Record Nr. UNINA9910810542303321 Autore **Edwards Natalie** Titolo Shifting subjects: plural subjectivity in contemporary francophone women's autobiography / / Natalie Edwards Pubbl/distr/stampa Lanham, Md., : University of Delaware Press Plymouth, England,: Co-published with Rowman & Littlefield Pub. Group, c2011 **ISBN** 1-61149-031-6 Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (173 p.) Disciplina 840.9/3522 Soggetti French literature - 20th century - History and criticism Autobiography - Women authors - History and criticism French literature - Women authors - History and criticism Autobiography - Authorship Self in literature Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di bibliografia Nota di contenuto SHIFTING SUBJECTS; Contents; Acknowledgments; Introduction: From the Individual ""I"" to the Non-Unitary Self: 1. Gisele Halimi's Self-(Re) Writing Project; 2. Fictional Doubles in Julia Kristeva's Les samourais; 3. Archive and Autobiography in Assia Djebar's Vaste est la prison; 4. The Displaced Autobiographical Subject in Helene Cixous's Les reveries de la femme sauvage; 5. Conclusion: New Textual Identities; Notes; Works Cited: Index There are many different ways to say 'I.' This book examines the ways Sommario/riassunto in which four contemporary women writers (HZI_ne Cixous, Assia Djebar, Gis_le Halimi and Julia Kristeva) have written their autobiographical 'I' as a plural concept. These women refuse the individual 'I' of traditional autobiography by developing narrative strategies that multiply the voices in their texts. Each chapter examines a text, or a series of texts, that offers a different approach to writing a plural 'I.' Taken together, the texts depart from current theorizations of

the female autobiographical 'I,' by calling for