Record Nr. UNINA9910465480603321 Autore Addey Crystal Titolo Divination and theurgy in neoplatonism: oracles of the gods // by Crystal Addey Farnham, Surrey, [England];; Burlington, [Vermont]:,: Ashgate Pubbl/distr/stampa Publishing Group, , 2014 ©2014 **ISBN** 1-317-14899-1 1-317-14898-3 1-4094-5153-4 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (352 p.) Ashgate Studies in Philosophy and Theology in Late Antiquity Collana 203/.2 Disciplina Soggetti Neoplatonism Theurgy **Oracles** Mysteries, Religious Divination Electronic books. 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 and index. Nota di contenuto Cover: Contents: Acknowledgements: List of Abbreviations: 1 Oracles and Philosophy; 2 Oracles, Allegory and Mystery Cults; 3 Debating Oracles: Pagan and Christian Perspectives; 4 Debating Oracles: Porphyry's Letter to Anebo and lamblichus' De Mysteriis; 5 Divination, Rationality and Ritual in Neoplatonism; 6 Divine Inspiration, Possession and Contact with the Gods in lamblichus' De Mysteriis; 7 Divination and Theurgy in lamblichus' De Mysteriis; 8 Manifesting the Gods: Oracles as Symbola; Bibliography; Index Sommario/riassunto This book explores the extensive links between oracles and philosophy in Late Antiquity, particularly focusing on the roles of oracles and other forms of divination in third and fourth century CE Neoplatonism. Examining some of the most significant debates between pagan philosophers and Christian intellectuals on the nature of oracles as a

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