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KONAMI REVEALS LAUNCH DATE AND NEW SCREENSHOTS FOR CASTLEVANIA HARMONY OF DESPAIR

Koji Igarashi Brings Beautiful Dot-Art and Exciting Multi-Player Gameplay to his latest Castlevania Adventure Available Exclusively for XBLA Summer of Arcade

Konami Digital Entertainment, Inc. today revealed the release date for *Castlevania Harmony of Despair*, the first Castlevania game exclusively for Xbox LIVE® Arcade for the Xbox 360® video game and entertainment system from Microsoft. Set to release as the third title out of five from the XBLA Summer of Arcade program, *Castlevania Harmony of Despair* will be available for consumers to download on Wednesday August 4th. Along with the release date, Konami has also revealed 5 new screenshots to go along with the announcement today.

In *Castlevania Harmony of Despair*, fan favorite vampire hunters from throughout the series come together in order to return Dracula to his eternal slumber. Joining forces with friends on Xbox LIVE, up to six players can explore massive levels inspired by the worlds of *Castlevania Dawn of Sorrow*, *Portrait of Ruin* and *Order of Ecclesia* via online co-op play. As players employ their cooperative skills to unleash devastating attacks and fight the forces of darkness, they can discover hidden locations, special items and equipment to help in their quest. Fearless players can even choose to engage in competitive Survival Mode with friends to and determine the best slayer of evil. Featuring detailed 2D art with the ability for players to zoom in and zoom out of the entire map of each level adding in a completely new dimension of gameplay, *Castlevania Harmony of Despair* will provide players with a thrilling, next generation experience coupled with the classic *Castlevania* aesthetic. To keep the momentum after initial launch, there are also plans for downloadable content featuring new characters along with new levels.

Castlevania Harmony of Despair will be available for Xbox LIVE® Arcade as a part of the Summer of Arcade program on August 4th for 1200 Microsoft Points. To download the new screenshots and for more information and assets, please visit our media download site at: <http://www.konami.com/downloads/>

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