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Kodansha Comics keeps digital-first manga rolling in April: *GTO Paradise Lost* and *Domestic Girlfriend* debut April 11

And then: fan-fave school soccer manga Days and student-life rom-com Tsurezure Children join growing list of digital-first manga April 25

San Francisco, Calif. (April 11, 2017)—Kodansha Comics announced today it is continuing to expand its growing list of well-received digital-first manga titles with the series debuts of ***GTO Paradise Lost***, Toru Fujisawa’s sequel to his beloved manga classic *Great Teacher Onizuka*, and ***Domestic Girlfriend*** (Japanese title *Domestic na kanojo*), Kei Sasuga’s love-triangle romancer that’s a top requested title by Western fans—and a bestseller in Japan. Volume 1s of both titles go on sale **today April 11** on all of Kodansha’s digital retail channels.

The April rollout then rounds out on **April 25** with the highly anticipated debut of Tsuyoshi Yasuda’s school-soccer manga ***Days***—the anime adaptation of which recently streamed to great acclaim on Crunchyroll—and Toshiya Wakabayashi’s surprising webcomic-turned-hit ***Tsurezure Children***.

“We’ve been ramping up the number of ‘digital-first’ manga series we’re publishing this year to a very positive reception. It’s an exciting development for digital manga publishing,” said Alvin Lu, General Manager of Kodansha Advanced Media, the digital-distribution arm of Kodansha Comics.

To provide a way for fans to catch up to the speedy new releases (with many series releasing new volumes every month or quicker), Kodansha Comics is currently holding a 2-week-long “**Digital-First Manga Sale**” on all its digital book channels—[BookWalker](#), [comiXology](#), Google Play, iBooks, Kindle, Kobo, and nook—with **volumes (many of them volume 1s) from 16 different series up to 50% off**. The sale ends April 17.

Chapter 1 previews can now be read for *free* at [kodanshacomics.com](#) for the April 11 releases:

Domestic Girlfriend Kei Sasuga’s racy romancer is a breakout hit in Japan about a high schooler with a bad teacher-crush whose home life gets rather complicated when his dad gets remarried and he finds out who his new step-siblings are!

GTO Paradise Lost Toru Fujisawa brings us up-to-date on the latest adventures of Great Teacher Onizuka, the classic manga character who took the world by storm when he gave up his gang life for a new one as a classroom legend. The newest chapter starts off with Onizuka’s life ... in prison!

ABOUT KODANSHA

Founded in 1909, Kodansha Ltd. is Japan’s leading publishing house, based in Tokyo, Japan. Under the leadership of Yoshinobu Noma, company president since



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2011, Kodansha continues to play a dominant role in the media world, producing books and magazines in a wide variety of genres including literature, fiction, nonfiction, children's, business, lifestyle, art, manga, fashion, and journalism. Recently, the company has focused on creating and developing a wide range of digital businesses. Company profile can be viewed [here](#).

Kodansha Comics is the manga-publishing imprint of Kodansha USA Publishing (KUP), established in New York in 2008. Kodansha Comics's first works were Katsuhiro Otomo's *Akira* and Shirow Masamune's *The Ghost in the Shell*.

Kodansha Advanced Media is a digital-content distributor and producer established in San Francisco in 2015. More at <http://www.kodanshacomics.com>



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