Record Nr. UNINA9910806861103321 Autore Cubilie Anne Titolo Women witnessing terror: testimony and the cultural politics of human rights / / Anne Cubilie New York, : Fordham University Press, 2005 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 0-8232-4867-4 Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (302 p.) 303.48/5 Disciplina Reportage literature - Women authors - History and criticism Soggetti Atrocities in literature Women and war State-sponsored terrorism Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Description based upon print version of record. Note generali Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Witness and testimony: ethics, trauma, speech, and paradox -- "The erotics of violence": performing violence in The balcony and The conduct of life -- Testimonial and surviving : gender and the crisis of witnessing -- State terror and the ethical witness -- Testimonial, trauma, and the crises of discourse in Bosnia -- Grounded ethics : testimonial witnessing from rural Afghanistan to the United States. Sommario/riassunto A model of engaged scholarship, this book examines first-person testimonials by women who have survived abuse and atrocity in zones of conflict and terror. Drawing on a wide range of sources and settings, Anne Cubili+ uses survivor testimony as theoretical invention, placing personal witness in dialogue with work by philosophers, literary theorists, and others who study the space between victim and survivor. ethical witness and silenced observer, male and female. This nuanced example of ethical criticism demonstrates forcefully how ethical

witnessing reformulates the language of human rights and enhances its

ability to intervene against violence and oppression.