

The Daily Linguist

Books, movies and documentaire

Boek: 'Wat je zegt gaat vanzelf'

67 stories about language being beautiful, intriguing, annoying, funny and remarkable by Liesbeth Koenen.

It is with great sadness we take knowledge of the passing of Liesbeth Koenen. She was an invaluable member of the Dutch linguistic community. She shared her knowledge and love for language in an accessible, playful and enthusiastic way. Her legacy will continue to inspire in the linguistic community and beyond.

Docu: 'Kapotte taal'

De docu is terug te kijken op NPO en gaat over het uitsterven van een Surinaams-Hindoestaanse taal en het bijbehorende verlies van identiteit voor een groep Surinaams-Hindoestaanse Nederlanders.

Online Media

TLPST

Taalpost voor docenten (nederlandse taal van de onderbouw van het voortgezet onderwijs. TLPST is een gratis digitale nieuwsbrief van Onze Taal. <https://onzetaal.nl/nieuws-en-dossiers/nieuwsbrieven/tlpst/>

Podcast

Field Notes is a podcast about linguistic fieldwork hosted by Martha Tsutsui Billins. Field Notes aims to share the stories of linguists doing fieldwork to document, describe, and understand how languages (especially endangered/minority languages) work!

Other

The King's Speech

A film about the stuttering king George V of England (Father of Elizabeth II) and the relationship with his unconventional speech therapist.

Dutch sign language goes official!

Politics has discussed the matter of making sign language an official language for years. During the pandemic, sign language has gotten more attention because of the sign language interpreter present at the prime minister's press conferences. This September, Dutch sign language has finally been formally recognized as an official language!

Groot Dictee der Nederlandse Taal

Het dictee op NPO Radio 1 vindt dit jaar plaats in Utrecht in de gerenoveerde bibliotheek aan het Neude. Luister en schrijf mee op 7 november!

Article Language and COVID-19

Piller, I., Zhang, J., & Li, J. (2020). Linguistic diversity in a time of crisis: Language challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, *Multilingua*, 39(5), 503-515. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1515/multi-2020-0136>

Short but easy to follow article on the severe limitations of multilingual crisis communication that the COVID-19 crisis has laid bare due to out English-centric communication. Implications such as the failure to consider the importance of multilingual repertoires for building trust and resilient communities are discussed.

Conference on language development

Boston University Conference on Language Development is one of the largest student-run linguistics conferences in the world. Due to the pandemic, BUCLD 45 will be held virtually November 5th through the 8th, 2020. <http://www.bu.edu/buclid/conference-info/registration/> ■