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Expressing Location in Zapotec

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Expressing Location in Zapotec is a collection of papers on spatial language in the Zapotec language family, resulting from extensive and careful fieldwork, describing a wide range of issues relating to expressing location in Zapotec, exemplified by 19 Zapotec language varieties. This work should be of interest not only to scholars investigating Zapotec, Otomanguean, and Mesoamerican languages but also to scholars of spatial language, grammaticalization, typology, and cognitive linguistics.

This volume documents spatial language in the four major branches of Zapotec and covers a wide range of topics, including body part locatives, positional verbs, toponyms, existential constructions, and nominal modification. The volume is diverse, with papers from both established and young scholars, contributions by researchers from Mexico, the United States, and Europe, and with work informed by diverse methodologies and theoretical backgrounds.

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