

ANIME VIDEO ROOM 1 PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

Ah! My Goddess 2: Flights of Fancy (age: 13+) It's been almost a year since the Goddess Belldandy came to live with college student Keiichi Morisato, and he's almost gotten up the nerve to kiss her. Unfortunately, the encounter with the Lord of Terror damaged some of Yggdrasil's systems, and the contract binding Belldandy and Keiichi is among the lost data. The lovebirds can only hope the information can be retrieved before the Almighty One orders Belldandy back to Heaven. Naturally Skuld and Urd try to help, but it might be better if they didn't. Then, with Christmas at hand, Keiichi works himself to the bone to buy a present, and the rivalry with Sayoko may have driven Belldandy to drink?!

Ai Yori Aoshi (age: 13+) "Do you remember your first love? Kaoru Hanabishi just wanted to help. Aoi Sakuraba just wanted to find her first love. They never realized they were looking for each other. Ever since their arranged marriage 18 years ago, Aoi had been in love with Kaoru, but she traveled to Tokyo to meet him when she learned the marriage had been called off. While Kaoru's impressed by Aoi's loyalty, innocence and beauty, to accept her affection, he might have to return to the Hanabishi Clan and the emotional and physical pain he suffered during his childhood...Their self-control and their love will be put to the test when she moves in and he tries to stay a gentleman!" *courtesy of Geneon*

Argentosoma (age: 13+) "Life Ends...Takuto Kaneshiro is a gifted young man and considered by most to be something of a genius. With a sweet, lovable girlfriend, he's got a lot of dreams for his future. But those dreams soon turn to nightmares when Takuto is involved with a freak accident during a secret experiment. He will have the things most dear to him... taken away. With Takuto Kaneshiro dead, Ryu Soma is born. And the only thing on his mind is revenge." *courtesy of BANDAI Entertainment*

Best Student Council (age: 13+) "At first glance, Miyagami Gakuen seems like a typical all-girls' school. But beneath its placid surface, a highly-disciplined student council is engaged in an unceasing struggle to keep Miyagami Gakuen safe from the outside (adult) world! Complete with covert and assault divisions, all student council members have some kind of special ability. So how did cute little transfer student Rando Rino make the cut?" *courtesy of ADV Films*

Black Lagoon (age: 16+) "Filled with scenes of heroic bloodshed, Black Lagoon is Action Incarnate! Rokuro Okajima is meek, mundane and metropolitan. His business trip to South East Asia turns from pleasure cruise to festival of pain when modern day pirates board the ship and take him hostage. Revy, Dutch and Benny are merciless, maniacal and mean. Together, they make up the crew of the Black Lagoon. They are the exact opposite of Rokuro in every way but one? A mercenary group out has targeted them to steal the data disc that Rokuro had, and with it, classified information that threatens the peace and security of the entire world! Amen. Hallelujah. Peanut Butter." *courtesy of Geneon*

Bottle Fairy (age: 7+) "Discover Japanese culture from the eyes of four little fairies! "To make a wish come true, write it down in a letter and send it off in a bottle." So began the education of four young fairies wishing to become human. Join them in learning all about "Golden Week," school, love, and much more as they eagerly learn about people in their quest to become human." *courtesy of Geneon*

Comic Party (age: 14+) "A hilarious new series that parodies the entire Anime/Manga industry! With direction by Norihiko Sudo (Assistant Director, *Castle in the Sky*) and scripts by Hiroshi Yamaguchi (*Desert Punk*, *Peacemaker*, *Yukikaze*)! Destiny or delusion? It's a hilarious rollercoaster of laughter and confusion when Taishi, the ultimate otaku, drags his friend Kazuki into the swirling world of ambition, hatred, and love - the world of fan comics! Poor clueless Kazuki must sink or swim when he's dumped straight into the middle of a massive comic convention. Lost amidst hoards of buyers, sellers, and cosplayers, Kazuki is about to be baptized by fire, all in order to lead him toward his true calling: to take over the world through fan comics! Meanwhile, Kazuki's childhood friend Mizuki isn't about to let him be dragged from his normal life without a fight! But will she be able to stop the addictive draw of the new world that lies before Kazuki? Little by little, Kazuki is slipping down the path towards destiny - and Taishi is shoving him every step of the way! Join the Comic Party, and follow Kazuki as his journey takes him through the steps to becoming a master fan comic author - while spoofing everything along the way! From *Gundam* to *Evangelion*, from *Initial D* to *Wedding Peach*; if it's part of the anime world, it's all fair game!" *courtesy of Right Stuf*

Coyote Ragtime Show (age: 14+) "*Coyote Ragtime Show* is the over-the-top sci-fi action series otaku have been clamoring for since it first launched on Japanese television July 2006. ADV has pushed the envelope to bring this ratings blockbuster to North America in record time, making it the freshest new release of 2007!" *courtesy of ADV Films*

Di Gi Charat Nyo! (age: 7+) "I was sent here with Puchiko and Gema so that I can train to become a proper princess. Upon landing in the Lucky Cat Shopping District, we met so many nice people. The elderly couple who runs the local bake shop has adopted Puchiko as their surrogate granddaughter and Yasushi and his brother Kiyoshi have let Gema and me stay at their toy store filled with all the lame toys that Yasushi has invented himself. Life here would be so perfect if it wasn't for this rabbit-eared wannabe idol named Rabi-En-Rose. Oh well, cest la vie." *courtesy of BANDAI Entertainment*

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Disgaea (age: 13+) "The King of the Netherworld has died and various demons are now building their own empires in an effort to take control. However, the late King's son has arrived and is out to reclaim his rightful place as ruler of the Netherworld! Along to help him is his vassal; Etna with her Prinny squad, and Flonne, an angel-in-training originally sent to assassinate the king only to find that he has already died. Join our three intrepid, and somewhat eccentric, heroes as they initiate their plan to conquer the Netherworld, Heaven and Earth!" *courtesy of Geneon*

Doki Doki School Hours (age: 13+) "Mika wants to be the best teacher in the world: able to inspire her students to work hard and excel in their studies. Every day she tries her hardest to achieve this dream, but standing at under five feet tall (even in heels!), it's difficult to be taken seriously. To make matters worse, her class is full of hyperactive kids (to say the least), from the super athlete to the resident otaku. Can Mika-sensei control her classroom and reach her goal of becoming a well-respected teacher? Pay attention-- this is not your average comedy!" *courtesy of Geneon*

Ergo Proxy (age: 16+) "The domed city of Romd is an impenetrable would-be utopia where humans and robots coexist, and everything is under complete government control, or so it appears. While working on a mysterious murder case, Re-I Mayer, a female detective from the Civilian Intelligence Office, receives a foreboding message that something is going to "awaken." That night, she's attacked by a deformed super-being...what was this unidentified monster that attacked her, and who was the figure that came in between them? As Re-I attempts to unlock this spiraling mystery, a metaphysical battle cry leads her to the unknown outside world..." *courtesy of Geneon*

Freedom (age: 13+) "Simultaneously released in Japan, *Freedom* unleashes a revolution in next generation animation, seamlessly combining 2D and 3D graphics to weave an epic tale of repression—and revolt. Directed by rising superstar Shuhei Morita (*Kakurenbo, Hide & Seek*)."
courtesy of BANDAI Visual USA

Gundam MS IGLOO (age: 13+) "For the first time ever in the *Gundam* series! *Universal Century 0079* -- the Zeon side of the One-Year War is finally visualized in full 3D CG! Takashi Imanishi, one of the renowned directors of the *0083 Star Dust Memory* series and movie, presents the first ever *Gundam* story in full 3D CG! The epic story of *Gundam* is taken into a new realm where it takes the viewer deeper behind the lines of the One-Year War than ever before. Now, see how the war was portrayed on the side of Zeon. Who is the true evil? The impact of the battle scenes and mechas are depicted in a scale never before felt!" *courtesy of BANDAI Visual USA*

.hack//ROOTS (age: 13+) "It was the year 2015, and for gamers throughout the world, it was the year "The World" as they knew it burned to the ground. Caught in a mysterious fire, the datacenters containing all information about the world's most popular game were destroyed. Now, one year later a new game has arrived born out of splicing data from a new project: The World R:2. As millions of players throughout the servers, they soon discover that this version of the world is much more unforgiving than its previous incarnation. More dangerous than any game created monster, Player Killers now infest all servers, endlessly searching for easy prey in this unstable world. As one of the many newbies to begin his adventures in the R:2 world, Haseo will find himself a target of not only the numerous Player Killers, but of two rivaling guilds, who hope to use his reputed special gifts to pursue their own agendas."
courtesy of BANDAI Entertainment

Haibane Renmei (age: 13+) The winged (and haloed) Haibane, forgotten by the world and with no memory of their past, live in a walled city along with normal humans, and only birds can leave or enter. A quiet, nostalgic drama set in an intriguing world.

Kurau Phantom Memory (age: 14+) "Fans have been waiting for this sci-fi thriller since it hit Japanese airwaves in 2004! In the year 2053, Dr. Amami's 12 year old daughter Kurau is doused with mysterious Rynax rays. To Dr. Amami's horror, he discovers that Rynax is actually an alien life form, and the new entity has taken over his daughter's body. Moreover, the Rynax have given Kurau amazing and dangerous new powers. As her father searches for a cure, sinister elements seek to bend the Rynax (and Kurau) to their own power-hungry ends."
courtesy of ADV Films

Kaleido Star (age: 12+) Sora has always dreamed of performing with the acrobatic troupe Kaleidostar, and now she has a chance, if she can only prove herself. And with a little help from her friends, she just might manage. *courtesy of ADV Films*

Karin (age: 13+) "Karin Maaka leads an ordinary life in spite of the fact that she is from a family of vampires. Unlike the rest of her family, she has no problem with bright lights, sleeps in a bed instead of a coffin and loves to eat garlic. She is such an abnormal vampire that she doesn't even suck blood? she makes it! Everything begins to unravel when she gets uncontrollable urges every time she gets near her classmate, Kenta Usui. Will she hold back the urge to purge or give in to her need to bleed?!" *courtesy of Geneon*

Lain (Serial Experiments) (age: 16+) "There is a world around us, a world of people, tactile sensation, and culture. There is also a wired world, inside the computer, of images, personalities, virtual experiences, and a culture all of its own. The day after a classmate commits suicide, Lain, a 13 year old girl, discovers how closely the 2 worlds are linked when she receives an e-mail from the dead girl: I still live here... I just abandoned my body. Has the line between the real world and the wired world begun to blur?" *courtesy of Geneon*

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Magical Meow Meow Taruto (age: 7+) "Meow! Taruto is a young cat-girl living in a world filled with mystery and magic. She and the other cat-people appear as nothing more than just normal animals, but she has a unique gift of magic! Can she control her troublesome powers and unravel the mystery behind the ancient cat-people? Only time will tell...and little magic wouldn't hurt either." *courtesy of BANDAI Entertainment*

The Melancholy of Haruhi Suzumiya (age: 13+) "I thought that when I entered high school, my days of believing in aliens, time travelers and ESPers were going to be over. That is until she introduced herself. Claiming to be interested in only aliens, time travelers, and ESPers, Haruhi Suzumiya was the strangest girl I've met in a long time... Before I knew what's going on, I've been dragged into her weird club, and it looks like I'm not the only one who has been drafted into this 'SOS Brigade' of hers, because there are three other students who don't seem to be so ordinary themselves. Either way we've all found ourselves caught up in Haruhi's quest to search for all things extraordinary. And what's this I hear about us making a movie??" *courtesy of BANDAI Entertainment*

Mezzo (age: 15+) "Her name is Mikura, and she's all about service with a smile! So what if that service is cracking skulls and the smile happens to be on the other end of a loaded gun? With a killer body, vicious skills, and an attitude to match -- Mikura gets away with murder (literally). It's a good thing, too -- because in the world of Mezzo, staying alive is never easy! Meet the Danger Service Agency (DSA), a high-risk trio that pays the bills by putting their asses on the line. It's only Volume 1, but the DSA hasn't wasted any time! Ducking bullets, and dodging punches, the trio find themselves working for a friendly ghost and a foxy weathergirl -- helping old friends and hunting down an extraterrestrial. Whether you're looking to run recon on a cheating spouse or smuggle a deadly virus, if the job reeks of danger, there's only one team to call. With Mikura and friends on the case, danger has never looked so good." *courtesy of ADV Films*

My-OTOME (age: 13+) "They possess the powers of a lost era, serving as the peacekeepers and protectors of the numerous kingdoms on the planet Earl; they are the Otome. And for Arika Yumemiya, the dream of becoming a Meister Otome has brought her through the desert to the Windbloom Kingdom where she hopes to train at the prestigious Garderobe Academy. However gaining admittance at the academy won't be as easy as she thinks it is. Not only will she find herself rescuing the soon to be Queen of Windbloom, fending off a giant mechanized warrior, and discovering her latent powers as an Otome, she'll also have to win a battle against an established Otome in order to be admitted. And even if she makes it in, how is she going to pay those school fees?"

Paniponi Dash (TV PG) "The 11 year-old Rebecca Miyamoto becomes the new teacher of 1-C, which is full of weirdoes. Despite her cute looks she's a little beast and can be pretty sarcastic and offensive. The school is not safe anymore now that she's in charge of a class and her students, Himeko, Ichijo, Rei and a white bunny who took a liking to Rebecca help her to rough up the school and the neighbor-class with its teacher 'old geezer.'" *courtesy of ADV Films*

Pumpkin Scissors (age: 14+) "In a country ravaged by war...the aftermath can be even more devastating. Yet for some of noble birth, the spoils can be sweet. But the corruption of a post-war time can leave the masses with a bitter taste in their mouths. After the Great War, Lt. Alice Malvin takes command of the Imperial Army's Intelligence Section Three. Code name: PUMPKIN SCISSORS. Under her leadership, she sharpens them into an instrument of justice to expose the corrupt, power-mad nobility who prey on the weak. And the newest member of the unit is a hulking giant of a man who hunts down tanks... with a handgun!" *courtesy of ADV Films*

Shonen Onmyouji (age: 13+) "Abe no Masahiro is the grandson of the great sorcerer Abe no Seimei. Unfortunately for him, his grandfather did such a great job in the past, he really hasn't had a need to perform any magical duties and as a result, Masahiro lost his second sight and the ability to see spirits. One day, a demon drops from the sky and proclaims that Masahiro must continue his grandfather's work or perish in flames!" *courtesy of Geneon*

SOS! Tokyo Metro Explorers: The Next (age: 7+) "The latest theatrical anime from Katsuhiro Otomo's manga, being simultaneously released in Japan and the U.S.! Directed by the animation director of *Steamboy*, Shinji Takagi, *SOS! Tokyo Metro Explorers: The Next* is a sequel to the original manga drawn by Katsuhiro Otomo, creator of *Akira*. Join the boys on a wonderful adventure to the depths of the Tokyo underground! With colorful and touching characters created in a new style of 3D with a hand-drawn touch and a 2D anime flavor, viewers will be swept away in this summertime adventure!" *courtesy of BANDAI Visual USA*

When They Cry (age: 16+) "It's tough being the new guy in town, having just moved into the small rural village of Hinamizawa, but when Keiichi joins an after-school club and befriends four cute girls, life doesn't seem too bad. That is, until he learns about demonic cults and a failed dam construction project, plus the grisly murders and disappearances that have occurred every year after the town festival. As shocking past events are unveiled through different viewpoints, Keiichi learns that things and even people aren't what they appear to be. How many of his club "friends" are involved and what are their plans for him?!" *courtesy of Geneon*

You're Under Arrest Movie (age: 15+) Terrorists have paralyzed the city and seemed to be targeting the Bokuto police station. Can a unit that doesn't carry firearms stand up to the threat? Very well drawn, action-packed, and faithful to the original series.