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Computer Vision and Image Analysis of Art 2021

Conference overview

This conference on computer image analysis in the study of art presents leading research in the application of image analysis, computer vision, and pattern recognition to problems of interest to art historians, curators and conservators.

A number of recent questions and controversies have highlighted the value of rigorous image analysis in the service of the analysis of art, particularly painting. Consider these examples: the fractal image analysis for the authentication of drip paintings possibly by Jackson Pollock; sophisticated perspective, shading and form analysis to address claims that early Renaissance masters such as Jan van Eyck or Baroque masters such as Georges de la Tour traced optically projected images; automatic multi-scale analysis of brushstrokes for the attribution of portraits within a painting by Perugino; and multi-spectral, x-ray and infra-red scanning and image analysis of the Mona Lisa to reveal the painting techniques of Leonardo. The value of image analysis to these and other questions strongly suggests that current and future computer methods will play an ever larger role in the scholarship of visual arts.

The conference chairs and program committee invite high-quality submissions of papers discussing new results in the following and related topics: image analysis of perspective, brush strokes, form color and multi-spectral images for attribution and dating; color modeling and manipulation for predicting the effects of conservation treatments; image de-warping to reveal undistorted images from anamorphic art or depictions of reflections in curved mirrors. This conference will focus on analysis, rather than on image acquisition or digital archiving of artistic works. A key goal of this conference is to foster dialog and collaboration between image scientists and humanists; as such, interdisciplinary teams of authors (scientists and art specialists) are especially encouraged to submit papers.

Conference Chairs: Kurt Heumiller, Museum of Modern Art (United States), and David G. Stork, consultant (United States)

Program Committee: Ahmed Elgamal, Rutgers University (United States); Nica Gutman Rieppi, Art Analysis and Research, LLC (United States); Emily L. Spratt, Columbia University (United States); and Christopher W. Tyler, Smith Kettlewell Eye Institute and Columbia University (United States)

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MONDAY 18 JANUARY 2021

OPTICS AND IMAGE PROCESSING

Session Chair: Christopher Tyler, Smith-Kettlewell Eye Research Institute (United States)
11:45 – 12:45

11:45 CVAA-040
JIST-first: Did Tim paint a Vermeer?, David Stork¹, Christopher Tyler², and Sara Schechner³; ¹Consultant, ²Smith-Kettlewell Eye Research Institute, and ³Harvard University (United States)

12:05 CVAA-041
Transfer learning with style transfer between the photorealistic and artistic domain, Nikolay Banat¹, Matthia Sabatelli², Pierre Geurts², Walter Daelemans¹, and Mike Kestemoni¹; ¹University of Antwerp and ²University of Liege (Belgium)

12:25 CVAA-042
Recovery of underdrawings and ghost-paintings via style transfer by deep convolutional neural networks: A digital tool for art scholars, David Stork¹ and Anthony Bourachea²; ¹Consultant (United States) and ²University College London (United Kingdom)

CONFERENCE INTERACTIVE POSTERS

CVAA-017
CVAA POSTER: Resolution enhancement in the recovery of underdrawings via style transfer by generative adversarial deep neural networks, George Cann¹, Anthony Bourachea¹, Ryan-Rhys Griffiths², and David Stork³; ¹University College London (United Kingdom), ²Cambridge University Press (United Kingdom), and ³Consultant (United States)

CVAA-015
CVAA POSTER: Computational identification of significant actors in paintings through symbols and attributes, David Stork¹, George Cann², Anthony Bourachea², and Ryan-Rhys Griffiths³; ¹Consultant (United States), ²University College London (United Kingdom), and ³University of Cambridge (United Kingdom)

COMPUTATIONAL TOOLS FOR ART SCHOLARSHIP

Session Chair: Kurt Heumiller, Museum of Modern Art (United States)
19:45 – 20:25

19:45 CVAA-013
JIST-first: Exploring the facial color representative regions using the Humanae images, Yuchun Yan¹, Hayan Choi², and Hyeon-jeong Suk¹; ¹Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology and ²DeepScent (Republic of Korea)

20:05 CVAA-014
A web-based visualization tool for multispectral images, Snehal Padhye, David Messinger, and James Ferwerda, Rochester Institute of Technology (United States)

TUESDAY 19 JANUARY 2021

PLENARY: DEEP INTERNAL LEARNING—DEEP LEARNING WITH ZERO EXAMPLES

Session Chair: Charles Bouman, Purdue University (United States)

10:00 – 11:10

Deep internal learning—Deep learning with zero examples

Michal Irani, *professor, Department of Computer Science and Applied Mathematics, Weizmann Institute of Science (Israel)*

Michal Irani is a professor at the Weizmann Institute of Science. Her research interests include computer vision, AI, and deep learning. Irani's prizes and honors include the Maria Petrou Prize (2016), the Helmholtz "Test of Time Award" (2017), the Landau Prize in AI (2019), and the Rothschild Prize in Mathematics and Computer Science (2020). She also received the ECCV Best Paper Awards (2000 and 2002), and the Marr Prize Honorable Mention (2001 and 2005).

THURSDAY 21 JANUARY 2021

PLENARY: THE DEVELOPMENT OF INTEGRAL COLOR IMAGE SENSORS AND CAMERAS

Session Chair: Jonathan B. Phillips, Google Inc. (United States)

10:00 – 11:10

The development of integral color image sensors and cameras

Kenneth A. Parulski, *expert consultant: mobile imaging (United States)*

Kenneth Parulski is an expert consultant to mobile imaging companies and leads the development of ISO standards for digital photography. He joined Kodak in 1980 after graduating from MIT and retired in 2012 as research fellow and chief scientist in Kodak's digital photography division. His work has been recognized with a Technical Emmy and other major awards. Parulski is a SMPTE fellow and an inventor on more than 225 US patents.

MONDAY 25 JANUARY 2021

PLENARY: MAKING INVISIBLE VISIBLE

Session Chair: Jonathan B. Phillips, Google Inc. (United States)

10:00 – 11:10

Making invisible visible

Ramesh Raskar, *associate professor, MIT Media Lab (United States)*

Ramesh Raskar is an associate professor at MIT Media Lab and directs the Camera Culture research group. His focus is on AI and imaging for health and sustainability. They span research in physical (e.g., sensors, health-tech), digital (e.g., automated and privacy-aware machine learning), and global (e.g., geomaps, autonomous mobility) domains. He received the Lemelson Award (2016), ACM SIGGRAPH Achievement Award (2017), DARPA Young Faculty Award (2009), Alfred P. Sloan Research Fellowship (2009), TR100 Award from MIT Technology Review (2004), and Global Indus Technovator Award (2003). He has worked on special research projects at Google [X] and Facebook and co-founded/advised several companies.

WEDNESDAY 27 JANUARY 2021

PLENARY: REVEALING THE INVISIBLE TO MACHINES WITH NEUROMORPHIC VISION SYSTEMS: TECHNOLOGY AND APPLICATIONS OVERVIEW

Session Chair: Radka Tezaur, Intel Corporation (United States)

10:00 – 11:10

Revealing the invisible to machines with neuromorphic vision systems: Technology and applications overview

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