

Fan-flare Thursday 5th July

To celebrate the Olympic torch travelling to Aldeburgh, the Town Council has asked Aldeburgh Music to provide a fitting welcome.

The torch relay coincides with the coming together of the **Aldeburgh World Orchestra (AWO)**, the first truly global orchestra comprised of 120 musicians from around the world. Every continent is represented. The AWO, under the baton of Sir Mark Elder, will perform two concerts at Snape, before touring to Holland, Germany and to the Royal Albert Hall/ BBC Proms. The Snape and BBC Proms performances are part of the London 2012 Festival (the culmination of the London 2012 Cultural Olympiad).

Members of the brass and percussion sections of the AWO will perform two specially composed fanfares to welcome the torch to Aldeburgh.

Aldeburgh Young Musicians composers Alex Woolf (aged 17) and William Harmer (aged 11) were selected to write these two three-minute fanfares. Aldeburgh Young Musicians provides artist development opportunities for young people aged 8-18 who can demonstrate exceptional musical talent and potential, irrespective of means, social or ethnic background. Alex and William were asked to think about themes inspired by an Olympic event (e.g. relay, track event, etc.), or a sense of place, such as the 'World' coming to Suffolk. They will also be performed at Snape Maltings Concert Hall on 20 and 22 July 2012.

The first fanfare will be performed at approx 1404 next to the war memorial/ Moot Hall.

The second fanfare will be performed from a platform (possibly a trailer acting as a stage) outside 152 Aldeburgh High Street at approx 1420. Other music may be played before and after the second fanfare.

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