Record Nr. UNINA9910433251903321 Crossing gender boundaries [[electronic resource]]: fashion to create, **Titolo** disrupt and transcend / / edited by Andrew Reilly and Ben Barry Pubbl/distr/stampa Bristols,: Intellect, 2020 **ISBN** 1-78938-116-9 1-78938-115-0 Descrizione fisica vii, 227p.; tb ill Altri autori (Persone) ReillyAndrew BarryBen Disciplina 746.92 Soggetti Fashion Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Includes index. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Sommario/riassunto This volume presents a collection of the most recent knowledge on the relationship between gender and fashion in historical and contemporary contexts. Through fourteen essays divided into three segments - how dress creates, disrupts and transcends gender - the chapters investigate gender issues through the lens of fashion. Crossing Gender Boundaries first examines how clothing has been, and continues to be, used to create and maintain the binary gender division that has come to permeate Western and westernized cultures. Next, it explores how dress can be used to contest and subvert binary gender expectations, before a final section that considers the meaning of gender and how dress can transcend it, focusing on unisex and genderless clothing. The essays consider how fashion can both constrict and free gender expression, explore the ways dress and gender are products of one other and illuminate the construction of gender through social norms. Readers will find that through analysis of

the relationship between gender and fashion, they gain a better

understanding of the world around them.