Record Nr. UNINA9910300020703321 Autore York Lorraine Mary <1958-> Titolo Reluctant Celebrity: Affect and Privilege in Contemporary Stardom // by Lorraine York Cham:,: Springer International Publishing:,: Imprint: Palgrave Pubbl/distr/stampa Macmillan, , 2018 **ISBN** 9783319711744 3319711741 Edizione [1st ed. 2018.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (IX, 153 p. 1 illus.) Disciplina 305.520973 Soggetti Popular culture Motion pictures Television broadcasting Actors Popular Culture Film and Television Studies Performers and Practitioners Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references at the end of each chapters and index. Nota di contenuto 1. Introduction: "Treasonous Drift: Celebrity Reluctance as Privilege" --2. Inviting the Shadow to the Party: John Cusack and the Politics of Reluctance -- 3. Robert De Niro's (In)articulate Reluctance -- 4. "I'm Not Going to Be the Poster Boy for This. Although I am the Poster Boy": Daniel Craig's Reluctant Bonding -- 5. Conclusion: Reluctance's Other. In this book, Lorraine York examines the figure of the celebrity who Sommario/riassunto expresses discomfort with his or her intense condition of social visibility. Bringing together the fields of celebrity studies and what Ann Cvetkovich has called the "affective turn in cultural studies", York studies the mixed affect of reluctance, as it is performed by public

figures in the entertainment industries. Setting aside the question of whether these performances are offered "in good faith" or not, York theorizes reluctance as the affective meeting ground of seemingly opposite emotions: disinclination and inclination. The figures under

study in this book are John Cusack, Robert De Niro, and Daniel Craigthree white, straight, cis-gendered-male cinematic stars who have persistently and publicly expressed a feeling of reluctance about their celebrity. York examines how the performance of reluctance, which is generally admired in celebrities, builds up cultural prestige that can then be turned to other purposes.