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Arcane Now Streaming

All legends have a beginning. A global smash hit and award-winning animated series from the creators of "League of Legends."

Arcane is based on "League of Legends," one of the most successful online video games in the world, and has become one of Netflix's most popular animated series ever. At the 74th Primetime Emmy Awards, Season 1 became the first streaming-native show to win the Outstanding Animated Program award, winning four categories in total. It also won many other prizes, including nine at the 49th Annie Awards. Season 2, which began streaming on Netflix in November 2024, won seven prizes at the 52nd Annie Awards.

Science, magic and clashing convictions... Set in the prosperous city of Piltover and its undercity of Zaun, *Arcane* follows the fates of two sisters who fight as enemies. Politicians, thieves, nobles and more entwine in the grand story told by this dark and dramatic animated series. A heist gone wrong leads the sisters down separate paths, changing both their lives and the world around them.

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NETFLIX SERIES PAGE:	Caitlyn: Yuhko Kaida, Jayce: Yu Miyazaki, Viktor: Ryo Shimokawa, Finn: Miyavi https://www.netflix.com/title/81435684





BEASTARS Final Season Part 1: Now Streaming

Set in a world where carnivores and herbivores coexist, this ensemble drama features young beasts grappling with their instincts. The final chapter of this hugely popular coming-of-age anime is finally set into motion.

The manga "BEASTARS" by Paru Itagaki has sold over 10 million copies worldwide and received many awards. In 2019, the anime adaptation, produced by leading Japanese CG animation studio Orange, received rave reviews around the globe. The long-awaited final chapter of this popular series is being released in two parts, only on Netflix. Part 1 began streaming on December 5, 2024.

Following the confrontation with Riz, Legoshi decides to leave school and begins living alone in Beast Apartments. Meanwhile, Louis, who has left the Young BEASTARS and graduated from the academy, decides to finally face his father, Ogma. Haru, who is enjoying her campus life, deals with an endless series of troubles. Around this time, current BEASTAR Yahya pursues Melon, a violent criminal who seeks pleasure in murdering beasts. The fates of Legoshi and Melon, which never should have crossed paths, are intertwined by a secret held closely by Legoshi's family.

BASED ON THE MANGA: DIRECTOR:	"BEASTARS" by Paru Itagaki (published in Shonen Champion Comics by Akita Shoten) Shinichi Matsumi
PRODUCTION:	Studio Orange
CHARACTER DESIGN:	Nao Otsu, Takumo Norita
VFX ART DIRECTOR:	Junpei Funada
CG DIRECTOR:	Mitsuki Ota
ART DIRECTOR:	Maiko Ikeda
ART SETTING:	Shuhei Tada
COLOR SETTING:	Satoshi Hashimoto
COMPOSITING DIRECTOR:	Anna Tomisaki
EDITING:	Junichi Uematsu
MUSIC:	Satoru Kosaki (MONACA)
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CAST:	Legoshi: Chikahiro Kobayashi, Haru: Sayaka Sembongi, Louis: Yuki Ono, Sagwan: Tessho Genda,
	Seven: Fumiko Orikasa, Sunaga: Genki Muro, Jack: Junya Enoki, Juno: Atsumi Tanezaki, Pina:
	Yuki Kaji, Free: Subaru Kimura, Gohin: Akio Otsuka, Yahya: Shin-ichiro Miki, Gosha: Shigeru Chiba
	Melon: Koji Okino
NETFLIX SERIES PAGE:	https://netflix.com/BEASTARS





SAKAMOTO DAYS Now Streaming

Hit manga "SAKAMOTO DAYS", written and illustrated by Yuto Suzuki, is currently serialized in Shueisha's Weekly Shonen Jump since 2020. Follow the action-packed story of legendary ex-hitman Taro Sakamoto, as he bands with comrades to face off against the looming threat of assassins to ensure a peaceful life with his beloved family. Sakamoto and company run wild in no-holds-barred, over-the-top battles that have stolen the spotlight and captivated audiences far and wide.

In a world overrun by assassins like the special force "The Order" from the Japanese Association of Assassins (JAA), and a mysterious individual called "X (Slur)" targeting assassins, what is the true meaning of strength for Sakamoto? Get ready for non-stop assassin action as chaos ensues in the ordinary (and not-so-ordinary) life of Sakamoto and his comrades!

BASED ON THE MANGA BY:	Yuto Suzuki (Serialized in Weekly Shonen Jump by Shueisha)
DIRECTOR:	Masaki Watanabe
SERIES COMPOSITION:	Taku Kishimoto
CHARACTER DESIGNER:	Yo Moriyama
BACKGROUND ART DESIGN:	Yukiko Maruyama
COLOR DESIGN:	Manami Sasa
PHOTOGRAPHY DIRECTOR:	PoLun Tsai
EDITING:	Aya Hida
SOUND DIRECTOR:	Jin Aketagawa
MUSIC:	Yuki Hayashi
ANIMATION PRODUCTION:	TMS ENTERTAINMENT
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CAST:	Taro Sakamoto: Tomokazu Sugita, Shin Asakura: Nobunaga Shimazaki, Lu Shaotang: Ayane
	Sakura, Aoi Sakamoto: Nao Toyama, Hana Sakamoto: Hina Kino, Heisuke Mashimo: Ryota Suzuki,
	Nagumo: Natsuki Hanae, Shishiba: Taku Yashiro, Osaragi: Saori Hayami, Hyo: Hiroki Yasumoto,
	Takamura/Narrator: Hochu Otsuka, X/Slur: Daisuke Namikawa, Kashima: Kazuyuki Okitsu,
	Natsuki Seba: Nobuhiko Okamoto
NETFLIX SERIES PAGE:	https://netflix.com/sakamotodays





Devil May Cry On Netflix April 3, 2025

In this animated adaptation of the popular Capcom game and from the vision of Adi Shankar, sinister forces are at play to open the portal between the human and demon realms. In the middle of it all is Dante, an orphaned demon-hunter-for-hire, unaware that the fate of both worlds hangs around his neck.

SHOWRUNNER:Adi ShankarSTUDIO:Studio MirVOICE CAST:Dante: Toshiyuki Morikawa, Lady: Fumiko Orikasa, Vergil: Hiroaki HirataNETFLIX TITLE PAGE:https://www.netflix.com/DevilMayCry





Fire Force Season 3 On Netflix April 5, 2025

Enter the final chapter of this scorching-hot dark fantasy.

Following the fierce struggle over the Pillars and the investigation of the Nether, Shinra and his friends have drawn closer to learning the great secret of the world. Impressed by these efforts, other Special Fire Forces show their support, uniting the entire Fire Force under one banner to prevent the Great Cataclysm.

The hero Shinra and his fellow Fire Soldiers fight to save the world in this final chapter, coming soon.

ORIGINAL MANGA BY: DIRECTOR:	Atsushi Ohkubo (Published in Weekly Shonen Magazine by Kodansha) Tatsuma Minamikawa
SERIES COMPOSITION &	
SCREEN PLAY:	Sei Tsuguta
CHARACTER DESIGN:	Hideyuki Morioka
SUB-CHARACTER DESIGN:	Mika Yamamoto
CHIEF ANIMATION DIRECTORS: Yumenosuke Tokuda, Yoshihiro Yoshioka, Mariko Kubo	
COLOR DESIGN:	Naoko Sato
ART DIRECTOR:	Yumi Horikoshi
ART SETTING:	Toshiki Amata
CG DIRECTOR:	Koji Kodera
VFX SUPERVISOR:	Ryo Ohashi
COMPOSITION DIRECTOR:	Natsuki Takei
EDITING:	Kiyoshi Hirose
SOUND DIRECTOR:	Jin Aketagawa
SOUND EFFECTS:	Yasumasa Koyama
MUSIC:	Kenichiro Suehiro
ANIMATION PRODUCTION:	david production
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CAST:	Shinra Kusakabe: Gakuto Kajiwara, Arthur Boyle: Yusuke Kobayashi, Akitaru Obi: Kazuya Nakai,
	Takehisa Hinawa: Kenichi Suzumura, Maki Oze: Saeko Kamijo, Iris: M•A•O, Tamaki Kotatsu:
	Aoi Yuki, Vulcan Joseph: Taku Yashiro, Viktor Licht: Daisuke Sakaguchi
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Moonrise On Netflix April 10, 2025

From Tou Ubukata, Hiromu Arakawa and WIT Studio Earth vs. the Moon: A brand new sci-fi animated series

Moonrise tells the fateful tale of the resistance forces on the moon who challenged the peaceful inhabitants of Earth to battle. This series is an original work by novelist and screenwriter Tou Ubukata, who won several awards for his novel "Tenchi Meisatsu" and has handled series composition and screenplays for popular anime series such as *Fafner in the Azure* and *Psycho-Pass*. Manga artist Hiromu Arakawa, who has earned overwhelming popularity for creating several classic manga series such as *Fullmetal Alchemist* and *Silver Spoon*, has designed the characters for the anime, creating a set of characters full of charm. Serving as director is Masashi Koizuka, who directed Seasons 2 and 3 of *Attack on Titan*, and the animation is handled by WIT Studio, known for hit anime such as *Ranking of Kings* and *SPY x FAMILY*.

In a not-too-distant future, humanity has established a loosely organized world government. Everything has been delegated to an international AI network called Sapientia, and people live peaceful lives by loyally obeying its rational decisions. However, a lunar development project launched by Sapientia sends criminals and pollutants to the Moon in order to maintain peace on Earth. This leads to disparity on the Moon, forcing many into poverty and becoming a catalyst for war. One day, Jack is caught up in a terrorist bombing, losing his beloved family to the Moon's rebel army, which seeks liberation from Earth. Vowing revenge, Jack decides to go to the Moon with his comrades as a scout for the Earth army.

DIRECTOR / STORY COMPOSITION	: Masashi Koizuka
ORIGINAL WORK:	Tou Ubukata
ORIGINAL CHARACTER DESIGN:	Hiromu Arakawa
CHARACTER DESIGN:	Ayumi Yamada
CHIEF ANIMATION DIRECTORS:	Ayumi Yamada, Satoshi Kadowaki
SUB-CHARACTOR DESIGN:	Megumi Tomita
MAIN ANIMATORS:	Takaaki Chiba, Taisei Kudo
ACTION ANIMATORS:	Takuma Ebisu, Kimura Satoshi, Yuko Sera, Ken Imaizumi
ART SETTING:	Kazushi Fujii, Satoshi Takabatake
BRUSH DESIGN:	Yasuyuki Ebara
MECH DESIGN:	Takuma Ebisu
MECH PROP DESIGN:	Satoshi Takabatake
COLOR DESIGN:	Satoshi Hashimoto



BACKGROUNDS:	Studio Easter
3D CG DIRECTOR:	Shigenori Hirozumi
EDITING DIRECTOR:	Koji Tanaka
EDITOR:	Aya Hida
SOUND DIRECTOR:	Masafumi Mima
SOUND EFFECTS:	Hiromune Kurahashi
SOUND PRODUCTION:	Techno Sound
MUSIC:	Ryo Kawasaki
ANIMATION PRODUCER:	Ryoma Kawamura
PRODUCTION:	WIT Studio
CAST:	Jacob Shadow: Chiaki Kobayashi, Phil Ashe: Yuto Uemura, Mary: AiNA THE END,
	Rhys Rochelle: Misaki Yamada, Georg Landry: Katsunori Okai, Eric Baker: Yu Kobayashi,
	Osma: Kosuke Takaguchi, Inanna Zinger: Arisa Kori, Zowan: Yuka Terasaki, Duan: Satoshi
	Yamaguchi, Bob Skylum: Masaki Aizawa, Wise Crowne: Takehito Koyasu, Doctor
	Salamandra: Mie Sonozaki, Windy Sylph: Arisa Sekine, Novice Harbinger: Shin Aomori
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My Melody & Kuromi On Netflix July 2025

A stop-motion animation series for the 50th anniversary of My Melody and 20th anniversary of Kuromi.

My Melody is a straightforward, cheerful girl, and this beloved character marks her 50th anniversary in 2025. This year also marks the 20th anniversary of Kuromi, who debuted in 2005 as a self-proclaimed rival to My Melody. Kuromi may seem like a troublemaker, but she is actually quite girly. In the 2024 Sanrio Character Awards, she ranked third most popular overall. In this important year, the story of the lovable My Melody and Kuromi is coming to Netflix.

The director of this series is Tomoki Misato, an up-and-coming creator who won many awards at film festivals around the world for *Pui Pui Molcar*, which he created, wrote and directed. The screenplay is written with the unique touch of playwright Shuko Nemoto, who writes and directs for a theater troupe, hosts the monthly *Shuko Nemoto* show, and is constantly thinking of new tricks for the world of theater.

BASED ON:	Sanrio
DIRECTOR:	Tomoki Misato
SCREENPLAY:	Shuko Nemoto
PRODUCTION:	Toruku from WIT Studio
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Record of Ragnarok III Coming Soon

Witness the fateful seventh battle: the final fight to break the 3-3 tie between the gods and humans.

Get ready for the third season of this anime based on the hugely popular manga published in Monthly Comic Zenon. The original hit comic has won numerous manga awards, including the Kono Manga ga Sugoi! for male readers 2019, the National Bookstore Employees' Recommended Comics of 2019, and the 2nd Manga Shimbun Prize.

The 13 one-on-one battles for the survival of humanity between representatives of gods and humans from across the entire world begin yet again. Blood flows and fists fly in these intense battles of strong convictions.

BASED ON:	"Record of Ragnarok" Story: Shinya Umemura Art: Azychika (Serialized in Monthly Comic Zenon by Coamix)
DIRECTOR:	Koichi Hatsumi
SERIES COMPOSITION:	Yasuyuki Muto
CHARACTER DESIGN:	Yoko Tanabe, Hisashi Kawashima
MUSIC:	Yasuharu Takanashi
SOUND DIRECTOR:	Yasunori Ebina
ANIMATION PRODUCTION:	Yumeta Company, MARU animation
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KEY CAST:	Brünnhilde: Miyuki Sawashiro, Göll: Tomoyo Kurosawa, Qin Shi Huang: Kaito Ishikawa, Hades: Ryotaro Okiayu, Zeus: Wataru Takagi, Hermes: Junichi Suwabe, Ares: Hinata Tadokoro, Jack the Ripper: Tomokazu Sugita, Buddha: Yuichi Nakamura, Kojiro Sasaki: Kazuhiro Yamaji, Soji Okita: Tsubasa Yonaga, Hlökk: Honoka Inoue
NETFLIX SERIES PAGE:	https://www.netflix.com/RecordofRagnarok