Record Nr. UNINA9910966100003321 Autore Sonne Birgitte **Titolo** Worldviews of the Greenlanders: An Inuit Arctic Perspective / / Birgitte Sonne Pubbl/distr/stampa University of Alaska Press, , [2017] Fairbanks, AK **ISBN** 9781602233393 160223339X Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (471 pages) Classificazione SOC002000 998.2004/9712 Disciplina Soggetti Manners and customs Inuit - Social life and customs Inuit **HISTORY - Polar Regions** SOCIAL SCIENCE - Anthropology - General Inuit - Greenland - Social life and customs Inuit - Greenland - History History Greenland Greenland Social life and customs Greenland History Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Intro -- Contents -- Illustrations -- Preface -- Introduction -- 1. Space and Time -- 2. Seasonal Rituals and Rituals of Crisis -- 3. The Other World(s) and Its Beings -- 4. Angakkut (Shamans) -- 5. Angakkoq Puulik (Shaman with a Bag) -- 6. Conclusion -- Coda -- Reference List -- Index -- Acknowledgments -- About the Author. Sommario/riassunto "Ninety years ago, Knud Rasmussen's popular account of his scientific expeditions through Greenland and North America introduced readers to the culture and history of arctic Natives. In the intervening century, a robust field of ethnographic research has grown around the Inuit and

Yupiit of North America--but, until now, English-language readers

have had little access to the broad corpus of work on Greenlandic natives. Worldviews of the Greenlanders draws upon extensive Danish and Greenlandic research on Inuit arctic peoples--as well as Birgitte Sonne's own decades of scholarship and fieldwork--to present in rich detail the key symbols and traditional beliefs of Greenlandic Natives, as well as the changes brought about by contact with colonial traders and Christian missionaries. It includes critical updates to our knowledge of the Greenlanders' pre-colonial world and their ideas on space, time, and other worldly beings. This expansive work will be a touchstone of Arctic Native studies for academics who wish to expand their knowledge past the boundaries of North America"--