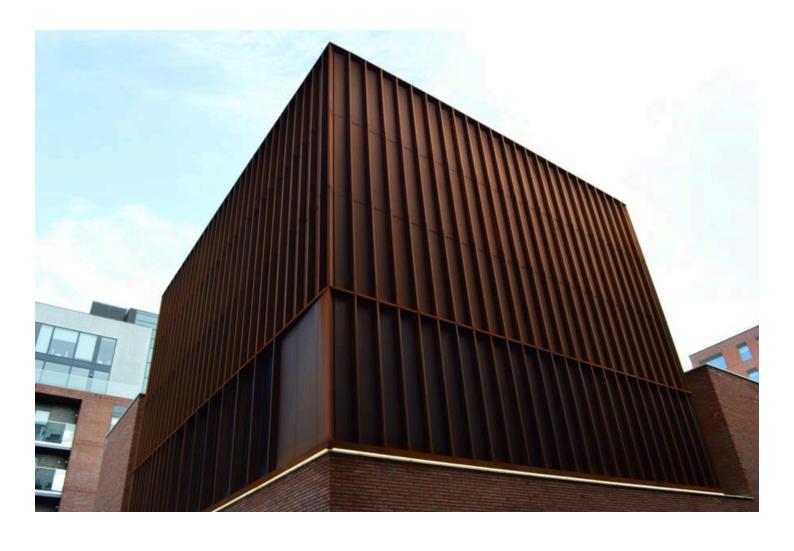


# Hallé, St Peter's Greater Manchester

Ruukki panels have been supplied to a restored church to create a new home for the famous The Hallé orchestra. The three-storey extension at The Oglesby Centre is part of a wider project to regenerate the Ancoats area of Manchester, which is historically an area of manufacturing. The Hallé's new home for its community work in the centre of Manchester is used by schools and youth groups. It offers multiple spaces in one venue for different rehearsals and to deliver a real sense of community with new practice rooms, performance spaces, and a café and bar which are open to the public. We supplied our Ruukki Cor-Ten® Rainscreen Cladding panels for this project for an impressive finish that's been shortlisted for the Façade Awards UK.

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#### Cor-Ten® steel for a striking façade finish

Creating a new home for The Hallé involved adapting a former church in an old industrial area of Manchester. Cor-Ten®, therefore, was the perfect rainscreen cladding for both protection needs and a suitable aesthetic.

Cor-Ten® is an almost pure, solid steel, meaning it is incredibly durable and maintenance free. The steel is alloyed only slightly, which forms a protective patina layer on exposure to the elements. This natural, rugged patina is one of the unique properties of Cor-Ten®.

The patina begins as reddish brown in colour, yet each panel ages continuously in its own individual way to become darker in tone over time. This is expediated in industrial environments, like the home of The Oglesby Centre. Ruukki Cor-Ten® Rainscreen Cladding panels, therefore, complement the building and its home in an old industrial area perfectly.

#### Rainscreen panels for easy installation

To help deliver both optimal performance properties and achieve The Hallé's vision for their building, Ruukki's rainscreen cladding panels were the perfect choice. Elegant yet strong, they are rigid and solid to fully protect this former church building for modern day use. What's more, they are designed and manufactured for specific project dimensions, so we were able to supply ready-to-fit panels to The Hallé's exact specification.

Ruukki's rainscreen panel offering is extensive and varied. There are multiple flexible options to meet your project needs and both designer and specifier requirements. Our rainscreen panels are available in varied widths, heights and depths, with options for both visible and concealed fastenings as well as perforation and backlighting. They are also available in a broad range of colours and finishes.

### Award shortlist for The Halle's rainscreen

It's a real honour when your work is recognised by industry peers. So it is a huge achievement to be shortlisted alongside our fellow suppliers on this project, JWD Architectural Aluminium, in the Façade Awards UK. Our work on Hallé, St Peter's features in the 'Best use of rainscreen using specialist metal, to include (zinc, copper, brass)' category.

Competition is tough, but we are in great company and delighted that our work with rainscreen panels in specialist metals is being recognised, especially for such a well-respected client.

The awards, brought to you by Roofing, Cladding & Insulation (RCI) magazine, will be held as a live-stream event on Friday 11 February, 2021. At the same awards Ruukki will be the sponsor for the category of best use of a rainscreen system using aluminium.

The Hallé symphony orchestra is world-famous, and we're delighted the Ruukki team were part of creating its new premises. Take a look at the images of the stunning finish.

To create a striking façade finish using Ruukki's extensive range of cladding panels on your next project, find your contact and let us know how we can help bring your vision to life.



