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**Aniplex of America Announces Anime Film**  
***I want to eat your pancreas***  
**Coming to Theaters**



I want to eat your pancreas

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***Their relationship doesn't have a name yet.***

SANTA MONICA, CA (July 5, 2018) – Aniplex of America revealed at their industry panel at Anime Expo 2018 (Los Angeles, CA) that they will be bringing anime film, ***I want to eat your pancreas*** to theaters in the near future. Based on Yoru Sumino's award winning novel by the same name, ***I want to eat your pancreas*** will be produced by Studio VOLN (*Idol Incidents*, *Ushio & Tora*) and directed by Shinichiro Ushijima (*Hunter x Hunter*, *One Punch Man*) with Yuichi Oka (*Eromanga Sensei*, *To-Love Ru*) serving as both character designer and chief animation director. The two title characters will be voiced by popular actor and 72<sup>nd</sup> Mainichi Film Awards Best New Actor winner, Mahiro Takasugi, who will voice the unnamed protagonist, "me," while veteran voice actress, Lynn (*High School Fleet*, *A Place Further Than the Universe*), will lend her talents as the female lead, Sakura Yamauchi. The anime adaptation

features an impressive voice cast including super star veterans Atsuko Tanaka (*Fate/stay night [Unlimited Blade Works]*), *Ghost in the Shell* and Shin-ichiro Miki (*Fullmetal Alchemist: Brotherhood*, *Initial D*), who play the parents of the male protagonist. Theme song "Fanfare" is by popular rock band, sumika (*Love is Hard for an Otaku*), who will also handle the film's opening song and insert song. Aniplex of America promised more details to follow soon on the official English website, [Iwanttoeatyourpancreas.com](http://Iwanttoeatyourpancreas.com).

Yoru Sumino's debut novel, *I want to eat your pancreas*, generated massive popularity after being published by Futabasha Publishers Ltd. The story follows the relationship of two high schoolers, an apathetic and reserved unnamed protagonist and the popular girl in class, Sakura, who suffers from a terminal illness. The novel was later adapted into a live action film by the same name in 2017 starring Takumi Kitamura and Minami Hamabe. In addition to becoming a box office hit, the live action film garnered many Japan Academy Award nominations including Picture of the Year, Best Screenplay, Popularity Award, and Newcomer of the Year award for both lead actors.

**About *I want to eat your pancreas*:**

With no interest in others, a high schooler spends all of his time reading books - this is "me." One day, I comes across a book, titled "Living With Dying."

It turns out to be a secret journal kept by Sakura Yamauchi, who is a popular girl in class with a genuine personality. Diagnosed with a pancreatic illness, the diary notes about her limited time left.

Sakura, who lives with a secret illness, and "me," who keeps her secret.  
--- Their relationship doesn't have a name yet.

**STAFF**

Original Story: Yoru Sumino "I want to eat your pancreas" (Futabasha)

Original Illustration: loundraw

Director / Screenplay: Shinichiro Ushijima

Character Design / Chief Animation Director: Yuichi Oka

Art Director: Yukako Ogawa

Sub Art Director: Yoshito Watanabe

Color Setting: Yoshinori Horikawa

Photography Supervisor: Hiroshi Saito

Director of Photography: Mayuko Koike

3D CG Director: Koremi Kishi

Editor: Yumi Jinguji

Sound Director: Shoji Hata

Sound Effects: Noriko Izumo

Music: Hiroko Sebu

Animation Producer: Keiji Mita

Animation Production: Studio VOLN  
Produced by: Your Pancreas Anime Film Partners

**CAST:**

Me: Mahiro Takasugi  
Sakura Yamauchi: Lynn  
Kyoko: Yukiyo Fujii  
Takahiro: Yuma Uchida  
Gum Boy: Jun Fukushima  
My Mother: Atsuko Tanaka  
My Father: Shin-ichiro Miki

For more information, please visit: <http://Iwanttoeatyourpancreas.com>

**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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