Record Nr. UNINA9910452887103321 Autore Nichols James R. <1938-> Titolo Stronger sex [[electronic resource]]: the fictional women of Lawrence Durrell / / James R. Nichols Pubbl/distr/stampa Lanham, Md., : Fairleigh Dickinson University Press Plymouth, England,: Co-published with Rowman & Littlefield Pub. Group, c2011 **ISBN** 1-61147-067-6 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (167 p.) Disciplina 828/.91209 Soggetti Women in literature Characters and characteristics in literature Electronic books. Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Description based upon print version of record. Note generali Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. THE STRONGER SEX; Contents; 1. Introduction: Biography and Fiction; Nota di contenuto 2. Classicism and Durrell's Vision: Durrell's Free Women; 3. Dorothy Lamour on the Road: Paganism and the Female Body: 4. The Loneliness of Love: Melissa and the Sacrificial Woman; 5. Durrell's Failed Women: Justine and Livia; 6. My Lady, My Guenevere: Benedicta and the Revolt of Aphrodite: 7. Risen Angels in Durrell's Free/Fallen Women: Clea. Constance, and the Fortunate Fall; 8. Jocasta, How Youve Changed: Lawrence Durrell and the Earth Mother; 9. Narcissism and the Female Body: Cunegonde in Caesar's Vast Ghost 10. Postscript: Civilization as a Female ConstructWorks Cited; Index Sommario/riassunto The Stronger Sex studies the fictional women of Lawrence Durrell. Durrell envisioned a new woman, self-confident, free of male domination, and able to serve, direct, and protect her dependent male counterpart. Durrell's modern woman is the center of the new postmodern 'couple'- man dependent upon the centrality of woman for the essential wisdom and direction in his life. Far from being a follower of D. H. Lawrence, as so many have claimed, Durrell insists that the male

freedom which he has historically denied her.

must first cede to woman the personal, social, and political power and