

(Press Release)



## *Ani x Para ...Who is Your Hero?*

*Japan's leading manga artists create anime works focusing on the heroes of para-sports*

**23rd October, Tokyo** – Starting next month, NHK will broadcast short anime works titled “Ani x Para (Animation and Paralympic) : Who is Your Hero?” each lasting five minutes to convey the appeal of para-sports and to cultivate greater interest in the Paralympics. By presenting the appeal of the para-sports in an approachable way, we hope that many people will take a stronger interest in the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games.

### *First Story: Football 5-a-side*

Original work by Yoichi Takahashi. Theme song “Turn Up” by the OKAMOTO'S.

The Japanese team faces the Brazilians with their pass-oriented soccer which they mastered through their sharp sense of hearing. And what exactly is the special move that came about from years of strenuous training?

### *Second Story: Para-Athletics*

Original work by Eisaku Kubonouchi. Theme song “Just the way we are” by Sakura Fujiwara.

A young girl with impairment in her leg, discovers the joy of feeling the wind and matures through sports.

### **Broadcast Schedule on BS1 channel**

●5min. Version/ November 10th(FRI)~

●30sec. and 1min. Versions/ October 25th(WED)~

※30sec.and 1min.versions are scheduled to be broadcast at any time on GTV and ETV.

※ Through the project, we plan to present additional anime works based on the different sports.