



Liz Davenport with her just-released autobiography.

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Dazzling life of Liz in print

LIZ A Life of Colour is a handbook for young people starting out in business, its namesake, Liz Davenport, says.

The Nedlands-based designer launched her autobiography last month after 40 years in the fashion industry.

"Our levels of self-esteem and confidence are embodied in how we look and 80 per cent of that is our clothes," Mrs Davenport said.

"During my years of working with women and clothes we have discovered how to make it easy and more empowering.

"Teach your wardrobe who's boss."

Mrs Davenport was born in Gnowangerup surrounded by wildflowers that have influ-

enced her designs over the years.

The former schoolteacher married husband Terry at 23 and they have two daughters and a son.

The autobiography chronicles Mrs Davenport's life in fashion as well as the horseracing industry.

"Writing the book was my biggest achievement because I went back through my whole journey and took the highlights," she said.

"It's a contemporary autobiography because, like a scrapbook, a picture is worth a thousand words."

Mrs Davenport's support for the environment and various charities also feature.