Record Nr. UNINA9910795137603321 Autore Nortmann Ulrich Titolo City Views in the Habsburg and Medici Courts: Depictions of Rhetoric and Rule in the Sixteenth Century / / Ryan E. Gregg Leiden, ; Boston : , : BRILL, , 2019 Pubbl/distr/stampa 90-04-38616-5 **ISBN** 90-04-35720-3 1 online resource (440 pages): illustrations Descrizione fisica Collana Brill's studies in intellectual history; ; 294. Brill's studies on art, art history, and intellectual history;; 35 Disciplina 320.9401 Soggetti Constitutional history, Medieval Government Policy Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Front Matter -- Copyright page -- Acknowledgements -- Illustrations Nota di contenuto -- Introduction -- Witnessing Sovereignty: Anton van den Wyngaerde's City Views as Habsburg Courtly Propaganda -- The Antwerp School of City Views -- Vasari, Historiography, and the Rhetoric of City Views --Defining Ducal Dominion: Giovanni Stradano's City Views in the Apartment of Leo X -- Coda: Heirs to Dominion -- Back Matter --Bibliography -- Index. In City Views in the Habsburg and Medici Courts, Ryan E. Gregg relates Sommario/riassunto how Charles V, Holy Roman Emperor, and Duke Cosimo I of Tuscany employed city view artists such as Anton van den Wyngaerde and Giovanni Stradano to aid in constructing authority. These artists produced a specific style of city view that shared affinity with Renaissance historiographic practice in its use of optical evidence and rhetorical techniques. History has tended to see city views as accurate recordings of built environments. Bringing together ancient and Renaissance texts, archival material, and fieldwork in the depicted locations, Gregg demonstrates that a close-knit school of city view artists instead manipulated settings to help persuade audiences of the

truthfulness of their patrons' official narratives.