

Introduction

Welcome to issue 14.1 of *The Journal of Literature in Language Teaching*.

Another summer, another issue, and each year they are hotter than ever. In this issue we branch out thematically and geographically, covering new territories in addition to our favourite stomping grounds.

In our first feature article, Julia Kimura examines the functions of the Scrivener app and explores how it can help us all—academics and students—become more productive writers. Meanwhile Havva Zorluel Özer's study into attitudes towards the writing and teaching of poetry amongst EFL teachers in Turkey provides food for thought for those of us pushing for more literature in our language departments.

At the end of 2024 we all met up in Shizuoka, Japan, for the 50th JALT Conference. The Literature in Language Teaching special interest group was well represented, as Mary Hillis and Anna Shershnova detail in their conference report. Likewise, the 2025 PanSIG conference in Chiba, Japan, featured a wide array of LiLT-related presentations and panels including those by Tara McIlroy, Alison Hasegawa, Todd Hooper, Kyoko Kuze, and Camilo Villanueva.

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