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Release of <u>A Complete VLADLOVE Guide</u>, the Official Fan Book of VLADLOVE, Mamoru Oshii and Junji Nishimura's New Anime Series!

Renowned anime director Mamoru Oshii is known for breakthrough works such as PATLABOR: The Movie and Ghost in the Shell.

VLADLOVE, written and directed by Oshii, is his first collaboration with Junji Nishimura since Urusei Yatsura, and will be released on February 14, 2021. The 256-page <u>A Complete VLADLOVE Guide</u> (in Japanese) will go on sale on March 5, 2021 to commemorate the launch of the series.

Currently Accepting Advanced Orders!

www.amazon.co.jp/dp/4299003594

How did VLADLOVE come to life? This guide features exclusive material including images and initial sketches of each character!

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- Illustration gallery and main character introductions and images
- Initial sketches, prop images, and explanations of all episodes
- Cast interviews, storyboards of all episodes, and all images from "Episode 9: Bolted"
- Images selected by the Key Animation Director
- Tetsuya Nishio portraits
- VLADLOVE poster illustrations
- Uta Mizuno illustrations, art boards, interviews with main staff, and more!



VLADLOVE Episode 1 – 6 Available on Streaming Platforms in Japan on February 14, 2021

Subscription Services

ABEMA, Amazon Prime Video, d anime store, d anime store Nico Nico Branch, d anime store for Prime Video, FOD, Hulu, J:COM On Demand, milplus, TELASA, TSUTAYA TV, U-NEXT, animeteleto, Anime Hodai, BANDAI CHANNEL, Hikari TV, flat douga

Rental Services

Amazon Prime Video, DMM.com, FOD, GYaO! Store, Google Play, HAPPY! Douga, J:COM On Demand, milplus, music.jp, Rakuten TV, TELASA, TSUTAYA TV, VIDEX, YouTube Movies & Shows, GEO TV, Nico Nico Channel, BANDAI CHANNEL, Hikari TV, Video Market, MovieFull Plus

Please check the official VLADLOVE website for updates on the available platforms.

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 & Mao Arranged by LOVEBITES & 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

Ichigo Animation Official Shop CulZone



CulZone Overview

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

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

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

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