



Kazuki Takahashi (YU-GI-OH!) Jury member of our manga contest and first MAGIC 2019 guest to be announced!

Monaco, Wednesday 18 July 2018 - The mangaka and Jury member of the third MAGIC International Manga Contest, during the Monaco Anime Game International Conferences, is Kazuki Takahashi, author of the international success *YU-GI-OH!*
The mangaka has also confirmed his participation to the event on March 9, 2019!



In 1996, *YU-GI-OH!*, the hit series of Kazuki Takahashi, started its pre-publication.

The cards appearing in the manga were marketed and met a great success, still continuing today.

In 2016, the author himself directed the entire production of the feature film.

Reminder: Registrations for Magic International Manga Contest are now open!

Please visit Monaco Anime Game International Conferences official website: www.magic-ip.com to download the contest rules, available in English and French.

The winner will get his awarded work published online on *Shōnen Jump* (<http://plus.shonenjump.com/>). Moreover, he/she will also have the chance to spend a month in Japan, where he/ she will meet with mangaka, a Shueisha publisher (*tantō*), and get the opportunity to extend the partnership with the publisher for one extra year!

Mark your calendars! This Contest is free and open to all

- 12th June to 15th October of 2018: Registration session and drawing boards submissions
- 13th November 2018: Announcement of the 10 pre-selected stories
- 17th January 2019: Announcement of the 5 selected stories which will proceed to the finals
- 9th March 2019, MAGIC: Finalists' stories presentations, jury deliberation and winner announcement

A look back at previous winners:



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Thanks to her great work titled **Runtime**, 2018 Magic International Manga Contest winner, Joanne Kim, is in Japan at the moment. She just had the pleasure to go to the exhibition of Shōnen Jump 50th anniversary and she is getting ready for her first meeting at Shueisha!

More details to come.

Take a look at our first winner **vinhnyu**'s journey to Japan here: <http://www.magic-ip.com/archives/page/5/>

About Shibuya Productions:

Shibuya Productions is a Monaco-based company specialized in animation movies and video games, with blockbusters like Astroboy Reboot, Shenmue III and Cobra: Return of Joe Gillian.

Website: www.shibuya-productions.com

About Shueisha:

Shueisha is a Japanese publishing company created in 1925 mainly known for its manga pre-publication magazines. They own *The Weekly Shonen Jump*, world's most famous manga pre-publication magazine. They publish well-known manga such as Dragon Ball Z, Naruto and One Piece.

Shueisha website: <http://www.shueisha.co.jp/english/>

Shonen Jump website: <http://www.shonenjump.com/>

About de Shibuya International:

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