1. Record Nr. UNINA9910956054103321 Autore Whitman Walt <1819-1892, > Titolo Song of Myself: With a Complete Commentary / / Walt Whitman; introduction and commentary by Ed Folsom and Christopher Merrill Pubbl/distr/stampa Iowa City, [Iowa]: .: University of Iowa Press, . 2016 ©2016 **ISBN** 9781609384661 1609384660 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (207 pages) Collana Iowa Whitman series Classificazione POE005010 811/.3 Disciplina POETRY / American / General Soggetti Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Sommario/riassunto "This book offers the most comprehensive and detailed reading to date of Song of Myself. One of the most distinguished critics in Whitman Studies, Ed Folsom, and one of the nation's most prominent writers and literary figures, Christopher Merrill, carry on a dialog with Whitman, and with each other, section by section, as they invite readers to enter into the conversation about how the poem develops, moves, improvises, and surprises. Instead of picking and choosing particular passages to support a reading of the poem, Folsom and Merrill take Whitman at his word and interact with "every atom" of his work. The book presents Whitman's final version of the poem, arranged in fiftytwo sections; each section is followed by Folsom's detailed critical examination of the passage, and then Merrill offers a poet's perspective, suggesting broader contexts for thinking about both the

passage in question and the entire poem"--