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Melbourne Spring Fashion Week 2015

It's on again, and this year there are [some nice events](#) for us to see and enjoy fashion at its finest.

Running from August 28th (today!) to September 4th, here are some recommended highlights. Hope to see you at some of them.

- [The Dapper Guide to Vertical Melbourne](#) – a free walking tour to see hidden menswear retailers.
- [In Vogue](#) – a free panel discussion about the iconic magazine, its history and influence. August 29th.
- [Orry-Kelly](#) – a free exhibition about the work of Australia's famous costume designer. On now at ACMI.
- [Sew What](#) – a free and interactive exhibition of historical sewing machines. On today (Friday 28th) and tomorrow. Aren't you loving all these free events?

- [Feathering the Nest: Richard Nylon](#) curates [the Johnston Collection](#). Not free, but very worthwhile – if you haven't seen it yet, this is one of the most interesting museums in Australia, and they're also running [a great series of accompanying lectures](#). I've been to several about fashion and I can highly recommend them. Plus they're nice people and have a great gift shop.

There's lots more happening at the fashion festival including of course, [runway shows of Australian fashion designers](#). [ACMI](#) is also running an accompanying programme of films called "[Fashion Mavericks on Film](#)".

Not to be missed – hope you catch some of the events, it's a great time of year for Melbourne fashion lovers.

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Mascara sings: "I can do for you, what I did for Theda Bara". She's very vampy, you'll love her, especially her spectacular long eye-lashed hat.

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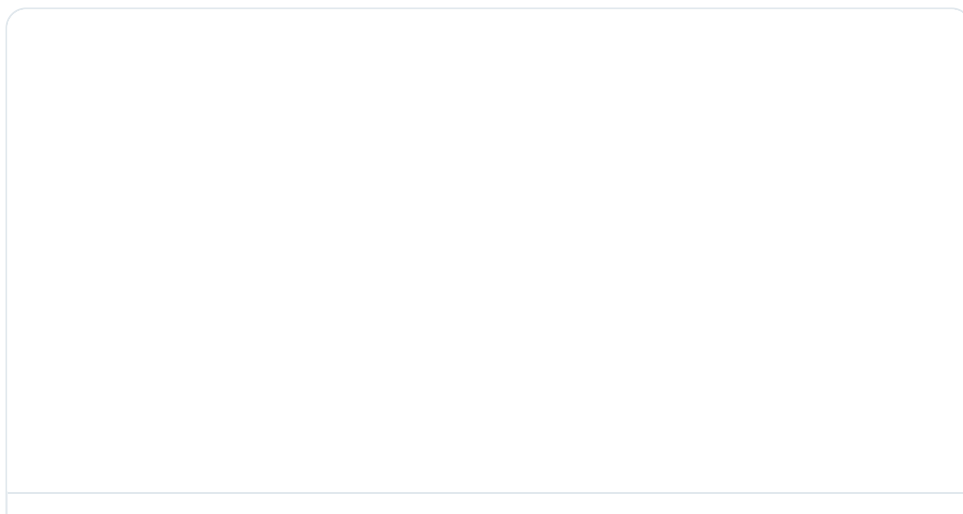
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