Record Nr. UNINA9910459063303321 Autore Parsons Glenn Titolo Aesthetics and nature / / Glenn Parsons London;; New York:,: Continuum International Pub.,, 2008 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-4725-4537-0 1-282-87344-X 9786612873447 1-4411-2121-8 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (175 p.) Collana Continuum aesthetics 111/.85 Disciplina Soggetti Nature (Aesthetics) 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 (pages 141-159) and index. Nota di contenuto Approaching the philosophy of natural beauty -- Imagination, belief and the aesthetics of nature -- formalism - Science and nature aesthetics -- Pluralism -- Nature and the disembodied aesthetic --Aesthetics and the preservation of nature -- nature in the garden --Art in nature. Aesthetics and Nature offers a clear and accessible introduction to the Sommario/riassunto field of nature aesthetics. Glenn Parsons explores the current debates in the field, providing the reader with a thorough overview of the subject. The book situates nature aesthetics in relation to two principal influences: aesthetics' traditional project of understanding the value of art and current thought on the ethics of our relationship with nature. The book outlines five major approaches to understanding the aesthetic value of nature and explores the aesthetic appreciation of nature as it occurs in wilderness, in gardens, and in the context of appreciating environmental art. The book also includes a study of the idea that conserving nature's beauty provides a compelling reason to preserve wilderness. This highly topical idea has deep implications for the importance of aesthetic value in our relationship to nature, and for the fate of nature itself. Combining a clear and engaging style with a sophisticated treatment of a fascinating subject, Aesthetics and Nature

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