Record Nr. UNINA9911015878203321 Autore Wan Xiaomeng Titolo Corporeal Narrative in David Foster Wallace's Fiction / / by Xiaomeng Wan Singapore:,: Springer Nature Singapore:,: Imprint: Springer,, 2025 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 9789819680627 9789819680610 Edizione [1st ed. 2025.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (171 pages) Disciplina 808.888 Soggetti Prose literature **Fiction** America - Literatures Social sciences - Philosophy Social perception Narrative Text and Prose Fiction Literature North American Literature Social Theory Social Cognition Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Introduction -- Surrender to the Unreal of the Real Interior: Grotesque Nota di contenuto and Misused Bodies in The Broom of the System -- A Real American Type of Sadness: Addicted and Painful Bodies in Infinite Jest -- In the Face of Extreme Boredom: Repressed Bodies and Spiritual Crisis in The Pale King -- Conclusion. Sommario/riassunto This book serves as a critical examination of contemporary American literature by examining David Foster Wallace's incorporation of corporeal narrative techniques in his novels, with a particular focus on The Broom of the System, Infinite Jest, and The Pale King. By employing corporeal narratology as a conceptual framework, it sheds light on

Wallace's profound exploration of the human body and its societal implications. Through detailed analysis, the book reveals how Wallace's

narratives serve as a critique of contemporary issues such as selfalienation, consumerism, and the dehumanizing effects of modern society. Designed for scholars and students of literature, cultural studies, and narrative theory, this book provides a comprehensive understanding of Wallace's literary legacy and his keen observations on the complexities of human existence in the modern world.