

Endangered Languages Week 2009

School of Oriental and African Studies
Russell Square, London
23 - 28 February 2009

There are approximately 7,000 languages spoken today and *half* of them are under threat from larger languages.

Endangered Languages Week 2009 presents a variety of displays, discussions, films, and workshops to provide a view of what is happening to languages and what is being done to document, archive and support endangered languages at HRELP and around the world.

Activities will include:

Monday-Thursday 1.15pm-2pm

Meet an Endangered Language - a series of short presentations on several endangered languages, where you can learn about where they are spoken, why they are threatened, and experience their culture - as well as learn some basic words and phrases. Held in **room R201** on the second floor of the main SOAS building

Tuesday 24th 10am-3pm

International film day - film screenings on endangered languages in **room 4421** on the fourth floor of the main SOAS building

Wednesday 25th 10am-3pm

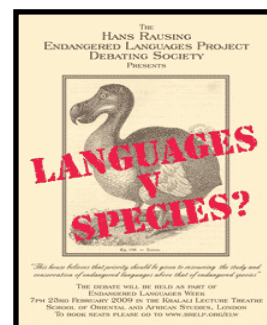
Open Day - meet researchers, see displays of staff and student work, and experience the latest technologies used to record, archive and support endangered languages. Exhibition and displays will be held all day in **room G3** on the ground floor of the main SOAS building. PhD posters will be on display in the **Raising room**, located next to R201 on the second floor. An Archive demonstration will take place in **room R201**

Thursday 26th 6pm

Public lecture - 'Rescuing Maori: the last 40 years' by Bernard Spolsky, held in **room G52** on the ground floor of the main SOAS building. Please book by emailing elap@soas.ac.uk.

Friday 27th and Saturday 28th 9am-5pm

Beliefs and ideology for endangered languages: a two-day workshop which will discuss the beliefs and ideologies associated with endangered languages, especially those that have implications for language support and revitalisation. On Friday this event will take place at Birkbeck **in room 152** and on Saturday the workshop will continue at the SOAS main building Russell Square **in room G50** on the ground floor). Registration is required for this event, please see www.hrelp.org/elw for details.



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Monday 23rd – Saturday 28th February

Programme of events

Time	Monday 23 rd	Tuesday 24 th	Wednesday 25 th	Thursday 26 th	Friday 27 th	Saturday 28 th
9am-10am						
10am-11am		Film showings (4421) TBA		Open Day Exhibition & displays Student posters Archive demonstration (G3)	Workshop: 'Beliefs and Ideology' (152 Malet Street, Birkbeck)	Workshop: 'Beliefs and Ideology' (G50, SOAS)
11am-12pm						
12pm-1pm						
1.15pm-2pm	Meet an Endangered Language Gamilaraay - southeast Australia Peter Austin (R201)	Meet an Endangered Language Guernésiais - Guernsey Julia Sallabank (R201)	Meet an Endangered Language Khanty - northwest Siberia Irina Nikolaeva (R201)	Meet an Endangered Language Eleme - southeast Nigeria Oliver Bond (R201)		
2pm-3pm		Film showings (4421)				
3pm-4pm		Seminar Bernard Spolsky 'Applying a model of language policy and management to endangered languages' (4418)				
4pm-5pm						
5pm-6pm						
6pm-7pm						
7pm-8pm	Debate Languages vs Species (KLT) Reception 6.30pm (staff common)			Public Lecture Bernard Spolsky 'Rescuing Maori: the last 40 years' (G52)		
8pm-9pm						