

LOVEME2030 30:00, DVD. Edition Paris 2005 Shu Lea Cheang

CONCEPT:

LOVEME not now, not here. LOVEME when I depart. LOVEME2030 wishes to defer all unfulfilled unfinished love stories until year 2030 with the establishment of Love Hotel Incorporated.

SYNOPSIS:

Paris, as in other metropolitan European cities, is rejuvenated by the influx of border crossing urbanites. While the old guard Europeans accept the arrival of the New Europeans, the tension of the urban mix is recounted in the collective tangled love stories left unfulfilled. By the year 2030, as reported, the good life seeking New Europeans are expected to return to their homeland where the living standards would rise up. In anticipating the exodus of reverse migration, LOVEME2030 wishes to defer the unfinished love stories until year 2030. Love me, pas maintenant, pas ici. Love me, quand je pars.

Two young LOVEME agents, Natsuo and Hako, sent from Tokyo headquarter, are transported to Paris on a mission. Fronting themselves as Japanese tourists, they infiltrate Paris' LOVEME underground in the thick of the nights. They take reservation for rendezvous2030, the year the grand love hotel Incorporated welcomes the parted lovers. LOVEME2030, to be continued.

AN INSURGENCE in year 2030:

By year 2006, the exodus of EU migration did occur, from East to West. Flooding EU capitals en masse, the New Europeans from the 2004 accession countries take over the skill job forces in the West.

By year 2030, the not-so-New Europeans residing in the West have earned their status as the Nouveau Riche, NoRi. Meanwhile, on the Eastern front, the US--EU's joint ventures has granted America to wipe up all small farmers in the Eastern part of the EU countries. The America Agri-Co. (AAC) now owns every pig in Poland's villages, every mushroom in Latvia's forests and every milk truck in Estonia's cowland.

In an unexpected reverse exodus, the NoRi head back home in droves to lead a GREEN movement. In its sabotage against AAC, the NoRi calls for the revival of the small farmers and its family farms. As matters get worse, the leaders in the Eastern part of EU call in US troops to suppress the NoRi led insurgence. Calling it a state of Emergency, the borders between the former East and West Europe are re-introduced and re-enforced to bar the tide of homebound migrants.