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CELLIST OLIVER ALDORT SET TO BECOME YOUNGEST MEMBER OF THE BOSTON SYMPHONY WHEN HE JOINS THE ORCHESTRA IN 2015-16 SEASON

Oliver Aldort, a 21-year-old cellist set to receive his Bachelor of Music degree from the Curtis Institute of Music this spring, will become the youngest member of the Boston Symphony, when he joins the orchestra’s cello section at the start of the 2015-16 season in September. Mr. Aldort studied under Boston Symphony musicians as a Tanglewood Music Center Fellow during the 2011 and 2012 Tanglewood seasons. He won the audition for a seat in the BSO against a pool of over 200 applicants in October 2014.

MORE ON OLIVER ALDORT
Raised on Orcas Island, in Washington State, Oliver Aldort began his musical studies on cello and piano at the age of six. He gave his debut recital at age seven, and has performed as a soloist with orchestras since the age of ten. Among these were performances with the Victoria Symphony Orchestra, Newton Symphony Orchestra, and the Philharmonia Northwest Orchestra. Mr. Aldort was co-principal cellist of the Curtis Symphony Orchestra in the 2013-14 season, and has performed at the Verbier Festival Academy, the Tanglewood Music Center, and the Steans Music Institute at Ravinia. He has appeared on KOMO TV's Northwest Afternoon, NPR's From the Top, and CBC Radio. He was also featured in the 2008 British TV documentary The World's Greatest Musical Prodigies. He has been awarded top prizes in numerous competitions, including the 2007 MTNA Junior Competition, as well as the 2008 and 2010 Seattle Young Artists Music Festival. Mr. Aldort will receive his Bachelor of Music degree from
the Curtis Institute of Music in May 2015. His major teachers have included Carter Brey, Peter Wiley, Lynn Harrell, Ron Leonard, and Amos Yang.

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