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Aniplex of America Announces
MONOGATARI Series Second Season
Complete Blu-ray Box Set



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For the first time ever: own all five stories starting with NEKOMONOGATARI <WHITE> as a complete Blu-ray box set!

SANTA MONICA, CA (APRIL 19, 2019) – Aniplex of America is proud to announce that the *MONOGATARI Series Second Season* will be released as complete Blu-ray box set for the first time ever later this year. Based on the popular light-novel series by author Nisioisin, the *MONOGATARI Series* is produced by studio SHAFT and under the direction of chief director Akiyuki Shimbou, both of whom are critically acclaimed for their work on *Puella Magi Madoka Magica*, *Nisekoi*, and *March comes in like a lion*. The complete Blu-ray box set will feature all 28 episodes from the popular series including *NEKOMONOGATARI <WHITE>*, *HANAMONOGATARI*, *ONIMONOGATARI*, *KABUKIMONOGATARI*, *OTORIMONOGATARI*, and *KOIMONOGATARI*. The complete Blu-ray box set comes with six Blu-ray discs all encased in a rigid box exclusively illustrated by character designer and chief animation director Akio Watanabe, and also includes TV Omnibuses I ~ III, a collection of promotional videos and commercials as well as the textless openings and endings. The *MONOGATARI Series Second Season* Complete Blu-ray Box Set will be available starting June 25 with preorders open now at RightStufAnime.com.

Since the premiere of **BAKEMONOGATARI** in 2009, the **MONOGATARI Series** has given way to multiple TV anime adaptations as well as the three part feature length films **KIZUMONOGATARI**. The term “monogatari” refers to the Japanese word for “story” and alludes to a theme involving the peculiar heroines surrounding the main character Koyomi Araragi, voiced by renowned voice actor Hiroshi Kamiya of *Natsume’s Book of Friends* and the *Fate/stay night* series. The second season dives deeper into Koyomi’s relationship with these heroines, which include Tsubasa Hanekawa (voiced by *Durarara!!*’s Yui Horie), Mayoi Hachikuji (voice by *Puella Magi Madoka Magica*’s Emiri Kato), Suruga Kanbaru (voiced by *Persona 3 the Movie*’s Miyuki Sawashiro), Nadeko Sengoku (voiced by *Cells at Work!*’s Kana Hanazawa), Shinobu Oshino (voiced by *Black Butler*’s Maaya Sakamoto) and Hitagi Senjyogahara (voiced by *Puella Magi Madoka Magica*’s Chiwa Saito).

MONOGATARI Series Second Season Complete Blu-ray Box Set includes:



<Disc Specs>

- Spoken Languages: Japanese
- Subtitles: English
- Aspect ratio: 16:9 widescreen
- 28 Episodes
- Number of Disc: 6 Blu-ray discs
- Total Run Time: approx. 722 min.
- Rating: 16 UP

<Bonus Contents>

- Textless Openings and Endings

- TV Version Endings
- TV Omnibuses I~III
- PV & CM Collections
- * Bonus contents subject to change.
- * Bonus contents include subtitles

< Special Package >

- Rigid box with exclusively Illustrated by Akio Watanabe (Character Design)

Product number and UPC bar code:

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| <i>MONOGATARI Series Second Season Complete Blu-ray Box Set</i> | 6/25/2019 | AOA-4008 | 816546021979 | \$ 269.98 | \$ 219.98 |

About *MONOGATARI Series Second Season*:

These stories take place after the end of the summer vacation when the apparition of the bee had left and the apparition of the phoenix avoided any consequences... Now that Koyomi Araragi and the girls were entering their new school terms, they were once again about to encounter supernatural beings...but this time, they may not be so easy to deal with.

Tsubasa Hanekawa, Mayoi Hachikuji, Suruga Kanbaru, Nadeko Sengoku, Shinobu Oshino and finally Hitagi Senjyogahara. The girls' loneliness, their confessions, and their departures...Revisit their mysterious journey once again!

For more details on *MONOGATARI Series Second Season*, please visit: <https://monogatari-usa.com/>

STAFF

Original Story: Nisioisin "MONOGATARI Series"
 Original Character Concept: VOFAN
 Chief Director: Akiyuki Shimbou
 Director: Tomoyuki Itamura
 Screenplay: Toufuyashi, Akiyuki Shimbou
 Character Design & Chief Animation Director: Akio Watanabe
 Chief Animation Director: Nobuhiro Sugiyama
 Art Director: Hisaharu Iijima
 Color Setting: Izumi Takizawa
 Visual Effects: Motoki Sakai
 Director of Photography: Takayuki Aizu
 Editing: Rie Matsubara
 Sound Director: Yota Tsuruoka
 Music: Satoru Kosaki
 Animation Production: SHAFT

CAST

Koyomi Araragi: Hiroshi Kamiya

Tsubasa Hanekawa: Yui Horie
Mayoi Hachikuji: Emiri Kato
Shinobu Oshino: Maaya Sakamoto
Nadeko Sengoku: Kana Hanazawa
Deishu Kaiki: Shinichiro Miki
Hitagi Senjyogahara: Chiwa Saito
Suruga Kanbaru: Miyuki Sawashiro
Rouka Numachi: Kana Asumi

About Aniplex of America Inc.

Aniplex of America, Inc. (Santa Monica, California) is a subsidiary of Aniplex, Inc. (headquartered in Tokyo, Japan), a division of Sony Music Entertainment (Japan), Inc., and a leading provider of anime content and music production and distribution in Japan. The company's ever-growing lineup of shows includes: *Sword Art Online*, *FULLMETAL ALCHEMIST: BROTHERHOOD*, *Fate/stay night [Unlimited Blade Works]*, *Fate/Zero*, *Fate/stay night [Heaven's Feel] II. lost butterfly*, *Puella Magi Madoka Magica*, *March comes in like a lion*, *Blue Exorcist*, *KILL la KILL*, *Gurren Lagann*, *Monogatari* series, *anohana -The Flower We Saw That Day-*, *PERSONA5 the Animation*, *Cells at Work!*, *Rascal Does Not Dream of Bunny Girl Senpai*, *The Promised Neverland*, *We Never Learn: BOKUBEN*, and *Demon Slayer: Kimetsu No Yaiba*. In June 2017, the company launched the English version of the popular mobile game, *Fate/Grand Order*, which has exceeded five million downloads.

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