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**Ludwig Pesch** is an authority on South Indian classical music. He is the author of *Ragadhana: An Alpha-Numerical Directory of Ragas* (1992) and *Eloquent Percussion: A Guide to South Indian Rhythm* (with T.R. Sundareshan, 1996).

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