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Aniplex of America Announces
FULLMETAL ALCHEMIST: BROTHERHOOD
Blu-ray Box Sets Release and Event at Anime NYC



**FULLMETAL
ALCHEMIST[®]**
BROTHERHOOD

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One of anime's most prolific series gets a box set release!

SANTA MONICA, CA (August 10, 2018) – Aniplex of America announced during their Industry panel at Otakon in Washington, D.C. that the enormously popular series ***FULLMETAL ALCHEMIST: BROTHERHOOD*** will be making its triumphant return as two Blu-ray box sets. The box sets will be released as two sets scheduled for release later this year. Each set includes 7 Blu-ray discs packaged within a rigid box illustrated by creator, Hiromu Arakawa. The box sets will also include a booklet, four total special OVA episodes, a 4- panel comic theater as well as textless openings and endings from all five seasons. Both box sets are scheduled for release on November 20th; however, fans can pre-order both sets now at RightStufAnime.com. Aniplex of America also revealed that they will be hosting a ***FULLMETAL ALCHEMIST:***

BROTHERHOOD event at Anime NYC later this year to celebrate the first anime series' 15th anniversary release along with special guests and giveaways.

Since its premiere in 2009, **FULLMETAL ALCHEMIST: BROTHERHOOD** chronicles all 27 volumes of the original manga and was ranked in Los Angeles Times' animation historian and critic Charles Solomon's top ten anime of 2010. Based on the bestselling manga series by Hiromu Arakawa (*Silver Spoon, Heroic Legend of Arslan*), **FULLMETAL ALCHEMIST: BROTHERHOOD** continues to be an enduring fan favorite within the industry with a lasting legacy that has excited both fans and critics alike. Directed by renowned director Yasuhiro Irie (*Code: Breaker, Kurau: Phantom Memory*) with animation production by studio BONES (*Cowboy Bebop, Darker Than Black*), the series features character design by Hiroki Kanno (*Bungo Stray Dogs 2, Yu Yu Hakusho The Movie: Poltergeist Report*) and music by Akira Senju (*Valvrave the Liberator, Mobile Suit Victory Gundam*). The series hails a stellar Japanese and English voice cast led by Romi Park (*KILL la KILL, Attack on Titan*) as the main protagonist Edward Alric in the Japanese version and Vic Mignogna (*Durarara!!x2, Dragonball Z*) in the English version.

In a 2011 review by Anime News Network, reviewer Erin Finnegan proclaims "I should be kissing Hiromu Arakawa's feet for creating a series that's so compelling and original... FMA bothers to ask challenging questions about racism, genocide, and immoral medical experimentation through the guise of a fantasy show that marginally involves martial arts."

FULLMETAL ALCHEMIST: BROTHERHOOD Blu-ray Box Set I includes:

<Disc Specs>

- Spoken Language: Japanese & English
- Subtitles: English
- Aspect Ratio: 16:9 Widescreen
- Episodes: #1~30
- Number of Discs: 7 Blu-ray discs
- Total Run Time: Approx. 720 min.
- Rating: 13 UP

<Bonus Contents>

- 2 OVA Episodes
 - 4-Panel Comic Theater
 - 1st Season Textless Opening and Ending
 - 2nd Season Textless Opening and Ending
- * *Bonus contents include subtitles*

<Bonus Materials and Package>

- Rigid Box Illustrated by Hiromu Arakawa (Author)
 - Booklet
- **Bonus contents subject to change.*

Product number and UPC bar code:

Title	Street Date	SKU #	UPC	SRP	Store price
<i>FULLMETAL ALCHEMIST: BROTHERHOOD Blu-ray Box Set I</i>	11/20/2018	AOA-9501	816546021429	\$124.98	\$99.98

FULLMETAL ALCHEMIST: BROTHERHOOD Blu-ray Box Set II includes:

<Disc Specs>

- Spoken Language: Japanese & English
- Subtitles: English
- Aspect Ratio: 16:9 Widescreen
- Episodes: #31~34
- Number of Discs: 7 Blu-ray discs
- Total Run Time: Approx. 810 min.
- Rating: 13 UP

<Bonus Contents>

- 2 OVA Episodes
- 4-Panel Comic Theater
- O.A. Version Opening and Endings
- 3rd Season Textless Opening and Ending
- 4th Season Textless Opening and Ending
- 5th Season Textless Opening and Ending

* *Bonus contents include subtitles*

<Bonus Materials and Package>

- Rigid Box Illustrated by Hiromu Arakawa (Author)
- Booklet

**Bonus contents subject to change.*

Product number and UPC bar code:

Title	Street Date	SKU #	UPC	SRP	Store price
<i>FULLMETAL ALCHEMIST: BROTHERHOOD Blu-ray Box Set II</i>	11/20/2018	AOA-9502	816546021436	\$124.98	\$99.98

About *FULLMETAL ALCHEMIST: BROTHERHOOD*:

Alchemy: The science of understanding, decomposing, and reconstructing matter.

However, it is not an omnipotent art. It is impossible to create something out of nothing. If one wishes to obtain something, something of equal value must be paid.

This law of equivalent exchange is the basis of alchemy.

There is a taboo among Alchemists: human transmutation. It is that which no one must commit.

Edward and Alphonse Elric break this taboo hoping they can revive their beloved mother. As a result, Edward loses his right arm and left leg and Alphonse has his whole body taken away. The Elric brothers embark their journey to find the “Philosopher’s Stone” to regain their bodies...

STAFF:

Original Work: Hiromu Arakawa (Shonen GANGAN / Square Enix)

Director: Yasuhiro Irie

Series Composition: Hiroshi Ohnogi

Character Design: Hiroki Kanno

Art Design: Kazushige Kanehira

Art Director: Tsuyoshi Sato

Background: Kusanagi

Color Design: Fusako Nakao

Alchemy Mark Design: Shinji Aramaki

Music: Akira Senju

Sound Director: Masafumi Mima

Animation Production: BONES

Produced: FA Project

CAST (Japanese / English):

Edward Elric: Romi Park / Vic Mignogna

Alphonse Elric: Rie Kugimiya / Maxey Whitehead

Winry Rockbell: Megumi Takamoto / Caitlin Glass

Roy Mustang: Shinichiro Miki / Travis Willingham

Riza Hawkeye: Fumiko Orikasa / Colleen Clinkenbeard

Alex Louis Armstrong: Kenji Utsumi / Christopher R. Sabat

Maes Hughes: Keiji Fujiwara / Sonny Strait

King Bradley: Hidekatsu Shibata / Ed Blaylock

Scar: Kenta Miyake / J. Michael Tatum

Lust: Kikuko Inoue / Laura Bailey

Gluttony: Tetsu Shiratori / Chris Cason

Envy: Minami Takayama / Wendy Powell

Greed: Yuichi Nakamura / Troy Baker

Ling Yao: Mamoru Miyano / Todd Haberkorn

Lan Fan: Nana Mizuki / Trina Nishimura

May Chang: Mai Gotou / Monica Rial

Olivier Mira Armstrong: Yoko Soumi / Stephanie Young

Father: Iemasa Kayumi / Kent Williams

Van Hohenheim: Unsho Ishizuka / John Swasey

English ADR Director: Mike McFarland

About Aniplex of America Inc.

Aniplex of America Inc. (Santa Monica, California) is a subsidiary of Aniplex Inc. (headquartered in Tokyo, Japan), a group of Sony Music Entertainment (Japan) Inc. and a leading provider of anime content and music production and distribution in Japan. Aniplex of America has launched fan-favorite Blu-ray and DVD releases including *Fate/stay night [Unlimited Blade Works]*, *Fate/Zero*, the *Sword Art Online* series, *Your lie in April*, *KILL la KILL*, *Bakemonogatari*, *Puella Magi Madoka Magica*, *Blue Exorcist*, *anohana -The Flower We Saw That Day-*, *NISEKOI*, the *OREIMO* series, *DURARARA!!×2*, *Magi series*, *Expelled From Paradise*, *The irregular at magic high school*, and *ALDNOAH.ZERO*. The company's ever-growing line-up of shows include: *March comes in like a lion*, *Blue Exorcist: Kyoto Saga*, *ERASED*, *The Asterisk War*, *OWARIMONOGATARI*, *KIZUMONOGATARI*, *Charlotte*, *Occultic;Nine*, *WWW.WAGNARIA!!*, *GRANBLUE FANTASY The Animation*, *Eromanga Sensei*, *Katsugeki TOUKEN RANBU*, *BLEND-S*, *Fate/stay night [Heaven's Feel] I. presage flower*, *Slow Start*, *Record of Grancrest War*, *Today's MENU for EMIYA Family*, *PERSONA5 the Animation*, *Sword Art Online Alternative: Gun Gale Online*, *Yuuna and the Haunted Hot Springs*, and *Cells at Work!*. In June 2017, the company launched the English version of the popular mobile game, *Fate/Grand Order*, which has exceeded three million downloads.

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