Record Nr. UNINA9910818395703321 Culture first! : promoting standards in the new media age / / edited by **Titolo** Kenneth Dyson and Walter Homolka Pubbl/distr/stampa London, England:,: Bloomsbury Academic,, 2020 London, England:,: Bloomsbury Publishing,, 2020 **ISBN** 1-4742-8647-X 1-4742-8197-4 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (212 p.) Collana Cultural studies: Bloomsbury academic collections Disciplina 302.2244 Soggetti Mass media and culture Mass media - Moral and ethical aspects Mass media - Technological innovations **Aesthetics** Political science & theory Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali First published in 1996 by Cassell Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di bibliografia Revisiting Culture and anarchy: media studies, the cultural industries Nota di contenuto and the issue of quality / Kenneth Dyson -- Defending ourselves against the seductions of eloquence / Neil Postman -- On the threshold of a new era in media history; what follows the period of technological innovation? / Gerhard Schulze -- The ethics of media use : media consumption as a moral challenge / Hermann Lubbe -- Coping with plenty: psychological aspects of television and information overload / Peter Winterhoff-Spurk -- Regulating for cultural standards : a legal perspective / Wolfgang Hoffmann-Riem -- Nothing can replace reading / Walter Homolka -- On being passionate about standards: promoting the voice of aesthetics in broadcasting and multimedia / Kenneth Dyson. Sommario/riassunto "We are increasingly conscious of living in an era whose scale, dimensions and implications we do not fully comprehend. 'Interactivity', 'virtual reality' and 'global communications' are some of the most obvious dimensions of this new reality. Its implications include cross-

media acquisitions and mergers by players like Murdoch, Viacom and

Disney, and major questions about the future of the printed word and reading. This book does not attempt to offer a broad survey of the new digital age in all its aspects. Instead, it restricts its questions to cultural standards and the issue of quality in media. Culture First! argues that the proper study of culture is normative; and that the proper, and neglected, purpose of cultural studies should be the nurturing of normative argument and judgement. This purpose can be better pursued if we return to the distinction between our 'best self' and our 'ordinary self' when thinking about cultural questions; if we seek to articulate and think rigorously about aesthetic and ethical standards; and if we recognize the specific cultural values of the printed word and reading as an activity and that the printed word is more than just a medium."--