1. Record Nr. UNINA9910820995903321 Autore Mullen Laura <1958-> Titolo Dark Archive [[electronic resource] /] / Laura Mullen Berkeley,: University of California Press, 2011 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-283-27751-4 9786613277510 0-520-94825-4 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (148 p.) Collana New California poetry;; 32 Disciplina 811/.54 Soggetti American poetry American literature Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Description based upon print version of record. Note generali Frontmatter -- System -- Acknowledgments -- Cloud Cover -- Turn --Nota di contenuto Troposphere -- Evaporation / Condensation Sommario/riassunto Dark archive: The purpose of a dark archive is to function as a repository for information that can be used as a failsafe during disaster recovery.Laura Mullen's fourth collection is a sequence of beautifully interrelated poems that explores how to accurately represent the reality of change and loss. Mullen pinpoints what is at stake: the possibility of communication and connection-and the hope of intimacy. Invoking Wordsworth's "I wandered lonely as a cloud," she pushes experiments in consciousness against their boundaries in an array of poetic forms. Poetic tropes are measured against natural phenomena as Mullen examines what "witness" might mean in the context of the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, the failures of capitalism to effect social justice, the

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