Record Nr. UNINA9910814708903321 Autore Haulman Kate Titolo The politics of fashion in eighteenth-century America [[electronic resource] /] / Kate Haulman Chapel Hill [N.C.], : University of North Carolina Press, 2011 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-4696-0292-X 0-8078-6929-5 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (304 p.) Collana Gender and American culture Disciplina 306.20973 Politics and culture - United States - History - 18th century Soggetti Fashion - Political aspects - United States - History - 18th century Clothing and dress - Political aspects - United States - History - 18th century Symbolism in politics - India - History - 18th century Nationalism - United States - History - 18th century United States Social life and customs To 1775 Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Includes index. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Introduction: that strange, ridic'lous vice -- The many faces of fashion in the early eighteenth century -- Fops and coquettes : gender. sexuality, and status -- Country modes: cultural politics and political resistance -- New duties and old desires on the eve of revolution -- A contest of modes in revolutionary Philadelphia -- Fashion and nation -- Epilogue: political habits and citizenship's corset: the 1790s and beyond. In eighteenth-century America, fashion served as a site of contests over Sommario/riassunto various forms of gendered power. Here, Kate Haulman explores how and why fashion--both as a concept and as the changing style of personal adornment--linked gender relations, social order, commerce, and political authority during a time when traditional hierarchies were in flux. In the see-and-be-seen port cities of Boston, New York, Philadelphia, and Charleston, fashion, a form of power and distinction, was conceptually feminized yet pursued by both men and women

across class ranks. Haulman shows that elite men