Record Nr. UNINA9910816461203321 Autore Wilson Amrit <1941-> Titolo Dreams, questions, struggles: South Asian women in Britain / / Amrit Wilson Pubbl/distr/stampa London;; Ann Arbor, MI,: Pluto, 2006 **ISBN** 1-84964-132-3 1-281-72517-X 9786611725174 1-4356-6104-4 Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (208 p.) 305.488914041 Disciplina Asians - Great Britain - Social conditions Soggetti Women - Great Britain - Social conditions **Great Britain Ethnic relations** Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Bibliographic Level Mode of Issuance: Monograph Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references (p. 177-183) and index. Nota di contenuto Intro -- Contents -- Acknowledgements -- Introduction -- 1 The New 'Good Woman': Reconstructing Patriarchal Control -- 2 A Thing of Beauty and a Boy Forever - Changing Masculinities -- 3 'Mercy and Wisdom of a Government'? Race. Culture and Immigration Control -- 4 Making a Spectacle of Oneself - South Asian Weddings in Britain -- 5 Psychiatry, Violence and Mental Distress -- 6 Contesting (mis) Representations -- 7 Still Fighting for Justice - Low-paid Workers in a Global Market -- 8 Dreams, Questions and Struggles - Reflections on a Movement -- Notes -- References -- Index. Sommario/riassunto From schoolgirls to matriarchs, single mothers to extended families, and businesswomen to factory workers, the experience of Asian women in Britain today is polarised by class and religion. This book explores the lives and struggles of two generations of British Asian women to present a political account of their experiences: personal and public, individual and collective, their struggles take on power structures within the family, the community and, on occasion, the British state. Combining their personal testimony within a theoretical framework.

Amrit Wilson locates their experiences in the wider context of global

and regional politics. She examines what impact the feminist movement has had on their lives, and explores issues such as domestic violence, Asian marriages, representations of Asian women, mental disturbance and suicide.