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HAVE THE TECHNIQUES AND THE  
RESOURCES TO GET RID OF  
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IS WHETHER WE HAVE THE WILL

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## VICTORIAN MUSIC BOX



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**DESIGNER**  
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**LOCATION**  
Aspen, Colorado

This family compound marries a restored Victorian with a music-inspired modern addition affectionately called the Music Box, designed to accommodate guests as well as music recitals. A single material, Galvalume, bent with four-inch exposures, covers the Music Box's roof and walls in a continuous, perforated, thin aluminum envelope. This skin was inspired by Frédéric Chopin's

Nocturne in E-flat Major, op. 9, no. 2. The perforated aluminum stands off the structure through a batten/rain screen system that allows light to pass through but maintains privacy for those inside. The design team broke down Chopin's composition into its discrete elements to create a pattern that daylight superimposes on the building's elevations.