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Aniplex of America Acquires *Blue Exorcist: Kyoto Saga* for Winter Season Lineup



**BLUE
EXØRCIST**
KYOTO SAGA

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Popular Anime Series to Receive New Season in January 2017

SANTA MONICA, CA (October 15, 2016) – Aniplex of America Inc. announced today that they have acquired ***Blue Exorcist: Kyoto Saga*** for their upcoming winter season lineup. ***Blue Exorcist: Kyoto Saga*** has been adapted from the Kyoto Arc of the widely popular *Blue Exorcist* manga series by original author Kazue Kato. The series is scheduled to run weekly in Japan starting in January 2017.

The series returns an all-star cast including Nobuhiko Okamoto as Rin Okumura, Jun Fukuyama as Yukio Okumura, Kana Hanazawa as Shiemi Moriyama, Kazuya Nakai as Ryuji Suguro, Koji Yusa as Renzo Shima, Yuki Kaji as Konekomaru Miwa, Eri Kitamura as Izumo Kamiki, Rina Sato as Shura Kirigakure, Ayahi Takagaki as Kuro, and Hiroshi Kamiya as Mephisto Pheles.

About *Blue Exorcist: Kyoto Saga*:

Assiah, the realm of humans, and Gehenna, the realm of demons. Normally, these two dimensions would never intersect, but having possessed all material substances, the demons are now intruding on the material world. But among the human race, there are those who can exorcise such demons—the exorcists.

Rin Okumura kept the fact that he was Satan's offspring a secret from everyone and decided to become an exorcist. He began his training at True Cross Academy but following the incidents involving

Amaimon's raid, his lineage became apparent. Fearing his true nature and the blue flames marking his connection to Gehenna, Rin's classmates all distanced themselves from him. Meanwhile, the academy was on high alert when they realized that the "Left Eye of the Impure King" had been stolen! What lies ahead for Rin and his classmates?

STAFF

Original Story: Kazue Kato (published in Jump Square / Shueisha)

Director: Kouichi Hatsumi

Series Composition: Toshiya Ohno

Character Design: Keigo Sasaki

Music: Hiroyuki Sawano

Animation Production: A-1 Pictures

CAST

Rin Okumura: Nobuhiko Okamoto

Yukio Okumura: Jun Fukuyama

Shiemi Moriyama: Kana Hanazawa

Ryuji Suguro: Kazuya Nakai

Renzo Shima: Koji Yusa

Konekomaru Miwa: Yuki Kaji

Izumo Kamiki: Eri Kitamura

Kuro: Ayahi Takagaki

Shura Kirigakure: Rina Sato

Mephisto Pheles: Hiroshi Kamiya

Shiro Fujimoto: Keiji Fujiwara

About Aniplex of America Inc.

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