



My name is Possum Ball and I have been running my label Possum Ball Millinery since 2012.

My Grandmother was a milliner and so I like to think millinery runs in my blood!

All my pieces are designed and made by me in my Williamstown studio. Each piece I make is lovingly blocked before being hand stitched with the utmost of patience, care and hopefully a sense of fun!

My work has featured on catwalks around Australia and I've had the thrill of having one of my pieces walk a Parisian catwalk! My millinery has made an appearance at the late Queen's Garden Party at Buckingham Palace! My work has featured in Melbourne Fashion Week's "Boldly Different" exhibition and my millinery displayed at the Governor of Victoria's annual Cup Eve Function.

My millinery has made the top 10 finalists at MIMC and second place at Hat Ateliers annual "Hatember" competition.

My pieces are made with the Fashions on the Field client in mind. I have a strong following of customers from all across Australia, the UK and Singapore. My pieces are bright, bold and fun!

One of my favourite collaborations to date has been with Ooroo Australia. Featuring award winning textiles from Aboriginal artists and talented emerging Australian indigenous textile designers, my millinery pieces made to help showcase and highlight stories that need to be told.

In 2019/2020 I was President of the Millinery Association of Australia, a role which saw me responsible for the leadership, direction and coordination of responsibilities for the association.

I am one of four resident milliners who run the Williamstown pop-up shop, The Hat Shop each year.

Over the years I have been invited to judge millinery at the prestigious Millinery Design Award hosted by Millinery Australia, as well as judging millinery at the Royal Melbourne Show and the Millinery Australia Student Award. I've been a guest judge at the MLC Mother's Luncheon, the Echuca Cup and I am a regular guest speaker at the Royal Victorian Motor Yacht Club's annual spring luncheon where I also host a selling table.

My wish when creating my pieces is that my clients have as much fun wearing them as I have creating them! Life is too short not to have fun!

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2023 Flemington VRC Melbourne Cup Carnival – Sydney Showcase



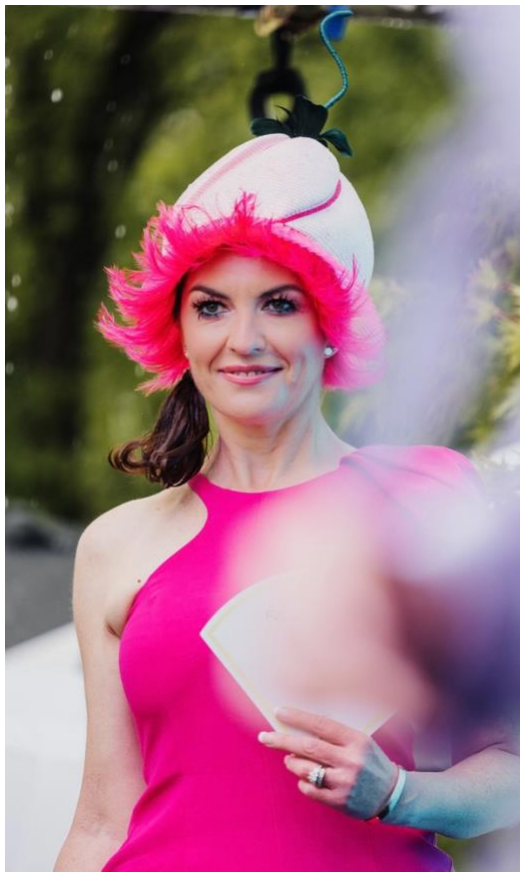
2023 Flemington VRC Melbourne Cup Carnival Spring Gala Runway - Melbourne



2023 Millinery Australia Members Millinery Award
Theme: Ruffled



MF/W 2022 Bella Management Catwalk Show



2022 Flemington VRC Melbourne Cup Lillian Frank AM MBE Millinery Award



2022 Millinery Australia Members Millinery Award
Theme: Counterbalance



2021 MF/W “Boldly Different” lockdown showcase of Melb arts during lockdown
2021 Curated Display at Joel Gallery by Millinery Australia
2022 featured in showcased static display at Melbourne Town Hall



2022 MIMC Millinery Competition Top 10 finalist
Theme: Little Black Dress



2022 Box Hill TAFE Fashion Design Students end of year runway show



2022 MIMC Millinery Competition Theme: Derby Day 1963



2019 Millinery Australia Members Millinery Award Theme: Cocktail

A brief snapshot of my 2023 Ready to Wear Collection

