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**Aniplex of America to Screen *EXPELLED FROM PARADISE* in
Theaters Across the U.S.**

EXPELLED FROM PARADISE



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***Urobuchi and Mizushima's State-of-the-Art CG Masterpiece to Premiere in
Select Theaters this December***

SANTA MONICA, CA (November 19, 2014) –Aniplex of America, Inc. had just announced on their Aniplex Live Show that they will be screening the highly-anticipated science fiction feature ***EXPELLED FROM PARADISE*** in theaters across the U.S. this December. Even before its Japanese theatrical debut, critics have praised ***EXPELLED FROM PARADISE*** for its groundbreaking themes and fluid animation. Tickets will be available through the Aniplex of America's official website (www.AniplexUSA.com/expelledfromparadise) starting tomorrow. Moviegoers will also receive an exclusive theatrical poster featuring the title's keyart with their ticket purchase while supplies last. ***EXPELLED FROM PARADISE*** will be distributed by ELEVEN ARTS and will be featured in the original Japanese audio with English subtitles.

Directed by Seiji Mizushima (*Fullmetal Alchemist, Gundam 00*) and written by Gen Urobuchi (*Puella Magi Madoka Magica, Fate/Zero*), **EXPELLED FROM PARADISE** is a totally original project utilizing the most state-of-the-art 3DCG technology. With two of the most prominent creators of the Japanese animation industry collaborating for the first time, **EXPELLED FROM PARADISE** explores topics of societal evolution through unique characters and dynamic action sequences within an innovative science fiction framework. Urobuchi's magnificent image of the future world is brought to life by the creative team lead by Mizushima. With an all-star cast including Rie Kugimiya (*Fullmetal Alchemist, Gintama*), Shin-ichiro Miki (*KILL la KILL, Fullmetal Alchemist: Brotherhood*), and Hiroshi Kamiya (*Monogatari Series, DURARARA!!*), **EXPELLED FROM PARADISE** is what any sci-fi anime fan will love.

For a full list of participating theaters and tickets, please visit:

www.AniplexUSA.com/expelledfromparadise

About *EXPELLED FROM PARADISE*

With Earth now left in ruins following the “Nano Hazard,” most of humanity has abandoned the planet they once called home along with their physical bodies and rebuilt their digitalized minds into a society within the cyber universe of “DEVA.”

A.D. 2400, DEVA's central council detects an incident of unauthorized access into their mainframe. Someone on Earth was trying to hack into the system. The only information DEVA was able to retrieve was that the hacker referred to themselves as “Frontier Setter.”

To investigate the mysterious hacker's motives, the high officials of DEVA dispatch System Security Third Officer Angela Balzac to the Earth's surface. Equipped with a prosthetic “material body,” Angela attempts to make contact with a local agent Dingo, but what awaited her instead was a swarm of Sandworms now infesting the Earth's surface. Angela intercepts the gruesome pests with her exoskeletal powered suit Arhan.

Will Angela and Dingo be able to find Frontier Setter on this devastated planet?

Their journey to explore the secrets of the world will begin now...!

CAST:

Angela Balzac: Rie Kugimiya

Dingo: Shin-ichiro Miki

Frontier Setter: Hiroshi Kamiya

STAFF:

Original Story: Toei Animation, Nitroplus

Screenplay: Gen Urobuchi (Nitroplus)

Director: Seiji Mizushima

Sequence Director: Tomoki Kyoda

Character Design: Masatsugu Saito

Production Design: Yasuyoshi Uetsu

Mechanical Design: Junya Ishigaki, Masatsugu Saito, Takayuki Yanase, Makoto Ishiwata (Nitroplus)

Sculpture Design: Masaki Apsy

Graphic Design: Tsuyoshi Kusano

Conceptual Consultant & Conceptual Design: Shinya Ogura

CG Director: Naoki Ao
Animation Director: Haruki Kashiwakura
Modeling Director: Kazumasa Yokokawa
Color Designer: Eriko Murata
Motion Graphic Artists: Yohei Miyahara (CAPSULE), Natsuko Sato
Art Director: Masanobu Nomura (Bihou)
Composite Supervisor: Kojiro Hayashi
Editing: Masato Yoshitake
Sound Director: Masafumi Mima (Techno Sound)
Sound Effects: Shizuo Kurahashi (SOUND BOX)
Music: NARASAKI
Animation Producer: Hiroshi Moriguchi
Chief Animation Producer: Hiroki Yoshioka
Producer: Koichi Noguchi
Animation Production: Graphinica
Planning & Produced By: Toei Animation

For details on the film, please visit: www.AniplexUSA.com/expelledfromparadise

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 such as *Sword Art Online*, *KILL la KILL*, *Bakemonogatari*, *Durarara!!*, *Fate/Zero*, *Puella Magi Madoka Magica*, *the Garden of sinners*, *Blue Exorcist*, *Anohana: The Movie*, *Silver Spoon*, *OREIMO 2*, *Blast of Tempest*, *Magi: The Labyrinth of Magic*, *VALVRAVE the Liberator*, *Oreshura*, and *Vividred Operation*. The company's ever-growing line-up of shows include our most recent titles *Sword Art Online II*, *ALDNOAH.ZERO*, *Persona4 the Golden ANIMATION*, *MEKAKUCITY ACTORS*, *The irregular at magic high school*, *Mushi-Shi Next Passage*, *Nanana's Buried Treasure*, *NISEKOI*, *World Conquest Zvezda Plot*, *Magi: The Kingdom of Magic*, and *Samurai Flamenco*.

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ELEVEN ARTS is the Los Angeles based film distribution company that has brought many acclaimed Japanese films, live-action and animation, to North American audiences. ELEVEN ARTS's major live-action titles include Japan Academy Awards winner *Memories of Tomorrow* (starring Ken Watanabe) and Oscar nominated director (with *The Twilight Samurai* in 2004) Yoji Yamada's samurai film *Love and Honor*. ELEVEN ARTS is also a respected distributor of popular animation titles such as the *Evangelion* franchise, *Fullmetal Alchemist: The Sacred Star of Milos*, and *Puella Magi Madoka Magica The Movie Part 1: Beginnings/ Part 2: Eternal*, *Blue Exorcist: The Movie*, and *Puella Magi Madoka Magica The Movie Rebellion*.

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