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#### **Games of the Year Division**



# Grand Award is "YO-Kai Watch 2 Ganso/Honke/Shinuchi" (LEVEL-5 Inc.)

**Grand Award winning for the second consecutive year!** 

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Computer Entertainment Supplier's Association

The Japan Game Awards 2015 (organized by the Computer Entertainment Supplier's Association (CESA; Chairman: Hideki Okamura) has announced the award winners for the "Games of the Year Division" today. "YO-Kai Watch Ganso/Honke/Shinuchi" (LEVEL-5 Inc.) were selected for the Grand Award in the year of 2015! The "YO-Kai Watch" series received the Grand Award for two consecutive years in 2014 and this year!

Winners for the Award of Excellence, the Special Award, the Best Sales Award and the Global Award for Japanese Product / Foreign Product were also selected.

### - Japan Game Awards 2015 "Games of the Year Division" Award Winners \*Alphabetical order in each award

Award	Title	Company	Platform
Grand Award	YO-KAI WATCH 2 Ganso/Honke/Shinuchi	LEVEL-5 Inc.	3DS
Award for excellence	Super Smash Bros. for Wii U	Nintendo Co., Ltd.	Wii U
	Super Smash Bros. for Nintendo 3DS	Nintendo Co., Ltd.	3DS
	Destiny	Sony Computer Entertainment Inc.	PS4 / PS3
	DRAGON QUEST HEROES: The World Tree's Woe and the Blight Below	SQUARE ENIX CO., LTD.	PS4 / PS3
	Bloodborne	Sony Computer Entertainment Inc.	PS4
	Pokémon Omega Ruby and Pokémon Alpha Sapphire	The Pokémon Company	3DS
	Mario Kart 8	Nintendo Co., Ltd.	Wii U
	MONSTER HUNTER 4G	CAPCOM CO., LTD.	3DS
	YO-KAI WATCH 2 Ganso/Honke	LEVEL-5 Inc.	3DS
	YO-KAI WATCH 2 Shinuchi	LEVEL-5 Inc.	3DS
	RYU GA GOTOKU 0 Chikai no Basho	Sega Games Corporation	PS4 / PS3
Special Award	Minecraft	Microsoft Japan Co., Ltd.	PS4 / PS3 / PS Vita / Xbox One / XB360 / iOS / Android OS / PC / Mac
	MONSTER STRIKE	mixi, Inc.	iOS / Android OS
Best Sales Award	YO-KAI WATCH 2 Ganso/Honke	LEVEL-5 Inc.	3DS
Global Award Japanese Product	Super Smash Bros. for Nintendo 3DS / Wii U	Nintendo Co., Ltd.	3DS / Wii U
Global Award Foreign Product	Call of Duty®: Advanced Warfare	ACTIVISION / SLEDGEHAMMER GAMES	PS4 / PS3 / Xbox One / XB360 / PC

\*\*PS4: PlayStation@4 / PS3: PlayStation@3 / 3DS: Nintendo 3DS and 3DS LL / XB360: Xbox 360@ / PC: Windows@

"Japan Game Awards" official website: http://awards.cesa.or.jp/en/

\*photos of the award ceremony: https://www.filey.jp/tgs/ (ID: tgs\_press, PW: press\_tgs)

\*prize logos: http://awards.cesa.or.jp/prize-mark/index.html

## "YO-kai Watch" series won Grand Awards for two consecutive years! In addition to receiving the Award of Excellence and the Best Sales Award!









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It received overwhelming support from fans of the series for it's the battle and the exchanging YO-Kai (specter) through a local play and online, and further, various media the entertainment, even in previous similar "YO-Kai Watch 2" series, that sparked the boom is evaluated.

Also, total sales of "YO-Kai Watch 2 Ganso/Honke" in the period from its launch in July 10, 2014 to the end of August this year has reached 324 million titles, and recorded the largest sales in the period of our Games of Year Division. The Best Sales Award is also given to it.

## "Super Smash Bros." series won 'Award of Excellence' and the 'Global Awards Japanese Product.'

"Super Smash Bros., for Wii U" is the first series with corresponding to the eight play matches, and "Super Smash Bros., for Nintendo 3DS" is the first title with corresponding to Nintendo 3DS.

For the Wii U version, voice of praise gathered thoroughly to make crowded the quality. As for the 3DS version, it provided the new fun which can be played with the portable game machine. Super Smash Bros., attracted a great support from the fans to the wide range of generation. Both titles received the Award of Excellence.

By collecting the overwhelming support from the user also in overseas markets, it won the Global Awards Japanese Product.

## Titles with overwhelming support by a wide range of fans including core fans received the 'Award of Excellence' one after another!

#### - "Destiny"

Challenge the enemy of the human race as a guardian to protect the safe city in the doomsday, "Destiny" is the next-generation action shooting for online.

#### - "DRAGON QUEST HEROES: The World Tree's Woe and the Blight Below"

The title is known as the first series of full-scale of action RPG, which realizing in collaboration with "ω-Force" from Koei Tecmo Games of "Warriors" series and "Dragon Quest."

#### - "Bloodborne"

Bloodborne is an action RPG for PS4<sup>TM</sup> which draws the player character, the Hunter, through the fictional Gothic city of Yharnam, whose inhabitants have been afflicted with an abnormal blood-borne disease.

#### - "Pokémon Omega Ruby and Pokémon Alpha Sapphire"

It is the latest series based on "Pokémon Ruby and Sapphire" which is released in 2002.

#### - "Mario Kart 8"

It's the latest series of popular "Mario Kart."

#### - "MONSTER HUNTER 4G"

It keeps the world of "Monster Hunter 4" but containing a new charm into it.

#### - "RYU GA GOTOKU 0 Chikai no Basho"

Its story comes from two major bright-light districts during a booming economy in 1988 which is the origin of this series.

#### "Call of Duty®: Advanced Warfare" as the 'Global Award Foreign Product'

The latest titles: "Call of Duty Advanced Warfare," received enthusiastic support from global users, was awarded the Global Award Foreign Product as the highest peak of FPS in the world.



## High popularity titles in a wide range of layer, "Minecraft" and "Monster Strike" received the 'Special Award'!

#### "Minecraft"

A sandbox type game from Sweden let the play video streaming from lots of users are up around the world, in addition to have sparked a major movement, to establish a new game genre.



#### "Monster Strike"

Popular App game has exceeded 30 million users in the world. Not only establishing a new genre of "Hunting RPG" but playing with familiar people in smartphones has led to a big hit.

We hope to continue communicating the enjoyment and wonder of computer entertainment to as many people as possible through the Japan Game Awards, and contribute to the further development of the game industry in Japan.



Pictures of the award ceremony are available for download at: https://www.filey.jp/tgs/

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