Record Nr. UNINA9910792022803321 Autore MacDonald Scott <1942-> **Titolo** American ethnographic film and personal documentary [[electronic resource]]: the Cambridge turn // Scott MacDonald Berkeley, : University of California Press, 2013 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 0-520-95493-9 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (425 p.) PER004000 Classificazione Disciplina 070.1/8 Soggetti Documentary films - United States - History and criticism Ethnographic films - United States - History and criticism 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. Frontmatter -- Contents -- Introduction -- 1. Lorna and John Marshall Nota di contenuto -- 2. Robert Gardner -- 3. Timothy Asch -- 4. Ed Pincus and the Emergence of Personal Documentary -- 5. Alfred Guzzetti and Personal Cinema -- 6. Ross McElwee -- 7. Robb Moss -- 8. Panorama: Other Approaches to Personal Documentary -- 9. Lucien Castaing-Taylor and Sensory Ethnography -- Epilogue -- Appendix: Sources for Films --Notes -- Index Sommario/riassunto American Ethnographic Film and Personal Documentary is a critical history of American filmmakers crucial to the development of ethnographic film and personal documentary. The Boston and Cambridge area is notable for nurturing these approaches to documentary film via institutions such as the MIT Film Section and the Film Study Center, the Carpenter Center and the Visual and Environmental Studies Department at Harvard. Scott MacDonald uses pragmatism's focus on empirical experience as a basis for measuring the groundbreaking achievements of such influential filmmakers as John Marshall, Robert Gardner, Timothy Asch, Ed Pincus, Miriam Weinstein, Alfred Guzzetti, Ross McElwee, Robb Moss, Nina Davenport, Steve Ascher and Jeanne Jordan, Michel Negroponte, John Gianvito, Alexander Olch, Amie Siegel, Ilisa Barbash, and Lucien Castaing-Taylor. By exploring the cinematic, personal, and professional relationships

between these accomplished filmmakers, MacDonald shows how a pioneering, engaged, and uniquely cosmopolitan approach to

documentary developed over the past half century.