1. Record Nr. UNINA9910779549003321 Autore O'Brien Timothy J (Timothy Joseph), <1962-2011.> **Titolo** Mojo hand [[electronic resource]]: the life and music of Lightnin' Hopkins / / by Timothy J. O'Brien and David Ensminger Austin,: University of Texas Press, 2013 Pubbl/distr/stampa 0-292-74516-8 **ISBN** Edizione [1st edition.] 1 online resource (296 p.) Descrizione fisica Collana Brad and Michele Moore Roots Music Series Altri autori (Persone) EnsmingerDavid A Disciplina 781.643092 R Soggetti Blues musicians - United States 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. ""Preface""; ""1. East Texas Cotton Picking Blues""; ""2. Can't Leave Nota di contenuto Home Blues""; ""3. Bad Luck and Trouble Blues""; ""4. The War Is Over""; ""5. Folksinger Blues""; ""6. Too Many Drivers""; ""7. Vietnam War Blues""; ""8. Heaven, Hell, or Houston""; ""9. Po' Lightnin'""; ""Epilogue. Remember Me""; ""Notes""; ""Index""; ""Photo Section"" In a career that took him from the cotton fields of East Texas to the Sommario/riassunto concert stage at Carnegie Hall and beyond, Lightnin' Hopkins became one of America's greatest bluesmen, renowned for songs whose topics effortlessly ranged from his African American roots to space exploration, the Vietnam War, and lesbianism, performed in a unique. eccentric, and spontaneous style of guitar playing that inspired a whole generation of rock guitarists. Hopkins's music directly and indirectly influenced an amazing range of artists, including Jimi Hendrix, Stevie Ray Vaughan, Miles Davis, John Coltrane, Tom Waits, and Bob Dylan, as well as bands such as the Grateful Dead, Jefferson Airplane, and ZZ Top, with whom Hopkins performed. Mojo Hand follows Lightin' Hopkins's life and music from the acoustic country blues that he began performing in childhood, through the rise of 1950s rock 'n' roll, which nearly derailed his career, to his reinvention and international success as a pioneer of electric folk blues from the 1960s to the 1980s. The authors draw on 130 vivid oral histories, as well as extensive archival

and secondary sources, to provide the fullest account available of the development of Hopkins's music; his idiosyncratic business practices,

such as shunning professional bookers, managers, and publicists; and his durable and indelible influence on modern roots, blues, rock 'n' roll, singer-songwriter, and folk music. Mojo Hand celebrates the spirit and style, intelligence and wit, and confounding musical mystique of a bluesman who shaped modern American music like no one else.