

Can I Make Fan Art Or Write Fan Fiction?

Fan Art (including fan fiction)

When it comes to fan art and fan fiction, I encourage it, and other transformative works, within certain limits. I want to stress that I have no objection to fan art created solely for personal use, and this policy is intended to provide guidelines in connection with any commercial use of fan creations only. The following applies to all fan creations.

You **may not** use any of my trademarks in your marketing material (e.g., the names of any of my books or book series).

You **may not** use the covers of my books to advertise your derivative works. This creates the perception of an official connection between you and me and my company: DIGITAL REVERENCE L.L.C.

You **may** use the names of characters or descriptions of scenes, so long as you credit me with the characters and ideas that belong to me.

You **may not** use any copyrighted materials, including interior art and text, from my books or website. This includes, any glyphs, symbols, weapons made, and cover art.

There are two exceptions to the above rule:

One is when a character has one of these as part of their design. And second, when they are used for non-commercial or promotional purposes for fan websites, fan conventions, and scholarly, web-based endeavors like podcasts. However, you **may not** sell any merchandise of any logo that incorporates my intellectual property.

You **may not** license (or otherwise permit the use of) any fan art created by you to third parties.

You **may not** claim that something is official, or that you have permission to sell something related to my works, even if you have showed it to me at a signing and I've told you I liked it.

You **may not** use crowd funding to finance works based on my intellectual property.

The following applies to fan art.

You **may** take one-off commissions in any form at the request of a buyer. However, if they are not prints or stickers, you **may not** sell them on the open market.

You **may** sell prints and stickers of your fan art and other transformative works on your website, or sites such as Artstation and DeviantArt.

You **may** sell prints and stickers of your fan art and other transformative works at your regional convention.

You **may not** sell any merchandise other than prints or stickers. This includes but is not limited to, t-shirts and other clothing, mugs, plushies, pins, jewelry, figures, phone accessories, and replicas. These rights are reserved for my licensed partners.

The following applies to fan fiction.

You **may** write fan fiction as long as you credit me and the original work you're basing it on.

You **may not** copy large portions of my work for use in your fan fiction.

You **may not** sell fan fiction in any way or form.

If you're inspired to create songs or music using our art or text, you can share it online without payment, but I can't authorize it for sale, or condone backdoor ways of "sharing" that are selling by another name.

If you have any questions as to whether my policy allows you to do something, please err on the side of caution and assume that it is not allowed. If you feel that you need to know, send an email to digitalreverence@gmail.com before doing anything.