Record Nr. UNINA9910765737003321 Autore Woodward Kath Titolo Boxing, masculinity, and identity: the 'I' of the tiger / / Kath Woodward Pubbl/distr/stampa Taylor & Francis, 2007 London;; New York:,: Routledge,, 2007 **ISBN** 1-136-80483-8 0-203-02018-9 1-136-80490-0 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (vi, 177 pages): illustrations Routledge Critical Studies in Sport Collana 305.3 Disciplina Soggetti Gender identity Masculinity Sports - Sociological aspects Boxing - Social aspects Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Introduction -- Masculinity on the ropes? : boxing and gender identities -- Outside in, inside out : routine masculinities -- Boxing bodies and embodied masculinities -- Public stories, personal stories: heroes, celebrity and spectacle -- When the going gets tough: going to the movies -- Conclusion: I could have been a contender. Sommario/riassunto Boxing is infused with ideas about masculinity, power, race and social class, and as such is an ideal lens through which social scientists can examine key modern themes. In addition, its inherent contradictions of extreme violence and beauty and of discipline and excess have long been a source of inspiration for writers and film makers. Essential reading for anyone interested in the sociology of sport and cultural representations of gender, Boxing, Masculinity and Identity brings together ethnographic research with material from film, literature and journalism. Through this combination of theoretical insight and cultural awareness. Woodward explores the social constructs around boxing and our experience and understanding of central issues including:

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