Record Nr. UNINA9910450573003321 Autore Alabi Adetayo Titolo Telling our stories [[electronic resource]]: continuities and divergences in Black autobiographies / / by Adetayo Alabi New York, : Palgrave Macmillan, 2005 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-281-36896-2 9786611368968 1-4039-8094-2 Edizione [1st ed. 2005.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (198 p.) Disciplina 810.9/492009296073 American prose literature - African American authors - History and Soggetti criticism African Americans - History and criticism Autobiography - African American authors African Americans - Intellectual life African Americans in literature Electronic books. 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 (p.) and index. Nota di contenuto 1. Introduction: the autobiographical genre in black societies -- 2. Theorizing race, theorizing blackness -- 3. Postcolonial theory and black literatures -- 4. Caliban, is that you? : slave narratives and the politics of resistance -- 5. Different, yet related : black creative autobiographers in dialogue -- 6. Communal resistance and subjectivity: black activists in racialized societies -- 7. Writing another life: the constructedness of the autobiographical genre. Telling Our Stories investigates the continuities and divergences in Sommario/riassunto selected Black autobiographies from Africa, the Caribbean, and the United States. The stories of slaves, creative writers, and political activists are discussed both as texts produced by individuals who are products of specific societies and as interconnected books. The book identifies influences of environmental and cultural differences on the texts while it adopts cross-cultural and postcolonial reading approaches to examine the continuities and divergences in them.