Record Nr. UNINA9910634077903321 Autore **Edwards Natalie** Titolo Multilingual Life Writing by French and Francophone Women: translingual selves NEW YORK, : ROUTLEDGE, 2019 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 0-429-61989-8 0-429-05487-4 0-429-62204-X Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (185 pages) Collana Routledge Auto/Biography Studies Classificazione BIO007000LIT000000LIT004150 Disciplina 306.446 Soggetti Bilingualism and literature Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di contenuto Lydie Salvayre: translanguaging, testimony and history -- French-Vietnamese translanguaging in the work of Kim Thuy -- En Australie, je parle une langue minoritaire: Catherine Rey's Franco-Australian lifewriting -- Gisele Pineau's evolving translanguaging: from Un Papillon dans la cite to L'Exil selon Julia to Mes quatres femmes -- Staging resistance to the language of the colonizer: Chantal Spitz's translanguaging -- Helene Cixous's Franco-German translanguaging in Une Autobiographie allemande -- Conclusion. This volume examines the ways in which multilingual women authors Sommario/riassunto incorporate several languages into their life writing. It compares the work of six contemporary authors who write predominantly in French. It analyses the narrative strategies they develop to incorporate more than one language into their life writing: French and English, French and Creole, or French and German, for example. The book demonstrates how women writers transform languages to invent new linguistic formations and how they create new formulations of subjectivity within their self-narrative. It intervenes in current debates over global literature, national literatures and translingual and transnational

writing, which constitute major areas of research in literary and cultural

studies. It also contributes to debates in linguistics through its theoretical framework of translanguaging. It argues that multilingual

authors create new paradigms for life writing and that they question our understanding of categories such as "French literature."