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Hello and Happy New Year to all Anime Society members! This is the first (not so weekly right now) Newsletter for 2022. Most of the events for the rest of the academic year have now been planned out, so this will be a somewhat long Newsletter -

## **Samurai Champloo Art/Creativity Competition**

**(Deadline: January 31st)**

This has been announced a couple times now but one final mention - we are currently running a competition relating to the set series for last semester - Samurai Champloo. Submit any Samurai Champloo-related piece of art or other creative media - music, video, cosplay, etc - to the #creativity channel in the discord or private message a member of the committee on discord with your submission. If you don't want to use discord then you can always e-mail it to us. There are prizes for the top 3 entries!

## **Welfare Officer EGM**

**A41 Clive Granger Building - (7/2/2022)**

At the start of the 2nd anime Monday session we will be having an EGM (Emergency General Meeting) to vote on a Welfare Officer for the society. This is a new committee position created this year whose role consists primarily of welfare issues - making sure everyone in the society feels comfortable at our events and on the server. Moderation of the server will probably be the biggest part of this role, however committee activities tend to overlap in responsibility so you won't just be doing moderation/welfare and nothing else. If you are interested in applying for the role, private message a member of the committee with a short manifesto on discord or e-mail it to us if you don't use discord. You will have to present a small speech and answer some questions from the general membership at the EGM if you wish to go for the role. This will likely mean we watch 1 less episode than normal on that Monday. Good luck to all who apply!

## **Anime Monday Session**

### **A41 Clive Granger Building - (31/01/2022)**

We'll kick the semester off by returning to **A41 Clive Granger Building** for the first Anime Monday session of 2022! With Samurai Champloo finished, we will be voting on a new set series this session. The way this will work is as follows -

5 series will be voted on, we will watch 1 episode of each in the session, after watching all 5 episodes there will be another vote to determine which will be the set series. The set series will be the series we watch 2 episodes of every Monday no matter what. Set series must be at most two cour (23-26 episodes), two seasons of a one cour (11-13 episodes) is also fine however. If the series is a one cour then we will hold another set series vote once it is finished. After that, it will be sessions as normal - 2 set series episodes and 3 episodes of other voted in series every Monday, except for on the 7th of February where it will only be 2 episodes of another series due to the EGM.

## **Arrietty Movie Screening**

### **A41 Clive Granger Building - (2/2/2022)**

On the Wednesday of the first week back we will be having a movie screening of the Studio Ghibli film **Arrietty**, a film detailing the friendship between a boy and a very small, finger-sized girl known as the titular Arrietty. I must admit I haven't seen many Ghibli films, including this one, however it appears to be well liked as most Ghibli films are so I'm sure it'll be great!

## **Refreshers Meet & Greet**

### **Mooch - (5/2/2022)**

On the Saturday of the first week back we will be having a Refreshers Meet & Greet at **Mooch**, the student bar next to Portland Building on UP Campus. This will be similar to the Johnson Arms Meet & Greet we had at the start of the last semester, however we decided to change the venue to Mooch as it is indoors rather than outdoors, something I'm sure people will prefer in early February weather. If you want a good opportunity to meet and befriend members of the society, then come on down to Mooch on the 5th!

## Wednesday Manga Book Club

### A41 Clive Granger Building - (9/2/2022)

Our fortnightly Wednesday Manga Book Club run by the Treasurer Joe will be resuming on the **9th of February**, where we will be discussing all 5 volumes of **Uchuu Kaizoku Captain Herlock**, a sci-fi action manga produced all the way back in 1977! The reason for it being 5 volumes to read and discuss rather than just 1 is the month and a half gap between this session and the last. We will then vote on the next manga at the end of the session, so if Captain Herlock sparked your interest in any way then come on down to **A41 Clive Granger Building** on the **9th of February**!

And that is it for the first Newsletter of 2022! I hope to see the great turnout from last semester's events repeated as well as some new faces!

- Matt (Communications Officer)

