Record Nr. UNINA9910783091003321 **Titolo** Gender and holiness: men, women, and saints in late medieval Europe // edited by Samantha J.E. Riches and Sarah Salih Pubbl/distr/stampa London;; New York:,: Routledge,, 2002 **ISBN** 1-134-51488-3 1-134-51489-1 1-280-11114-3 0-203-99460-4 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (215 p.) Collana Routledge Studies in Medieval Religion and Culture Altri autori (Persone) RichesSamantha SalihSarah <1967-> Disciplina 241/.66/0902 Sex - Religious aspects - Christianity Soggetti Christian saints - Europe - History - To 1500 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 Book Cover; Title; Contents; List of illustrations; Notes on contributors; List of abbreviations; Introduction. Gender and holiness: performance and representation in the later Middle Ages; 'The law of sin that is in my members': the problem of male embodiment; The role of patronage and audience in the cults of Sts Margaret and Marina of Antioch; Virginal effects: text and identity in Ancrene Wisse; Pain, torture and death in the Huntington Library Legenda aurea; St George as a male virgin martyr; Becoming a virgin king: Richard II and Edward the Confessor Female piety and impiety: selected images of women in wall paintings in England after 1300Staging conversion: the Digby saint plays and The Book of Margery Kempe; Gendering charity in medieval hagiography; Ecce Homo: Bibliography: Index This collection brings together two flourishing areas of medieval Sommario/riassunto scholarship: gender and religion. It examines gender-specific religious practices and contends that the pursuit of holiness can destabilise binary gender itself. Though saints may be classified as masculine or feminine, holiness may also cut across gender divisions and demand a

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