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## **Aniplex of America Announces Product Release Details for** **-KIZUMONOGATARI- PART 1: TEKKETSU**



Based on the novel “Kizumonogatari” by NISIOISIN originally published by KODANSHA Ltd.  
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### ***Part 1 of Highly Anticipated Trilogy to Receive Home Release***

SANTA MONICA, CA (October 1, 2016) – Aniplex of America Inc. announced today at their industry panel at Anime Weekend Atlanta (Atlanta, GA) their plans to release **-KIZUMONOGATARI- PART 1: TEKKETSU** on Blu-ray starting this winter. The first part of the highly anticipated trilogy and prequel to the *Monogatari* franchise will be released on December 27 of this year. Pre-orders will begin on Monday, October 3 at 10AM CDT on Aniplex of America’s official *KIZUMONOGATARI* homepage ([www.Kizumonogatari-USA.com](http://www.Kizumonogatari-USA.com)).

**-KIZUMONOGATARI- PART 1: TEKKETSU** features the origin story of the highly popular *Monogatari Series* originally created by author NISIOISIN and is a direct prequel to the *BAKEMONOGATARI* television series. The story follows the protagonist Koyomi Araragi and his encounter with the horrifying vampire, Kiss-shot Acerola-orion Heart-under-blade A.K.A. the “King of Apparitions.” Koyomi saves the fatally wounded Kiss-shot by offering his blood to her at the expense of his own life as a human. This highly anticipated film will be bringing together an all-star creative team including Director Tatsuya Oishi (Series Director of *BAKEMONOGATARI*), Character Designer Akio Watanabe (entire *Monogatari Series*), and Chief Director Akiyuki Shimbou (*Madoka Magica*, *Monogatari Series*, *NISEKOI*). Studio SHAFT will be responsible for the anime production.

For more details on ***KIZUMONOGATARI PART 1: TEKKETSU***, please visit the official homepage:  
[www.Kizumonogatari-USA.com](http://www.Kizumonogatari-USA.com)

**-KIZUMONOGATARI- PART 1: TEKKETSU Blu-ray features:**



*\*Art subject to change*

<BD Features>

- Spoken Language: Japanese
  - DTS-HD Master Audio 5.1ch
  - DTS-HD Master Audio 2.0ch
- Subtitles: English
- Aspect Ratio: 16:9 Cinemascope
- Number of Discs: 2 Discs (Blu-ray Disc + Soundtrack CD)
- Total Run Time: Approx. 63 min.
- Rating: 16UP

<Bonus Contents>

- Theatrical Trailer
- PV & CM Collections

<Bonus Materials & Package>

- PART 1: TEKKETSU Original Soundtrack CD
- Deluxe Booklet
- Pin-up Postcard Set
- Package Illustrated by Akio Watanabe (Character Design)

*\*\* Bonus contents and materials are subject to change.*

Product number and UPC bar code

Title	Street Date	SKU #	UPC	SRP	Retail Price
<i>KIZUMONOGATARI PART 1: TEKKETSU Blu-ray</i>	12/27/2016	AOA-2601	816546020545	\$89.98	\$69.98

This SKU will be available through official Aniplex of America retailers. For a list of our retailers, please visit: [www.AniplexUSA.com/retailers](http://www.AniplexUSA.com/retailers)

**STAFF:**

Original Works: NISIOISIN "KIZUMONOGATARI" (Kodansha BOX)  
Chief Director: Akiyuki Shimbou  
Director: Tatsuya Oishi  
Character Design: Akio Watanabe, Hideyuki Morioka  
Sound Director: Yota Tsuruoka  
Music: Satoru Kosaki  
Animation Production: SHAFT  
Produced by: Aniplex, KODANSHA, SHAFT

**CAST:**

Koyomi Araragi: Hiroshi Kamiya  
Kiss-shot Acerola-orion Heart-under-blade: Maaya Sakamoto  
Tsubasa Hanekawa: Yui Horie  
Meme Oshino: Takahiro Sakurai

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