Record Nr. UNINA9910787671203321 Autore Girard Rene <1923-> Titolo Anorexia and mimetic desire [[electronic resource] /] / Rene Girard; translated by Mark R. Anspach East Lansing, : Michigan State University Press, 2013 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-60917-376-7 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (113 p.) Collana Breakthroughs in Mimetic Theory Breakthroughs in mimetic theory Altri autori (Persone) AnspachMark R Disciplina 616.85/262 Soggetti Anorexia nervosa Anorexia nervosa - Psychological aspects Desire (Philosophy) Philosophy, French - 20th century 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. Nota di contenuto Contents; Foreword, by Jean-Michel Oughourlian, translated by M. B. DeBevoise; Introduction: Anorexia and the Spirit of the Times, by Mark R. Anspach; Eating Disorders and Mimetic Desire, by Rene Girard; A Conversation with Rene Girard, with Mark R. Anspachand Laurence Tacou: Notes Sommario/riassunto Rene Girard shows that all desires are contagious-and the desire to be thin is no exception. In this compelling new book, Girard ties the anorexia epidemic to what he calls mimetic desire: a desire imitated from a model. Girard has long argued that, far from being spontaneous, our most intimate desires are copied from what we see around us. In a culture obsessed with thinness, the rise of eating disorders should be no surprise. When everyone is trying to slim down.

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