Record Nr. UNINA9910458227403321 Autore Rovira James Titolo Blake and Kierkegaard: creation and anxiety / by James Rovira London; New York,: Continuum, 2010 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-4742-1126-7 1-282-57681-X 9786612576812 1-4411-1452-1 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (195 p.) Collana Continuum literary studies series 821.7 Disciplina Soggetti Creation in literature Anxiety in literature Literature - Philosophy 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 (pages [151]-176) and index Nota di contenuto Introduction -- 1. Blake and Kierkegaard: Shared Contexts -- 2. Blake, Kierkegaard, and the Socratic Tradition -- 3. Blake, Kierkegaard, and the Classical Model of Personality -- 4. Innocence, Generation, and the Fall in Blake and Kierkegaard -- 5. Creation Anxiety and The [First] Book of Urizen -- Index --Apocalyptic nightmares that humanly-created intelligences will one day Sommario/riassunto rise up against their creators haunt the western creative imagination. However, these narratives find their initial expression not in the widely disseminated Frankenstein story but in William Blake's early mythological works. This book looks at why we persistently fear our own creations by examining Blake's illuminated books of the 1790's through the lens of Kierkegaard's theories of personality and of anxiety. It offers a close examination of Kierkegaard's and Blake's

similar, and to an extent shared, historical milieux as