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Nota di contenuto	Who decides? Marriage law, the state, and mutual consent -- Is the spirit gendered? Fluid gender, sex-change, and same-sex marriage -- "Immortal longings": love-death, rebirth, and union through life after life -- A second self: traditions of romantic friendship -- Monstrous to miraculous: same-sex reproduction and parenting -- All in the family: same-sex relationships in traditional families -- "Married among their companions": female-female relations in pre-modern erotica -- Aspiring to union: twentieth-century cinema.
Sommario/riassunto	This is the first book to examine the same-sex weddings and same-sex couple suicides reported in India over the last two decades. Ruth Vanita examines these cases in the context of a wide variety of same-sex unions, from Fourteenth-century narratives about co-wives who miraculously produce a child together, to Nineteenth-century depictions of ritualized unions between women, to marriages between gay men and lesbians arranged over the internet. Examining the changing legal, literary, religious and social Indian and Euro-American traditions within which same-sex unions are embedded, she brings a fresh perspective to the gay marriage debate, suggesting that same-sex marriage dwells not at the margins but at the heart of culture.

Love's Rites by Ruth Vanita is a finalist for a Lambda Literary Award.
