Record Nr. UNINA9910462625803321 Autore Henshall Kenneth G Titolo In search of nature [[electronic resource]]: the Japanese writer Tayama Katai (1872-1930) / / by Kenneth G. Henshall Leiden: Boston: Global Oriental, 2013 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-283-85502-X 90-04-24319-4 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (266 p.) Disciplina 895.6/34 895.634 Soggetti Naturalism in literature Nature in literature Electronic books. 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 and index. Nota di contenuto Preliminary Material -- In the Bosom of Nature (1872–1892) -- Cruel Fate, Comforting Nature (1892–1901) -- The Diversity of Western Naturalism -- Turning to the West (1901–1906) -- Respect at Last (1907) -- Increasing Doubts about Nature (1908–1912) -- The Literary Context of the Day (1908–1912) -- Nature is Everything yet Nothing (1912–1930) -- Simplified Time-Line for Katai -- Bibliography of References -- Works by Katai Available in English Translation --Glossary of Japanese Terms -- Index of Persons -- Index of Works and Periodicals. Tayama Katai (1872–1930) was a major writer in Japan's modern Sommario/riassunto history. He was the leader of the (later) naturalist movement around 1906–1912, and author of its representative novel Futon (1907), which established a trend of autobiographical novels. His perception of 'nature' changed through the years from natural beauty to the 'natural individual' - on which Japanese later naturalism was based, following

German models rather than French – and ultimately fate, time and religion. All his writings are naturo-centric in one sense or another. In this ground-breaking study, In Search of Nature, Kenneth G. Henshall provides a 'cradle-to-grave' account of Katai and his prose fiction, and

 also corrects the mistaken belief that Japanese naturalism was a failure.	