Record Nr. UNINA9910542190803321 Autore Guo Li <1979-> Titolo Women's Tanci fiction in late imperial and early twentieth-century China / / Li Guo Pubbl/distr/stampa West Lafayette, Indiana: ,: Purdue University Press, , [2015] copyright 2015 **ISBN** 1-61249-382-3 1-61249-381-5 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (245 p.) Collana Comparative cultural studies Disciplina 895.13/48099287 Chinese fiction - Women authors - History and criticism Soggetti Women in literature Narration (Rhetoric) 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 Cover: Copyright: Dedication: Contents: Editor's Preface: Acknowledgments: Introduction: Chapter One: Envisioning A Nascent Feminine Agency in Zaishengyuan (Destiny of Rebirth); Chapter Two: Disguised Scholar, Fox Spirit, and Moralism in Bishenghua (Blossom from the Brush); Chapter Three: Ethics, Filial Piety, and Narrative Sympathy in Mengyingyuan (Dream, Image, Destiny); Chapter Four: Gender, Spectatorship, and Literary Portraiture in Mengyingyuan; Chapter Five: Cross-Dressing as a Collective Act in Xianu gunying shi (A History of Women Warriors) Chapter Six: Illustrating a New Woman in Fengliu zuiren (The Valiant and The Culprit)Conclusion; Appendix: Chinese Characters for Authors' Names, Terms, and Titles of Works; Works Cited; Index Sommario/riassunto In Women's Tanci Fiction in Late Imperial and Early Modern China, Li Guo presents the first book-length study in English of women's tanci fiction, the distinctive Chinese form of narrative written in rhymed lines during the late imperial to early modern period (related to, but different from, the orally performed version also called tanci). She explores the tradition through a comparative analysis of five seminal texts. Guo

argues that Chinese women writers of the period position the personal within the diegesis in order to reconfigure their moral commitments and personal desires. By fashionin