Transsubjective: How To Do Things With the MMPI -- 7 Conclusion. Sommario/riassunto This book examines Uncreative Writing—the catch-all term to describe Neo-Conceptualism, Flarf and related avant-garde movements in contemporary North American poetry—against a decade of controversy. David Kaufman analyzes texts by Kenneth Goldsmith, Vanessa Place, Robert Fitterman, Ara Shirinyan, Craig Dworkin, Dan Farrell and Katie Degentesh to demonstrate that Uncreative Writing is not a revolutionary break from lyric tradition as its proponents claim. Nor is it a racist,

reactionary capitulation to neo-liberalism as its detractors argue.

Rather, this monograph shows that Uncreative Writing's real innovations and weaknesses become clearest when read in the context of the very lyric that it claims to have left behind.