MEDIA ALERT

BAMcinématék presents the 12th annual Animation Block Party, Jul 31—Aug 2

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Brooklyn, NY/Jul 7, 2015—From Friday, July 31 through Sunday, August 2, BAMcinématék presents the 12th annual edition of Animation Block Party, the East Coast’s premier animation festival. This year’s fest gives a nod to phenomenal animation works past and present, showcasing everything from a 20th anniversary screening of Mamoru Oshii’s landmark sci-fi tale Ghost in the Shell; to a JibJab 15th Anniversary Showcase featuring presidential rap battles, “year in review” YouTube hits, and much more; and Sesame Slam: A Retrospective on Sesame Street Animations, which pairs Sesame classics with modern sketches from the iconic educational program.

Other highlights of the festival include Best of Eyeworks Animation, a selection of abstract, unconventional character animation culled from the last five Eyeworks showcases in Chicago; Tom Stathes’ Cartoons on Film, a program that finds ‘toon historian extraordinaire Stathes bringing risqué Pre-Code cartoons back to the big screen; and Arna Selznick’s sunshiny adventure The Care Bears Movie (1985), which follows the beloved rainbow-colored plush bears on their quest to save the world and screens in 35mm. Animation Block Party is produced and curated by Casey Safron.

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For complete BAMcinématék film descriptions, visit BAM.org/AnimationBlockParty.
For complete Animation Block Party festival information, visit AnimationBlock.com.

Animation Block Party Schedule

Fri, Jul 31
2pm: Narrative Works, Studio Shorts, and Local Films
4pm: Student Films and Independent Animators
7pm: Best of Eyeworks Animation
9:45pm: Ghost in the Shell

Sat, Aug 1
2pm: Animation for Kids
4:30pm: Tom Stathes’ Cartoons on Film
7pm: International Shorts 1
9pm: JibJab 15th Anniversary Showcase

Sun, Aug 2
2pm: Sesame Slam: A Retrospective on Sesame Street Animations
4:30pm: The Care Bears Movie
7pm: International Shorts 2
9pm: Experimental Films, Graphic Design, and Music Video

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