1. Record Nr. UNINA9910458090303321 Autore Fonte Moderata <1555-1592.> Titolo Floridoro [[electronic resource]]: a chivalric romance / / Moderata Fonte (Modesta Pozzo); edited with an introduction by Valeria Finucci; translated by Julia Kisacky; annotated by Valeria Finucci and Julia Kisacky Chicago,: University of Chicago Press, 2006 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-281-12562-8 9786611125622 0-226-25679-0 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (525 p.) Collana The other voice in early modern Europe Altri autori (Persone) FinucciValeria KisackyJulia <1965-> Disciplina 851/.4 Soggetti Romances, Italian - 16th century Electronic books. Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Translated from the Italian. Note generali Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di bibliografia Nota di contenuto Front matter -- CONTENTS -- ACKNOWLEDGMENTS -- THE OTHER VOICE IN EARLY MODERN EUROPE: INTRODUCTION TO THE SERIES --MODERATA FONTE AND THE GENRE OF WOMEN'S CHIVALRIC ROMANCES -- VOLUME EDITOR'S BIBLIOGRAPHY -- NOTE ON TRANSLATION -- FLORIDORO: A CHIVALRIC ROMANCE -- APPENDIX --SERIES EDITORS' BIBLIOGRAPHY -- INDEX Sommario/riassunto The first original chivalric poem written by an Italian woman, Floridoro imbues a strong feminist ethos into a hypermasculine genre. Dotted with the usual characteristics-dark forests, illusory palaces, enchanted islands, seductive sorceresses-Floridoro is the story of the two greatest knights of a bygone age: the handsome Floridoro, who risks everything for love, and the beautiful Risamante, who helps women in distress while on a quest for her inheritance. Throughout, Moderata Fonte (1555-92) vehemently defends women's capacity to rival male prowess in traditionally male-dominated spheres. And her open criticism of women's lack of education is echoed in the plights of various female

characters who must depend on unreliable men. First published in

1581, Floridoro remains a vivacious and inventive narrative by a singular poet.