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Islam and Art-ivism in Pakistan

How do female artists in a Muslim society navigate their art under regressive military dictatorship? Do their artistic practices shift towards activism? Amina Ejaz explores these questions, examining how Pakistani female artists of the long 1980s spearheaded an art movement influencing contemporary "feminist" artists – a term that functions uniquely in a postcolonial Muslim-majority country in the global South.

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