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Sommario/riassunto	Staging Marriage in Early Modern Spain places dramatic representations of marriage within a historical and social framework and is framed by the decrees of the Council of Trent (1563), which ascribed sacramental status to marriage. While the diverse range of dramas examined in this study offer a multifaceted view of conjugal relations in early modern Spain, taken together they suggest a significant shift in the conventions governing marriage and other related social phenomena, including courtship and widowhood.