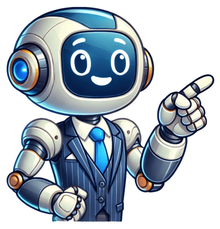
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2021 anime filmGintama: The Very FinalTheatrical release posterDirected byChizuru MiyawakiScreenplay byChizuru MiyawakiStory byHideaki Sorachi[a]Based onGintamaby Hideaki SorachiProduced byKazumasa SanjoubaTakashi MaekawaStarringTomokazu SugitaDaisuke SakaguchiRie KugimiyaAkira IshidaTakehito KoyasuSusumu ChibaKazuya NakaiKenichi SuzumuraKichi YamaderaCinematographyYuuki TeramotoEdited byAkane ShiraishiTakeshi SeyamaMusic byAudio HighsProductioncompaniesBandai Namco PicturesShueishaAniplexTV TokyoDentsuBandaiWarner Bros. JapanDistributed byWarner Bros. JapanRelease dateJanuary8,2021(2021-01-08) (Japan)Running time104 minutesCountryJapanLanguageJapaneseBox office$17,252,960[1]Gintama: The Very Final, known in Japan as Gintama: The Final (THE FINAL), is a 2021 Japanese animated action comedy drama film produced by Bandai Namco Pictures. Based on the Gintama manga and anime series, the film acts as a conclusion to the anime series storyline. It was directed by the director from the anime series Chizuru Miyawaki and based on a story by Hideaki Sorachi, Gin Tama's original author. It stars Tomokazu Sugita, Daisuke Sakaguchi, Rie Kugimiya among others. The film was released on January 8, 2021.An anime special Gintama: The Semi-Final, tied into the film, premiered on January 15, 2021 on dTV online service, with the second episode released on January 20.[2] This bridges the gap between the end of the TV anime and the movie.Gintoki, Takasugi and Katsura fight past the Tendoushuu forces, who have taken over the Terminal. The mothership at the top of the terminal is absorbing large amounts of Altana and channeling it into the body of the child Shouyou in order to resurrect him and obtain true immortality. As the group is attacked, they split up into two, with Katsura holding on to Shouyou's heart. Katsura and Hitsugi engage in a fierce battle, and the latter eventually stabs and destroys the heart, revealing that he had no intention of reviving the child; he only wanted to free Utsuro from the curse of immortality. Without the heart, Shouyou would only be able to regenerate and maintain his body temporarily.In the terminal, the Shinsengumi, Hyakka, Oniwabanshu and the rest of the Kabukicho residents fight the rest of the Tendoushuu army, while Matsudaira shoots down the ships outside.Then Gintoki reunites with Kagura and Shinpachi and they rush towards the top of the terminal. In the meantime, Takasugi reaches the Tendoushuu's ship to find that Shouyou has been revived and killed off the rest of the Tendoushuu. Shouyou's only wish is to put an end to himself and Utsuro. Takasugi begs Shouyou to return to Shoka Sonjuku with him. Shouyou apologizes for not being able to save his disciples, the ones that he truly wanted to protect. As he approaches Takasugi, the latter stabs him, revealing that Utsuro's blood has taken over his body as well. This causes a large explosion at the top of the Terminal. Gintoki is separated from the others and faces off Utsuro, now manifesting in Takasugi's body, Utsuro comes to a realisation that Takasugi did not stab Utsuro earlier. Instead, supported by Oboro whose blood also runs through his body, Takasugi stabbed himself. The body that Utsuro saw lying on the ground was himself. Gintoki and Utsuro fight each other.With a final stab and in a human body, Utsuro is no longer immortal and dies. Gintoki holds a dying Takasugi in his arms, who tells him that Gintoki has won again and he dies. Shinpachi and Kagura rescue the wounded Shouyou. Shouyou tells everyone to evacuate the Terminal via Sakamoto's ships, who was about to blow up due to the massive amounts of Altana that is escaping it. Shouyou said that he could use the Altana in his body to cancel out the energy bursting out of the Terminal. Shinpachi and Kagura join him and Katsura stays behind as well. He tells Gintoki, via a radio handed to him by the Shinsengumi, that he has spent his childhood covering up for Gintoki and Takasugi whenever they made mischief, and he couldn't leave until he did that again. As Shouyou disappears, Gintoki tells him that he wanted to show his teacher what he has been doing since then running the Yorozuya with his friends.Some time in the future, Tama wakes up with memories of what has happened given to her by Tamako. She walks around the city, which has now transformed into Tokyo. After the final battle, Gintoki returned to the Yorozuya. Much of their old friends have remained the same and Tama watches as they celebrate at Snack Smile. Sakamoto writes to Gintoki and informs him that Katsura met up with the remnants of the Kiheitai. Matako scoured the land for Altana gates and found a baby that has emerged from one of the holes. Tama runs to the location where the Yorozuya used to be, only to find the spot empty and the surroundings replaced by futuristic buildings. However, she spots Hasegawa who tells her that machines has taken over the world and humans are mostly unemployed like him. Suddenly, the Yorozuya kick him in the face and reveal that this was a sham ending. Tamako had been fed false memories by Hasegawa and the illusion around them promptly shatters as a result. The Yorozuya is still around and Gintoki tells her to wipe her tears away. Gintoki, Shinpachi and Kagura rush off to an urgent job, but have apparently forgotten what the task was supposed to be. But whatever it is, they would get it done after all, they are the Yorozuya.In the final edition of Ginpachi-sensei, Sorachi Hideaki makes a cameo to answer unresolved questions, including if Gintoki is half-Amanto due to his silver hair (no, it is just a manga) and if the baby was really Takasugi (they take a vote but did not come to a conclusion).CharacterJapaneseEnglishGintoki SakataTomokazu SugitaMichael DaingerfieldShinpachi ShimuraDaisuke SakaguchiCole HowardKaguraRie KugimiyaJocelyne LoewenKotaro KatsuraAkira IshidaJoe DanielsShinsuke TakasugiTakehito KoyasuKyle Colby JonesIsao KondoSusumu ChibaDavid WaldToshiro HijikataKazuya NakaiBlake ShepardSogo OkitaKenichi SuzumuraClint BickhamShoyo Yoshida / UtsuroKichi YamaderaAdam GibbsTae ShimuraSatsuki YukinoElissa CuellarTsukuyoYuuko KaidaTaylor FonoKyubei YagyuFumiko OrikasaBrittney KarbowskiAyame SarutobiYuu KobayashiCarli MosierNobume ImaiAya HiranoChiara ZanniTaizo HasegawaFumihiko TachikiAndrew LoveKatakuriko MatsudairaNorio WakamotoTy MahanyTatsuma SakamotoShin-ichiro MikiJeremy GeeHataKouichi SakaguchiAndrew LoveTamaOmi MinamiLuci ChristianTamakoOmi MinamiCat ThomasOtoseKujiraShelley Calene-BlackCatherineYuu SugimotoLuci ChristianUmibouzuSh HayamiJohn GremillionSoyo TokugawaRy HirohashiJuliet SimmonsKamuiSatoshi HinoGreg AyresAbutoHch tsukaJohn SwaseyHenpeita TakechiChafurinGeorge ManleyMatako KijimaRisa HayamizuGengai HiragaBin ShimadaSagaru YamazakiTetsuharu taZenzo HattoriToshiyuki MorikawaOboroKazuhiko InoueHiro KanagawaHitsugiMasashi SugawaraSteve FenleyTendoshu LeaderBinbin TakaokaChris RagerThe film was announced in August 2019 by the manga's final 77th volume.[3] The film, titled Gintama: The Final, premiered on January 8, 2021.[4][5] It adapts the finale of the original manga, combined with new story elements.[6] SPYAIR performs the film's theme song "Wadachi" (Wadachi, lit. "Tracks"), while DOES performs an insert song.[7] A Demon Slayer: Kimetsu no Yaiba card illustrated by Sorachi, depicting Tanjiro Kamado and the Hashira, were given to the theatergoers in the film's first week of screenings.[8][9]An anime special, Gintama: The Semi-Final, which ties into the film, premiered on January 15, 2021 on dTV online service, with the second episode released on January 20. On May 1, it was announced that the Blu-ray release would go on sale on August 4, 2021, with the Gintama: The Semi-Final episodes bundled.[10]Eleven Arts screened the film in North American theatres, under the title Gintama: The Very Final, in both Japanese with subtitles and dubbed into English from November 2122, 2021.[11]Anime News Network praised the film's gags but lamented how several of the subplots of the series were not properly closed as a result of using many characters.[12] IGN was more positive, comparing the narrative to two other popular shonen manga series Naruto and Jujutsu Kaisen for how Gintoki and his friends deal with the Shoyo and Utsuro in their final fights "distilling a major conflict into a massive good-versus-evil showdown helps it to become interesting even for those who aren't as up to date on the saga as others"-[13] Crunchyroll felt the animation felt more a Dragon Ball film rather than Gintama as a result of Toei working on it but still praised for retaining a humor and style reminiscent of the comedy Konosuba.[14] Yahoo panned the movie for being too difficult to follow unless the audience has knowledge about previous Gintama events and found some jokes did not feel appealing. 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Note while feature-length sequels to popular anime or manga franchises took Japans box office by storm in 2021, weve tilted this list towards more original movies that display better narrative innovation and societal significance. Weve also tried to include streaming links on services like Netflix, when available.Lets look at 2021s top Japanese films! 11. ItoJapanese title: | Director: Satoko Yokohama | Starring: Ren Komai, Daimao Kosaka, Mei Kurokawa | Genre: Drama, MusicTeenage girl rebels against family and finds a job at a maid cafethats one way to describe the 2021 Japanese film Ito. However, this isnt some sordid tale of a young woman fallen from grace. Instead, its an exploration of Japans cultural traditions, and outer prefectures that you dont often see in cinema.Itos title comes from its protagonist, a girl named Ito Soma. Shes really good at a variety of music called Tsugaru-shamisen thats a centerpiece of local culture in her native Aomori prefecture (in the north of Japan). However, Ito has significant anxiety about playing in public, and feels ashamed by her regional Aomori dialect. Pining for self-transformation, she ends up getting a job at a maid cafe (a wholesome one) and learning about life from the people she meets there.Though Ito might feature some highly specific Japanese traditions, it managed to gain a decent amount of festival distribution in New York, Hawaii, and more. The film also won the Audience Award at 2021s Osaka Asian FIlm Festival in Japan.10. Masquerade NightJapanese title: | Director: Masayuki Suzuki | Starring: Takuya Kimura, Masami Nagasawa, Fumiyo Kohinata | Genre: Fantasy, Thriller, MysteryMasquerade Night is the sequel to Masquerade Hotel, which was on our list of 2019s best Japanese movies.The film returns to the Hotel Cortesia Tokyo, where detective Kosuke Nitta goes undercover to investigate a murder threat. At the hotel, Detective Nitta runs up against Naomi Yamagashia concierge whos ruthlessly committed to fulfilling guest requests.If you enjoyed Masquerade Hotel, youll find Masquerade Night strikingly similar in terms of substance and characters. Even if you havent seen its predecessor film, Masquerade Night should prove a spirited and entertaining movie with your standard murder mystery elements. Japanese audiences seemed to like it at least; Masquerade Night was the eighth highest grossing film of 2021 in Japan.9. The Blue DanubeJapanese title: | Director: Akira Ikeda | Starring: Kou Maehara, Hiroki Konno, Hiroki Nakajima | Genre: Drama, Experimental, Comedy, WarMovies critiquing militarism are part and parcel of Japanese cinema, given the nations pacifist legacies in the wake of WWII. The Blue Danube continues this tradition in its own absurdist, artistic way.This 2021 Japanese film examines war through the perspective of two towns on opposite sides of a river. Every day, these towns wake up and start shooting at each otherthough nobody really knows why. When a bugler named Tsuyuki is assigned to play in a marching band, he begins to play the Blue Danube Waltz by the riverbank whilst wondering what people in the other town are like.The Blue Danube proceeds almost like a series of episodic sketches. Its reminiscent of a Samuel Beckett playfull of boredom and bleakness, yet somehow still able to find humor amidst it all. Its no wonder the film did decently on the festival circuit, screening at the International Film Festival Rotterdam and Japan Cuts, among others. If youre someone who enjoys independent, experimental films, The Blue Danube is worth a watch.8. We Made a Beautiful BouquetJapanese title: | Director: Nobuhiro Doi | Starring: Masaki Suda, Kasumi Arimura | Genre: RomanceMasaki Suda and Kasumi Arimura are two of Japans most popular actors; they unite for the 2021 romance film We Made a Beautiful Bouquet.Suda and Arimura respectively play a man named Mugi and a woman named Kinu. One day, the two meet after missing the last train home.However, the movie starts five years after that encounter, and establishes that their relationship will not last. What makes this film interesting, then, is its exploration about the ephemerality of love and happiness, and how that fleeting nature imbues relationships with meaning.Furthermore, We Made a Beautiful Bouquet offers a realistic, modern take on the challenges of romance. The film dives into the characters financial issues and professional obligations, offering a welcome respite from the sudden cancer diagnoses or memory loss-inducing car accidents that often plague East Asian melodramas.7. AristocratsJapanese title: | Director: Yukiko Sode | Starring: Mugi Kadowaki, Kiko Mizuhara, Kengo Kora | Genre: DramaIn 2019, a whopping 92% of Japanese considered themselves middle class. However, as director Yukiko Sodes film Aristocrats show, that doesnt mean Japan lacks class distinctions.Aristocrats centers on two women, Hanako and Miki. The former is a wealthy Tokyoite; the latter grew up in a small prefecture and tested into the prestigious Keio University, but dropped out due to family circumstances and has to work odd jobs to make ends meet. When Hanako learns that Miki has also been seeing the man her upper-class family wants her to marry, the two end up meeting and building an unlikely connection.Class divisions are certainly on display in Aristocrats. However, whats even more interesting is how the movie shows that, regardless of wealth or privilege, Japanese women seem to always be second-class citizens compared to men. If youre looking for a socially conscious film thats female-centric and mellow, check out Aristocrats.Learn more about Aristocrats in our full-length review6. We Couldnt Become AdultsJapanese title: | Director: Yoshihiro Mori | Starring: Mirai Moriyama, Sairi Ito | Genre: Romance, DramaWith the 2021 film We Couldnt Become Adults, it seems like Japanese cinema is taking a page from China by producing a nostalgia-tinged tragi-romance.The movie starts with a 46 year-old man named Makoto Sato. One day, a sudden friend request sends Sato back on a nostalgia trip to the 1990s, one imbued with reminisces about past lovers. We see the vagaries of romantic disappointment and professional failure gradually grind Makoto down, his dreams fading into the past.We Couldnt Become Adults is particularly interesting when viewed as a mirror for the social malaise of Japans Lost Decades. Since the early 1990s, Japans economy has stagnated. As a result, a whole lost generation of Japanese stuck in a state of sclerotic social purgatory, with some retreating inwards as hikikomori. Though Makoto Sato is not a hikikomori himself, his trials and tribulations offer an easily accessible and emotionally resonant look into the struggles of those whove lost all direction in modern Japan.Stream this Japanese movie on Netflix5. Ride or DieJapanese title: | Director: Ryuichi Hiroki | Starring: Kiko Mizuhara, Honami Sato | Genre: Romance, LGBTQThe combination of brooding violence and lesbian sex isnt something you see very often in live-action Japanese cinema. However, Ride or Die contains that unique mix.This 2021 Japanese movie begins with an introduction to Rei. Shes a plastic surgeon from a rich family, who also happens to be a lesbian. Rei has just killed a manthe abusive husband of her former classmate (and teenage crush) Nanae Shinioda. In the wake of the murder, Rei and Nanae go on the lam together, and begin to explore the messy depths of their rekindled relationship.What makes Ride or Die worth including on this list is just how refreshingly different it feels from other live-action Japanese movies. Most live-action Japanese movies these days are yawn-inducingly mellow, agonizingly spineless, disappointingly regressive, or some combination of those factors.Ride or Die is none of those things. Its exciting, avoids usual Japanese LGBTQ stereotypes (ex. Boys Love romance), and replete with a level of passion (thanks to gratuitous violence and full-frontal sex scenes) you might expect from Korea or Hollywood.With high production values and a distinctive soundtrack from eclectic musician Haruomi Hosono as icing on the cake, Ride or Die is worth a watch if youre tired of the usual plodding fare Japan puts out these days. Even better, its easily streamable on Netflix.Stream this Japanese movie on Netflix4. Onoda: 10,000 Nights in the JungleJapanese title: ONODA | Director: Arthur Harari | Starring: Yuya Endo, Kanji Tsuda, Yuya Matsuura | Genre: War, Drama, HistoryYou might notice that the director of Onoda: 10,000 Nights in the Jungle isnt Japanese. Indeed, this film is a Japanese-French co-production with a heavily French crew and financing. However, Onoda tells a thoroughly Japanese story with 100% Japanese cast and dialog.Onoda takes its name from Hiroo Onoda, a real-life Imperial Japanese Army officer who spent 29 years hiding in the Philippine jungle after WWII, refusing to surrender or even believe that the war had ended.The film centers on Onodas time in the Philippines, diving deep into his psyche to explore what motivated him to hold out for so long. In doing so, it offers a nuanced and resonant exploration of the psychology of fanaticism. That should hold resonance for viewers even outside Japan, given the popularity of conspiracy theories and lies about stolen elections these days. Within a Japanese context, the notion of militaristic fervor should also strike a chord given increased nationalistic burblings over the past few years.3. Wheel of Fortune and FantasyJapanese title: | Director: Ryusuke Hamaguchi | Starring: Kotone Furukawa, Kiyohiko Shibukawa, Fusako Urabe | Genre: Drama, RomanceNoted Japanese director Ryusuke Hamaguchi kicked off 2021 with Wheel of Fortune and Fantasy. The film won the prestigious Silver Bear Award at 2021s Berlin International FIlm Festival, and garnered significant critical acclaim worldwide.Wheel of Fortune and Fantasy consists of three parts. Each depicts a coincidental encounter centering on a female character, and explores the vicissitudes of love. With this film, Hamaguchi has crafted flowing dialog and fleshed-out characters that all come to life with excellent acting.If you enjoy artistic films that explore the intricacies of human nature, look no further than Wheel of Fortune and Fantasy. Its a sweet, sensitive, and humorous examination of what it means for humans to feel, and be, connected.Learn more about Wheel of Fortune and Fantasy in our full review.2. BelleJapanese title: | Director: Mamoru Hosoda | Starring: Kaho Nakamura, Ryo Narita, Shota Sometani | Genre: Animation, Fantasy, Sci-FiMamoru Hosoda is one of Japans most critically acclaimed animators, and he returned in 2021 with Belle. The film was not only critical successgarnering a standing ovation upon its premiere at Cannesbut also became one of the top grossing films in Japan during 2021.Belle focuses on a 17 year-old student named Suzu, who lives with her father in Japans rural Kochi prefecture. After becoming traumatized by the death of her mother, Suzu finds solace in a virtual world called U and assumes an online alter ego through her avatar Belle.It goes without saying that Belle contains some high quality animations; Hosoda does an exceptional job of bringing U to life with epic visuals of dragons and castles. On the front of social significance, Belle also comes at an opportune time. With large tech companies ramping up their efforts to create metaverses, the film helps us ponder whether such virtual realities will truly bring the world closer together, or instead simply transplant the real worlds alienation into a new yet parallel medium.1. Drive My CarJapanese title: | Director: Ryusuke Hamaguchi | Starring: Hidetoshi Nishijima, Toko Miura, Reika Kirishima | Genre: DramaTopping off our list of 2021s best Japanese movies is Drive My Car. This is yet another movie from director Ryusuke Hamaguchi, who seems to have had quite a good year with 2021.Hamaguchi was working from some pretty strong source material for this movie. Drive My Car is the adaptation of an eponymous short story by famed author Haruki Marukami. Despite the fact that the original story is just under 40 pages, Hamaguchi manages to make Drive My Car the movie into a three hour-long epic. Dont be scared by that running time though. Drive My Cars plot flows by smoothly, and is pretty easy to follow.The film follows a Tokyo-based theatrical actor named Kafuku. We learn that his wife Oto has been dead for two years, and her death has imbued Kafuku with silent streaks of trauma. One day, Kafuku accepts an invitation from a theater festival in Hiroshima to put on a production of Chekovs Uncle Vanya. The festival assigns him a driver, a young woman named Misaki. As the two journey across Japan, their bond deepensand the film takes us into a devastatingly beautiful exploration of loss and letting go. Its a profound meditation on the human condition. Want to find more good Japanese movies? Check out our lists of2020and2019s best Japanese films. 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