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| Descrizione fisica | 1 online resource (xiv, 192 pages, 16 unnumbered pages of plates) : illustrations |
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| Nota di contenuto | Contents; Acknowledgments; Preface; 1 Creating, Organizing, and Transforming the Holidays; 2 Happy New Year! But Why Now?; 3 February's Holidays: Prediction, Purification, and Passionate Pursuit; 4 Spring Equinox: Watching the Serpent Descend; 5 The Easter/Passover Season: Connecting Time's Broken Circle; 6 May Day: A Collision of Forces; 7 Summer's Solstice: Feasts of Fire, Water, and Feminine Affairs of the Heart; 8 Labor Day: Remembering the Great Time Wars; 9 Halloween: Dead Time; 10 Thanksgiving: Transcending Pilgrims' Progress; 11 Christmas: From Resurrection to Rudolph; "What Goes Around . . ."Notes; References; Index |
| Sommario/riassunto | An engaging, entertaining reference to modern holidays explains the origins of Santa Claus, the Easter Bunny, witches, and St. Valentine's Day as it discusses holiday traditions, celebrations, customs, and more. |

