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Announcement of Winners for the Eighth International MANGA Award

1. The International MANGA Award is hosted by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to honor MANGA artists who have contributed to the promotion of MANGA overseas. There were 317 entries from 46 countries and regions this year.

2. Following the first selection carried out with the assistance of the Association of MANGA Publishers, the Jury of the Award led by Ms. Machiko Satonaka (Manga artist) made strict and fair judgment. As a result of the judgment, the Executive Committee of the Award chose a total of 15 winners, including one Gold Award work and three Silver Award works.

The applicant from Mongolia won the Gold Award this year. He is the first-ever winner of the International Manga Award from Mongolia.

3. On February 12, a ceremony for the Eighth International MANGA Award will be held in Tokyo to grant Gold and Silver Awards to the works below.

4. Winners

(1) Gold Award

Title of Work: Bumbardai

Artist: Mr. Nambaral Erdenebayar (Mongolia)

(2) Silver Award

Title of Work: Mr. Bear

Artist: Ms. Luo mu (China)

Title of Work: ATAN

Artist: Mr. Ben Wong (Malaysia)

Title of Work: Room

Artist: Ms. 61Chi (Taiwan)

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