VIZ Media's Weekly Shonen Jump Debuts on comiXology and Amazon

August 31st, **2015 – New York, NY** – VIZ Media, comiXology and Amazon announced today the debut of *Weekly Shonen Jump* across the <u>comiXology</u> platform as well as <u>Amazon's Kindle Store</u>. The English language digital manga magazine comes out weekly and is published simultaneously with the print version in Japan. This debut gives comiXology and Kindle fans a taste of the latest manga from Japan, on the same day, now accessible to English speakers across North America, the U.K., Ireland, South Africa, Australia, and New Zealand.

Today's magazine contains chapters of such hit ongoing manga series as *One Piece, Bleach, Blue Exorcist, My Hero Academia,* and *Food Wars! Shokugeki No Soma*.

"Weekly Shonen Jump is a fan favorite magazine where emerging and long-running hit manga series are shown to the world first," says Andy Nakatani, Editor-In-Chief of *Weekly Shonen Jump*, "We're excited to expand the readership of this magazine to the comiXology and Kindle audience."

"It's amazing we live in an age where it's possible for fans to read manga in English the same day as appears in Japan," said Chip Mosher, comiXology VP of Communications & Marketing, "This is why we're thrilled to share *Weekly Shonen Jump* on comiXology and Kindle as we're now able to give fans access to the latest and greatest manga around."

Weekly Shonen Jump is published digitally each week by VIZ Media and features the latest installments of some of the world's most popular manga series released to English readers across North America, the U.K., Ireland, South Africa, Australia and New Zealand on the same day as the magazine's general print release in Japan. Currently featured series include *Black Clover, Bleach, Blue Exorcist, Food Wars!* Shokugeki No Soma, My Hero Academia, Nisekoi, One Piece, One-Punch Man, Seraph Of The End: Vampire Reign, Toriko, World Trigger and Yu-Gi-Oh! Arc-V.

The Kindle Store gives readers access to millions of books on the most popular devices and platforms, including Fire tablets, Kindle e-readers, iOS, Android and more.

With over 75,000 comics, graphic novels and manga from more than 75 publishers, comiXology offers the widest selection of digital comics in the world. ComiXology's immense catalog and cinematic Guided View reading experience make it the best digital platform for comics worldwide.

About VIZ Media, LLC

Headquartered in San Francisco, California, VIZ Media distributes, markets and licenses the best anime and manga titles direct from Japan. Owned by three of Japan's largest manga and animation companies, Shueisha Inc., Shogakukan Inc., and Shogakukan-Shueisha Productions, Co., Ltd., VIZ Media has the most extensive library of anime and manga for English speaking audiences in North America, the United Kingdom, Ireland and South Africa. With its popular digital manga anthology WEEKLY SHONEN JUMP and blockbuster properties like NARUTO, BLEACH and INUYASHA, VIZ Media offers cutting-edge action, romance and family friendly properties for anime, manga, science fiction and fantasy fans of all ages. VIZ Media properties are available as graphic novels, DVDs, animated television series, feature films, downloadable and streaming video and a variety of consumer products. Learn more about VIZ Media, anime and manga at <u>www.VIZ.com</u>.

About comiXology

ComiXology, an Amazon.com, Inc. subsidiary (NASDAQ:AMZN), has revolutionized the comic book and graphic novel industry by delivering a cloud-based digital comics platform that makes discovering, buying, and reading comics more fun than ever before. ComiXology's Guided View reading technology transforms the comic book medium into an immersive and cinematic experience, helping comiXology become a top ten grossing iPad app in 2011 and 2012 and the top grossing non-game iPad app in 2012 and 2013. Offering the broadest library of comic book content from over 75 publishers - and independent creators as well - comiXology will not stop until everyone on the face of the planet has become a comic book fan. ComiXology is based in New York City, with operations in Seattle, Los Angeles and Paris. For more information visit <u>www.comixology.com</u>.

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