

KATANAGATARI WILL BE UNLEASHED IN A DVD/ BLU-RAY COMBO PACKAGE THIS SUMMER !

Santa Ana, CA (April 15, 2011) – NIS America announced today that **Katanagatari** Volume 1 Premium Edition will be released this summer, July 5, 2011, and the second volume will complete fans' collections in September. The fans of its gorgeous and distinguished art style will have a chance to enjoy the high quality artistry on Blu-ray. **Katanagatari** Volume 1 Premium Edition will come packaged with 6 quests (episodes, approximately 50 minutes/episode) on 2 Blu-ray discs and 2 DVDs with a hard cover art book titled "Togame's Travelogue." Available at select online retailers: [Right Stuf](#), [The Anime Corner Store](#), [Anime Pavilion](#), [Anime Castle](#), and [NIS America's Online Store](#).

KATANAGATARI VOLUME 1 PREMIUM EDITION

About Katanagatari:

Yasuri Shichika, seventh successor of the Kyoto Ryu (the current of the unbladed) sword art, lives on an isolated island with his older sister, Nanami. One day Shichika is visited by a woman named Togame, who requests his aid in her quest to find and collect the final twelve swords forged by the legendary master swordsmith, Shikizaki Kiki. Shichika and Togame begin their odyssey by leaving the island he called home for over 20 years. They will face twelve individuals who possess and protect Shikizaki's legendary swords. Join Shichika and Togame on their exciting epic adventure that defies reality as they discover the true potential of the Kyoto Ryu sword style! Besides the historical adventure, witness how a man and woman grow to love each other despite their pasts. Each quest in *Katanagatari* is approximately 50 minutes, and each story focuses on a sword they seek to collect.

About the Bonus artbook, Togame's Travelogue:

Katanagatari comes with a hardcover art book (full-color 32 pages), featuring vivid, unique art work that conveys a story by itself, quest guides including character information, and song lyrics from quests 1 through 6. A detailed glossary was added to the art book in order to provide a deeper understanding of Japanese history and the traditional terminology used throughout the show. The show functions as a form of great literature, so this art book is the best way to truly appreciate the profound wordplay the writers created.

Voice actresses and actors:

Yoshimasa Hosoya as *Shichika Yasuri* (Level E, Kaichō wa Maid-sama!, Naruto)
Yukari Tamura as *Togame* (Magical Girl Lyrical Nanoha, D.C.: Da Capo, Kämpfer)
Mai Nakahara as *Nanami Yasuri* (PERSONA -trinity soul-, Clannad, Higurashi When They Cry)

Production Staff:

Original Story by **NISIOISIN** (Bakemonogatari, Kizumonogatari)
Keitaro Motonaga: Director (School Days, Getbackers, Maji de Watashi ni Koi Shinasai!!)
Makoto Uezu: Series composition (School Days, Kore wa Zombie Desu ka?)
Taku Iwasaki: Music (PERSONA -trinity soul-, Gurren Lagann, R.O.D -The TV-, Soul Eater)
WHITE FOX: Anime Production (Steins;Gate, Tears to Tiara)



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SRP:	\$69.99
RELEASE DATE:	July 5, 2011
ITEM #:	KAT1-DVD-US-PE
UPC:	813633011189
AGE RATING:	Teen
LENGTH:	Approx. 308 mins 6 episodes on 2 Blu-rays/DVDs
FORMAT:	Japanese Audio, English subtitled, English on-screen translations



For more information, visit <http://NISAmerica.com/katanagatari>

Only a limited quantity of this premium edition will be produced.

About NIS America

NIS America is a subsidiary of Nippon Ichi Software, Inc., a Japanese company famous for its unique line of strategy RPGs including titles such as Disgaea, Phantom Brave, and Makai Kingdom.

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