

NEWS RELEASE

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TMS Entertainment Co., Ltd.

**"ALL OUT!!" is the first ever animated TV show about rugby!**  
**To be produced by TMS and MADHOUSE!**  
**Broadcast will begin in the fall of 2016**  
**A team assembled from the sports production elite! A portrayal of the fire of youth!**

TMS Entertainment Co., Ltd. (Head office: Nakano-ku, Tokyo, President: Yoshiharu Suzuki, referred to below as TMS), will produce an animated TV series based on "ALL OUT!!", the authentic high school rugby manga created by Shiori Amase (currently serialized in Kodansha's 'Morning Two'). They will make the announcement of the broadcast beginning in the fall of 2016, and release teaser visuals.

[Official TV show website]  
<http://allout-anime.com/>

[Official Twitter account]  
[https://twitter.com/allout\\_anime](https://twitter.com/allout_anime)

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<https://www.facebook.com/allout.animation>

■ About ALL OUT!!

"ALL OUT!!" is a high school rugby comic loved for its dynamic production and sensitive psychological portrayal. It has been serialized in the monthly "Morning Two" since 2012, and the comic has now been published up to Volume 7 (referred to below as "ongoing publication".)

Volume 8 is scheduled for publication on February 23rd, with the simultaneous release of a Special Edition Volume 8 bundled with an original drama CD featuring the same cast as the animated TV show, as well as a Special Edition Volume 1 consisting of the previously published Volume 1 bundled with the original drama CD.

■ A stellar team has been assembled!

The show is directed by Kenichi Shimizu, who has worked on "Parasyte -The Maxim-", "Avengers Confidential: Black Widow & Punisher", etc., and is widely active both in Japan and overseas. Shimizu himself, like the characters in ALL OUT!!, participated in high school rugby, and he makes use of that experience, adding passion to this first ever animated rugby series. The series structure and screenplay are by Masahiro Yokotani, who built a reputation for deep portrayals of the vibrant daily lives of male high school students in the "Free!" series. The screenplay is co-authored by Shingo Irie, who is also involved in writing the live-action drama, "Kuroko's Basketball" and others. Together with Japan's premier portrayer of physical beauty, Masanori Shino of "BLACK LAGOON" fame in character design, they form a highly talented team, assembled specially for this production!



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Voice performers include two leading voice actors, Shoya Chiba as the main character, Kenji Gion, and Yuto Adachi as Sumiaki Iwashimizu! Additional members of the lineup, include Yoshimasa Hosoya playing the captain Takuya Sekizan, and Ryota Osaka as vice-captain Mutsumi Hachioji. All of the cast member express the individuality of the rich characters who give the original work its charm, and together they bring this exciting drama to life.

For the production of the "ALL OUT!!" animated TV series, TMS, producers of past sports-related works like "Star of the Giants" and "Attack No. 1" and "Yowamushi Pedal", formed a tight scrum with MADHOUSE, producers of "Ace of Diamond" and "One-Punch Man". There was also special participation by Telecom Animation Film, producers the new TV series, "Lupin the Third" 30 years after the original. We hope you will be looking forward to this collaboration between historic production companies who have joined forces to portray the sport of rugby.

Together with the Japan Rugby Football Union, who cooperated in the production of the "ALL OUT!!" animated TV series, TMS will help promote the popularization and public awareness of rugby.

### ■ Overview

#### [Story]

In Rugby, there is no Ace Striker, there is no No. 4 Batter, so who is the star of the team?

The story begins at school entrance ceremony of Kanagawa High School where Kenji Gion, a small but gutsy go-getter joins the rugby club.

He joins with his classmate, Iwashimizu, who has a complicated past and sub-captain Hachioji, who always takes good care of his Club members.

Lastly, there is Captain Sekizan, who has overwhelming powers but keeps his cards close to his chest. With such differences in both personality and physical performance, the team must learn to work and grow together so they can become the best.

#### [Main staff]

- Original work: Shiori Amase (Monthly magazine "Morning Two"/Kodansha)
- Director: Kenichi Shimizu
- Series structure and screenplay: Masahiro Yokotani
- Screenplay: Shingo Irie
- Character design: Masanori Shino
- Animation production: TMS Entertainment and MADHOUSE
- Planning and production assistance: Telecom Animation Film
- Cooperation: The Japan Rugby Football Union

#### [Cast]

- Kenji Gion: Shoya Chiba
- Sumiaki Iwashimizu: Yuto Adachi
- Takuya Sekizan: Yoshimasa Hosoya
- Mutsumi Hachioji: Ryota Osaka

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