

HAVAS PARIS WISHES HAPPY NEW YEAR WITH AN ORIGINAL "2017 SHEEP STREET" CARTOON

Following the "Bonne Année Charles" short movie, which opened the 2016 Festival de l'Alpe d'Huez, PR and advertising firm Havas Paris wishes a happy new year with an original cartoon.

Paying glowing tribute to Disney's early cartoons, "2017 Sheep Street" is a 3" black-and-white short cartoon telling the story of a family of black sheep moving in next door to a family of white sheep.

Dreamt up and written by **Christophe Coffre**, directed by **Guillaume Ivernel** (*Ballerina*, *Les Chasseurs de dragons etc*), produced by **Jungler** and based on original music from **General Electriks**, the **2D** cartoon creatively counters current political trends while delivering a powerful underlying message.

Christophe Coffre comments: "With unprecedented rejection of the establishment, isolationism, a surge in nationalism and xenophobia, 2017 looks like it's going to be a return to the 1930s. More than ever we believe that reaching out to other people is fundamental if we want to restore a more harmonious and peaceful world. As professionals we take pride in understanding other people's feelings on a daily basis. This is one of our cherished values that binds us together".

Christophe adds: "I wanted to make a simple child-like short. So I chose cartoons, which are funny and escapist. And so as to make a distinction with the 1930s, I opted for wacky electric music that sounds modern".

2017 Sheep Street's premiere screening will take place on January 26 at the *cinema Mac-Mahon* and will be available on the web thereafter.