

1. Record Nr.	UNINA9910792066603321
Titolo	Gender and power in contemporary spirituality : ethnographic approaches // edited by Anna Fedele and Kim E. Knibbe
Pubbl/distr/stampa	New York : , : Routledge, , 2013
ISBN	1-135-11452-8 0-203-07465-3 1-299-28003-X 1-135-11453-6
Descrizione fisica	1 online resource (246 p.)
Collana	Routledge studies in religion ; ; 26
Altri autori (Persone)	FedeleAnna KnibbeKim E
Disciplina	200.81
Soggetti	Sex role - Religious aspects Power (Social sciences) Spirituality Spiritual life Religions Religion
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 (p. [211]-229) and index.
Nota di contenuto	Cover; Gender and Power in Contemporary Spirituality; Title Page; Copyright Page; Table of Contents; List of Figures; Acknowledgments; Introduction: Gender and Power in Contemporary Spirituality; 1 Cultivating the Sacred: Gender, Power and Ritualization in Goddess-Oriented Groups; 2 Spirituality within Religion: Gendered Responses to a Greek 'Spiritual Revolution'; 3 Individual Spirituality and Religious Membership among Soka Gakkai Buddhists in Spain; 4 The Power of Submission? Personal Growth and the Issue of Power among Umbanda Practitioners in Paris 5 "Black" Madonna versus "White" Madonna: Gendered Power Strategies in Alternative Pilgrimages to Marian Shrines 6 From Crisis to Charisma: Redefining Hegemonic Ideas of Science, Freedom and Gender among Mediumistic Healers in Germany; 7 Spirituality, Charisma and Gender in a Jewish Spiritual Renewal Community in Israel; 8 Urban Witchcraft and

the Issue of Authority; 9 Gender and Power: Brahma Kumaris Spirituality and Hinduism in Portugal; 10 Obscuring the Role of Power and Gender in Contemporary Spiritualities

11 In Search of Spirituality in Northeastern Mexico: Religious Change and Masculinity among Addicts in RecoveryBibliography; Contributors; Index

Sommario/riassunto

This book explores the entanglements of gender and power in spiritual practices and analyzes strategies used by spiritual practitioners to attain what to social scientists might seem an impossible goal: creating spiritual communities without creating gendered hierarchies. What strategies do people within these networks use to attain gender equality and gendered empowerment? How do they try to protect and develop individual freedom? How do gender and power nevertheless play a role? The chapters in this book together and separately demonstrate that, in order to understand contem
