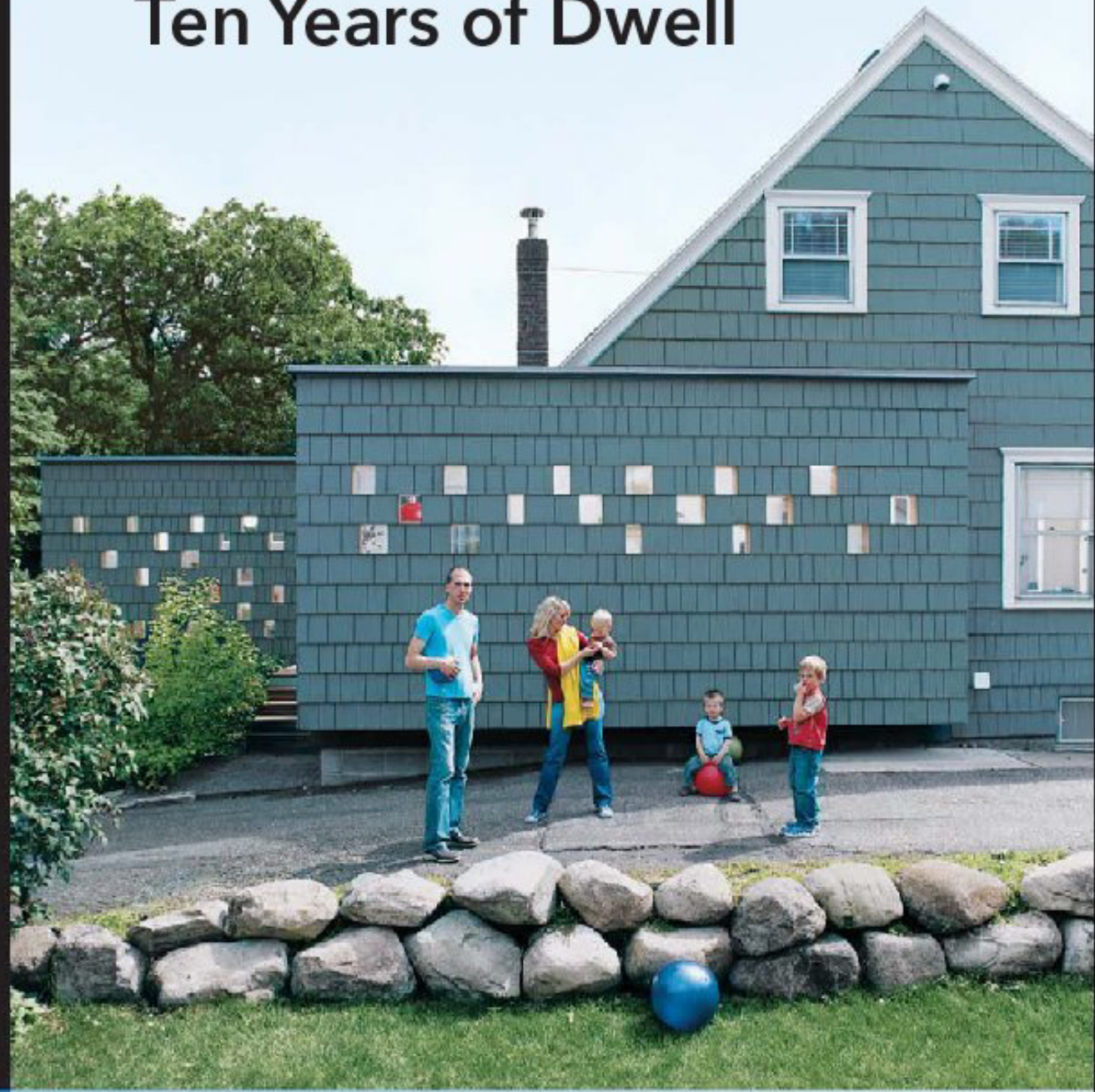


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Carlos Delpin and his wife, Eneida Nuñez, lived for seven years in their rather dark and confined San Juan home before considering a significant remodel. "We liked the skeleton of the house, but we wanted to open it up so we could have one big space instead of lots of little ones," Delpin says. Architect Nataniel Fúster of Fúster + Partners understood the type of thoughtful renovation they were after: a tropical modernist take that would retain the history and tradition of the region. Rooms were

rearranged—the kitchen was moved up to above the bustling street walk and an open living area and swimming pool were introduced in the basement. The couple kept touch with the original floor tiles. The oversized cement slabs, which protrude dramatically from the ceiling in the living room capture the sun's travels across the sky, and a new pastime was born. "I like living in a light show," Delpin says. "We've spent countless hours just watching the light change."

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