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<u>Aniplex of America Announces</u> <u>Release of *Fate/Apocrypha* on Blu-ray</u>





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Beyond each of their wishes is where the "Apocrypha" is woven.

SANTA MONICA, CA (September 22, 2018) – Aniplex of America announced their plans to release *Fate/Apocrypha* as two Blu-ray box sets at their industry panel at Anime Weekend Atlanta. Based on a light novel series by Yuichiro Higashide, who is also an FGO Scenario writer, with original illustrations by Ototsugu Konoe, *Fate/Apocrypha* is part of TYPE-MOON's expansive *Fate* franchise which include popular anime series *Fate/stay night [Unlimited Blade Works], Fate/Zero,* and the mobile game *Fate/Grand Order*. Produced by A-1 Pictures, the series is directed by Yoshiyuki Asai, who served as series director for *Charlotte,* and character design by Yukei Yamada (*Puella Magi Madoka Magica The Movie –Rebellion–, IDOLM@STER Cinderella Girls*) with music by renowned composter Masaru Yokoyama from *Your Lie in April.* Each Blu-ray release will include an original soundtrack, booklet, and a rigid box illustrated by original character designer Ototsugu Konoe. Blu-ray Box Set I will be available November 20th with the Box Set II release scheduled for February 12, 2019.



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At the center of the series is a conflict between two factions, Red and Black, in the largest Servant battle known as the Great Holy Grail War. Although this is a Fate spin-off series, as the title connotes ("Apocrypha"), the story, involving 14 Servants and a Ruler, has its own brilliance and great drama. The director hopes that *Fate/Apocrypha* will not only be enjoyed by existing hardcore fans of the *Fate* series, but that it can be the catalyst for new fans as well as players of the mobile game *Fate/Grand Order*. Additionally, *Fate/Apocrypha* features a variety of voice actors that are at the top of every fan's wish list, including Maaya Sakamoto (*the Garden of sinners*, *Black Butler*), Miyuki Sawashiro (*Durarara!! Series*, *Sword Art Online II*) and many others.



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Fate/Apocrypha has received rave reviews for its heart racing action fight scenes, including episode 22's battle between Saber of Black and Lancer of Red drawing praise from both Yana Toboso, the creator of *Black Butler*, and creator of the Fate series, Kinoko Nasu, who wrote on his official blog that "it can only be described as a masterpiece" after attending a private

screening for the episode. The series was also awarded the Monthly Newtype Magazine's 2016 – 2017 Anime Awards for Best Screenplay and Best Work (TV).

About *Fate/Apocrypha*:

"I chose to fight. From that instant, my hands were covered in blood."

The Black Faction seized the Greater Grail for the sake of the clan's most earnest wish to symbolize its independence from the Mage's Association. The Mage's Association gathers the Red Faction in order to thwart such ambitions.

Taking place in Trifas, Romania, the Great Holy Grail War that takes place between 14 Heroic Spirits summoned by the two factions transforms thanks to Shirou Kotomine, one of the Masters of the Red who is also the Overseer for this Great War.

"Miracle Child" Amakusa Shirou Tokisada -- Shirou Kotomine, wishes for the salvation of all humanity using the Greater Grail.

"Holy Maiden" Jeanne d'Arc – as Ruler, seeks harmony within the Great Holy Grail War. Sieg -- an unknown boy, who picks up the sword for the sake of his own wishes after harboring the power of the "Dragonslayer" within him.

STAFF:

Original Story: Yuichiro Higashide / TYPE-MOON Original Character Design: Ototsugu Konoe Director: Yoshiyuki Asai Series Composition: Yuichiro Higashide Character Design: Yukei Yamada Sub-character Design: Tomoko Sudo Prop Design: Kazuma Tanaka, Kiminori Ito Monster Design: Hidekazu Ebina Action Directors: Shun Enokido, Takahito Sakazume Art Director: Kazuhiro Inoue Art Setting: Nobuhito Sue Color Setting: Takahiro Mogi, Makiko Doi CG Director: Hiroshi Nakashima Director of Photography: Masaharu Okazaki Editing: Ayumu Takahashi Sound Director: Yoshikazu Iwanami Sound Production: HALF H · P STUDIO Music: Masaru Yokoyama Animation Production: A-1 Pictures

Opening Theme Song 1: "Eiyu Unmei no Uta" by EGOIST Ending Theme Song 1: "Désir" by GARNiDELiA Opening Theme Song 2: "ASH" by LiSA Ending Theme Song 2: "KOE" by ASCA

CAST (Japanese / English):

Sieg: Natsuki Hanae / Zach Aguilar Ruler: Maaya Sakamoto / Erika Harlacher Shirou Kotomine: Koki Uchiyama / Max Mittelman Saber of Black: Junichi Suwabe / Ben Pronsky Archer of Black: Shunsuke Takeuch / Jalen K. Cassell Lancer of Black: Ryotaro Okiayu / Ray Chase Rider of Black: Rumi Okubo / Faye Mata Caster of Black: Mitsuru Miyamoto / Cam Clarke Berserker of Black: Ai Nonaka / Sarah Williams Assassin of Black: Sakura Tange / Erica Mendez Darnic Prestone Yggdmillennia: Nobuyuki Hiyama / Ben Diskin Fiore Forvedge Yggdmillennia: Chinatsu Akasaki / Kayli Mills Caules Forvedge Yggdmillennia: Yusuke Kobayashi / Tom Bauer Gordes Musik Yggdmilennia: Toru Okawa / Brad Venable Celenike Icecolle Yggdmillennia: Shizuka Ishigami / Lauren Landa Roche Frain Yggdmillennia: Emiri Kato / Erica Mendez Reika Rikudou: Mai Nakahara / Allegra Clark Saber of Red: Miyuki Sawashiro / Erica Lindbeck Archer of Red: Saori Hayami / Allegra Clark Lancer of Red: Koji Yusa / Chris Niosi Rider of Red: Makoto Furukawa / Joe Zieja Caster of Red: Tetsu Inada / Keith Silverstein Berserker of Red: Satoshi Tsuruoka / Josh Tomar Assassin of Red: Kei Shindo / Allegra Clark Kairi Shishigou: Kenji Nomura / Patrick Seitz Lord El-Melloi II: Daisuke Namikawa / Lucien Dodge Flat Escardos: Yoshitsugu Matsuoka / Khoi Dao

English ADR Director: Tony Oliver

Fate/Apocrypha Blu-ray Box Set I includes:



<Disc Specs>

- Spoken Languages: Japanese & English
- Subtitles: English
- Aspect ratio: 16:9 widescreen
- Episodes: Eps.1-12
- Number of Disc: 4 discs (3 BDs + 1 CD)
- Total Run Time: approx. 280 min.
- Rating: 13 UP

<Bonus Contents>

- PV & CM Collection
- Textless Opening and Ending * Bonus contents include subtitles

<Bonus Materials and Package>

- Original Soundtrack I (by Masaru Yokoyama)
- Booklet

• Rigid Box Illustrated by Ototsugu Konoe (Original Character Design) *Bonus materials subject to change.

Product number and UPC bar code:

Title	Street Date	SKU #	UPC	SRP	Store price
Fate/Aporcrypha Blu-ray Box Set I	11/20/2018	AOA-11801	816546021399	\$149.98	\$119.98

Fate/Apocrypha Blu-ray Volume 2 includes:



<Disc Specs>

- Spoken Languages: Japanese & English
- Subtitles: English
- Aspect ratio: 16:9 widescreen
- Episodes: Eps.13-25
- Number of Disc: 4 discs (3 BDs + 1 CD)
- Total Run Time: approx. 307 min.
- Rating:13 UP

<Bonus Contents>

- PV & CM Collection
- Textless Opening and Ending * Bonus contents include subtitles

<Bonus Materials and Package>

- Original Soundtrack II (by Masaru Yokoyama)
- Booklet
- Rigid Box Illustrated by Ototsugu Konoe (Original Character Design) *Bonus materials subject to change.

Product number and UPC bar code:

Title	Street Date	SKU #	UPC	SRP	Store price
Fate/Aporcrypha Blu-ray Box Set II	2/12/2019	AOA-11802	816546021405	\$159.98	\$129.98

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 evergrowing 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 The Animation, 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, Sword Art Online Alternative: Gun Gale Online, Yuuna and the Haunted Hot Springs, and Cells at Work!. 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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