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# Singers and Sinfonia in joint concert

Fylde Sinfonia and The Lidun Singers are to join forces again for a concert at Church Road Methodist Church, St Annes. The event on Saturday, April 1 is the only second collaboration between the two societies.

In July 2010, when the Lidun Singers were still known as the King Edward and Queen Mary Singers, they performed Beethoven Symphony No 9 Choral with the Fylde Sinfonia at the same venue. This time around, the programme will comprise two major works - John Rutter's Magnificat and the Gabriel Fauré Requiem.

Soprano soloist is Charlotte Trepess from the Royal Northern College of Music, who was a finalist in the 2016 Young Welsh Singer of the Year competition.

Michael Howarth will sing baritone, while orchestra leader is Karen Rouse.

The Lidun Singers known as the King Edward and Queen Mary Singers until 2012. Alistair Mackenzie, who will be conducting along with the Sinfonia's Peter Buckley, was previously head of music at the former King Edward and Queen Mary School and is now organist at St Annes Parish Church, teaches music at Heyhouses School, and is also musical



Charlotte Trepess

director of Fleetwood and District Choral Society.

Fylde Sinfonia was formed in the 1970s under the baton of John Simpson and regularly plays concerts in and around Lytham.

Local musician and percussionist Peter Buckley, also musical director for Lytham Operatic Society, took over as the Sinfonia's principal conductor in 2004.

The concert on April 1 starts at 7.30pm and admission is £9 for adults, with under 16s free.

Details of both societies are at [www.fyldesinfonia.org.uk](http://www.fyldesinfonia.org.uk) and [www.lidunsingers.org.uk](http://www.lidunsingers.org.uk)