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#### Season 2: Brand New!

Format: in total 104 x 12' Technique: GCI Animation with 2D render (cell shading) Genre/Subgenre: Junior/Animation Target Audience: from 4 to 10-year-olds Focus: Adventure, Comedy, Friendship, Discovery/Exploration, Traditions/Legends, Nature/Ecology

An eco-friendly series about every child's dream: having a dolphin as best friend!





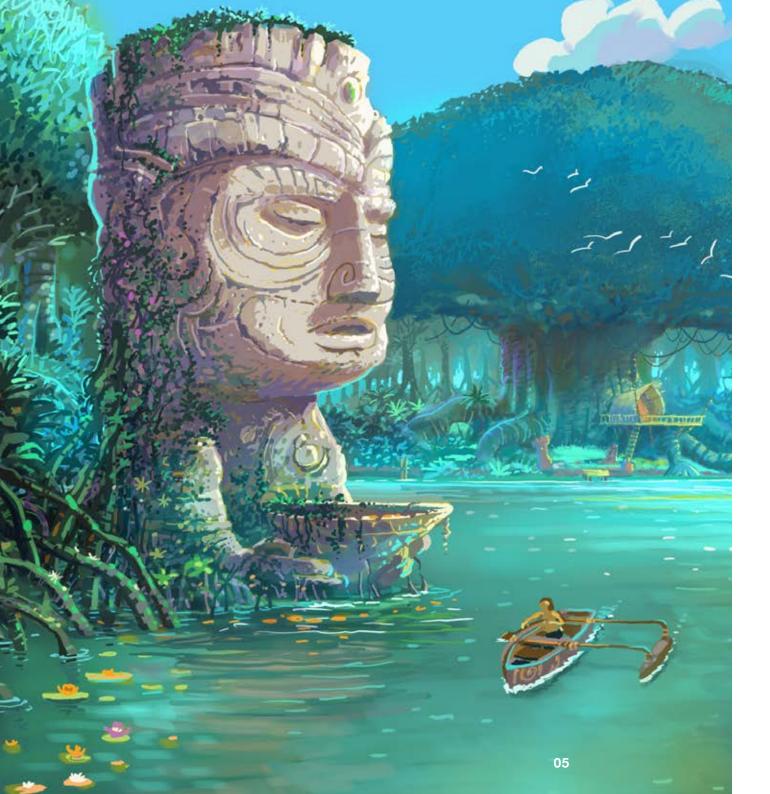
#### **SEASON ONE**

#### **Synopsis**

Yann, an intrepid 15-year-old teen and his little 7-year-old sister, Marina, live with their Uncle Patrick, an oceanographer, on Maotu, a remote paradise island in the Pacific Ocean. Yann and Zoom, a mysterious and remarkably intelligent white dolphin, are bound by an indefectible friendship. Always ready to help out those he loves and protect the weak, Zoom takes Yann on a series of exciting adventures, set in the fascinating, fragile and danger-filled underwater world, as well as on dry land.

Comedy and humor are central to the series, expressed through a host of colorful characters including Raoul, Marina's pet koala; John-Sebastian, the chatterbox mynah bird; Loaf, the sloth; and other inhabitants of Maotu Island.





## **SEASON TWO**

#### **Synopsis**

In the second season, our heroes and their Polynesian friends, Timeti, now an apprentice shaman, and Auru, the son of Maotu's chief, are confronted with fresh challenges, some border on the dangerous. Whether it's an oil slick threatening the coastline or a baby orca creating havoc, they have to find double the courage to come to the rescue of Maotu, its wildlife and its people.

To that end they are also able to use Uncle Patrick's newest invention: "The Turtle", a submarine that can carry the whole family down into the depths of the ocean – opening up brand new fascinating insights into the underwater world.





## ZOOM

Perfectly white, with blue-ringed eyes. He is unique.

He is an intelligent, playful and free animal - closer to humans than to his fellows.

His family is Yann, Marina and Patrick.

He adopted them rather than the other way around. Brave and instinctive, Zoom faces every danger for Yann and his friends.

#### The Zoom Signal

To call Zoom, Yann beats the "Zoom Signal" - a recognizable rhythm that spreads out through the water - on the dock or on the hull of a boat. This rhythm is incorporated into the series credits and its score.

#### YANN

Yann is an intrepid 15 year-old and experienced scuba diver who is terribly awkward around girls. In particular around Timeti, on whom he has a crush. Yann is the main character in the series. He's a boy who, although reserved, loves action.

He's inventive, resourceful, courageous and sometimes a little obstinate.

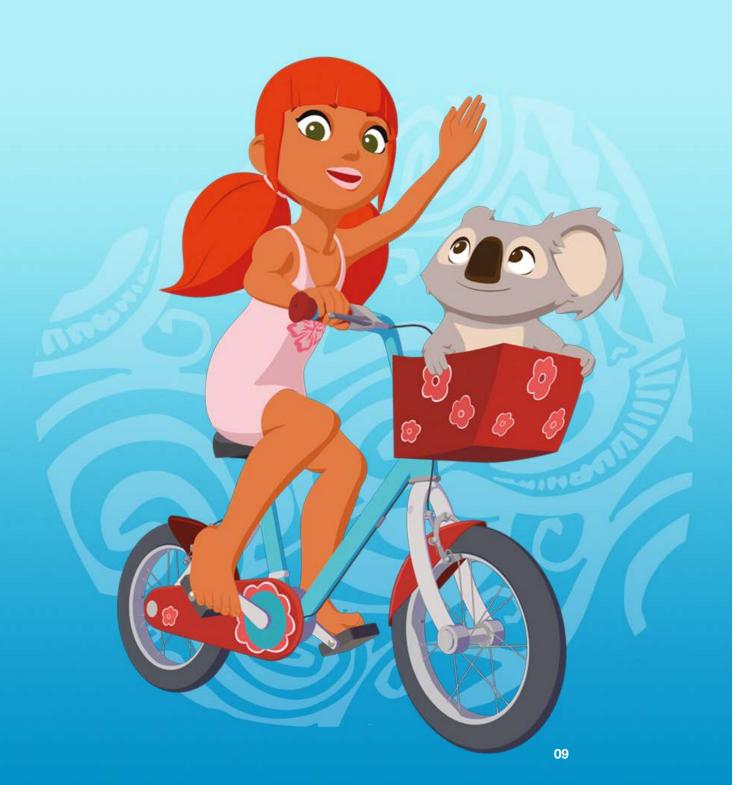
He's stubborn as a mule but has a heart of gold. Yann adores his little sister, Marina, for whom he feels responsible, and he has a great deal of admiration for Uncle Patrick.

#### Season 2

In view of Timeti's new responsibilities, Yann's weakness towards Timeti is accompanied by an admiration for his skills as a shaman.

The mixture of temerity and naivety remains the mark of the character. He occupies aspotlight in the outings aboard "The Turtle".





### MARINA

Marina is a bright, bubbly, very girly 7 year-old. She talks non-stop which proves tiresome to Yann and Uncle Patrick. She is often disobedient, but she's so adorable that she is always forgiven. Armed with a sharp sense of curiosity and an adventurer's spirit, she loves all kinds of animals, especially Raoul, her pet koala, She calls him, "my baby," takes him everywhere with her, and generally treats him like a doll.

## Marina is bursting with energy and has an infectious gaiety.

On the other hand, she needs a lot of affection and attention.

"Raoul, my darling baby!"

#### RAOUL

Raoul is a young koala bear and Marina's pet. She calls him all sorts of nicknames: "My baby! Fat pudding!".

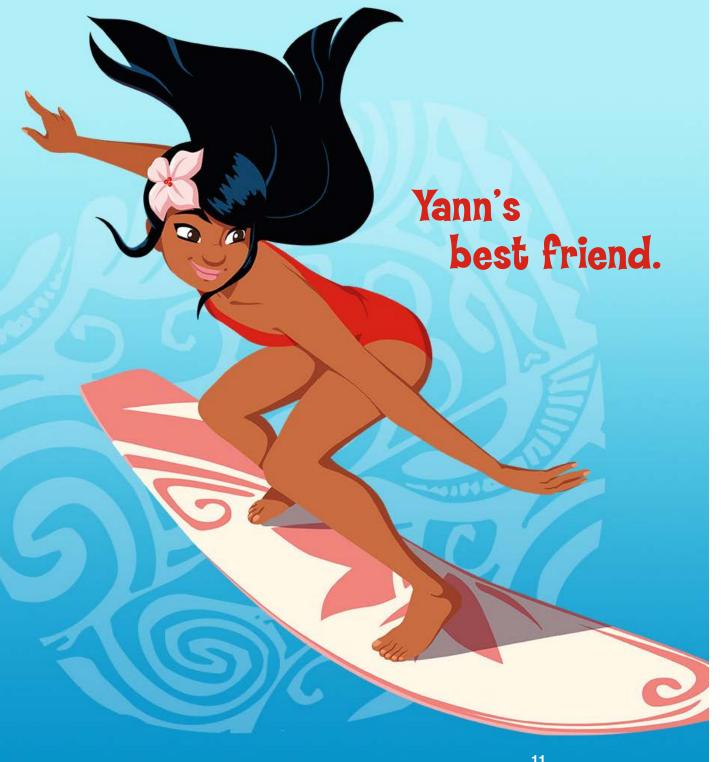
Raoul makes himself understood by uttering little sounds: yips of joy, snarls forJohn-Sebastian, who squabbles with him non-stop, squeals of fright when it's time for his bath, whimpering when he's done something really silly and Marina scolds him.

# Marina's pet koala.

#### Season 2

Raoul is very possessive and jealous of Marina's new friend, little Kaï responsible, and he has a great deal of admiration for Uncle Patrick.





### TIMETI

Timeti is pretty Polynesian of 14. The prettiest girl on the island. She lives with her mother, Maeva, who runs a store/ restaurant in the village. This young, athletic, sparkling and mischievous girl is Yann's best friend. She's got a soft spot for him, but she's also close to Auru, the son of the chief. She knows all the traditional dances, plays the ukulele and is proudly protective of her traditions.

She is an excellent surfer and kite-surfer and likes to meet up with her friends Yann and Auru during competitions or to embark on adventures.

#### Season 2

Timeti, very attached to her origins, decides to learn shamanism with Ramana.

### **JOHN-SEBASTIAN**

John-Sebastian is a talking mynah bird. He can imitate any sound. However, although he speaks, his language is still very limited. He's a birdbrain, who misunderstands everything. He often raises the alarm to Uncle Patrick when the kids are in trouble.

John-Sebastian is secretly jealous of the affection Marina heaps on her koala Raoul. There's a constant stream of taunting and squabbling between them. John-Sebastian finds comfort on Uncle Patrick's shoulder and he'd willingly lose his last feather for him.

talking mynah bird



# likes to joke and show off his muscles

#### AURU

Auru is a 15-year-old Polynesian. He's the son of Papa-Tuanaku, the village chief.

As future heir, Auru sometimes thinks he's already chief and he "acts like it". He's a boaster, a show-off who likes to joke and show off his muscles, but who can also prove to be a bit of a coward, especially when faced with unexplained phenomena. Also in love with Timeti, he likes to taunt Yann by laying down challenges. But confrontation between the two young roosters conceals a very real spirit of mutual support and camaraderie. Yann and Auru are friends and respect each other, but they find it hard to admit it.

#### Season 2

In this season 2, Auru falls in love with Clarissa. Suddenly he is no longer in competition with Yann to conquer Timeti's heart, which does not prevent him from competing for everything else. Auru, who is quite superstitious, is impressed with Timeti's new status and skills as a shaman.

#### **UNCLE PATRICK**

Uncle Patrick is a 55 year-old seadog, a bit gruff, but with rather free-spirited hippie tendencies.

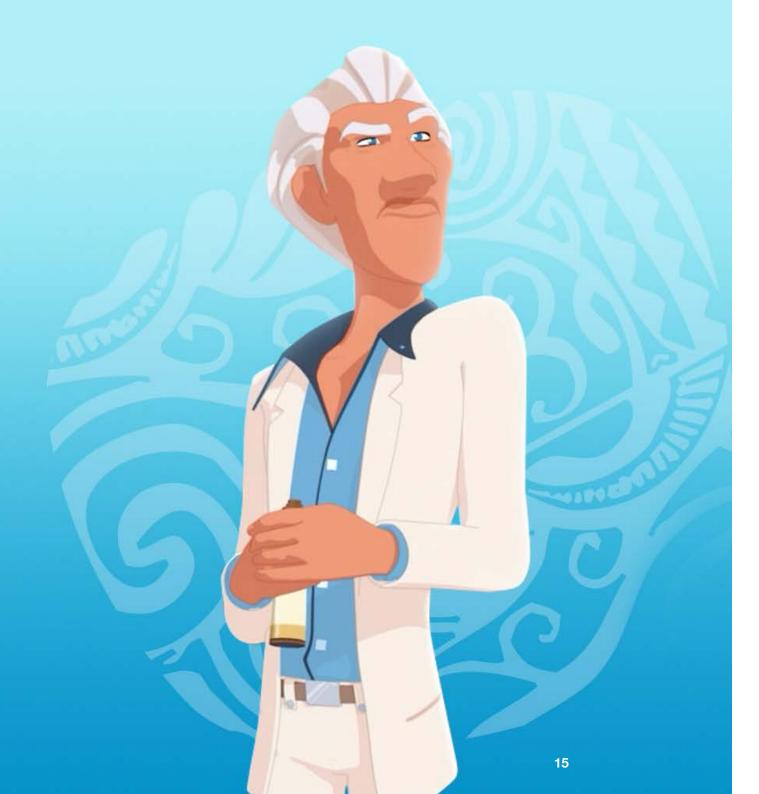
He's a reputed oceanographer, settled on the island of Maotu in order to carry out his research on the underwater world and the preservation of species in peace. Until the day when his nephew and niece, Yann and Marina, turned up on the island to move in with him.

Since then, he regard them as his own children. Uncle Patrick represents parental authority, but he also knows that he can rely upon Yann under any circumstances and is soft on Marina, totally unable to deny her anything.

#### Season 2

Patrick fine-tuned some of his inventions as well as perfected his boat, the Taaora. He invented "The Turtle", a submarine that can carry the little family on board to explore the seabed.





### VAN KROOK

Van Krook is 50.

# He's rich and elegant

but beneath the facade lies a hypocritical, greedy, amoral and cowardly creature, only interested in his personal enrichment.

Van Krook claims that his ancestors discovered the island of Maotu and, because of that, it belongs to him. He lives aboard a huge yacht, equipped with a pocket submarine.

Van Krook sometimes works on commission for outsiders. He is assisted by two henchmen: Biff and Rico.

#### Season 2

Van Krook has his niece, Clarissa, who comes from the city, staying aboard his yacht. He's going to have real trouble getting this young lady to do as he says.



#### MAEVA

Maeva is Timeti's mother. They are very close to each other and have built up a deep complicity.

She runs a store/restaurant in the village: "Maeva's Place". She's a great cook with her own specials, including chicken fafa, which she serves to her customers on the restaurant terrace.

## TAHURA RAMANA

The Great Shaman Ramana is Maotu's shaman. He is respected by the people and sits on the great council. Ramana lives in a hut in the mangrove, away from the village, near the volcano. The mangrove is surrounded by salt water, which enables Zoom to get close. Ramana is a highly colorful character, with unpredictable and comic behavior. He can go from the seriousness of an incantation to the most complete derision without any transition. Although advanced in years, he is incredibly agile. Ramana possesses the "Mana": spiritual strength endowing its possessor with "supernatural" power.

#### JACK

Jack is an adventurer, a treasure hunter. Jack lives from bartering and minor dealings, sometimes on the limits of the law...

Uncle Patrick and Jack are old friends, even though they don't share the same ideas. Yann really likes Jack, because whenever he shows up there's the promise of adventure.



#### PAPA-TUANAKU

Papa-Tuanaku is the village chief. He presides over the council proudly, settles conflicts, organizes traditional celebrations (Heiva) and sporting competitions.

He is often rapidly overwhelmed by his responsibilities and then he turns to his wife for advice.

## TAPUNA

Tapuna is the chief's wife.

Tapuna was a former "Miss Polynesia" and she's very proud of it. She gives herself rather superior airs, but deep down, she has a big heart. Despite their differences, Tapuna and Maeva are friends.

#### LOAF

Loaf is a sloth who spends his time sleeping, hanging from one of the bamboo structures forming the veranda.

Occasionally, he may emit a little grunt as he nonchalantly observes the family bustling around him.



#### RAHI

Rahi is a giant tiger shark, a loner and dangerous, who nurses a limitless hatred for Zoom.

During a battle between the two, Rahi lost part of a fin and several teeth. Rahi prowls in the depths and is rarely seen near the coasts.

### **BIFF AND RICO**

Biff and Rico are Van Krook's two henchmen, although they sometimes pull off petty crimes by themselves, especially when it involves poaching or illegal fishing.

## **CLARISSA**

Auru falls in love the day he sees this pretty, but affected blonde, step ashore onto his island. Clarissa is a lovely, slender young girl, the same age as Timeti. This spoilt young city kid, a keen fan of technology and gadgetry will upset the balance of the band of friends because she falls slightly for Yann and sparks Timeti's jealousy.

She is spending her vacation on the yacht of her uncle, the vile Van Krook, who will use her and her innocence to achieve his own ends. However, Clarissa, beneath her haughty airs, is a lonely girl who is not fully aware of the consequences of her actions.



#### FARATINA

Faratina is Timeti's grandmother.

She has great humor, but she's totally overwhelmed by what drives Timeti. Convinced that the only worthwhile objective for a girl is marriage, therefore she is permanently seeking suitors for her.

## JACKPOT

Jack returns from the capital with a little dog that he names "Jackpot". And now the two are inseparable.

## KAÏ

Kaï is a little 4-year-old Polynesian. He's a distant cousin of Timeti, who is sometimes given care of him... right when her friends invite her to a little surfing outing!

Marina sees him as a little brother. Kaï is a comic character, he doesn't always express himself very clearly, but Zoom understands him perfectly.



He is the chief of a neighboring island, a day's cance trip from Maotu.

Whereas on Maotu, the villagers have chosen to live in harmony with nature by adhering to their ancestral customs, Naone and his people have chosen to westernize... and enjoy the pleasures of traffic jams.





















### **SEASON 02 EP 01** Timeti Apprentice Shaman

In an act of clumsiness, Timeti breaks the scepter belonging to Ramana, who is teaching her to become a shaman. She tries to cover her blunder with a crude repair job. However, when Ramana performs the ritual to call the dolphins, he starts to act... like a dolphin! He swims and clicks like Zoom. The alarmed villagers try to find some solution. Timeti has to make up for her mistake without arousing their suspicions.

## SEASON 02 EP 02 Save Billy

Billy, a baby orca born in captivity, is handed over to Uncle Patrick to prepare him for a return to the wild. However, Billy is high-spirited and playful and creates havoc in the village. Papa-Tuanaku gives Patrick a short deadline to get the orca ready to fend for himself far from human beings. Yann, Zoom and their friends have to teach him how to fish for himself and not go too close to sharks--the sworn enemies of orcas. Fortunately, Zoom is on hand to "support" Billy through his difficult apprenticeship.





#### SEASON 02 EP 03 The Alien

When Yann, Auru, Marina and Timeti decide to spend the night under the stars, their attention is grabbed by strange lights in the sky. When they see the lights plummet down off the coast of Maotu, our heroes decide to go see what it is and discover an incredible alien-like creature! Yann and his friends need to discover the truth about this weird phenomenon quickly before panic seizes Maotu.

#### SEASON 02 EP 05 Igor's Return

Igor, the dolphin soldier, is back. Auru, who formed a special bond with him, is undoubtedly the happiest to see him again. However, joy quickly turns to concern when Igor takes Zoom off with him. He wants to show him something: the sonars of the dolphins living around the island are disturbed and they end up beaching themselves. Even Zoom is affected by this strange sickness. Time is short so Yann and his friends need to discover the cause quickly.





### SEASON 02 EP 06 The Maui Dolphin

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### SEASON 02 EP 09 Timeti's Choice

Timeti's mother, Maeva, has great news for her daughter. Timeti's been accepted into a top cooking school. She will be leaving Maotou to become a great chef. But Timeti isn't sure she really wants to do that. At a loss, she seeks support from Yann, but, due to a misunderstanding, Yann actually precipitates Timeti's departure. He's left with no choice: he has to declare his feelings in the hope that she will stay.





### SEASON 02 EP 10 Maotou.com

For some days now, the waters of Maotou have been disturbed. Yann is concerned and decides to alert Papa-Tuanaku. When he gets to the village he discovers Clarissa, Van Krook's niece, handing out gadgets to the villagers. Hypnotized by their tablets, they don't listen to Yann when he tries to warn them of an ecological disaster threatening the atoll's beaches. Could there be some connection between this phenomenon and these new gifts?

## SEASON O2 EP 23

the Pink Dolphin

pink dolphin, which they nickname Rosie. However, the news creates panic in the village. The arrival of the pink dolphin is believed to be a prophecy foretelling an unprecedented disaster. The pink dolphin must go and quickly! Yann doesn't believe in the prophecy.





## VEHICLES SEASON 1

As the series takes place on an island in the middle of the Pacific Ocean, each character has sea vehicles so they can get around.

Yann: a surfboard, a kite-surf and a canoe.

Marina: a small bike and a canoe. Uncle Patrick: he owns an inflatable boat as well as an old tub thathe transformed into a science vessel intended to protect the seabed, the "Taaora". Timeti: a surfboard.

Auru: a surfboard, a kite-surf and a canoe.

**Jack:** he travels by water taxi with which he sometimes transports the inhabitants of the island. He also owns a seaplane.

Van Krook: he lives on a magnificent white yacht equipped with the latest technology. It also has a pocket submarine.

**Biff and Rico:** they have an inflatable boat and a motor boat.





## MARINA'S PROPS SEASON 1



## TIMÉTI AND AURU'S PROPS SEASON 1



## THE TURTLE SEASON 2

This is a bathyscaphe invented by Uncle Patrick. Concentrated technology. It can hold up to six people and is capable of reaching the deep abyss (+4,000m).

The bathyscaphe is parked in the Taaora's hull. A hatch beneath the boat is used for moving in and out to explore the seabed as a family and embark on adventures in the depths!

**Roomy cockpit proviading Drive unit** 360° vision

Front flippers enable the capsule to steer. They are retractable and articulated so they can grasp objects.

**Powerful lights** 

# THE TURTLE SEASON 2 **Grapple trap** Camera and several objects **Protection glass** Grapple cable Spot light Wheels Location **Rear propeller Retractable wheels**

**Clamp's mechanism of the bathyscaphe** 

The Bathyscaphe is amphibious. It has three retractable wheels that it can use toleave the water and drive over the sand to parkin Patrick's workshop on the Galleon beach. ۲

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