

UK animator cooks up Cartoon d'Or

UK-based animator Luis Cook took the coveted Cartoon d'Or prize at Cartoon Forum in Girona, Spain, over the weekend with his Aardman-produced entry *The Pearce Sisters*.

The 10-minute cartoon centres on the unexpectedly gory tale of sisters and fisherwomen living in isolation beside the sea, whose lives are temporarily fulfilled after they save a handsome man from drowning.

Speaking after the presentation on Friday night, Cook told C21: "It was great to work on my first non-commercial project with Aardman, but I really didn't expect to pick up this award."

In doing so, Cook beat four other finalists to the €15,000 prize, including three other Brits - Susie Templeton, Tom Brown and Daniel Gray - as well as Hungarian Tomek Ducki and Finland's Ami Lindholm.

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