The Johnston Collection is one of Melbourne's secret places. It's a treasure trove of fine and decorative art, furniture and objects housed within Fairhall, the former East Melbourne residence of the antiques' collector. Every so often the W R Johnston Trust invites a contemporary creative into their 'House of Ideas', to reinterpret the collection, essentially to leave their – temporary – mark on the historic museum. Past collaborators include fashion designers Akira Isogawa and Romance Was Born, architect Pascale Gomes-McNabb (known for the interiors of Cumulus Inc, Cutler & Co and Stokehouse City) and The Australian Ballet's artistic director David McAllister. In good company then is Richard Nylon, prominent hat-maker and a walking champion of Melbourne's fashion scene. It's currently his turn to be "feathering the nest". Richard's series includes a Melbourne Spring Fashion Week project with Materialbyproduct, a mad tea party and talks with the milliner himself.

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