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Vivid, flamboyant and a little on the pink side is the best way to describe London's new Fashion and Textile Museum. With perennially extroverted Zandra Rhodes at the helm, the new museum aims to illustrate fashion's influence on social culture and will house, among its exhibitions, an archive of Rhodes's own originals. Rhodes has also called in her fashion designer mates (such as Vivienne Westwood and Alexander McQueen), textile designers and hair, hat and shoe creators, as well as influential boutiques. Rhodes's old friend David Humphries from Sydney's Public Art Squad produced dazzling terrazzo floors (pictured with a Rhodes shoe and skirt) for the museum. Currently showing is 'My Favourite Dress', where fashion designers choose one cherished piece from their own collection and explain the reasons behind their choice. From Giorgio Armani to Issey Miyake, the exhibition has attracted more than 70 of the biggest names in fashion and, with Rhodes's rosy vision for the future, the Fashion and Textiles Museum will continue to do so for a long, long time. www.ftmlondon.org—AT