



Q 5: What is the attitude of artists towards the Hadiths that denote the prohibition of picture making?

A: They may deny these Hadiths. But they are authentically reported in the books of Sunnah (whatever is reported from the Prophet). They may also figuratively interpret them or allege that they are specific for certain time. They may also confine prohibition to certain types of picturing. But there is no way to do so as these Hadiths are clear and numerous. They may think that new requirements necessitate legalizing this. But facts prove that artists have no real need that require legalizing it except art, satisfying their whims and desires, a way to gain money and the like, which are not considered to be sufficient to legalize it.

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This is because there are many texts that prohibit it. Moreover, it is also an avenue that leads to the most grievous sins.

May Allah grant us success. May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and Companions.

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