Record Nr. UNINA9910255256203321 Autore **Economides Louise** Titolo The Ecology of Wonder in Romantic and Postmodern Literature / / by Louise Economides Pubbl/distr/stampa New York:,: Palgrave Macmillan US:,: Imprint: Palgrave Macmillan,, 2016 **ISBN** 1-137-47750-4 Edizione [1st ed. 2016.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (222 p.) Collana Literatures, Cultures, and the Environment Disciplina 820.9145 Soggetti British literature Postmodernism (Literature) Literature, Modern—20th century Literature, Modern—19th century British and Irish Literature Postmodern Literature Twentieth-Century Literature Nineteenth-Century Literature Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Introduction: Wonder, Nature and Romanticism's Forgotten Way --Nota di contenuto Chapter 1: Wonder and Romantic Ecology -- Chapter 2: Romanticism, Scientific Wonders, and the Technological Sublime -- Chapter 3: The Environmental Sublime and Ecological Melancholy -- Chapter 4: Wonder and Techn in an Age of Ecological Risk. . Sommario/riassunto This book traces the aesthetic of wonder from the romantic period through contemporary philosophy and literature, arguing for its relevance to ecological consciousness. Most ecocritical scholarship tends to overshadow discussions of wonder with the sublime, failing to treat these two aesthetic categories as distinct. As a result, contemporary scholarship has conflated wonder and the sublime and ultimately lost the nuances that these two concepts conjure for readers and thinkers. Economides illuminates important differences between these aesthetics, particularly their negotiation of issues relevant to

gender-based and environmental politics. In turn, readers can utilize

the concept of wonder as an open-ended, non-violent framework in contrast to the ethos of domination that often surrounds the sublime.