

Library Staff with Language Expertise

This list identifies library staff who can help when communications or projects require familiarity with certain languages. Use the [staff directory](#) to find their contact information.

Language	Proficiency	Contact
Arabic	Intermediate	Liladhar Pendse
	Reading	Adnan Malik
Arabo-Persian Script	Reading	Adnan Malik Liladhar Pendse
	Intermediate	Liladhar Pendse
Azerbaijani/Azeri	Fluent	Liladhar Pendse
Belarussian	Fluent	Liladhar Pendse
Bengali Script	Reading	Adnan Malik
Bosnian Croatian & Serbian	Intermediate	Liladhar Pendse
Bulgarian	Intermediate	Liladhar Pendse
	Basic	Jeremy Ott
Catalan	Reading	Claude Potts
Chinese	Fluent	Jianye He
		Virginia Shih
		Susan Xue
Coptic/Demotic Egyptian	Fluent	Todd Hickey
Czech/Slovak	Intermediate	Liladhar Pendse
Devanagari Script	Reading	Adnan Malik
		Liladhar Pendse
French	Fluent	Todd Hickey
		Claude Potts
	Reading	Steven Black
		Jim Church
		Lara Michels
		Jeremy Ott
		Virginia Shih
	Basic	Alvaro Lopez
		Melissa Martin
		Jenny Nelson
Galician	Reading	Claude Potts

German	Fluent	Todd Hickey
	Intermediate	Jeremy Ott
	Reading	Steven Black
	Basic	Jim Church Jenny Nelson
Greek	Intermediate	Jeremy Ott
Greek (Ancient)	Fluent	Todd Hickey
Gujarati Script	Fluent	Liladhar Pendse
	Reading	Adnan Malik
Hebrew	Intermediate	Ruth Haber
	Basic	Lara Michels
Hindi/Urdu	Fluent	Adnan Malik Liladhar Pendse
Indonesian	Intermediate	Virginia Shih
Italian	Fluent	Todd Hickey Alvaro Lopez Jenny Nelson
	Intermediate	Melissa Martin
	Basic	Claude Potts
	Reading	Jeremy Ott
Japanese	Fluent	Toshie Marra Naomi Shiraishi
	Reading (Kanji)	Virginia Shih
Kannada	Basic	Liladhar Pendse
Kazakh	Intermediate	Liladhar Pendse
Korean	Fluent	Jaeyong Chang
Kyrgyz	Intermediate	Liladhar Pendse
Latin	Fluent	Todd Hickey Jenny Nelson
	Intermediate	Liladhar Pendse
	Basic	Steven Black
Lithuanian	Intermediate	Liladhar Pendse
Macedonian	Intermediate	Liladhar Pendse
	Basic	Jeremy Ott
Malay	Intermediate	Virginia Shih
Marathi	Fluent	Liladhar Pendse
Moldovan	Intermediate	Liladhar Pendse

Mongolian (Cyrillic)	Basic	Susan Powell
Nepali	Reading	Adnan Malik
Nom	Reading	Virginia Shih
Old Church Slavonic	Intermediate	Liladhar Pendse
Oriya/Bengali	Intermediate	Liladhar Pendse
Pali	Reading	Adnan Malik
Persian (Farsi)	Reading	Adnan Malik
Polish	Intermediate	Liladhar Pendse
Portuguese	Fluent	Liladhar Pendse Claude Potts
	Basic	Alvaro Lopez
Punjabi Gurmukhi Script	Fluent	Adnan Malik
	Reading	Liladhar Pendse
Romanian	Intermediate	Liladhar Pendse
Russian	Fluent	Liladhar Pendse
Sanskrit	Intermediate	Liladhar Pendse
	Reading	Adnan Malik
Singhala	Basic	Liladhar Pendse
Spanish	Fluent	José Adrián Barragán-Álvarez Alvaro Lopez Liladhar Pendse Claude Potts Diana Vergil
	Intermediate	David Eifler Melissa Martin
	Reading	Steven Black
	Basic	Chris McDonald Lara Michels Dean Smith
Turkish	Intermediate	Liladhar Pendse
	Basic	Jeremy Ott
Turkish (Ottoman)	Basic	Liladhar Pendse
Ukranian	Fluent	Liladhar Pendse
Urdu	Fluent	Adnan Malik
Uyghur	Intermediate	Liladhar Pendse
Uzbek	Intermediate	Liladhar Pendse
Vietnamese	Fluent	Virginia Shih

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