

# Volume 02

## with the participation of Garry Kasparov: Protagonist and Godfather of the manga

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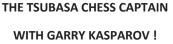
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### **Synopsis**

After the incident with Caïssa, Tom's chess level has improved considerably. Back at school, he's reunited with Harmony, Laurent, Saori, but also Anne, Marius and Zhang.

The seven members of the International School of Shibuya Chess Club must now face each other, in order to determine the five school representatives who will compete in the Junior High School Championships of the Kantô region.

Facing fierce opponents in many ways, the nerves of our heroes will be put to the test... Memories, rivalry, unexpected reunions... Difficult to stay focused!

Will the ISS team be strong enough to pull through?

### **Biographies**

# **Cédric BISCAY**

Born in 1979 in Nice.

Creator of *Blitz* universe and co-writer, Cédric Biscay is the producer behind the triumphal comeback of the **Shenmue** saga in 2019 on PS4 and PC materialized by 3 world records in the Guinness book. He also produced the multi-award-winning documentary **Sad Hill Unearthed**, available on Netflix worldwide, and the upcoming **Astroboy Reboot** series. This year he is the recipient of the Japanese Foreign Minister's Certificate of Honor.

#### **Daitaro NISHIHARA**

Blitz manga artist

Born in 1971 in Hiroshima, Daitaro Nishihara made his debut as a mangaka in *Monthly Shônen Jump* magazine. Starting from 2001, several of his series are pre-published in *Korokoro Comic* (Shôgakukan) magazine, including *Pokémon 6 - Jirachi the genius of wishes*.

#### Tsukasa MORI

Blitz co-writer, also working in the advertising field.

### **Garry KASPAROV**

Protagonist and Godfather of the manga Blitz

Born in 1963 in Baku, Azerbaijan, Soviet Union, Garry Kasparov became, at the age of 12, chess champion of the USSR's under-18 age group. Then, at the age of 17, he won the Under-20 World Chess Champion title. In 1985, at the age of 22, he gained international notoriety as the youngest World Chess Champion in history.

He defended his title five times, including a series of legendary matches against his great rival Anatoly Karpov. Kasparov broke Bobby Fischer's record in 1990 and his own record remained undefeated until 2013.

His famous matches against IBM's Deep Blue supercomputer in 1996-97 played a key role in the integration of artificial intelligence into the world of chess.

Produced between Monaco, Japan, France and the United States, BLITZ is the most international manga ever!

# **The Editor**

IWA (the rock in Japanese) is the manga collection of the Monegasque company Shibuya Productions. This collection aims to publish the company's original productions.

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