

**VLADLOVE Screening Event with Mamoru Oshii, Junji Nishimura, and  
the VLADLOVE Production Team on December 28!  
Opening of the Ichigo Animation Official Shop CulZone at  
AKIBA CULTURES ZONE and DiverCity Tokyo Plaza  
on December 18!**



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Screening Event of the First Four  
Episodes of VLADLOVE!

It has been one year since the announcement of its production, and Ichigo Animation has decided to hold a screening event of VLADLOVE, Mamoru Oshii's first anime of Japan's Reiwa era. The event will be held on the same day as the World Premiere announced on November 20. Episodes 1 through 4 will be screened, and guests can catch a glimpse of Oshii's newest animation techniques.

The production team, including Executive Director Mamoru Oshii, Director Junji Nishimura, Character Design Issei Arakaki, and Animation Producer Toru Miyakoshi from the animation company Drive Inc., will appear on stage for a talk show. They will be discussing the production process and the behind-the-scenes of the series.

### **Non-Credit Opening Video of Opening Theme Song (Mai Version) Available Now on YouTube**

Artist: LOVEBITES      Song Title: "Winds Of Transylvania"

<https://youtu.be/fiV8IH9jN4>

The video is filled with the enthusiasm and passion of the VLADLOVE team, and features all of the high-quality techniques used in the series.

### **Special Edition of Episode 1 to be Available for Free on December 18**

Official VLADLOVE YouTube Channel [www.youtube.com/VLADLOVEOFFICIAL](http://www.youtube.com/VLADLOVEOFFICIAL)

Preview Trailer <https://youtu.be/xgl4WJbne4o>

## **Ichigo Animation Official Shop CulZone Opening on December 18 on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of AKIBA CULTURES ZONE and 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of DiverCity Tokyo Plaza!**

The official shop of Ichigo Animation, CulZone is opening. Focusing on anime and music themes, the shop will also have an exhibition space. The first themed shop will be the VLADLOVE Official Shop. CulZone will be opening on the fourth floor of the AKIBA CULTURES ZONE and the second floor of DiverCity Tokyo Plaza. The DiverCity Tokyo Plaza shop is a pop-up that will be open from December 18, 2020 to April 4, 2021. The lineup of items for sale will be different for each location and will also be available on the online Culzone store.

The Team Oshii GG souvenir jackets, which are the same jackets worn by Mamoru Oshii, Junji Nishimura, and the production staff, will be available for sale.

Ichigo Animation will expand its apparel line to offer edgy and fashionable items featuring anime series characters that can be worn daily.



### Lineup of Souvenir Jackets



#### Team Oshii GG Souvenir Jacket

Genuine cow leather. Same jacket offered as the prize for the Oshii award under the VLADLOVE Poster Contest.

JPY 88,000 (including tax)



#### Akihabara Jacket

A striking embroidery of a salamander on the back catches the eye. Its design is of an MA-1 flight jacket. The jacket is reversible, and an embroidery of a bat on the right shoulder adds an accent.

JPY 18,000 (including tax)

## **CulZone Overview**

Available Goods: Anime goods from VLADLOVE, Mobile Police PATLABOR, etc.

Store Locations: AKIBA Culture ZONE (4F), DiverCity Tokyo Plaza (2F)

Opening Date: December 18, 2020 11:00am

CulZone Online Store: <https://cul-zone.stores.jp>

IA & ACZ Official Twitter: [www.twitter.com/ACZ\\_official](http://www.twitter.com/ACZ_official)

## **VLADLOVE Screening Event Details**

### **VLADLOVE Screening Event (Episodes 1~4) and Talk Show**

Guests: Mamoru Oshii, Junji Nishimura, Issei Arakaki, Toru Miyakoshi, et al.

Place: United Cinemas Toyosu Screen No.1

Date: December 28, 2020 (Doors Open: 4:30pm, Screening: 5:00pm to 7:30pm)

Ticket Price: JPY 1,500 (including tax)

Ticket Application Start Date: Wednesday, December 9, 2020

**Please note this is not the World Premiere which was previously announced.**

Ticket Application URL: [www.ticketpay.jp/booking/?event\\_id=31045](http://www.ticketpay.jp/booking/?event_id=31045)

Ticket Application Period: December 9, 2020 6:00 pm to December 16, 2020 11:59pm

Tickets will be distributed via lottery and not by order of applications received.

Lottery Results Announcement Date: Friday, December 18, 2020

Payment Due Date: Monday, December 21, 2020

An announcement will be made if there will be a second lottery depending on the number of applications for the first lottery.

Tickets will be distributed via lottery. Each person can only apply once for a limit of two tickets.

- Due to Covid, event guests may be asked to maintain social distancing when sitting with family and friends.
- If you are applying for two tickets, you will be asked to enter the accompanying guest's name.
- In the case of a cancellation, the event sponsors are not responsible for refunding any ticketing fees or any other costs.
- The event may be cancelled if Covid restrictions on movie theaters or events are issued by the government.
- Your body temperature will be measured at the event site.
- Please wear a mask and refrain from eating and drinking.

### **Notes Regarding Use of Ticket Pay**

- Please register as a Ticket Pay user (free of charge) when applying for tickets.
- Applicants will be charged a ticketing fee of JPY 300 (excluding tax) to be paid at FamilyMart after registration.
- In addition to the ticket price, there will be separate processing fees.
- Payment can be made online via credit card or in person at Family Mart when printing your tickets.
- Please bring your payment registration number to FamilyMart before the payment due date.

For inquiries, please contact Ichigo Animation at [info@vladlove.com](mailto:info@vladlove.com).

## **Story**

Mitsugu Bamba is a high school student with a blood donation obsession, to the point that she feels compelled to visit a local blood bank on a daily basis, earning the ire of an unfriendly nurse. One day at the blood bank Mitsugu encounters a beautiful girl named Mai who looks like she is from overseas. Mai is so pale that she appears ready to faint. Instead, she suddenly starts smashing equipment. Mai then loses consciousness, and Mitsugu takes her home.

## **Production Team**

Executive Director & Screenplay: Mamoru Oshii

Director: Junji Nishimura

Screenplay: Mamoru Oshii, Kei Yamamura

Visual Design: Uta Mizuno

Character Design: Issei Arakaki

Color Design: Hiroko Umezaki

Background Artist: Yasutada Kato

Background Art Director: Kazuhiro Obata

Background Art: smartile

Sound Director: Kazuhiro Wakabayashi

Sound Effects: Kaori Yamada

Sound Production: Take Imaizumi

Sound Work: Production I.G

Music Production: AUBE

Music: Kenji Kawai

Animation: Drive Inc.

Animation Production Cooperation: Production I.G

Creative Production: Comic Animation Inc.

## **Cast**

Mitsugu Bamba: Ayane Sakura

Mai Vlad Transilvania: Rina Hidaka

Chihiro Chimatsuri: Romi Park

Maki Watabe: Saori Hayami

Jinko Sumida: Yoko Hikasa

Nami Unten: Yu Kobayashi

Kaoru Konno: Kanako Takatsuki

Masumi Katsuno: Kenta Miyake

Okada: Kaito Ishikawa

Kambara: Ryunosuke Watanuki

Horita: Taro Kiuchi

Mai's Dad: Hiroshi Iwasaki

Mitsugu's Dad: Jouji Nakata

**Opening Theme Song (Mitsugu Version)****Artist: BlooDye****Song Title: “Where you are”**

Lyrics by Daisuke “DAIS” Miyachi and LITTLE

Music composed by Daisuke “DAIS” Miyachi

Arranged by Yuichi Ohno

RAP by LITTLE (KICK THE CAN CREW)

**Opening Theme Song (Mai Version)****Artist: LOVEBITES****Song Title: “Winds Of Transylvania”**

Lyrics by asami

Music composed by asami &amp; Mao

Arranged by LOVEBITES &amp; Mao

**Ending Theme Song (Chihiro Version), Japan Release****Artists: alan & Ayasa****Song Title: “Akaiame”**

Lyrics by Psycho Kawamura

Music composed and arranged by ZENTA

**Ending Theme Song (Ayasa Instrumental Version), Overseas Release****Artist: Ayasa****Title: “Shingetsu (Instrumental)”**

Music composed and arranged by Yasuhisa Inoue

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