Record Nr. UNINA9910459627903321 Autore Rowlands Mark Titolo Fame / / Mark Rowlands Pubbl/distr/stampa London;; New York:,: Routledge,, 2014 **ISBN** 1-317-48851-2 1-315-71029-3 1-282-94744-3 9786612947445 1-84465-426-5 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (129 p.) Collana Art of living series Disciplina 306.4 Soggetti Fame Celebrities Electronic books. Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Monografia Livello bibliografico Note generali First published 2008 by Acumen. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Cover; Half Title; Title Page; Copyright Page; Table of Contents; 1. Girls gone wild: fame and vfame; 2. Footnotes to Plato; 3. The Enlightenment project; 4. Lightness and weight; 5. From suicide bombers to Young Hot Hollywood; 6. Paris Hilton and the end of history; Further reading; References: Index One of the most distinctive cultural phenomena of recent years has Sommario/riassunto been the rise and rise of fame. In this book, Mark Rowlands argues that our obsession with fame has transformed it. Fame was once associated with excellence or achievement in some or other field of endeavour. But today we are obsessed with something that is, in effect, quite different: fame unconnected with any discernible distinction, fame that allows a person to be famous simply for being famous. This book shows why this new fame is simultaneously fascinating and worthless. To

understand this new form of fame, Rowlands mainta