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ON-GAKU: Our Sound

SYNOPSIS

When you're a bored teenager looking for thrills, sometimes the only thing you can turn to is rock 'n roll. Having no skill, money, or even a full set of drums, a feared trio of high school delinquents nevertheless decide they are destined for musical glory in a quest to impress their only friend Aya, avoid a rival gang, and – most importantly – jam out.

Animated almost entirely by director Kenji Iwaisawa, and featuring a lead performance by Japanese alt-rock legend Shintaro Sakamoto, *ON-GAKU: OUR SOUND* brings its own sound and vision to the Hiroyuki Ohashi manga from which it was adapted. With pitch-perfect deadpan humor, the film presents a highly original take on the beloved slacker comedy: a lo-fi buddy film with a blaring musical finale that will leave you wanting an immediate encore.



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CAST

Kenji: Shintaro Sakamoto

Aya: Ren Komai

Ohta: Tomoya Maeno

Asakura: Tateto Serizawa

Morita: Kami Hiraiwa

Ohba: Naoto Takenaka

CREW

Director: Kenji Iwaisawa

Producer: Tetsuaki Matsue

Associate Producers:

Joe Koowlon

Akihiro Sakota

Product Manager: Hiromichi Nakajima

Sound Director: Takaaki Yamamoto

Music: Tomohiko Banse

Music Producer: Manato Kemmochi (GrandFunk)

Song: The Dresscodes - "Peter Ivers"

Running Time: 71 minutes

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ROCK'N ROLL MOUNTAIN / TIP TOP





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- *The Secret of Kells* (2010)
- *A Cat in Paris* (2012)
- *Chico & Rita* (2012)
- *Ernest & Celestine* (2014)
- *The Tale of The Princess Kaguya* (2015)
- *Song of the Sea* (2015)
- *Boy and the World* (2016)
- *When Marnie Was There* (2016)
- *My Life As A Zucchini* (2017)
- *The Breadwinner* (2018)
- *Mirai* (2019)

GKIDS also handles N. American theatrical distribution for the Studio Ghibli library of films, one of the world's most coveted animation collections with titles *Spirited Away*, *My Neighbor Totoro*, *Princess Mononoke*, *Howl's Moving Castle* and others.

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