

**Broadcast of animated TV series *Knights of Sidonia* to begin soon,
and additional cast and crew announced!
Also details of Blu-Ray special edition to go on sale in May!**

Polygon Pictures Inc. ("PPI," President and CEO: Shuzo Shiota, Head Office: Tokyo, Japan) is proud to announce several new additions to the cast and production crew for the upcoming anime *Knights of Sidonia*, based on the popular manga by Tsutomu Nihei and co-produced and co-funded by King Record Co. Ltd. (Head Office: Tokyo, Japan, President: Hirofumi Shigemura,) and Kodansha Co., Ltd. (Head Office: Tokyo, Japan, President: Yoshinobu Noma). Rikiya Koyama (*Case Closed: Dimensional Sniper*, *Fate/Zero*) will be joining the cast in the role of Hiroki Saito, in addition to Hiroaki Ando (*Short Peace (Gambo)*, *Five Numbers!*) as a director, and storyboard creator Hiroyuki Morita (*The Cat Returns*, *Bokurano: Ours*).

Knights of Sidonia Blu-Ray/DVDs will also be released each month from May onward! In addition to being able to enjoy powerful 5.1ch surround sound on the Blu-Ray edition, the first volume will also come with the exclusive 20-page comic *Knights of Sidonia: Tales from the Eve of the 4th Gauna Defensive* by original manga creator Tsutomu Nihei. On top of this, each Blu-Ray volume will feature a "new angles version" as a special feature, made possible by the series' digital animation. Under the supervision of the series' Executive Producer and CG Supervisor, this will feature a number of different perspectives as well as unedited scenes from the TV broadcast version. Focused on the series' elements of visceral violence and eroticism, each volume is planned to contain over 20 shots worth of new footage.

With the collaboration of such an impressive cast and crew, *Knights of Sidonia* is an animated series you won't want to miss!

Planned Broadcast Dates:

MBS: Every Thursday from April 10, 25:49

TBS: Every Friday from April 11, 25:55

CBC: Every Friday from April 11, 26:37

BS-TBS: Every Saturday from April 12, 24:00

* Broadcast dates and times are subject to change.

Official Site

<http://www.knightsofsidonia.com>

About *Knights of Sidonia*

This popular mecha sci-fi manga by Tsutomu Nihei is currently serialized in Kodansha's monthly magazine *Afternoon*. Twelve volumes of the comic have been published in book form.

Story: It's been a thousand years since the Gauna, a strange alien race with no known method of communication, destroyed the solar system. A portion of humanity managed to escape using enormous "seed ships" like the *Sidonia*, which have allowed them to maintain the population as the ships drift through space. Nagate Tanikaze is a young man who has been raised deep in the bowels of the ship. When he goes into training to pilot the huge robotic weapons known as Gardes, Nagate is entrusted with piloting the legendary unit known as *Tsugumori*. Nagate and his fellow pilots put their lives on the line against the Gauna, in the ultimate battle for the survival of humanity!



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Blu-Ray/DVD Packaging Information

Knights of Sidonia Vol. 1 (Blu-Ray/Limited Edition Version)

Release date:	May 28, 2014
Price:	¥7,800 + tax (item no.: KIXA-90429)
Special features:	Special footage with new angles, other edits
Includes:	<i>Knights of Sidonia: Tales from the Eve of the 4th Gauna Defensive</i> (シドニアの騎士 前日譚 第四次奇居子防衛戦) (20 pages), an exclusive comic by Tsutomu Nihei. Centerfold booklet.
Product info:	Digipak/sleeve case
Special audio features:	Audio commentary
Running time:	48 min. + special features (length undetermined)
Specifications:	Color/16:9/dual layer/1080p High-Def
Audio:	1. Japanese (linear PCM/stereo) 2. Japanese (linear PCM (planned)/5.1ch) 3. Japanese commentary (linear PCM/stereo)
Episodes contained:	Episodes 1 and 2, as broadcast on television

Knights of Sidonia Vol. 1 (DVD)

Release date:	May 28, 2014
Price:	¥4,500 + tax (item no.: KIBA-2116)
Includes:	Centerfold booklet (all volumes).
Product info:	Standard DVD case
Special audio features:	Audio commentary
Running time:	48 min.
Specifications:	Color/Vista (anamorphic)/dual layer
Audio:	1. Japanese (Dolby Digital (planned)/stereo) 2. Japanese commentary (Dolby digital/stereo)
Episodes contained:	Episodes 1 and 2, as broadcast on television

About Polygon Pictures



Polygon Pictures comprises one of companies under the umbrella of Amana Holdings Inc. (President and Representative Director: Hironobu Shindo, Head Office: Tokyo, Japan, Securities Code: TSE Mothers 2402). Our main business focus is on providing creative, entertaining visual content services.

Since its founding in July 1983, PPI's mission has been to "do what no other has done, in unparalleled quality, for all the world to see and enjoy." Including our joint-venture studio Silver Ant PPI Sdn. Bhd., we have now brought together over 400 creators from around the world. In addition to creating digital animation for films, games, exhibitions and various other media, we have also been involved in the production of TV series *Transformers Prime*, *Star Wars: The Clone Wars* (both Daytime Emmy award winners), and *Tron: Uprising* (Annie award winner). In 2014, with *Knights of Sidonia* (Director: Shizuno Kobun) and *Ronia, the Robber's Daughter* (Director: Goro Miyazaki) our production of domestic TV animation has begun in earnest as well.

By fusing our unrivalled production know-how and technical development capacity with the internationally recognized quality of Japanese animation, PPI aims to become a leading company in the content business.

For more information, visit our website at <http://www.ppi.co.jp>.

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