

Kamikaze Films



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Japanese Box Office 2013

Rank	Title	Gross	Weeks	Opening % of Total	Open 10	Open 5	Close	Distributor
1	The Wind Rises	\$116,513,932	454	-	-	-	Jul 20	Toho CG
2	Monsters University	\$90,541,508	682	98.574,682	9.5%	561	Jul 6	Walt Disney Studios Motion Pictures CG
3	The Lightbulb Man	\$82,852,465	430	-	-	-	Dec 21	Toho CG
4	Ted	\$45,994,111	437	53,763,835	8.6%	233	Jan 18	Toho-Toei CG
5	Disenchantment: Hobbit's Secret Gadget Museum	\$38,965,030	353	\$7,528,847	17.8%	353	Mar 8	Toho CG
6	Lupin III vs. Canon	\$38,833,762	330	\$6,314,396	15.9%	329	Dec 7	Toho CG
7	Scientific Group: Private Eye in the Eastern Sea	\$36,624,266	344	\$7,285,159	20%	344	Apr 20	Toho CG
8	The Alpha-Blender Mystery	\$32,511,311	304	\$4,033,063	12.6%	304	Aug 3	Toho CG
9	Mikurumo's Equation	\$31,831,084	415	\$4,890,281	14.7%	415	Jun 29	Toho CG
10	Like Father, Like Son	\$31,133,900	309	\$3,187,972	10.2%	309	Sep 28	GAGA CG
11	Madness	\$30,906,237	481	\$4,901,183	15.9%	340	Jul 19	Toho CG
12	Sanjiry	\$30,342,223	332	\$3,256,143	9.8%	340	Dec 15	Warner Bros. CG
13	Dragon Ball Z: Battle of Gods	\$29,947,013	319	\$7,307,070	24.4%	312	Mar 30	Toei Company CG

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The Eternal Zero

- *Eien no Zero (The Eternal Zero)*: a kamikaze film from 2013.
- The third highest grossing film released in Japan in 2013 (after *The Wind Rises* and *Monsters University*).
- Why on earth did Japanese filmgoers go in large numbers to watch a film about someone crashing his plane into a ship?



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The Eternal Zero

- Sacrifice
- Flashbacks
- Nostalgia
- Struggle
- Love
- Self-affirmation
- Heroism
- Mystery
- Devotion
- Pride
- Star power



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Two Scenes

- 0:18:00: The best pilot (Kyuzo) in the best plane (Zero). Pearl Harbor!
- 1:06:00: In the present. Meeting someone who knew Kyuzo, research, the meal ...



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Hotaru (Firefly)

- *Hotaru*. Precipitates a massive tourism boom in 2001-2002.
- The Torihama Tome legend.
- Young love, the fate of a Korean kamikaze pilot, returning a keepsake ...
- Watch from 0:47:00



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Hotaru (Firefly)



The Tomiya Shokudo, as featured in the movie, and now a memorial to Tome.

Conclusions

General Discussion

- Let's wrap up the course with a general discussion on the key things you have learned.
- Don't forget your end-of-term timed essay. It will be in class on 10 January. Details on the website.