Record Nr. UNISA996379044103316 Autore Estes Heide (Heide Ruth) Titolo Anglo-Saxon Literary Landscapes: Ecotheory and the Environmental Imagination / / Heide Estes Pubbl/distr/stampa Amsterdam University Press, 2018 Amsterdam:,: Amsterdam University Press,, [2017] ©2017 **ISBN** 90-485-5140-4 90-485-2838-0 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (208 pages) Collana Environmental humanities in pre-modern cultures Disciplina 810/820 Soggetti Nature in literature **Ecocriticism** Landscapes in literature **Ecology** in literature Altenglisch Literatur Umwelt English literature - Old English, ca. 450-1100 - History and criticism Landscape in literature Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Includes index. Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di bibliografia Nota di contenuto Introduction -- Imagining the sea in secular and religious poetry --Ruined landscapes -- Rewriting Guthlac's Wilderness -- Animal natures -- Objects and hyperobjects -- Conclusion: ecologies of the past and the future. Literary scholars have traditionally understood landscapes, whether Sommario/riassunto natural or manmade, as metaphors for humanity instead of concrete settings for peoples actions. This book accepts the natural world as such by investigating how Anglo-Saxons interacted with and conceived of their lived environments. Examining Old English poems, such as 'Beowulf' and 'Judith', as well as descriptions of natural events from the

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shows that Anglo-Saxon ideologies which view nature as diametrically opposed to humans, and the natural world as designed for human use, have become deeply embedded in our cultural heritage, language, and more.