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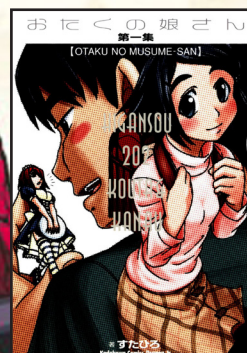
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Editor's Note

Finally! It started at some forgotten year, month, day during some forgotten conversation. We were all gathered around somewhere or was it somewhere we went? Anyway, one question came up. What can we do as a club besides going to conventions? Other than me, someone came up with an excellent suggestion. Really, someone else did! It was, "why not do an online newsletter or magazine?" Great idea and it could be done. Everyone at the time had a lot of time on their hands and it gave us something to do in between conventions. But, as with all great ideas we came up with, it died a slow peaceful death over time.

Fast forward to the present—the summer of 2010. Production of the usual pain-in-the-arse magazine at my regular job just ended and I had to put the digital copy online. While browsing some online magazines, I vaguely remembered that conversation we had. I pondered with the idea of doing an online magazine. Monthly? Bi-monthly? No. It would be too much work so I decided for it to be seasonal. I presented the idea to everyone and was well received. So it's a go ahead.

The end of summer is nearing and the first issue of Genki Life is done. It was fun working on the magazine these past couple weeks. Now it's time to rest and catch up on other daily things. Enjoy.

- Ed Gomez

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AN M. NIGHT SHYAMALAN FILM

THE LAST AIRBENDER

MOVIE REVIEW

July 1, 2010 opening night of The Last Airbender. The movie I've been waiting for over a year. It finally came! I was so excited on that night, my husband and I, along with a couple friends who I sucked into the world of Avatar, came with us to watch it. The first 10 minutes I wanted to leave. To say this movie was a failure is an understatement. This movie crashed and burned before even taking off.

I'll first start with the plot of the story. The film follows the adventures of Aang, the last of the Air Nomads. Aang is found frozen in a block of ice by Katara and Sokka of the Southern Water Tribe. He wakes to find that a hundred years have passed and the world is now embroiled in war against Fire Nation, the very same people who wiped out the airbenders. The movie is a journey through Aang's acceptance into the role of the Avatar and become a saviour to the world oppressed by the Fire Nation. All the while he has to fend off attacks of two deadly adversaries. The first is the Fire Nation's banished Prince Zuko, who is seeking the Avatar to restore his honor, his father's love and respect, and his rightful place to the throne. The second is the ruthless Admiral Zhou, a decorated officer who searches for the Avatar to keep Zuko in his place and further his own ambitions. The Avatar must escape their clutches in order to master all the elements and bring hope and liberation to the rest of the world.

I must say the the graphics for this film were nice, the poster were awesome looking. But that's pretty much it all had going for it. The film was filled with endless amounts of exposition which served to do nothing but to move the plot forward. The dialog between characters was poorly written and acted even worse. The script and acting fail to draw you into the movie or keep you interested at any point. To top it off before any one character has a chance to be developed and given any depth, the scene is cut and jumps to a completely separate plot point all together with absolutely no sense of transition. So if you were finding it hard to follow the plot before, try keeping up and understanding the story with scenes jumping through three separate subplots seemingly at random.

Now for the acting. They needed a lot of help for starters. See more dissapointments then anything. One was Noah Ringer who played our beloved Aang. I don't know if that kid just needed a whole lot of acting lessons but I personally don't think he got close to feeling like Aang. He acting was very bland, never becoming that fun loving kid Aang was during the first season of avatar, thus never bringing Aang to real life. The next disappointment was Shaun Toub who played Iroh. Now in the original cartoon I believe he had a huge impact on Zuko and how he feels and discerns things. Giving Zuko advice after advice, always showing love for his nephew. In this film I didn't feel any of that.

For the movie, well I gotta say "Where in the hell did you get your script??!!!" The only thing they got right was the beginning, how Katara and Sokka found Aang. And on that note, yes we know that in the American cartoon the names aren't pronounced right, but that's what we know the characters by. Iroh (normally pronounced Ai-Roh) was EE-roh. Sokka (normally Saw-Kah) was SOH-kah.

Aang (Ae-ng) was Au-ng. They didnt even call Gran-Gran "Gran-Gran"! Why not?!... For us die hard fans, this movie just a huge disappointment. Missing major parts of the first season (major important parts, if I may add) isn't the way to go. A LOT of character develop happens. In the series, the characters journey teaches them about trust, friendship, dealing with trials, etc. And while a condensed version of the story would limit some of this, it shouldn't be totally devoid of it. During the entire film there is no emotion what so ever. What was also the last straw for me was Appa and Momo. I love those two characters and to have them shown so little in the movie and having so much presence in the series, really disappointed me.

-sigh- Well I guess Avatar The Last Airbender shall still stay as my most favoured cartoons ever, but just with the bump in the road that can be ignored. I will never ever watch a Shyamalyn movie ever again. He just killed it for me. I would totally suggest anyone who still hasn't watched the movie DON'T DO IT!! Save yourself the 10 bucks and go have a burger or something. For those who don't know anything about the cartoon I would suggest renting/borrowing the seasons so you can get the real effect of Aang and the crew. That's all for me folks, I know its a late review but it had to be done. Cya! - The Goon.

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S A M U R A I G I R L S

Samurais

Hyakka Ryōran: Samurai Girls

ARMS • Airs October 3rd, 2010

www.hyakka-ryoran.tv

Director—KOBUN, Original Creator—Akira Suzuki, Character Design—Tsutomu Miyazawa,
Art Director—Junichi Higashi, Chief Animation Director—Tsutomu Miyazawa

Aoi Yūki as Jūbei Yagyū; Daisuke Hirakawa as Muneakira Yagyū,
Rie Kugimiya as Yukimura Sanada, Saori Goto as Hanzō Hattori,
Takahiro Sakurai as Yoshihiko Tokugawa, Yu Kobayashi as Matabei Gotō

This alternate reality's opening scene begins in Showa 20, World War II. A squadron of B-52 bombers are on a mission. All of a sudden, there's a streak and then one of the bombers is sliced in half and explodes! Seven samurai girls land on a bomber. The bomber they were on gets sliced, the fighting continues and the battle is won.

It's now the present, Heisei 22, 19:00. A boy in a dojo notices a bright light above. There's an explosion and a naked girl falls from the sky and is caught by the boy. "Onii-chan," she says in a cute high-pitched voice and kisses the boy. Strategically placed ink spots are everywhere. Another explosion and a blinding light shoots to the sky as power is released...

Hours earlier that day, the boy makes his way to Buou Gakuen Juku and to the supposedly abandoned Yagyū Shinin-ryū Dojo while taking pictures along the way. There, he accidentally enters a room with a couple girls changing. There's a click of the camera and the girls turning around noticing him. Again, strategically placed ink spots appear without warning in front of the well endowed student. You could guess what happens next...a misunderstanding!

The boy turns out to be a samurai student, invited by the student council. The grade school-looking, swimsuit wear-

ing, girl is Sanada Yukimura, while the other well endowed, scantily-clad girl is Gotō Matabei. Apparently, they're not supposed to be in the dojo, which is ran by the Hatamoto student council. Sanada explains to the boy that they are from the Toyotomi group, the enemy of the student council. So there seems to be some conflict between the Toyotomi group and the Hatamoto student council.

All of a sudden, the dojo is bombarded by ninja smoke canisters. They retreat into the dojo and a group of ninja's appear. It's the Armed Morals Committee chair, Hanzō Yoshinari, to arrest Sanada. Hanzō is trying to figure out who the boy is and suddenly sees bras and panties on the floor underneath him. Another misunderstanding! Yukimura and Matabei surrender. Samurai boy suddenly throws down a flash grenade and escape. And he still hasn't introduced himself after so many disruptions. While escaping through the sewer tunnels, they're over-

as Explosions Oh My!



come by a wave of water...hallucinations.

Meanwhile, Hanzō begs forgiveness from Senhime for not capturing the Toyotomi—twice. This punishment leads to a great yuri scene. Nice fan service. Well, there's already been a lot of fan service at this point. It seems like Senhime had this planned from the start.

The samurai boy and the two Toyotomi girls make it out of the sewers. All of a sudden, again as he tries to introduce himself, chains fly out of nowhere, capturing Yukimura and Matabei. It's Hanzō and the Ninja Army again! They fail again as the boy sliced through the chains and frees Yukimura and Matabei. There are a series of flash scenes of a red-haired girl. Finally, the boy introduces himself as Yagyū Muneakira as he prepares to fight against Hanzō. There's a flash in the sky as they prepare to fight. With each side not knowing who caused the flash, through the confusion, Muneakira and girls escape.

The scene continues from earlier with the an explosion, the girl falling, the kiss and the sudden release of enormous power. The naked girl doesn't turn out to be the cute "Onii-chan" girl but the serious Yagyū Jūbei.

So the story begins. After watching the first episode, I was rather impressed with the visuals. Not just the fan service, but background art. It gave out an aura of surrealism similar to Ghost Hound and Gankutsuō. The characters designed by Miyazawa Tsutomu are beautifully drawn and animated. Aside from the battles, gratuitous fan service, sexual innuendo's and comedic misunderstandings, each character will appeal to every type of fan. It's still too early to say what happens after Yagyū Jūbei reveals herself or whether it follows the original manga or not. Hyakka Ryōran: Samurai Girls begins airing on Chiba TV on October 3rd. Say tuned to see where the story leads. Check it out. ❖ Ed Gomez

Valkyrie Piloting Comes to the PS3



For those who re-ordered “*Gekijō-ban Macross Frontier: Itsuwari no Utabime*,” last year’s Macross Frontier movie that opened in movie theaters in Japan, will have a welcomed surprise. On the blu-ray disc is a playable Playstation 3 videogame remake of *Macross Ultimate Frontier* which was released on the Playstation Portable last year. Titled “*Macross Trial Frontier*,” players could pilot various Valkyrie fighters.

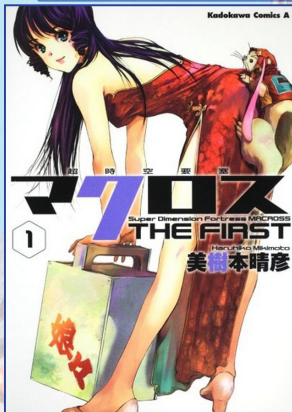
The series featured in the game include *SDF Macross: Do You Remember Love?*, *Macross Plus*, *Macross 7*, *Macross Zero* along with *Macross Frontier*. Over 50 minutes of bonus footage is included on the hybrid disc. Finally included in the bundle is a 48-page booklet which contains illustrations and archival material.

Gekijō-ban Macross Frontier: Itsuwari no Utabime will be available, but only in Japan, on October 5th. But that shouldn’t stop the die-hard Macross fan. There are many internet sites out there where the movie/trial game could be ordered. Happy hunting! ♦ Ed Gomez



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A couple months ago, I was at the Nisei Week Festival in Los Angeles. Me and a friend of mine walked into the local Japanese bookstore to look around. I was actually looking for something specific. When I couldn't find what I wanted, I accidentally came across a Macross manga I've never seen. Titled *Chō Jikū*

Yousai Macross -the First-, it's an alternate retelling of the original *Chō Jikū Yousai Macross* storyline from 1984.

The art done by Mikimoto, one of my all time favorite artists, in "the First" is fresh and new. From the cover alone, one could see that Mikimoto-sensei's skills have grown over the last 25 years. We've never seen the main characters, Lynn Minmei, Ichijō Hikaru and Hayase Misa look so good. Even the Zentradi have been beautifully drawn, similar to the style of Ai, *Oboete Imasu Ka?* By the time this goes to print, Volume 2 should already be available in Kinkokunia Bookstores or your local favorite Japanese bookstore. For around \$10 US, it's a must for any Macross fan. ♦

Cho Jiku Yousai Macross ~the First~



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Fall Anime Schedule



Pocket Monsters: Best Wishes!

Oriental Light and Magic • 09/23 • TV Tokyo

Pocket Monsters: Best Wishes is expected to follow the plot of the upcoming games Pokémon Black and White, taking Satoshi to the Isshu region. The series title references this through the initials of Best Wishes being similar to that of Black and White. The current anime series, Pocket Monsters Diamond & Pearl, is expected to end this fall, some time after the end of Satoshi's battles in the Shinō League tournament on Suzuran Island.



Iron Man

Madhouse • 10/01 • ANIMAX

Iron Man is a fictional superhero who appears in comic books published by Marvel Comics. Born Anthony Edward Stark, and usually called Tony, he is an industrialist playboy and ingenious engineer who suffers a severe heart injury during a kidnapping in which his captors attempt to force him to build a weapon of mass destruction. Marvel Entertainment had revealed it was working with MADHOUSE on four series with Marvel's stable of comic book characters.



Sora no Otoshimono: Forte

AIC ASTA • 10/01 • Teletama

The plot revolves around a boy in the town of Sorami named Tomoki Sakurai, who is one day invited by his childhood friend Sohara Mitsuki and Eishi Sugata (the leader of "The New Continent" discovery club) to come at midnight to witness a strange object seen crossing through their town's sky. Tomoki goes alone and as the strange object comes close, Sugata calls to warn him to get away from it. What falls from the sky is a creature named Ikaros, an "Angeloid."



Super Robot Wars OG -The Inspectors-

Asahi Production • 10/01 • KBS Kyoto

Super Robot Wars is a long running Japanese turn-based strategy game series featuring popular Mecha robots from Anime shows. The new series will be based off of the Super Robot Wars video game focused on the Original Generation characters and the antagonists known as The Inspectors.



Panty & Stocking with Garterbelt

GAINAX • 10/01 • BS Nippon

The story revolves around two angels — "Panty" (a blond-haired girl who wears teen-celebrity style fashion); and "Stocking" (a black-haired girl in gothic-lolita attire) — are sent from the Upper Region to battle against "Ghosts" on Earth.

2010 Season



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XEBEC • 10/02 • AT-X

The romantic comedy revolves around a high school boy trying to find a “cure” for his tendency to get sexually aroused by being physically and verbally abused by women. Eight novels have been published since 2007. Artist Issei Hyoju launched a manga adaptation in 2008. And now coming soon as anime.



Bakuman.

J.C. Staff • 10/02 • NHK-E

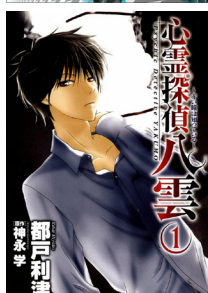
Bakuman. begins with Moritaka Mashiro, a junior high student, leaving his notebook containing a drawing of his crush and classmate Azuki Miho in class. When he notices and returns to the classroom after school, his classmate Akito Takagi is waiting for him with the notebook and tells him that he believes Azuki likes Mashiro too. He then tries to persuade Mashiro to become a mangaka and draw the stories Takagi writes.



Arakawa Under the Bridge x Bridge

SHAFT • 10/03 • TV Tokyo

The series tells the story of Kou Ichinomiya, a man who has accomplished many things all by himself. Ever since he was little, his father has taught him one rule: to never be indebted to another person. One day by accident, he falls into a river and almost drowns. A girl by the name of Nino rescues him and in return he owes her his life. Unable to accept the fact that he is indebted to her, he asks her about a way for him to repay her.



Shinrei Tantei Yakumo (Psychic Detective Yakumo)

Bee Train • 10/03 • NHK-BS2

Saitou Yakumo, the sole member of the movie research club, has a special ability: he can see spirits of the dead, thanks to his red left eye. He may be much too cold and indifferent, but he has that much respect and concern for others, dead or alive.



Yumeiro Pâtissière Professional

Studio Hibari • 10/03 • YTV

Yumeiro Pâtissière Professional is the second season of the anime that originally adapted Natsumi Matsumoto's shoujo baking manga about a 14-year-old girl named Ichigo Amano. The new series, however, takes place several years later, when she is an adult. New characters are also joining in on the cookie-cutting fun.

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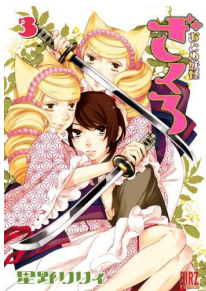
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Hyakka Ryouran Samurai Girls

ARMS • 10/03 • Chiba TV

A school battle & love comedy. The story takes place in Japan in the early 21st century, in an alternate reality. The Tokugawa Shogunate has remained in power and the student council is tyrannizing school. Yagyuu Muneakira is a high school student who rebels against the council with the help of girls who've had the names of famous samurai heroes passed on to them.



Otome Youkai Zakuro

J.C. Staff • 10/04 • TV Tokyo

It's the Meiji Era in a slightly alternate Japan, and the Gregorian calendar has just come into effect. The fox-eared girls living in the youkai part of town are about to be put to work together with a delegation of young human soldiers, to promote interracial understanding. So what will happen when Zakuro's strong personality collides with human sensibilities?



Miyanishi Tatsuya Gekijō: Omae Umasou da na

Tatsuya Miyanishi/Poplar-sha • 10/04 • TV Tokyo

A Tyrannosaurus called Heart was raised by a herbivorous dinosaur. As he grew up, he was scared by other dinosaurs. One day, Heart meets a baby Ankylosaurus and he names the baby "Umasou (looks delicious)." Umasou started to be attached to Heart and a strange family love develops between the two.



Soredemo Machi wa Mawatteiru

SHAFT • 10/07 • TBS

It's about a 16-year-old girl named Arashiyama Hayato, and her family and friend life. It focuses on her part-time job as a waitress at a cafe that recently was remodeled as a maid cafe. For the manga fans out there who know Azumanga Daioh, imagine a manga where Tomo (Ayashiyama) and Yomi (her friend and classmate Tattsun) work together at a part-time waitressing job.



Tantei Opera Milky Holmes

J.C. Staff • 10/07 • Tokyo MX

The story takes place in an imaginary world in "the Age of Detectives," where private detectives and phantom thieves overwhelm the cities. It's about four girls who aim to be great detectives.

2010 Season *Continued*



Togainu no Chi

A-1 Pictures • 10/07 • MBS

The plot centers on Akira, a young man who was made to participate in a deadly game called “Igura” in post-apocalyptic Japan in exchange for being freed from jail. His goal is to beat the “Il-Re,” the strongest person in Igura.



Karl to Fushigi na Tô (Karl and the Mysterious Tower)

Nippon Animation • 10/08 • Kids Station

The story centers around a mysterious tall tower built from an (unsteady) stack of building blocks. Every morning, noon and evening, an old timekeeping man rings the bell in the tower to confirm the time for the local townspeople. However, one day at noon, the tower bell fails to ring—leaving the townspeople confused about when to eat lunch. The fantasy adventure begins when Karl, an inquisitive boy living in the town, decides to go to the tower’s plaza to see what is the matter.



Kuragehime

Brain’s Base • 10/14 • Fuji TV

Jellyfish otaku Tsukimi lives in a shared bath and toilet, women-only apartment, Amamizukan. Inhabitants include fujoshi, NEETs, and others who considered fashion their natural enemy, calling themselves “Amars.” One day, Tsukimi meets a fashionable beauty who saves a jellyfish that is about to die. In reality, the “girl” is a cross-dressing man evading inheritance of his father’s occupation.



Star Driver: Kagayaki no Takuto

Bones • mid-Oct • MBS/TBS

One night, a boy named Takuto washed up on shore, after having swum from the mainland. He later enrolls in Southern Cross High School as a senior and makes new friends. However, underneath the school, are these mysterious giants called Cybuddies. The secret movements of the mysterious organization known as “Kirahoshi Juujidan,” the songs of the shrine maidens. Takuto himself will soon come to embrace a great secret.



Kami Nomi zo Shiru Sekai (The World God Only Knows Manga)

Manglobe • mid-Oct • TV Tokyo

Katsuragi Keima is known on the net as the god of getting the virtual girls, thanks to his popular gal game website ‘Fallen God,’ while in real life he’s known as ‘Otamegane’ and hates all ‘3D’ girls, believing them inferior to girls of the game world. He is approached by Elsea to help her in catching runaway spirits that hide in girls. These spirits only hide in the crevices in women’s hearts, and the only way to get them out is to make the host fall in love so that the gap in the heart will be filled.

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Yosuga no Sora

feel. • mid-Oct • AT-X

Two twins—Haruka and Sora, his younger sister, are going back to grandfather's house. They visited this house many times when they were kids and they still remember it. A while ago, they lost their parents in a car accident and they decided to move and live at their grandfather's house...Nao, their old friend, Ryouhei, his classmate, Akira, a miko at a neighboring shrine, and Kazuha, Akira's close friend, welcome them.



Ore no Imôto ga Konna ni Kawaii Wake ga Nai

AIC • mid-Oct

Kyosuke Kosaka, a normal seventeen-year-old high school student, hasn't gotten along with his younger sister, Kirino, in years. Kirino has ignored his comings and goings and looked at him with spurning eyes. One day, however, Kyosuke finds a DVD case of a magical girl anime entitled Hoshikuzu Witch Meruru (Stardust Witch Meruru), which had fallen into the entranceway of his house. To Kyosuke's surprise, inside the case, an adult video game entitled Imoto to Koishiyo! (Love with Little Sister!) is hidden.



Motto To Love-RU -Trouble-

Xebec • late-Oct

The story of To Love-Ru revolves around Rito Yûki, a high-school student who cannot confess to the girl of his dreams, Haruna Sairenji. One day when coming home and sulking in the bathtub, a mysterious, nude girl appears out of nowhere. Her name is Lala and she comes from the planet Deviluke, where she is the heir to the throne.



Fortune Arterial: Akai Yakusoku

ZEXCS • late-Oct • TV Tokyo

Fortune Arterial's story revolves around the male protagonist Kohei Hasekura, who transfers into a prestigious public school in the style of an English six-year school encompassing junior-high and high school students. The school is on an island named Tamatsu Island off-shore from mainland Japan, and the only way to get there is by boat. Soon after transferring, he discovers that one of the student in the class next door to his, Sendo Erika, is in fact a type of vampire.



Tegami Bachi: REVERSE

Pierrot • late-Oct • TV Tokyo

The story takes place in the land of AmberGround, a place of perpetual night only partially illuminated by an artificial sun. Lag Seeing works as a "Letter Bee" (delivery boy) at the "Bee Hive" (a delivery service) with his Dingo, Niche, and her "pet," Steak, traveling with him. His job is entrusted to deliver letters and packages from town to town while avoiding Amberground's deadliest hazard.

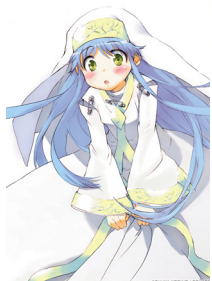
2010 Season Continued



Hakōki: Shinsengumi Kitan 2nd Season

Studio DEEN • late-Oct

Yukimura Chizuru has come to Kyoto looking for her father, a doctor who has gone missing. While there, she witnesses a fight between Rasetsu and the Shinsengumi. Taking her into custody, the Shinsengumi debates on what to do with Chizuru when they discover that she is the daughter of the doctor they are also looking for. The Shinsengumi then takes Chizuru along on their search after the missing doctor, from adventures to adventures.



Toaru Majutsu no Index II

J.C. Staff • late-Oct

Toaru Majutsu no Index is set in Academy City, a technologically advanced Academic city located at western Tokyo which studies scientifically advanced superhuman students with powers, but is also set in a world where magic is also real. Tōma Kamijō is a student in Academy City whose right hand, the Imagine Breaker, has the ability to negate all magic and psychic powers, but also his own luck. One day he finds a young girl hanging on his balcony railing named Index.



Shinryaku! Ika Musume

Diomedea • late-Oct

The sea in our world has been polluted. All sort of trash were thrown into the sea, making it unpleasant deep under the sea. One of the inhabitant of the sea, Ika Musume (Squid Girl) seeks to exact revenge on humanity for throwing trash into the sea. Clueless about the surface, she seeks to invade humanity alone, trying to rule over the world, only to find herself slaving away at one of the nearest beach-houses for breaking a side of its wall.

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Convention Schedule

Fall 2010



Hyper-Con

September 18-19, 2010
Boys & Girls Club of San Francisco, San Francisco, CA
www.wix.com/Hyperbooster/hypercon/

Anime Crossroads

September 24-26, 2010
Indianapolis Marriott East, Indianapolis, IN
animecrossroads.com

AnimeLand Otaku Mex

September 24-26, 2010
Sandia Courtyard Hotel & Convention Center, Albuquerque, NM
animelandotakumex.ning.com

Anime St. George

September 25, 2010
Best Western Abbey Inn, St. George, UT
www.animesg.net

J-CultureCon

September 25-26, 2010
Assembly Rooms, Derby, UK
j-culturecon.co.uk

Realms Con

October 1-3, 2010
AmericanBank Center, Corpus Christi, TX
realmscon.com/joomla/

Saboten-Con

October 1-3, 2010
Pointe Hilton Squaw Peak Resort, Phoenix, AZ
www.sabotencon.com

Tsubasacon

October 1-3, 2010
Riverfront Ballroom & Conference Center, Huntington, WV
tsubasacon.org

Animania Festival Adelaide

October 2, 2010
Adelaide Festival Centre, Adelaide, SA Australia
animania.net.au/2010/adelaide-october/

Anime Banzai

October 8-10, 2010
Davis Conference Center, Layton, UT
animebanzai.org

EXP Con

October 8-10, 2010
Renaissance Resort at World Golf Village, St. Augustine, FL
www.expcon.org

Motaku

October 8-10, 2010
Intrigue Park Place Hotel, Kansas City, MO
motaku.org

New York Comic Con

October 8-10, 2010
Jacob K. Javits Center, New York, NY
www.newyorkcomiccon.com

MacrossWorld Convention 2010

October 9-10, 2010
UCLA, Kerckhoff Grand Salon, Los Angeles, CA
www.macrossworld.com/macross/_main_menu.htm

Cape & Kimono

October 9-10, 2010
Hôtel PUR, Québec, Quebec
www.capekimono.com

Another Anime Convention

October 15-17, 2010
Radisson Hotel Nashua, Nashua, NH
anotheranimecon.com

EirtaKon

October 15-17, 2010
The Helix, Dublin, Ireland
eirtakon.com/vbdrupal/

Sukoshicon: Mobile

October 16, 2010
Radisson Admiral Semmes Hotel, Mobile, AL
sukoshicon.com/mobile/

Murknation Venezuela

October 16-17, 2010
Palacio de Eventos de Venezuela, Maracaibo, ZU Venezuela
murknation.net

Bakuretsu Con

October 21-24, 2010
Hampton Inn and Event Center, Colchester, VT
www.bakuretsucon.org

BlizzCon

October 22-23, 2010
Anaheim Convention Center, Anaheim, CA
us.blizzard.com/en-us/

SNAFU Con

October 22-23, 2010
Grand Sierra Resort, Reno, NV
www.snafucon.com

KatahdiCon

October 22-24, 2010
Elks Lodge, Millinocket, ME
katahdicon.com

Animania Festival Brisbane

October 23, 2010
Holiday Inn Brisbane, Brisbane, QLD Australia
animania.net.au/2010/brisbane-october/

Wie.MAI.KAI

October 23, 2010
Bürgerhaus Kastel, Wiesbaden, Germany
www.wiemaikai.de

FAN:dom Florida

October 23-24, 2010
University of West Florida Commons, Pensacola, FL
fandomfl.com

Youmacon

October 28-31, 2010
Detroit Marriott at the Renaissance Center, Detroit, MI
www.youmacon.com



AniMaCo

October 29-31, 2010
Fontane-Haus, Berlin, Germany
animaco.de

MangaNEXT

October 29-31, 2010
Hilton East Brunswick,
East Brunswick, NJ
manganext.org

Oni-Con

October 29-31, 2010
Houston Marriott Westchase,
Houston, TX
oni-con.com

Yaoi-Con

October 29-31, 2010
Hyatt Regency San Francisco
Airport, Burlingame, CA
www.yaoicon.com

London Movie Comic & Media Expo

October 30-31, 2010
ExCeL Convention Centre, Royal
Victoria Dock, London, UK
londonexpo.com

Aki Con

November 5-7, 2010
Hilton Bellevue, Bellevue, WA
www.akicon.org

Anime NebrasKon

November 5-7, 2010
Holiday Inn Omaha Convention
Center, Omaha, NE
www.animenebraskon.com

DFW Hedgehog Show and Sonicon

November 5-7, 2010
Southfork Hotel, Plano, TX
dfwhedgehogshow.com

Nekocon

November 5-7, 2010
Hampton Roads Convention
Center, Hampton, VA
www.nekocon.com

ShadoCon

November 5-7, 2010
Crowne Plaza Hotel Tampa East,
Tampa, FL
www.shadocon.com

SugoiCon

November 5-7, 2010
Drawbridge Inn, Ft. Mitchell, KY
www.sugoicon.org

Anime USA

November 12-14, 2010
Hyatt Regency Crystal City,
Arlington, VA
animeusa.org

Chicago Kollision Con

November 12-14, 2010
Hyatt Regency Woodfield,
Schaumburg, IL
kollisioncon.com

Izumicon

November 12-14, 2010
The Reed Center, Midwest City, OK
izumicon.com

J-Popcon

November 12-14, 2010
DGI-byen, Copenhagen, Denmark
www.j-popcon.dk

Naru 2 U

November 12-14, 2010
Travelodge Ottawa Hotel &
Conference Centre, Ottawa, Ontario
www.naru2u.com/2010/

New England Fan Experience

November 12-14, 2010
Courtyard by Marriott Boston
Downtown/Tremont, Boston, MA
nefanx.com

Pacific Media Expo

November 12-14, 2010
Hilton Pasadena, Pasadena, CA
pacificmediaexpo.info

YuleCon

November 12-14, 2010
American Airlines Training &
Conference Center, Fort Worth, TX
www.yulecon.com

Kaji-con

November 13, 2010
Valdosta State University,
Valdosta, GA
www.valdosta.edu/vsu/stuorg/anime/animeaftermath-kajicon.html

Dotcon

November 13-14, 2010
Yorkland Hotel Toronto,
Toronto, Ontario
www.dot-con.com

Auchinawa

November 19-21, 2010
Hilton Edinburgh Grosvenor,
Edinburgh, UK
www.auchinawa.org.uk

Daisho Con

November 19-21, 2010
Ramada Stevens Point Hotel,
Stevens Point, WI
www.daishocon.com

Arkansas Anime Festival

November 20-21, 2010
Clarion Hotel & Conference
Center, Bentonville, AR
aaf.calm-media.com

Banzaikon

November 26-28, 2010
Howard Johnson Express Inn,
South Padre Island, TX
www.banzaikon.org

Tomodachi Fest

November 26-28, 2010
Holiday Inn Boise Airport,
Boise, ID
www.tomodachifest.com

J-con

November 27-28, 2010
Stadthalle Merzig,
Merzig, Germany
www.j-con.de

MikomiCore

November 27-28, 2010
California State University
Northridge, Northridge, CA
mikomicore.com

Bishie Con

December 17-19, 2010
Crowne Plaza Hotel St. Louis-
Clayton, St. Louis, MO
bishiecon.com

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Upcoming Anime DVD /

Fall 2010



September 28

Armored Fleet Dairugger: Collection 3

Media Blasters
DVD · MSRP \$34⁹⁹

Devil May Cry: Complete Series (Viridian Collection)

FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$39⁹⁸

Eden of the East: Complete Series

FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$54⁹⁸ – Blu-ray · MSRP \$59⁹⁸

Full Metal Panic? FUMOFFU: Complete Collection (Remastered)

FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$39⁹⁸ – Blu-ray · MSRP \$44⁹⁸

Fullmetal Alchemist: Season 1 Box Set (Viridian Collection)

FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$49⁹⁸

Hell Girl: Three Vessels: Collection 1

Sentai Filmworks
DVD · MSRP \$49⁹⁸

Kaze no Stigma: Season 1 Complete Collection

FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$59⁹⁸

Nabari no Ou: Complete Series Collection

FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$59⁹⁸

Persona -Trinity Soul- Box Set 2 Premium Edition

NIS America
DVD · MSRP \$59⁹⁵

Toradora! Box Set 2 Premium Edition

NIS America
DVD · MSRP \$59⁹⁵

October 5

F-Force

Critical Mass Video
DVD · 18+ · MSRP \$24⁹⁹

Fleshdance

Kitty Media
DVD · 18+ · MSRP \$29⁹⁹



Jinki Extend: Complete Series (S.A.V.E. Edition)

FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$19⁹⁸

Kimikiss: Pure: Rouge Collection 1

Sentai Filmworks
DVD · MSRP \$49⁹⁸

Kurokami: Volume 3

Bandai Entertainment
DVD · MSRP \$29⁹⁸ – Blu-ray · MSRP \$24⁹⁸

Last Exile Complete Series (Viridian Collection)

FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$39⁹⁸

Linebarrels of Iron OVA

FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$14⁹⁸

Linebarrels of Iron: Volume 2

FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$49⁹⁸

Super GALS! Complete DVD Collection (Seasons 1 & 2)

Nozomi Entertainment
DVD · MSRP \$59⁹⁹

October 12

Hetalia: Axis Powers: Season 2 Collection

FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$34⁹⁸

Tokyo Majin: Complete Series (S.A.V.E. Edition)

FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$29⁹⁸

Tytania: Collection 2

Sentai Filmworks
DVD · MSRP \$49⁹⁸

Welcome to the NHK: Complete Series (S.A.V.E. Edition)

FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$29⁹⁸

October 19

Bamboo Blade: Complete Collection

FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$49⁹⁸

Hayate The Combat Butler: Volume 7

Bandai Entertainment
DVD · MSRP \$39⁹⁸

Kurau Phantom Memory: Complete Series (S.A.V.E. Edition)

FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$29⁹⁸

Mobile Suit Gundam 00: Season 2: Volume 3 (also w/LE)

Bandai Entertainment
DVD · MSRP \$39⁹⁸/\$44⁹⁸

Naruto: Shippuden: Box Set 4 (also w/LE)

Viz Media
DVD · MSRP \$49⁹⁵/\$69⁹⁵

Tears to Tiara: Complete Collection

Sentai Filmworks
DVD · MSRP \$69⁹⁸ – Blu-ray · MSRP \$89⁹⁸

October 26

Bible Black Double Pleasure 2 w/Bible Black Infection Game

Kitty Media
DVD · 18+ · MSRP \$39⁹⁹

Birdy the Mighty: Decode Part 1

FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$59⁹⁸

Canann: Complete Collection

Sentai Filmworks
DVD · MSRP \$59⁹⁸ – Blu-ray · MSRP \$69⁹⁸

Fullmetal Alchemist: Season 2 Box Set (Viridian Collection)

FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$49⁹⁸

Naruto Uncut: Season 4 Box Set 1

Viz Media
DVD · MSRP \$49⁹⁵

One Piece: Season 3 Part 3

FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$49⁹⁸

Pandora Hearts: Volume 1 Premium Edition

NIS America
DVD · MSRP \$59⁹⁹

Pani Poni Dash! Complete Series (S.A.V.E. Edition)

FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$29⁹⁸

Blu-Ray Releases



Queen's Blade: Volume 2
Media Blasters
DVD · MSRP \$29⁹⁹

Trigun: Complete Series
FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$49⁹⁸

Twin Dolls
Kitty Media
DVD · 18+ · MSRP \$19⁹⁹

October 31

Gundam Unicorn: Volume 2
Bandai Entertainment
Blu-ray · MSRP \$49⁹⁸

November 2

Blassreiter: Complete Series
FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$49⁹⁸



Dirty Pair: The Original TV: Series Part 1
Nozomi Entertainment
DVD · MSRP \$49⁹⁹

Gravitation: Complete Collection
Nozomi Entertainment
DVD · MSRP \$59⁹⁹

Gunslinger Girl: Il Teatrino: Complete Series (Viridian Collection)
FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$39⁹⁸

Oh! Edo Rocket: Season 1 Part 1
FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$49⁹⁸



Oh! Edo Rocket: Season 1 Part 2
FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$49⁹⁸

Utakata: Collection 1
Sentai Filmworks
DVD · MSRP \$49⁹⁸

Xpress Train
Critical Mass Video
DVD · MSRP \$24⁹⁹

November 9

Comic Party Revolution: Complete Series (S.A.V.E. Edition)
FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd. DVD · MSRP \$19⁹⁸

Tsubasa, RESERVoIR CHRoNiCLE: Season 2 Complete (Viridian Collection)
FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$49⁹⁸

Xam'd: Collection 2
Sentai Filmworks
DVD · MSRP \$59⁹⁸

Xam'd: Collection 2
Sentai Filmworks
Blu-ray · MSRP \$69⁹⁸

November 16

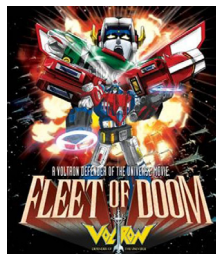
Initial D: Stage 1: Part 2
FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$29⁹⁸

Our Home's Fox Deity: Volume 1 Premium Edition
NIS America
DVD · MSRP \$59⁹⁹

Taisho Baseball Girls: Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
DVD · MSRP \$49⁹⁸

Urotsukidoji: Legend of the Overfiend Movie
Kitty Media
DVD · 18+ · MSRP \$19⁹⁹ – Blu-ray · MSRP \$24⁹⁹

Voltron: Fleet of Doom
Media Blasters
Blu-ray · MSRP \$19⁹⁹



November 23

Armitage III Movie Collection
FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$29⁹⁸

Ghost Sweeper Mikami: Collection 1
Sentai Filmworks
DVD · MSRP \$49⁹⁸

Girls Bravo: Complete Series
FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$49⁹⁸

Kaleido Star: Season 1 Complete Collection
FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$39⁹⁸

Sekirei: Complete Series
FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$49⁹⁸

November 30

Birdy the Mighty: Decode: Part 2
FUNimation Entertainment, Ltd.
DVD · MSRP \$59⁹⁸

Hell Girl: Three Vessels: Collection 2
Sentai Filmworks
DVD · MSRP \$49⁹⁸

Oh My Sex Goddess
Kitty Media
DVD · 18+ · MSRP \$29⁹⁹

December 7

Boys Be...: Thinpak Collection
Nozomi Entertainment
DVD · MSRP \$29⁹⁹

Mystery of the Necronomicon (2010 Edition)
Critical Mass Video
DVD · 18+ · MSRP \$24⁹⁹

Third, The Girl With The Blue Eye: Thinpak Collection
Nozomi Entertainment
DVD · MSRP \$49⁹⁹

December 14

Naruto Uncut: Season 4 Box Set 2
Viz Media
DVD · MSRP \$49⁹⁵

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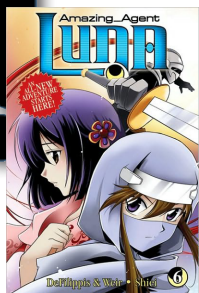


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Manga Releases

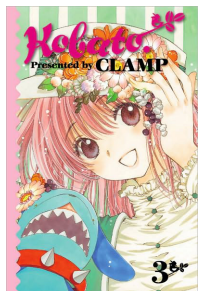


Amazing Agent Luna, Volume 6

by Nunzio DeFilippis

Seven Seas Entertainment, LLC • Sept 28

Amazing Agent Luna is the story of Luna, the perfect secret agent. A girl grown in a lab from the finest genetic material, she has been trained since her birth fifteen years ago to be the U.S. government's ultimate espionage weapon. But now she is given an assignment that will test her abilities to the utmost—high school.



Kobato, Volume 3

by CLAMP

Yen Press • Sept. 28

Kobato's mission to fill up her magic bottle might just be on the backburner. It seems that the members of Yomogi Kindergarten's staff are no strangers to wounds of the heart, but despite Kobato's efforts, she's no closer to healing either Sayaka-sensei or the ever-solemn Fujimoto-kun! Moreover, the center is still on the verge of being shut down by unscrupulous gangster types!



Strawberry Panic Omnibus

by Sakurako Kimino

Seven Seas Entertainment, LLC • Sept. 28

This omnibus edition contains both volumes of the hit yuri romance series Strawberry Panic at one low price.

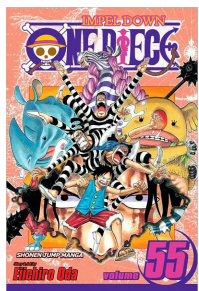


Black Bird, Volume 6

by Kanoko Sakurakoji

VIZ Media, LLC • Oct. 5

Misao and Kyo have traveled to the Tengu Village to end Sho's claim on the leadership of the clan once and for all. Misao knows there will be bloodshed, and things will only get worse if the battle is drawn out. But her attempt to help is thwarted by a cunning trap. Locked in with Sho with little hope of rescue, Misao has a terrible choice to make—betray Kyo or die a horrible, painful death!

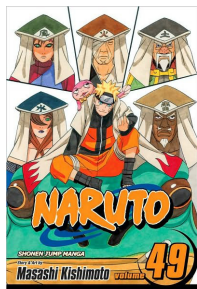


One Piece, Volume 55

by Eiichiro Oda

VIZ Media, LLC • Oct. 5

Luffy's got some backup in his former enemies Buggy the Clown, Mr. 2 Bon Clay and Mr. 3 as he tries to rescue his brother from Impel Down. But now Warden Magellan, with his Venom-Venom powers, is out to stop him! Can Luffy survive such a deadly attack from a person whose very breath is a deadly weapon, or could his ace in the hole possibly be a "queen?"



Naruto, Volume 49

by Masashi Kishimoto

VIZ Media, LLC + Oct. 5

As the five leaders of the strongest villages in the ninja world meet to discuss the fate of their universe - and how to deal with the ever-looming threat of the rogue organization, the Akatsuki, plans are made that will affect Naruto deeply. The new Hokage, leader of Naruto's village, is not afraid to make the final end move against Naruto's old pal, Sasuke!

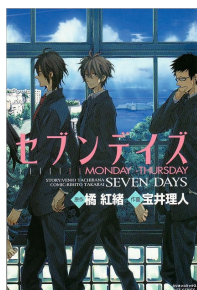


Cross Game, Volume 1

by Mitsuru Adachi

VIZ Media, LLC + Oct. 12

Cross Game is a moving drama that is heartfelt and true, yet in the brilliant hands of manga artist Mitsuru Adachi, delightfully flows with a light and amusing touch. The series centers around a boy named Ko, the family of four sisters who live down the street and the game of baseball. This poignant coming-of-age story will change your perception of what shonen manga can be.

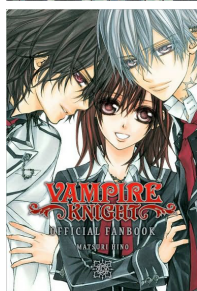


Seven Days: Monday - Thursday (Yaoi)

by Venio Tachibana

Digital Manga Publishing + Oct. 12

One early Monday morning, Shino Yuzuru runs into Seryou Touji and asks, "will you go out with me?" Seryou, who's extremely popular at school, has the odd habit of going out with anyone who asks him out first at the beginning of the week, then promptly dumps them by the end of the week. Shino, obviously, has no intention of being in a serious relationship with anyone, including Seryou.

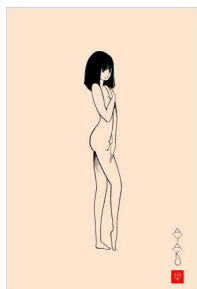


Vampire Knight Official Fanbook

by Matsuri Hino

VIZ Media, LLC + Oct. 19

Delve into the world of your favorite vampires with this official fanbook filled with insider information about the hit series. Includes a Cross Academy student ID card, glossy color pages, character design sketches, storyboards and an exclusive interview with Vampire Knight creator Matsuri Hino!



Ayako

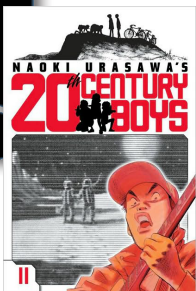
by Osamu Tezuka

Vertical, Incorporated + Oct. 19

Long considered as one of Osamu Tezuka's most political narratives, Ayako is also considered to be one of his most challenging as it defies the conventions of his manga by utilizing a completely original cast and relying solely on historical drama to drive the plot. Ayako, pulls no punches, and does not allow for gimmicks as science-fiction or fantasy may.

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Manga Releases *Continued*



20th Century Boys, Volume 11

by Naoki Urasawa

VIZ Media, LLC • Oct. 19

Is the Friend really Kanna's father?! Will she still be able to stand up and fight, despite this anguishing news? Meanwhile, Koizumi Kyoko and Sadakiyo have gotten away from the Dream Navigators by the skin of their teeth, but as Yoshitsune once warned, these people will chase you to the ends of the earth... With Kanna in shock over the truth of her paternity, will she have the strength to go and rescue Koizumi?



Negima! Volume 28

by Ken Akamatsu

Random House Publishing Group • Oct. 26

Now that the tournament is over, Negi wants to find his missing students and take them home. But first, he's confronted by a sinister man who claims to know the answers to all of Negi's questions. He promises to share those answers—but only if Negi will join his cause.

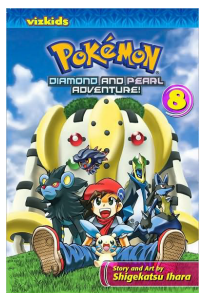


Alice in the Country of Hearts, Volume 5

by QuinRose

TOKYOPOP • Nov. 2

In this inventive retelling of the Alice in Wonderland story—manga-style! Alice wakes up to find a white rabbit wearing clothes. The rabbit forcefully drags Alice into the rabbit hole, turns into a young man and leads her into a frightful world, where the citizens wield dangerous weapons for an insidious cause... Unable to return home, will she be able to happiness in a world full of danger and beautiful young men?

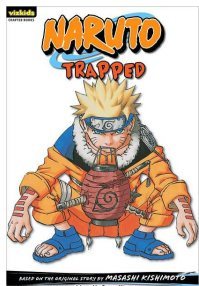


Pokémon Diamond and Pearl Adventure!, Volume 8

by Shigekatsu Ihara

VIZ Media, LLC + Nov. 2

If Hareta and his new rival Koya can't agree on how to rescue Cyrus and a group of mind-controlled Pokémon, they might never get saved! Then Koya is attacked by a long-lost Pokémon friend... And when Hareta finally gets his chance to battle the legendary Pokémon Giratina, two unexpected allies arrive to fight by his side!

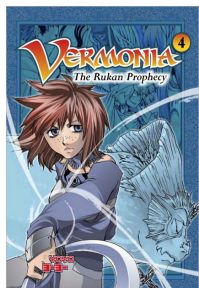


Naruto: Chapter Book, Volume 16: Trapped

by Masashi Kishimoto

VIZ Media, LLC + Nov. 2

Trapped Young ninja Naruto and his friend Sasuke both have to use all their powers when they are surrounded by new enemies. Will they be able to stop the bad guys and save themselves? Or are they TRAPPED like rats in a cage?!

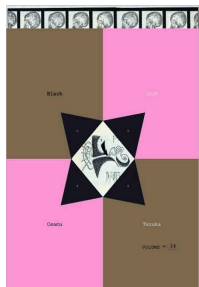


The Rukan Prophecy (Vermonia Series #4)

by YoYo

Candlewick Press + Nov. 9

The Four pillars supporting life in the Turtle Realm—fire, wind, water, and thunder—are under threat from General Uro's army. Mel and her guardian, Ruka, remain imprisoned in the castle of Captain Acidulous. To rescue Mel and protect the pillars, Naomi, Doug, and Jim must dive deep into the Oritsa Ocean and join forces with the Aqami People.

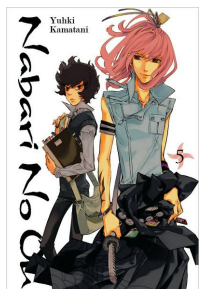


Black Jack, Volume 14

by Osamu Tezuka

Vertical, Incorporated + Nov. 16

Black Jack, a mysterious and charismatic genius surgeon, travels performing amazing and impossible medical feats. He freelances without a license. This leads to run-ins with the authorities and unscrupulous, sometimes criminal, individuals. Because Black Jack keeps his true motives secret, his ethics are perceived as questionable and he is considered a selfish, uncaring devil.



Nabari no Ou, Volume 5

by Yuhki Kamatani

Yen Press + Nov. 16

Stripped of her sword Kurogamon by her traitorous elder brother, the hospitalized Raimei is forced to face up to the demons brought on by the battle with Raikou. Still, Raimei is not one to take life's blows lying down, and she decides to confront her brother once more. Standing in her way, however, is another member of the Grey Wolves!

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Manga Releases *Continued*



Not Love But Delicious Foods

by Fumi Yoshinaga

Yen Press • Nov. 30 • *Cover Not Final*

There is a Japanese saying that goes, “Hana yori dango,” or “dumplings over flowers.” And no one is more of an advocate of this adage than mangaka, Y-naga, a woman whose life revolves around her intense work and equally intense sleep schedule. The only thing that can rouse her out of this infernal cycle of dead-lines and being dead to the world? Food.

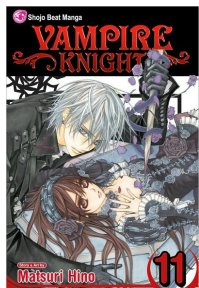


B'TX, Volume 16

by Kurumada Masami

TOKYOPOP • Dec. 1 • *Cover Not Final*

Teppei and Kotaro are reunited and fight together against the seemingly invincible Raphaello. We learn why Misha and Nasha are aiding the Machine Emperor just before they give their lives to aid the brothers. The Machine Emperor is eventually defeated, but no one has the energy left to safely return to Earth, but B'tx sacrifices himself to make sure the brothers get back safely.

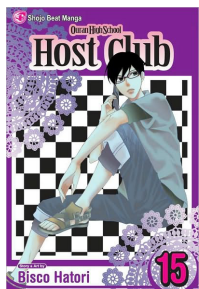


Vampire Knight, Volume 11

by Matsuri Hino

VIZ Media, LLC • Dec. 7

The Night Class at Cross Academy has been abolished. Zero still attends the Day Class while carrying out his duties as a vampire hunter. Yuki now lives hidden away at the Kuran residence with Kaname, but can she embrace the life of a pureblood vampire?



Ouran High School Host Club, Volume 15

by Bisco Hatori

VIZ Media, LLC • Dec. 7

The members of the Host Club plan an event to help Tamaki get over his separation anxiety from the Host Club, and even Haruhi gets in on the action. Will the bonds of friendship between Tamaki and Haruhi become bonds of love?



Rosario+Vampire: Season II, Volume 3

by Akihisa Ikeda

VIZ Media, LLC • Dec. 7

TEST 3: SNOW ORACLE. When magical warming strikes Yokai Academy, you had better... A) reduce your supernatural footprint B) hightail it to snow-fairy country or C) deny that monster activity has anything to do with it.



Dance in the Vampire Bund, Volume 9

by Nozomu Tamaki

Seven Seas Entertainment, LLC + Dec. 7

Mina Tepes, the princess of the ancient covenant and ruler of all vampires, wants change. She has paid off the entire gross national debt of Japan and gained the authority to create a special district off the coast of Japan that is to become a haven for vampires for all over the world. With Akira, her boyfriend, Mina struggles to keep her rivals and enemies at bay while they seek to sabotage her plans at every turn.

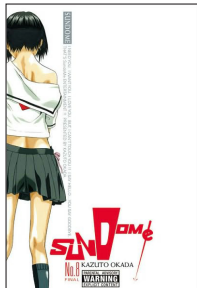


Skip Beat! (Skip Beat! Series #22)

by Yoshiki Nakamura

VIZ Media, LLC + Dec. 7

Is there such a thing as being too good? With Ren's help, Kyoko finally gets into her new character. But when she shows up on set and wows the crew with her new spin on the old bully role, it sends some of her costars over the edge! Kyoko's used to dealing with her own demons, but can she stand up to someone else's?!

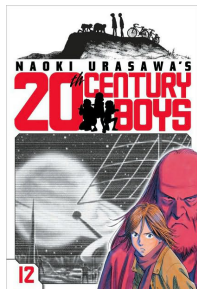


Sundome, Volume 8

by Kazuto Okada

Yen Press + Dec. 21

The "Roman Club," a school group interested in the occult, to which he's practically enslaved, has become boring for one Hideo Aiba. Until a girl named Kurumi Sahana shows up and wants to join up. But Sahana is no ordinary girl... When the two are left alone in the club classroom, Kurumi makes a special "request" of Hideo... From that moment on, Hideo's dull life gets far more...frustrating.



20th Century Boys, Volume 12

by Naoki Urasawa

VIZ Media, LLC + Dec. 21

Will 2015 bring an end to human history?! An urgent but mysterious message left by her mother Kiriko in 2002 finally reaches Kanna. But where is Kiriko, who developed the germ warfare weapons used on Bloody New Year's Eve, and what is she doing now? Memories of New Years past flood the minds of Kenji's friends and family.



Children of the Sea, Volume 4

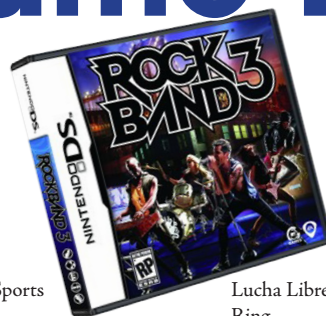
by Daisuke Igarashi

VIZ Media, LLC + Dec. 21 + *Cover Not Final*

Jim, Dehdeh, and Ruka's mom finally track down Anglade's yacht, but neither the rouge scientist nor Umi and Ruka are on board. All that remains is a cryptic invitation to Jim. While Jim tries to figure out the game his ex-colleague is playing and Kanako dives into memories of her daughter Ruka, the strange sea-changes continue around the world.

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Videogame Releases



September 24

Darksiders: Wrath of War
PC

September 27

Samurai Warriors 3
Wii

September 28

Phantasy Star Portable 2
PSP

SBK X: Superbike World
Championship
PC, PS3, Xbox 360

Shaun White Skateboarding
PS3, Wii, Xbox 360

Battle vs. Chess
PC, PS3, Xbox 360

Greg Hastings Paintball 2
Wii, Xbox 360

Dead Rising 2
PC, PS3, Xbox 360

John Daly's ProStroke Golf
PC, PS3, Xbox 360

Atelier Rorona: Alchemist of
Arland
PS3

Guitar Hero: Warriors of Rock
PS3, Wii, Xbox 360

FIFA 11
PC, PS3, Wii, Xbox 360

MorphX
Xbox 360

Naruto Ultimate Ninja Storm 2
PS3

Front Mission Evolved
PS3

MySims SkyHeroes
DS, PS3, Wii, Xbox 360

Rapala Pro Bass Fishing 2010
PS2, PS3, PSP, Wii, Xbox 360

September 29

Hydrophobia
Xbox 360

September 30

Final Fantasy XIV Online
PC

Tom Clancy's Ghost Recon
Predator
PSP

Other September Releases

Space Invaders: Infinity Gene
PS3, Xbox 360

Dragons
PC

Blacklight: Tango Down
PS3

H.A.W.X. 2
PC

Blade Kitten
PC, PS3, Xbox 360

Lara Croft and the Guardian of
Light
PC, PS3

Ferrari The Race Experience
PS3, Wii

Tumble
PS3

October 1

Dance Dance Revolution
PS3

October 3

Wii Party
Wii

October 4

Pokemon Ranger: Guardian Signs
DS

October 5

Castlevania: Lords of Shadow
PS3, Xbox 360

Castlevania: Lords of Shadow
Limited Edition
PS3, Xbox 360

MotionSports
Xbox 360

NBA Elite 11
PS3, Xbox 360

Two Worlds II
PC, PS3, Xbox 360

Def Jam Rapstar
PS3, Wii, Xbox 360

NBA 2K11
PC, PS3, PS2, PSP, Wii, Xbox 360

Power Gig: Rise of the SixString
PS3, Xbox 360

Final Fantasy: The 4 Heroes Of
Light
DS

NBA Jam
Wii

Enslaved: Odyssey to the West
PS3, Xbox 360

Two Worlds: The Temptation
PC, PS3, Xbox 360

Oops! Prank Party
Wii

Rock of the Dead
PS3, Wii, Xbox 360

October 6

Comic Jumper
Xbox 360

EMERGENCY 2012 - The
Quest for Peace
PC

October 12

Stronghold: Kingdoms
PC

Invizimals
PSP

Borderlands: GOTY Edition
PC, PS3, Xbox 360

The Shoot
PS3

Blazing Souls Accelate
PSP

Just Dance 2
Wii

Lucha Libre AAA Heroes of the
Ring
PS3, PSP, Wii, Xbox 360

Arcania: A Gothic Tale
Xbox 360

Arcania: Gothic IV
PC, PS3, Xbox 360

Arcania: A Gothic Tale
PC, PS3

Sengoku BASARA Samurai
Heroes
PS3, Wii

Quantum Theory
PS3, Xbox 360

Super Scribblenauts
DS

Medal of Honor: Operation
Anaconda
PC, PS3, Xbox 360

Naruto Shippuden: Naruto vs
Sasuke
DS

Scribblenauts 2
DS

October 15

Lost Planet 2
PC

October 17

Kirbys Epic Yarn
Wii

October 18

Fallout: New Vegas
PC, PS3, Xbox 360

October 19

EA Sports MMA
PS3, Xbox 360

DJ Hero 2
PS3, Wii, Xbox 360

Naruto Shippuden: Dragon
Sword
Wii

SAW 2
PS3, Xbox 360

Vanquish
PS3, Xbox 360

Warriors: Legends of Troy
PS3, Xbox 360

Dungeon Raiders
DS

Cars Toon: Mater's Tall Tales
Wii

Naruto Shippuden: Ultimate
Ninja Storm 2
PS3, Xbox 360

Nail'd
PC, PS3, Xbox 360

Dragon Ball Z: Tenkaichi Tag
Team
PSP

Knights in the Nightmare
PSP

Active Life Explorer
Wii

Hello Kitty Seasons
Wii

Time Crisis: Razing Storm
PS3

October 20

Super Meat Boy
Xbox 360

October 25

Art Academy
Nintendo DS

October 26

Deca Sports 3
Wii

The Sims 3
DS, PS3, Wii, Xbox 360

TV SuperStars
PS3

Cabela's Dangerous Hunts 2011
PS3, Wii, Xbox 360

Hasbro Family Game Night 3
PS3, Wii, Xbox 360

Yu-Gi-Oh! 5D's Tag Force 5
PSP



Crafting Mama
DS

The Fight: Lights Out
PS3

Fable 3
PC, Xbox 360

Splatterhouse
PS3, Xbox 360

Rock Band 3
DS, PS3, Wii, Xbox 360

WWE Smackdown Vs Raw 2011
PS3, PS2, PSP, Wii, Xbox 360

Star Wars: The Force Unleashed 2
PC, PS3, Wii, Xbox 360

October 30

Miffy's World
Wii

Other October Releases

Divinity 2: Flames of Vengeance
PC, Xbox 360

SingStar: Guitar
PS3

Dead Nation
PS3

Mindjack
PS3, Xbox 360

Kung-Fu LIVE
PS3

November 1

SingStar: Dance
PS3

World of Warcraft: Cataclysm
PC

PokePark Wii Pikachu's Great Adventure
Wii

November 2

PES 2011
PS3, PS2, PSP, Wii, Xbox 360

God of War: Ghost of Sparta
PSP

MegaMind: Mega Team Unite
Wii

MegaMind: Ultimate Showdown
PS3, Xbox 360

Megamind: The Blue Defender
DS, PSP

BEYBLADE: Metal Fusion
DS

Karaoke Revolution Glee
Wii

GoldenEye 007
DS, Wii

Pro Evolution Soccer 2011
PS3, Xbox 360

Gran Turismo 5
PS3

Dragon Ball: Raging Blast 2
PS3, Xbox 360

DC Universe Online
PC, PS3

Conduit 2
Wii

Fist of the North Star: Ken's Rage
PS3, Xbox 360

Fist of the North Star Musou
PS3, Xbox 360

November 4

Project Natal
Xbox 360

Kinect Sports
Xbox 360

Joyride
Xbox 360

Kinectimals
Xbox 360

Kinect Adventures
Xbox 360

Your Shape: Fitness Evolved
Xbox 360

Dance Central
Xbox 360

Kinect JoyRide
Xbox 360

November 7

FlingSmash
Wii

November 9

Monster Jam: Path of Destruction
DS, PS3, PSP, Wii, Xbox 360

Deadliest Catch: Sea of Chaos
PS3, Xbox 360

H.A.W.X. 2
Wii

Call of Duty: Black Ops
DS, PC, PS3, Wii, Xbox 360

Apache: Air Assault
PS3, Xbox 360

November 12

Michael Jackson The Experience
PS3, PSP, Wii, Xbox 360

November 14

Mario vs. Donkey Kong: Mini-Land Mayhem
DS

November 16

Assassin's Creed: Brotherhood
PS3, Xbox 360

Need For Speed: Hot Pursuit
PC, PS3, Xbox 360

Little Big Planet 2
PS3

Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows
DS, PC, PS3, Wii, Xbox 360

Marvel Super Hero Squad: The Infinity Gauntlet
PS3, Wii, Xbox 360

iCarly 2: iJoin the Click!
DS, Wii

Marvel Super Hero Squad: The Infinity Gauntlet
DS

Ghost Trick: Phantom Detective
DS

EA Sports Active NFL Training Camp
Wii

Man vs. Wild
PS3, Wii, Xbox 360

Sonic Colors
DS, Wii

Jillian Michaels: Fitness Ultimatum 2011
Wii

November 20

EA Sports Active 2.0
Wii

November 21

Donkey Kong Country Returns
Wii

November 23

Pac-Man Party
Wii

Driver: San Francisco
PC, PS3, Wii, Xbox 360

November 29

Golden Sun: Dark Dawn
DS

Other November Releases

Sonic Free Riders
Xbox 360

Tom Clancy's Ghost Recon: Future Soldier
Wii

Beat Sketchers
PS3

Echochrome 2
PS3

PixelJunk Shooter 2
PS3

Majin and the Forsaken Kingdom
PS3, Xbox 360

Until I'm Gone
PC

The Sly Collection
PS3

Super Meat Boy
PC

December 7

Tron: Evolution
PC, PS3, Xbox 360

Tron: Evolution - Battle Grids
Wii

Other December Releases

Eat Them!
PS3

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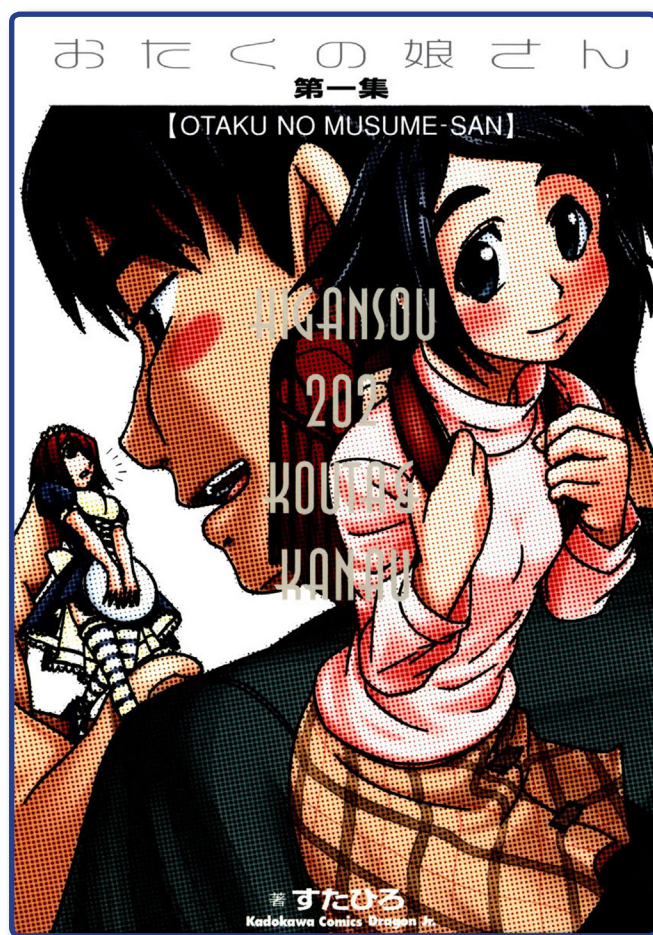
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by
Stu-Hiro

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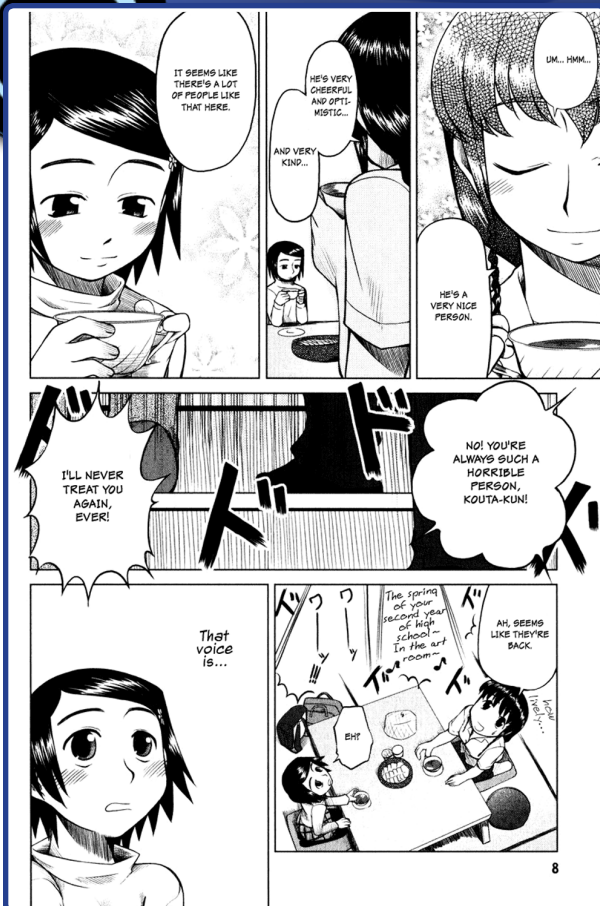
One day, a little girl show up claiming to be her daughter. Kouta is totally shocked about this and doesn't know how to take it. After a short and believable explanation by Kanau, her accepts her as his daughter. Kanau starts her life with her father, Kouta, in their apartment complex.

How will Kouta cope with a sudden change in lifestyle? How will Kanau feel about his father being a hard core otaku? Will both of them find common ground? What about the other residents and friends feel about Kouta and Kanau? Let's begin with the first two chapters.

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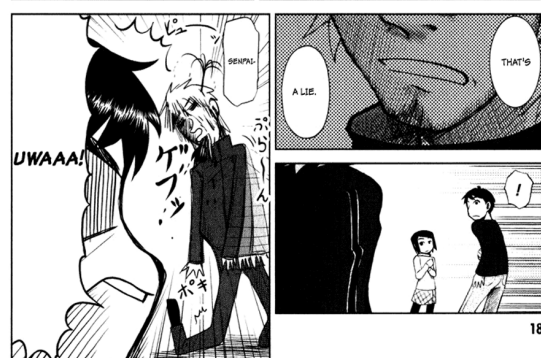
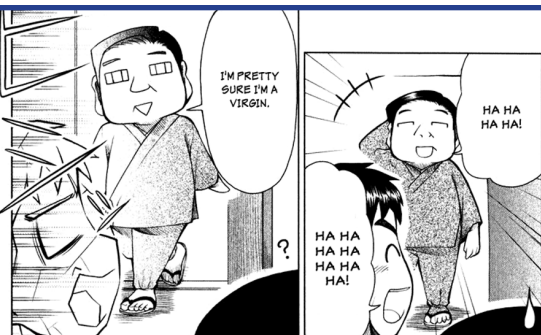
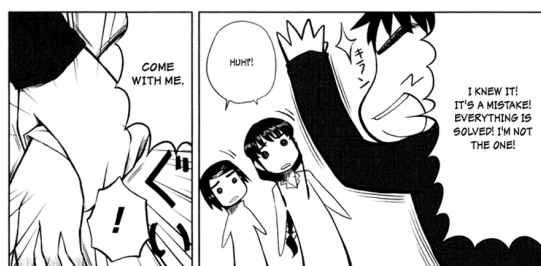
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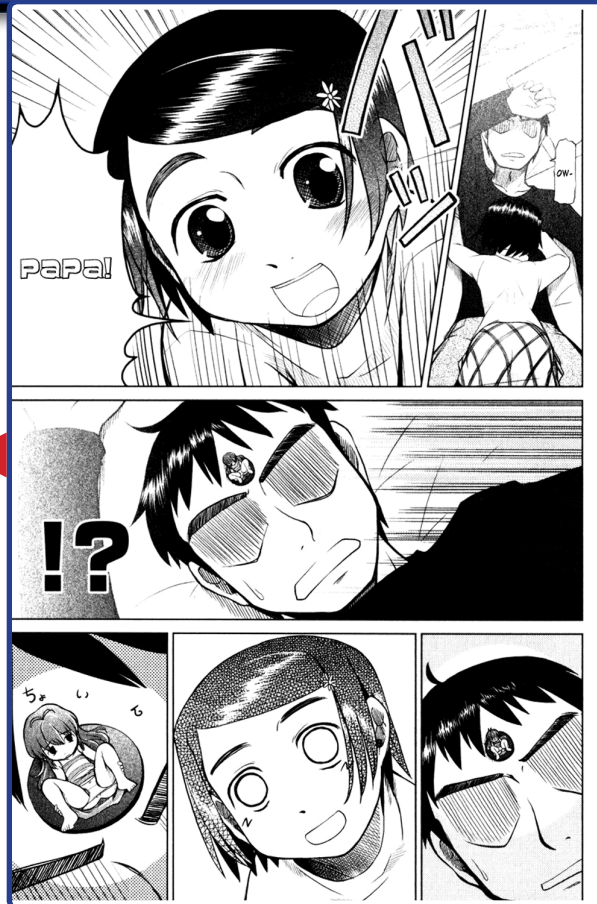
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