1. Record Nr. UNINA9910794755703321 Autore Pung Alice Titolo On John Marsden / / Alice Pung Pubbl/distr/stampa Carlton, VIC:,: Black Incorporated,, [2017] ©2017 **ISBN** 1-925435-72-5 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (33 pages) Collana Writers on writers Soggetti Authors, Australian - 20th century Young adult fiction - Authorship Fiction - Authorship Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references. Sommario/riassunto In this fascinating book, Alice Pung writes about one of her deep influences the much loved and hugely successful John Marsden. Alice writes: I keep coming back to John Marsden. What makes him so fascinating to me is that as a young adult writer, he comes at it with a whole philosophy of what it means to be a teenager it is embedded in his two schools, but also his early experiences with mental illness and hospitalisation. It brings interesting questions for an author of YA fiction how much darkness is allowed, before you are considered a "bad influence"? Offering a personal take, Alice Pung entertains and enlightens. This is a book to cherish about writers and writing. In the Writers on Writers series, leading writers reflect on another Australian writer who has inspired and fascinated them. Provocative, crisp and written from a practitioners perspective, the series starts a fresh conversation between past and present, and writer and reader. It sheds

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