Record Nr. UNINA9910813122003321 Culture, catastrophe, and rhetoric: the texture of political action // **Titolo** edited by Robert Hariman and Ralph Cintron Pubbl/distr/stampa New York:,: Berghahn Books,, 2015 **ISBN** 1-78238-747-1 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (274 p.) Collana Studies in rhetoric and culture;; volume 7 306.2 Disciplina Politics and culture Soggetti Political culture Political participation Social action Rhetoric - Political aspects 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 Culture, Catastrophe, and Rhetoric; Contents; Illustrations; Preface; Introduction; Chapter 1. The Communal Dilemma as a Cultural Resource in Hungarian Political Expression; Chapter 2. Chronotopes of the Political; Chapter 3. The In-Between States; Chapter 4. Occupy Wall Street as Rhetorical Citizenship; Chapter 5. Contemporary Social Movements and the Emergent Nomadic Political Logic; Chapter 6. "Project Heat" and Sensory Politics in Redeveloping Chicago Public Housing; Chapter 7. Reading between the Digital Lines; Chapter 8. The Uncertainty of Power and the Certainty of Irony Chapter 9. Grassroots Rhetorics in Times of ScarcityChapter 10. Too Too Much Much; Conclusion; Index Sommario/riassunto This volume explores political culture, especially the catastrophic elements of the global social order emerging in the twenty-first century. By emphasizing the texture of political action, the book theorizes how social context becomes evident on the surface of events and analyzes the performative dimensions of political experience. The attention to catastrophe allows for an understanding of how ordinary people contend with normal system operation once it is indistinguishable from system breakdown. Through an array of case

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