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Aniplex of America Announces
the Garden of sinners Blu-ray Disc Box



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The seven-film series that changed the history of Japanese animated films to be released on Blu-ray in the U.S.!

LOS ANGELES, CA (July 5, 2018) –Aniplex of America announced at their industry panel at Anime Expo that the cinematic thriller series *the Garden of sinners* will be released as a complete Blu-ray box set. Based on the immensely popular novels from TYPE-MOON (the *Fate* series), *the Garden of sinners* made its mark on the world of anime with its deep themes, layered metaphors, and beautifully stylized animation by studio ufotable. The iconic film series will be receiving a brand new Blu-ray release that will contain all seven movies and the bonus “*The Final Chapter: the Garden of sinners*”.

the Garden of sinners captured anime and suspense fans worldwide with the story of Shiki Ryougi, a teenage girl with the “Mystic Eyes of Death Perception” that awakened after a deadly traffic accident. This power grants her the ability to see the inherent mortality of any object or living being. Shiki takes on her duty as an agent for a covert organization, where she encounters a series of dark mysteries to unravel set against the backdrop of 1990’s Japan. As one of TYPE-MOON’s earliest works, this film series begins to touch on the world that Kinoko Nasu has built.

A testament of ambition in the anime industry, *the Garden of sinners* films were directed by a series of directors all lending their talents and their unique touch on their respective films. Directors Ei Aoki (*Fate/Zero, Re;creators*), Takuya Nonaka, Mitsuru Obunai, Teiichi Takiguchi, Takayuki Hirao (*GOD EATER, Attack on Titan*), Takahiro Miura (*Fate/stay night [Unlimited Blade Works]*), Shinsuke Takizawa, and Hikaru Kondo all worked with to bring the suspenseful events of the novels to life. Each film is beautifully animated by studio ufotable, who has animated multiple installments of TYPE-MOON’s wildly popular works, such as *Fate/stay night [Unlimited Blade Works]* and the new movie trilogy, *Fate/stay night [Heaven’s Feel]*. The music for the films was composed by none other than the anime soundtrack legend, Yuki Kajiura (*Sword Art Online, Puella Magi Madoka Magica*) and performed by vocal trio Kalafina.

Included in this Blu-ray Disc Box release of *the Garden of sinners* will be the pre-movie shorts by ufotable, a deluxe 32-page booklet, the Final Chapter: the Garden of sinners on Disc 8, and a rigid box designed by TYPE-MOON’s Takashi Takeuchi. Pre-orders begin today, and the release date is September 11, 2018.

the Garden of sinners Blu-ray Disc Box includes:



<Blu-ray Features>

- Spoken Languages: Japanese (Linear PCM 5.1 surround & Linear PCM Stereo)
- Subtitles: Japanese & English
- Aspect ratio: 16:9 widescreen
- Episodes: 13
- Number of Disc: 7 movies & Bonus "Final Chapter: the Garden of sinners"
- Total Run Time: Approx. 530 Minutes
- Rating: 16 UP

<Bonus Contents>

- Final Chapter: the Garden of sinners on Disc 8
- "Pre-show Reminder" short video per a movie
- * Bonus contents subject to change
- * Bonus contents include subtitles.

<Bonus Materials and Special Packages>

- Deluxe 32-page Booklet
- Rigid Box Illustrated by Takashi Takeuchi (Original Character Design)
- * Bonus contents subject to change.

Product number and UPC bar code

Title	Street Date	SKU #	UPC	SRP	Store price
<i>the Garden of sinners Blu-ray Disc Box</i>	9/11/2018	AOA-0211	816546021474	\$319.98	\$249.98

About *the Garden of sinners*:

“*the Garden of sinners*” is a series of hit cult novels written by Kinoko Nasu of TYPE-MOON (“*Tsukihime -Lunar Legend-*,” “*Fate/stay night*”) and published in the KODANSHA BOX series. The best-selling novel series has since been adapted into seven fully-animated theatrical films by one of the most renowned anime studios, ufotable (“*Fate/Zero*,” “*Fate/stay night [Unlimited Blade Works]*”). Each corresponding movie directly covers each of the original seven chapters. In Japan, the series of movies were released in theaters, beginning December 2007. Each successive release became a box office smash with record high attendance.

After lying in a coma for two years caused by a traffic accident, Shiki Ryougi awakens with amnesia. Inexplicably, she finds, in turn, that she has also obtained the “Mystic Eyes of Death Perception” in which she can see the invisible lines of mortality that hold every living and non-living thing together. Working for a small independent agency, Shiki attempts to unravel the baffling mystery behind a series of abnormal, horrifying incidents. Are they a foreshadowing that leads to something even more tragic and ominous? Things are not what they appear to be on the surface, but what dark revelations lie underneath? In this modern occult-action thriller, Shiki must tackle supernatural incidents with her special abilities while searching for her purpose for living.

For more details, please visit the official U.S. website at: aniplexusa.com/thegardenofsinners

STAFF

Original Story: Kinoko Nasu (Published in Kodansha Novels)

Directors: Ei Aoki (Chapter 1) / Takuya Nonaka (Chapter 2) / Mitsuru Obunai (Chapter 3) / Teiichi Takiguchi (Chapter 4) / Takayuki Hirao (Chapter 5) / Takahiro Miura (Chapter 6) / Shinsuke Takizawa (Chapter 7) / Hikaru Kondo (Final Chapter)

Character Concept: Takashi Takeuchi

Character Designer & Animation Director: Tomonori Sudo / Takuro Takahashi / Mitsuru Obunai

Screenplay: Masaki Hiramatsu (ufotable)

Music: Yuki Kajiura

Art Directors: Nobutaka Ike / Kazuo Ogura

Shooting Directors: Yuichi Terao / Shigeji Matsuda

3D Director: Shintaro Nakamura

Color Setting: Emi Chiba

Sound Director: Yoshikazu Iwanami

Production Manager: Noboru Suzuki

Producer: Hikaru Kondo

Animation Production by: ufotable

CAST

Shiki Ryougi: Maaya Sakamoto
Mikiya Kokutou: Kenichi Suzumura
Touko Aozaki: Takako Honda
Azaka Kokutou: Ayumi Fujimura
Kirie Fujou: Rie Tanaka
Souren Araya: Jouji Nakata
Fujino Asagami: Mamiko Noto
Daisuke Akimi: Hiroki Touchi
Misaya Ouji: Nana Mizuki
Satsuki Kurogiri: Ryotaro Okiayu
Rio Shirazumi: Soichiro Hoshi

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*, *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*, and *Sword Art Online Alternative: Gun Gale Online*. 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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