1. Record Nr. UNINA9910791335603321 Autore Edmonds Ennis B. Titolo Caribbean Religious History: An Introduction / / Ennis B. Edmonds, Michelle A. Gonzalez Pubbl/distr/stampa New York, NY:,: New York University Press,, [2010] ©2010 **ISBN** 0-8147-2284-9 0-8147-2250-4 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (280 p.) Disciplina 200.9729 Soggetti **RELIGION / History** Caribbean Area Religion Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Monografia Livello bibliografico Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Front matter -- Contents -- Acknowledgments -- 1 Introduction -- 2 Amerindians and Spanish Catholics in Contact -- 3 Early Colonial Catholicism -- 4 For God and Nation -- 5 Creole African Traditions --6 Afro-Christian Faiths -- 7 Mainline and Sideline -- 8 Migration and Revitalization -- 9 Legitimation, Indigenization, and Contextualization -- Conclusion -- Notes -- Bibliography -- Index -- About the Authors The colonial history of the Caribbean created a context in which many Sommario/riassunto religions, from indigenous to African-based to Christian, intermingled with one another, creating a rich diversity of religious life. Caribbean Religious History offers the first comprehensive religious history of the region. Ennis B. Edmonds and Michelle A. Gonzalez begin their exploration with the religious traditions of the Amerindians who flourished prior to contact with European colonizers, then detail the transplantation of Catholic and Protestant Christianity and their centuries of struggles to become integral to the Caribbean's religious ethos, and trace the twentieth century penetration of American Evangelical Christianity, particularly in its Pentecostal and Holiness

iterations. Caribbean Religious History also illuminates the influence of

Africans and their descendants on the shaping of such religious traditions as Vodou, Santeria, Revival Zion, Spiritual Baptists, and

Rastafari, and the success of Indian indentured laborers and their descendants in reconstituting Hindu and Islamic practices in their new environment. Paying careful attention to the region's social and political history, Edmonds and Gonzalez present a one-volume panoramic introduction to this religiously vibrant part of the world.