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## SERIES

***House of Ninjas*****February 15, 2024**

**Logline:** What if ninjas still walked among us? Years after retiring from their formidable ninja lives, a dysfunctional family is forced to dive back into the shadowy world of secret missions to combat a series of emerging threats.

<b>Director</b>	Dave Boyle
<b>Writer</b>	Dave Boyle Masahiro Yamaura Kota Oura Kanna Kimura
<b>Original Work</b>	Kento Kaku Yoshiaki Murao Takafumi Imai
<b>Producer</b>	Akira Kanbe
<b>Production</b>	TOHO Studio
<b>Cast</b>	Kento Kaku Yosuke Eguchi Tae Kimura Kengo Kora Aju Makita Riho Yoshioka Nobuko Miyamoto Tomorrow Taguchi Tokio Emoto Pierre Taki Kjusaku Shimada Mariko Tsutsui Tenta Banka





## ***Tokyo Swindlers***

**Coming in 2024**

**Logline:** Based on Ko Shinjo's captivating novel, *Tokyo Swindlers* brings to life a high-stakes game of real estate deception. Directed by the versatile Hitoshi One, who has been eagerly anticipating this project, this thrilling crime drama series stars Go Ayano and Etsushi Toyokawa. The story unveils a series of unprecedented crimes committed by a cunning group of land scammers who use real estate sales as bait to steal large sums of money.

<b>Director</b>	Hitoshi One
<b>Screenplay</b>	Hitoshi One
<b>Based on</b>	"Tokyo Swindlers" by Ko Shinjo (published by Shueisha Bunko)
<b>Producers</b>	Kenichi Yoshida Harue Miyake
<b>Production</b>	Nikkatsu Booster Project
<b>Cast</b>	Go Ayano Etsushi Toyokawa





## ***The Queen of Villains***

**Coming in 2024**

**Logline:** *The Queen of Villains* unveils the untold story of Dump Matsumoto, a professional wrestler who ignited a boom in women's wrestling in the 1980s with her cult-like following. Unlike the iconic “Crush Gals” duo, Chigusa Nagayo and Lioness Asuka, Matsumoto made her mark as the most famous heel. Dominating television screens, they became a cultural phenomenon, captivating Japan.

<b>Developed, Produced, and Written by</b>	Osamu Suzuki
<b>Chief Director</b>	Kazuya Shiraishi
<b>Director</b>	Katsuhito Mogi
<b>Writer</b>	Junya Ikegami
<b>Producers</b>	Haruhiko Hasegawa Hidehisa Chiwata
<b>Production</b>	KADOKAWA
<b>Cast</b>	Yuriyan Retriever Erika Karata Ayame Goriki



## ***Beyond Goodbye***

**Coming in 2024**

**Logline:** The story portrays the poignant miracle of two lives intertwined by fate: a woman mourning her fiancé lost in a tragic accident and the man who was saved by her late fiancé's heart. A grief-stricken Saeko meets Naruse, a man who strangely reminds her of Yusuke, her fiancé who died in a traffic accident on the very day he proposed to her. Little did she know that Naruse received Yusuke's heart. Featuring Kasumi Arimura and Kentaro Sakaguchi, this original series is written by Yoshikazu Okada known for his human drama works among the Japanese audience.

<b>Screenplay</b>	Yoshikazu Okada
<b>Director</b>	Hiroshi Kurosaki
<b>Producers</b>	Jun Kurosawa Teppei Chikami
<b>Music</b>	Aska Matsumiya
<b>Production</b>	Telepack
<b>Cast</b>	Kasumi Arimura Kentaro Sakaguchi



## ***Love Deadline***

**January 23, 2024**

**Logline:** Personality. Looks. Income. Is he the one? Or will a better one come along? In this new reality show from Japan, singles in search of life partners travel to dreamy destinations, from idyllic Okinawa to historic Kyoto. The five women must choose their fate with a man who could be eliminated at any moment. With time running out and only one chance at proposing, it's up to her to choose her happily ever after. Can she make the decision of a lifetime on a random deadline?

<b>Director and Chief Producer</b>	Keisuke Hishida
<b>Chief Director</b>	Keisuke Yoshimura
<b>Production</b>	Kyodo Television
<b>Studio Emcees</b>	Hidetsugu Shibata (from the comedy duo "Untouchable") Miu Ikeda Nana Suzuki
<b>Theme Song</b>	"Baby Don't Cry" by Namie Amuro





## Love Village Season 2

Coming in 2024

**Logline:** Following a successful first season that remained in Netflix Japan's Top 10 for six weeks upon release, *Love Village* returns for Season 2. Eight singles aged 35 to 60 move to a house in a rural village. In this tranquil and idyllic setting, away from the realities of the world, they live together in search of love. The goal is for participants to find everlasting love by showing their real selves — tears, laughter and quarrels included. Will they leave the village with new romantic partners?

<b>Chief Producer and Director</b>	Hitoshi Nishiyama
<b>Production</b>	En Network
<b>Studio emcees</b>	Atsushi Tamura Becky



## ***Last One Standing Season 3***

**Coming in 2024**

**Logline:** Hosted by Chidori, *Last One Standing* is a unique show that features comedians sharing their personal stories, with the catch that if they're not funny, they're immediately eliminated. This sharp-edged rule, leading to a constant stream of hilarious episodes, has won the show a wide fanbase. The show also features a dramatic segment where comedians undertake challenges alongside accomplished actors. Season 2 swept Japan off its feet, introducing new challengers in a world-altering incident set in a large hospital and a mysterious organization rife with conspiracies, staking their survival on their ability to entertain. The show made headlines by topping Netflix's "Today's TV Program Top 10" the day after its release and debuting at number 2 in Netflix Japan's Top 10.

<b>Developed and Produced by</b>	Nobuyuki Sakuma
<b>Producers</b>	Yoko Usui Seiya Horio
<b>Director</b>	Hayato Kawai
<b>Writer</b>	Ryoichi Tsuchiya
<b>Production</b>	UNITED PRODUCTIONS
<b>Production Cooperation</b>	Yoshimoto Kogyo
<b>Cast</b>	Chidori

## FILM



## *The Parades*

**February 29, 2024**

**Logline:** *The Parades* is the latest film from acclaimed director Michihito Fujii. The story follows Minako (Masami Nagasawa), who wakes up on a desolate beach and soon realizes she's passed away. Alongside an eclectic group of fellow spirits, she participates in a monthly "Parade," a gathering where the departed seek to reconnect with the living, all while navigating this surreal existence. This poignant story explores the emotions of the departed towards the loved ones they've left behind.

<b>Director and Screenplay</b>	Michihito Fujii
<b>Music</b>	Yojiro Noda
<b>Developed by</b>	Mitsunobu Kawamura
<b>Producers</b>	Naomi Sato Takuya Michiue Ryo Yukizane
<b>Production</b>	BABEL LABEL
<b>Cast</b>	Masami Nagasawa Kentaro Sakaguchi Ryusei Yokohama Nana Mori Tetsushi Tanaka Shinobu Terajima Lily Franky





## ***City Hunter***

**April 25, 2024**

**Logline:** “City Hunter”, the legendary manga that captivated Japan and sold over 50 million copies, gets its eagerly awaited Japanese live-action adaptation. The story follows Ryo Saeba, portrayed by Ryohei Suzuki, a premier “sweeper” navigating the gritty underbelly of modern-day Shinjuku, Tokyo. Balancing a cool demeanor with a fun personality, Ryo tackles high-stakes challenges in the underworld. Misato Morita steps into the role of the heroine, Kaori Makimura, in this action-packed adventure.

<b>Director</b>	Yuichi Sato
<b>Screenplay</b>	Tatsuro Mishima
<b>Based on</b>	The manga "City Hunter" by Tsukasa Hojo
<b>Producers</b>	Keisuke Sanpei Kosuke Oshida
<b>Production</b>	Horipro Office Shirous
<b>Courtesy of</b>	Coamix
<b>Cast</b>	Ryohei Suzuki Misato Morita



## ***Drawing Closer***

**Coming in 2024**

**Logline:** This live-action film is based on a best-selling novel which has been lauded on social media as a “moving and tear-jerking” love story. It follows two individuals living on borrowed time, as they strive to leave meaningful imprints of their existence.

Diagnosed with a terminal heart disease, Akito faces the harsh reality of his limited time. Amidst his despair, he meets Haruna, who, despite living with a terminal illness herself, displays an unflinching courage towards death. As Akito, concealing his own illness, grows increasingly intrigued by Haruna, he grapples with a poignant question: Can he fall in love, knowing their time together is fleeting?

<b>Director</b>	Takahiro Miki
<b>Screenplay</b>	Tomoko Yoshida
<b>Based On</b>	“Yomei Ichinen to Senkoku Sareta Boku ga, Yomei Hantoshi no Kimi to Deatta Hanashi” (POPLAR) by Ao Morita
<b>Producers</b>	Kei Haruna Sho Toguchi Tatsuya Sakano
<b>Production</b>	Nikkatsu Django Film
<b>Cast</b>	Ren Nagase Natsuki Deguchi