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## KILL la KILL to Debut on Adult Swim This February





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# Smash-Hit Anime Series to Join the TOONAMI Saturday Night Lineup!

SANTA MONICA, CA (January 16, 2015) –Fans at OTAKON Vegas were ecstatic when Aniplex of America announced at their industry panel today that their fan-favorite title, *KILL la KILL* will be debuting on TOONAMI<sup>™</sup> starting on February 7<sup>th</sup> from 11:30PM (EST/PST). TOONAMI<sup>™</sup> is the animation programming block that airs on Adult Swim each Saturday night.

*KILL la KILL* is a totally original anime series directed by Hiroyuki Imaishi and written by Kazuki Nakashima—the same dream-team that brought anime fans the revolutionary title *GURREN LAGANN*. Since its simulcast debut in October 2013, this action-packed series was extremely well received by critics and fans alike. Otaku USA Magazine applauded *KILL la KILL* as a series that "will remind you

why you became a fan of anime in the first place," and KOTAKU's Richard Eisenbeis praised it as being a "rare breed of anime," and how its innovative storyline "perfectly mixes comedy and action while reveling in taking everything to the extreme."

The English dub of *KILL la KILL*, which was originally only available to its fans through the home video releases, boasts a star-studded cast including Erica Mendez (*Magi: The Labyrinth of Magic*), Carrie Keranen (*Puella Magi Madoka Magica, Fate/Zero*), Christine Marie Cabanos (*Puella Magi Madoka Magica, Blue Exorcist*), David Vincent (*Blue Exorcist*), Matt Mercer (*Fate/Zero, Magi: The Labyrinth of Magic*), Patrick Seitz (*Sword Art Online*), Stephanie Sheh (*Blue Exorcist, Sword Art Online*), Todd Haberkorn (*Sword Art Online, Magi: The Labyrinth of Magic*) and many more talented voice actors.

Hideki Goto, President of Aniplex of America Inc., expressed his excitement for this title's national television debut. "*KILL la KILL* is a very unique anime series that I'm sure will capture the hearts of so many fans in the U.S. Many people enjoyed the Japanese dub during the simulcast so I'm glad we have this opportunity to share the English dub with them too."

### Story of KILL la KILL

Honnouji Academy -- where the school is ruled by students clad in special outfits called Goku Uniforms. Deriding the student body as "pigs in human clothing," Student Council President Satsuki Kiryuin, along with her loyal underlings, the Elite Four, has the academy under their absolute control. One day, a vagrant school girl named Ryuko Matoi appears and tries to get Satsuki, who recognizes her Scissor Blade, to talk. Was their encounter a mere coincidence or fate? The clash between the two will soon consume the whole academy!

For more details, please visit: www.KilllaKill.com

#### **STAFF**

Original Work: TRIGGER, Kazuki Nakashima

Director: Hiroyuki Imaishi

Series Composition/Script: Kazuki Nakashima

Assistant Director: Akira Amemiya

Character Design & Chief Animation Director: SUSHIO

Creative Director: Shigeto Koyama

Set Design: You Yoshinari

Creative Officer: Hiromi Wakabayashi

Art Director: Yuji Kaneko

Color Setting: Yukiko Kakita (T2 Studio)

Director of Photography: Toyonori Yamada (Sanzigen)

Editing: Junichi Uematsu

Sound Director: Yoshikazu Iwanami

Music: Hiroyuki Sawano Music Production: Aniplex

**Animation Production: TRIGGER** 

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

Ryuko Matoi: Ami Koshimizu / Erica Mendez Senketsu: Toshihiko Seki / David Vincent Satsuki Kiryuin: Ryoka Yuzuki / Carrie Keranen

Mako Mankanshoku: Aya Suzaki / Christine Marie Cabanos

Aikuro Mikisugi: Shinichiro Miki / Matt Mercer Tsumugu Kinagase: Katsuyuki Konishi / Kaiji Tang Nui Harime: Yukari Tamura / Stephanie Sheh

Ragyo Kiryuin: Park Romi / Laura Post Ira Gamagoori: Tetsu Inada / Patrick Seitz

Uzu Sanageyama: Nobuyuki Hiyama / Grant George Nonon Jakuzure: Mayumi Shintani / Sarah Anne Williams

Houka Inumuta: Hiroyuki Yoshino / Steve Cannon

Shiro Iori: Yuji Ueda / Todd Haberkorn

Mataro Mankanshoku: Ayumu Fujimura / Lindsey Eaton Barazo Mankanshoku: Kenyu Horiuchi / Michael Sorich Sukuyo Mankanshoku: Yukari Fukui / Erika Harlacher

Guts: Katsuyuki Konishi / Derek Stephen Prince Rei Hououmaru: Ayumu Fujimura / Cristina Vee

Mitsuzo Soroi: Akio Nojima / Doug Stone Kaneo Takarada: Makoto Awane / Ben Diskin

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