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**Aniplex's *Blue Exorcist* TV Series to Debut on TOONAMI™**  
**On February 22nd**



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SANTA MONICA, CA (February 6, 2014) – The popular animated TV Series *Blue Exorcist* will be making its U.S. network television debut on Adult Swim's TOONAMI™ on February 22nd. Aniplex of America originally made the announcement of the premiere on their Live Show this past November. Specific premiere time on Feb. 22nd will be announced on a later date.

The *Blue Exorcist TV Series* is based on Kazue Kato's hit manga published in Jump Square (by SHUEISHA) and it saw a multi-stream simulcast on websites such as Hulu, Crunchyroll (subtitled version), and as well as on Neon Alley (English dub version). In response to its worldwide popularity, the series was also adapted into a film and theatrically released across North America this past August.

Produced by the highly-acclaimed studio A-1 Pictures, (*Sword Art Online*, *Magi: The Labyrinth of Magic*, *Oreimo 2*) the *Blue Exorcist TV Series* has gained popularity among its fans for its unique storyline and characters. Aniplex of America has released the *Blue Exorcist TV Series* on home video earlier this year featuring both the original Japanese and English dub which features many popular voice actors such as Bryce Papenbrook (as Rin Okumura), Johnny Yong Bosch (as Yukio Okumura), and Christine Marie Cabanos (as Shiemi Moriyama).

## **About Blue Exorcist**

Assiah: the realm of humans. Gehenna: the realm of demons.

Normally, these two dimensions would never intersect, but having possessed all material substances, the demons are now intruding on the material world. But among the human race, there are those who can exorcise such demons - the Exorcists.

Based on the manga by Kazue Kato (published on Jump Square by Shueisha), Blue Exorcist successfully depicts a hero, Rin Okumura, an energetic, yet naïve young man who aims to become the ultimate exorcist. The manga has been made into animation in the hands of Japan's acclaimed staff including director Tensai Okamura (*Wolf's Rain*, *Darker Than Black*) and Animation Studio A-1 Pictures (*Sword Art Online*, *Magi: The Labyrinth of Magic*, *Oreimo 2*).

For more details, please visit: [www.BlueExorcist.com](http://www.BlueExorcist.com)

## **STAFF**

Original Story: Kazue Kato (published in Jump Square / Shueisha)

Director: Tensai Okamura

Screenplay: Ryota Yamaguchi

Character Design: Keigo Sasaki

Production Design: Tomotaka Shibayama

Art Setting: Yasumitsu Suetake, Satoshi Takahata

Art Director: Masatoshi Kai

Color Setting: Nagisa Abe

SFX Director: Masaharu Okazaki

CG Director: Ryuta Undo

Editing: Masahiro Goto

Music: Hiroyuki Sawano

Sound Director: Kazuhiro Wakabayashi

Animation Production: A-1 Pictures

Produced by: Blue Exorcist Committee, MBS

## **CAST (Japanese / English)**

Rin Okumura: Nobuhiko Okamoto / Bryce Papenbrook

Yukio Okumura: Jun Fukuyama / Johnny Yong Bosch

Mephisto Pheles: Hiroshi Kamiya / Sam Regal

Shiro Fujimoto: Keiji Fujiwara / Kirk Thornton

Shiemi Moriyama: Kana Hanazawa / Christine Marie Cabanos

Ryuji Suguro: Kazuya Nakai / Kyle Herbert

Renzo Shima: Koji Yusa / Brian Beacock

Konekomaru Miwa: Yuki Kaji / Miki Moran

Izumo Kamiki: Eri Kitamura / Kira Buckland

Kuro: Ayahi Takagaki / Stephanie Sheh

Shura Kirigakure: Rina Sato / Wendee Lee

Igor Noihaus: Ryotaro Okiayu / Patrick Seitz

Amaimon: Tetsuya Kakihara / Darrel Guilbeau

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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 such as *Bakemonogatari*, *Durarara!!*, *Fate/Zero*, *Puella Magi Madoka Magica*, *the Garden of Sinners*, *Sword Art Online*, *Blue Exorcist*, *Magi: The Labyrinth of Magic* and *Blast of Tempest*. The company's ever-growing line-up of shows includes our most recent titles *Kill la Kill*, *Monogatari Series Second Season*, *Nisekoi*, *World Conquest: Zvezda Plot*, *Silver Spoon*, *Magi: The Kingdom of Magic*, *VALVRAVE the Liberator* and *Samurai Flamenco*.

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