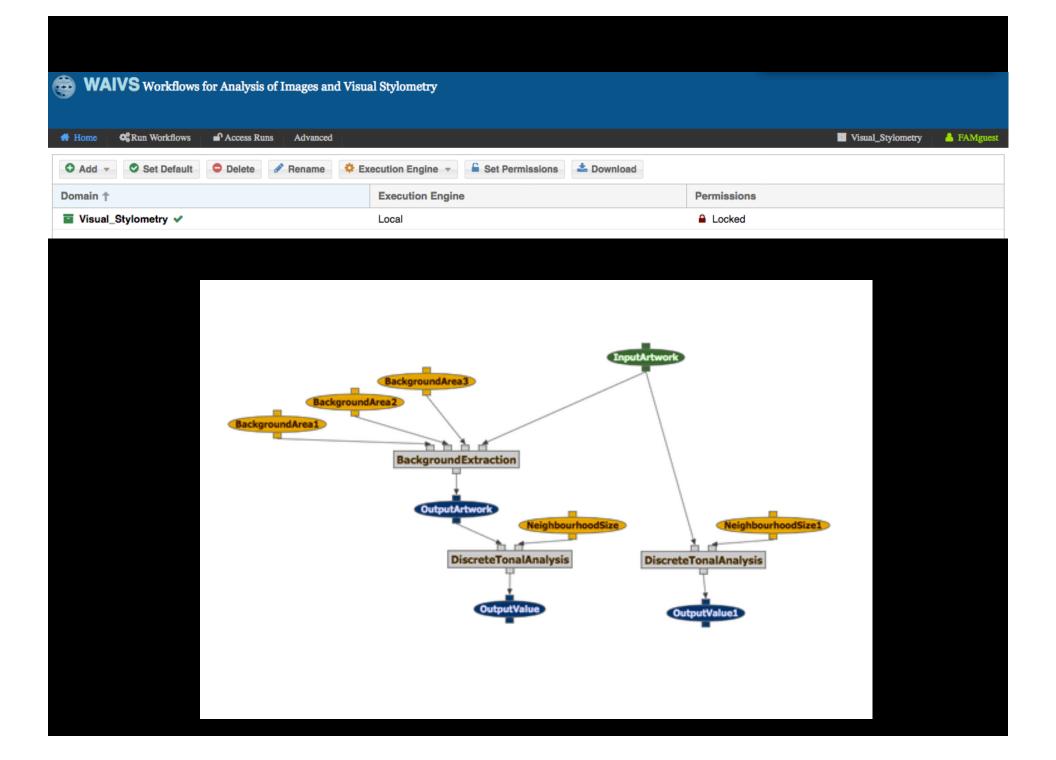
UTILITY TO MUSEUMS

AND ART HISTORIANS

Charlene Villaseñor Black UCLA Art History



'It will change your views of Western painting.'

'Hockney has utterly transformed the scope and basis of the debate.... He is making us look at things afresh.'

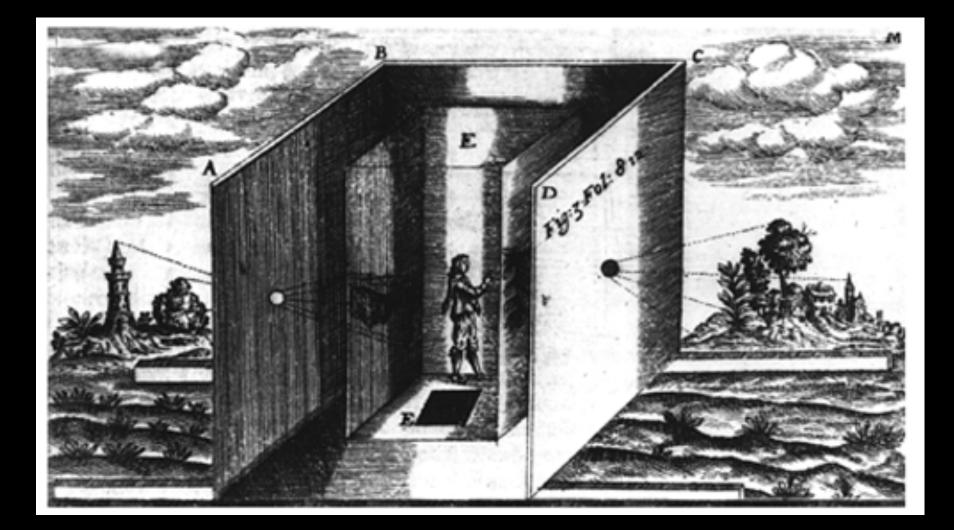
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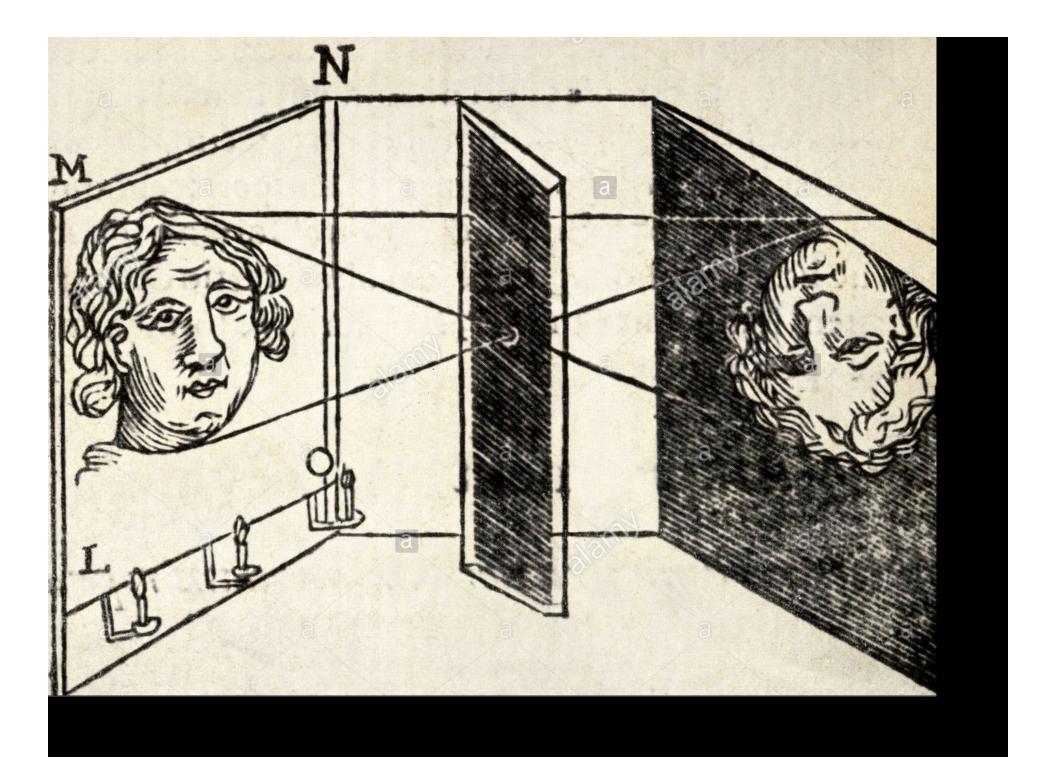
Secret Knowledge

Rediscovering the lost techniques of the Old Masters

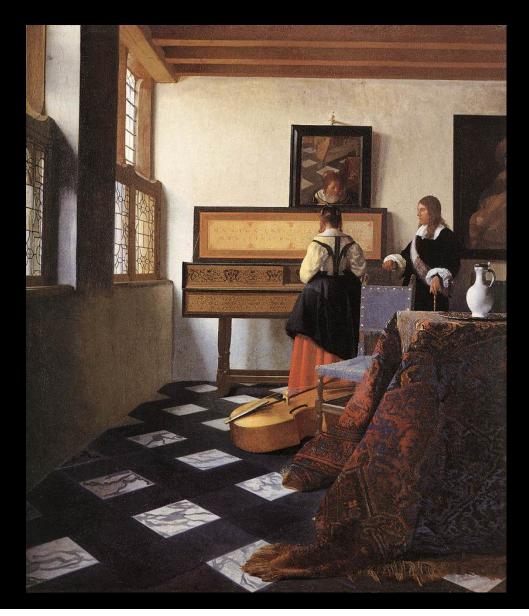
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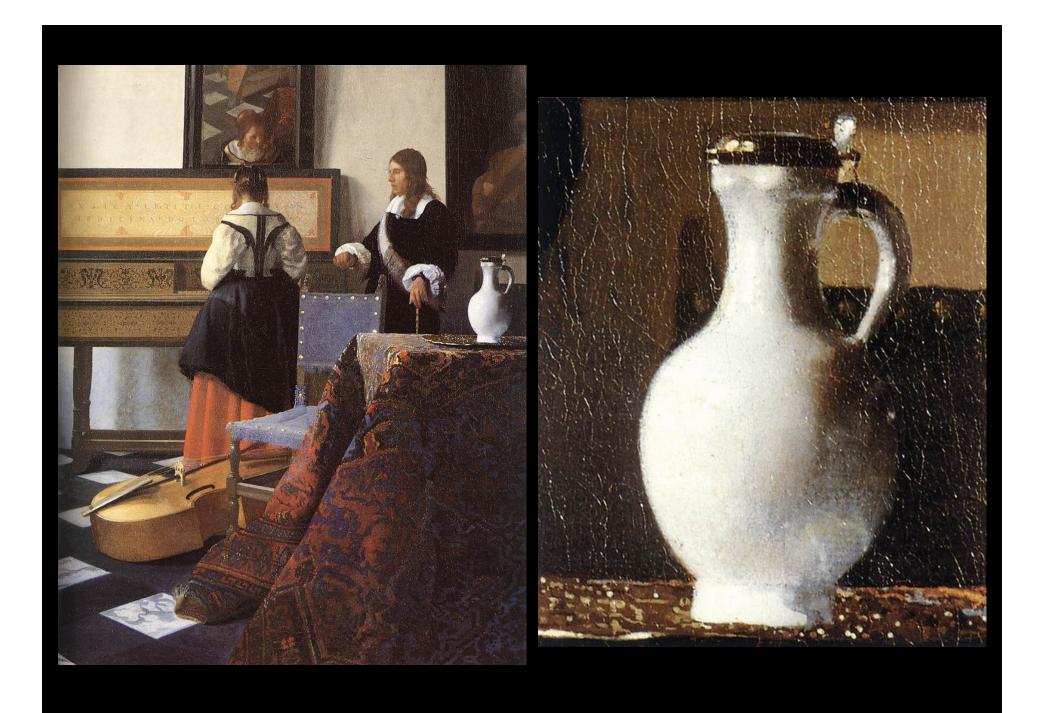
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Vermeer, The Music Lesson, c. 1663











Nicéphore Niépce, *View from a Window*, 1826 or 1827



Manuel Alvarez Bravo, Striking Worker, Assassinated, 1934



Cf. Death of Contemporary Protester





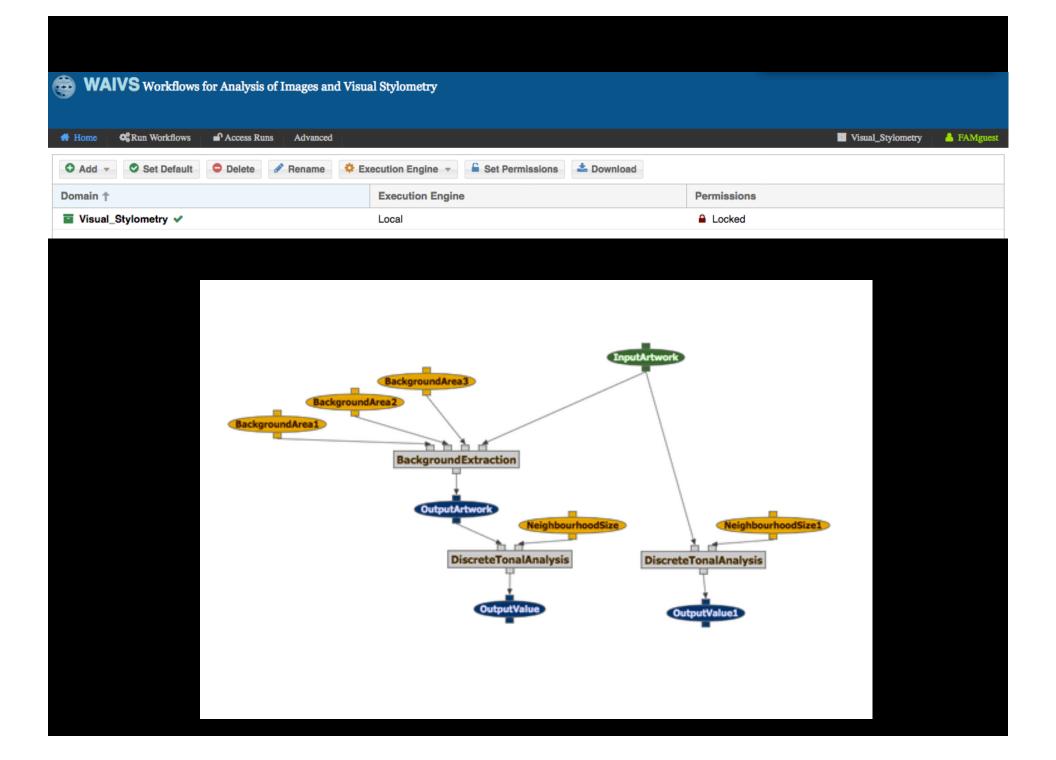


Siqueiros, Mexican Electricians Union Mural, Mexico City, 1939-40: Portrait of the Bourgeoisie, or the Infernal Machine of Capitalism















Annibale Carracci (1603-04) & Claude Lorrain, 1640s





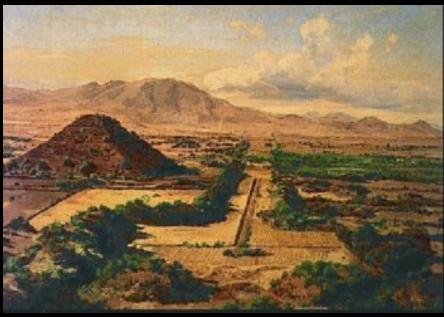
José María Velasco, Valley of Mexico, 1877



Velasco, 1870s and 1880s







How is meaning produced? (vs. What is the meaning?)

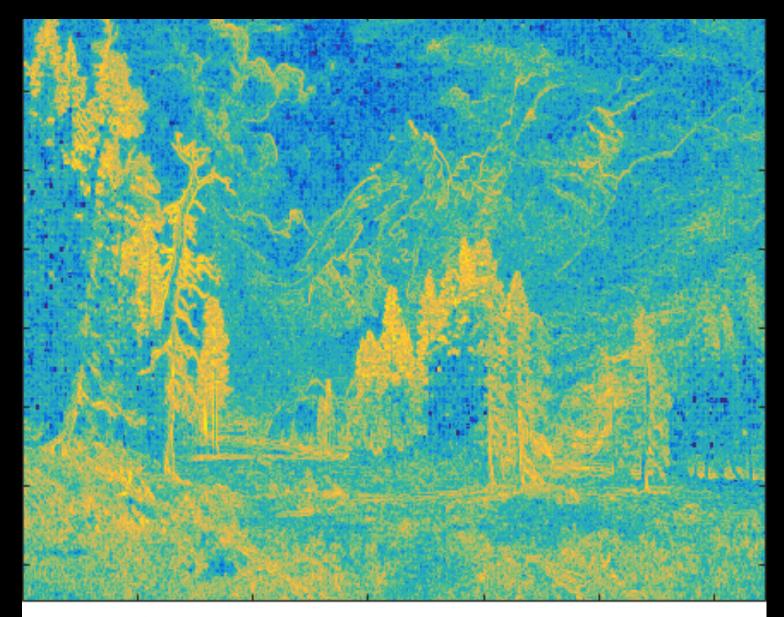
Meaning produced through subject matter and pictorial strategies

Meaning = formal elements + subject matter Signifier + signified How + What

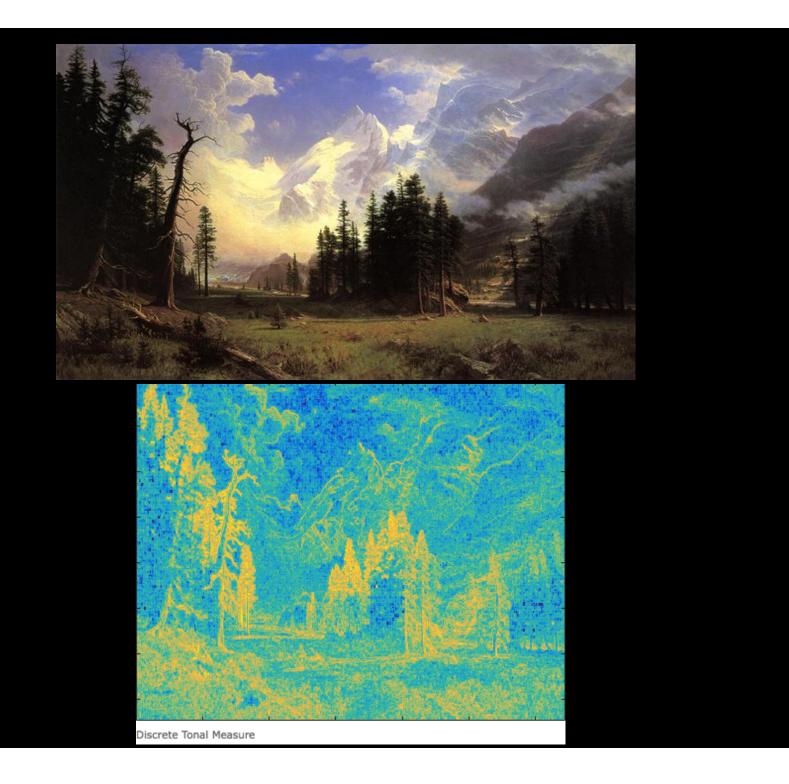
Production of meaning – in the hands/eyes of not only the artist, but also patron, and viewer

Albert Bierstadt





Discrete Tonal Measure

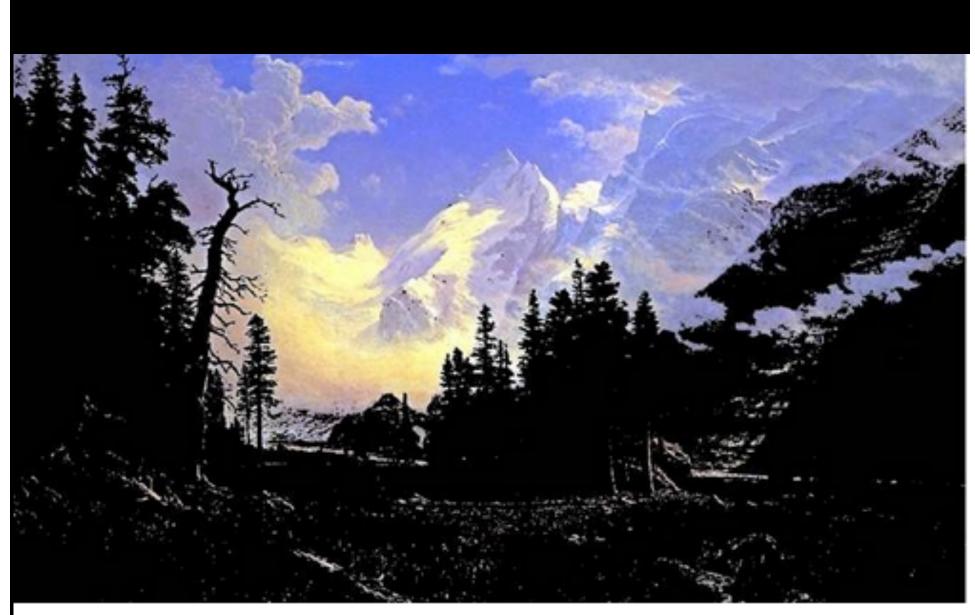


Caravaggio, St. John the Baptist, 1606-07

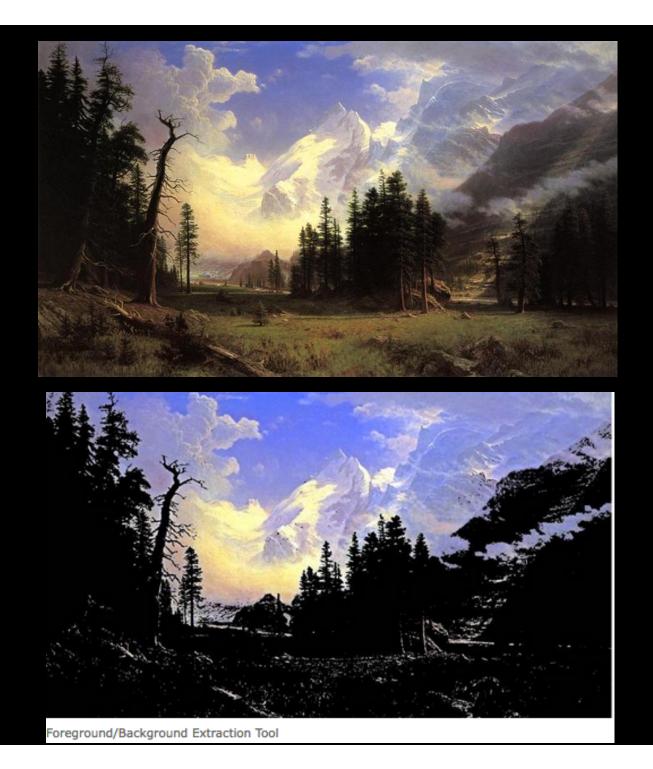


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Foreground/Background Extraction Tool

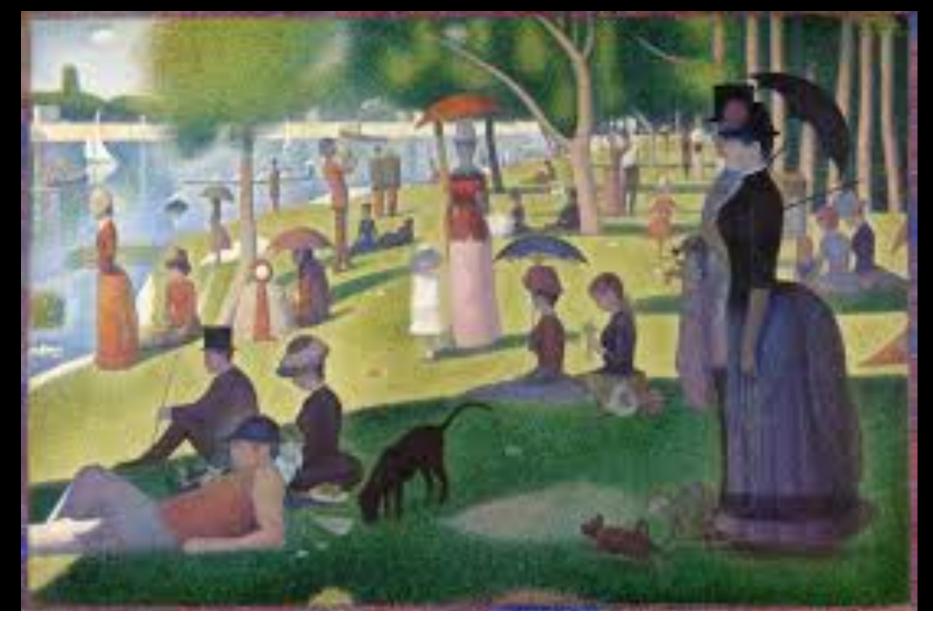


Desportes, *Wolf Hunt*, 1725 (Musée des Beaux Arts, Renne, France

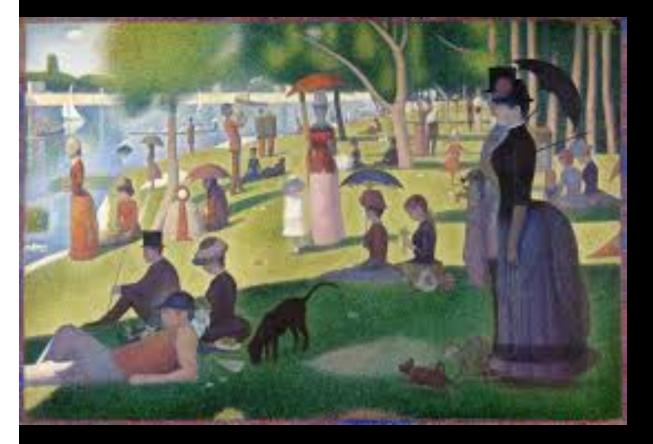




Seurat, Sunday Afternoon on La Grande Jatte , 1884

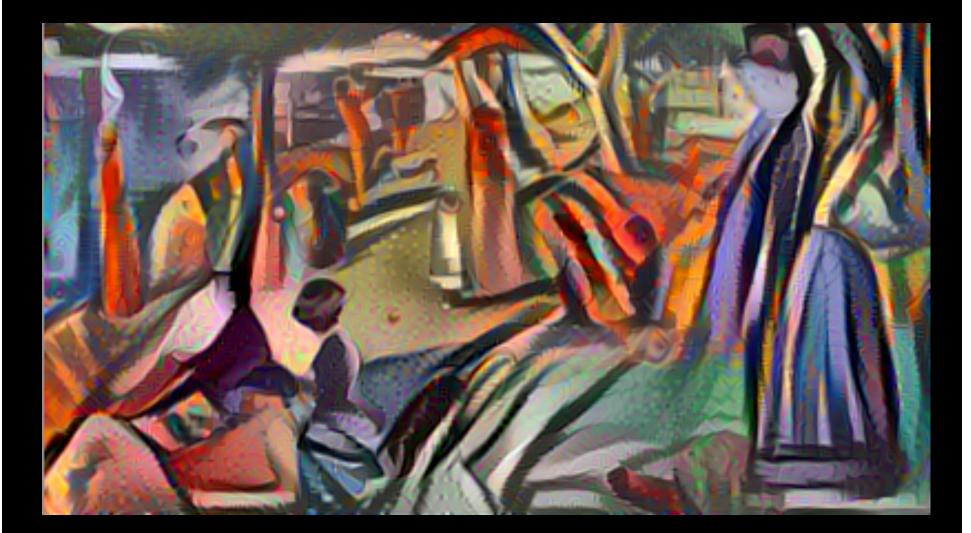


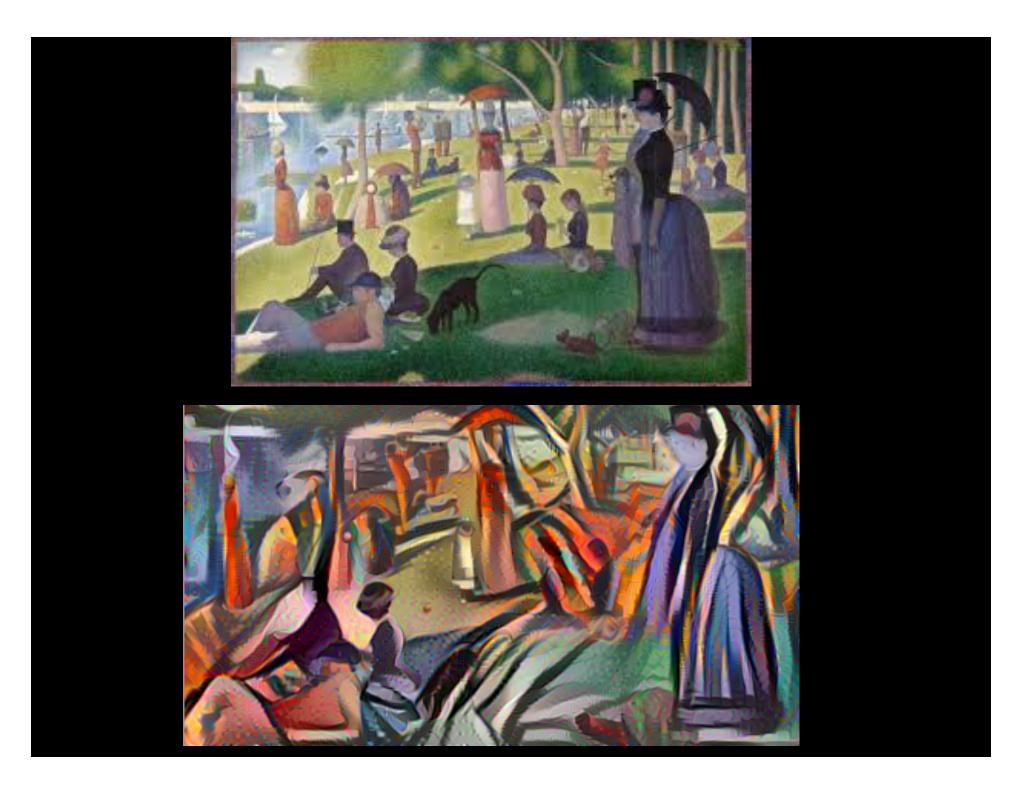
Seurat (1884) & Picasso (1932)





Seurat & Picasso





Jean-Baptiste Oudry, Dead Crane, 1746



Oudry & Seurat



Tasks of the Art Historian

Dating
Attribution
Valuation
Identify materials/techniques
Identify function
Identify sources
Characterize style
Assess meaning

Cf. Follower of Leonardo, Virgin and Child with St. Anne, c. 1501-13 (Getty)





Giovanni Morelli (1816-1891)



FRA FILIPPO LIPPI.



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Old man with turban, Rembrandt. Sultan Soliman, Lievens.

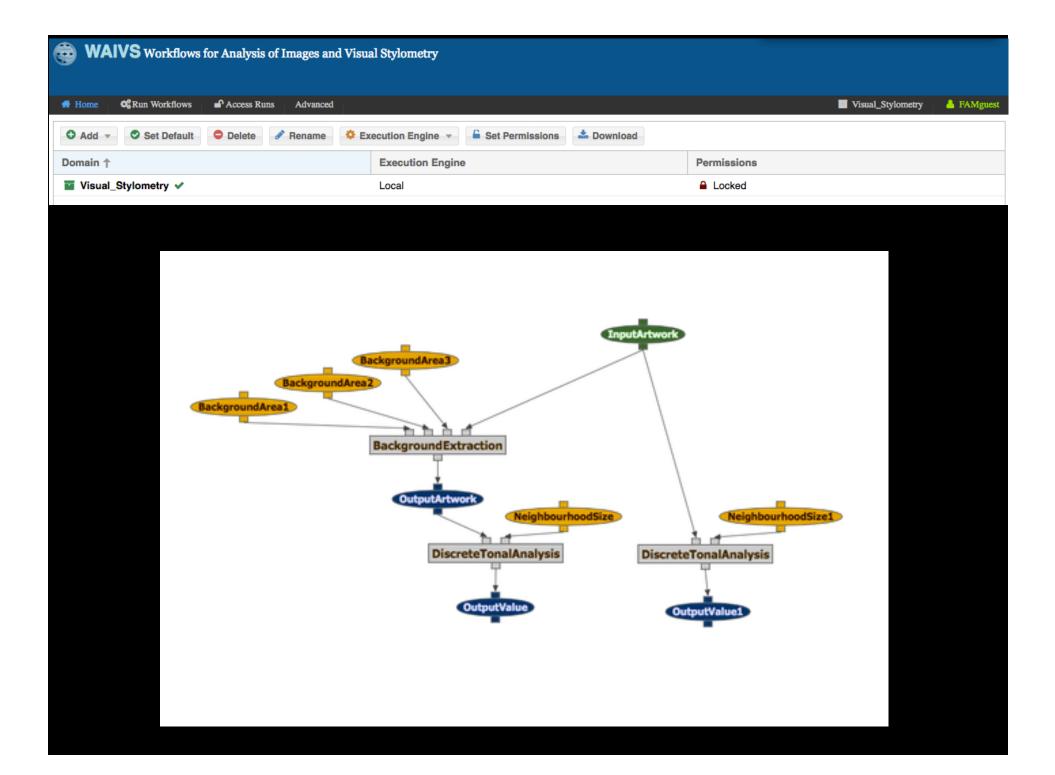
Old man with turban, Jan Adriaensz Staveren.

Old man in oriental costume, Isaac de Jouderville

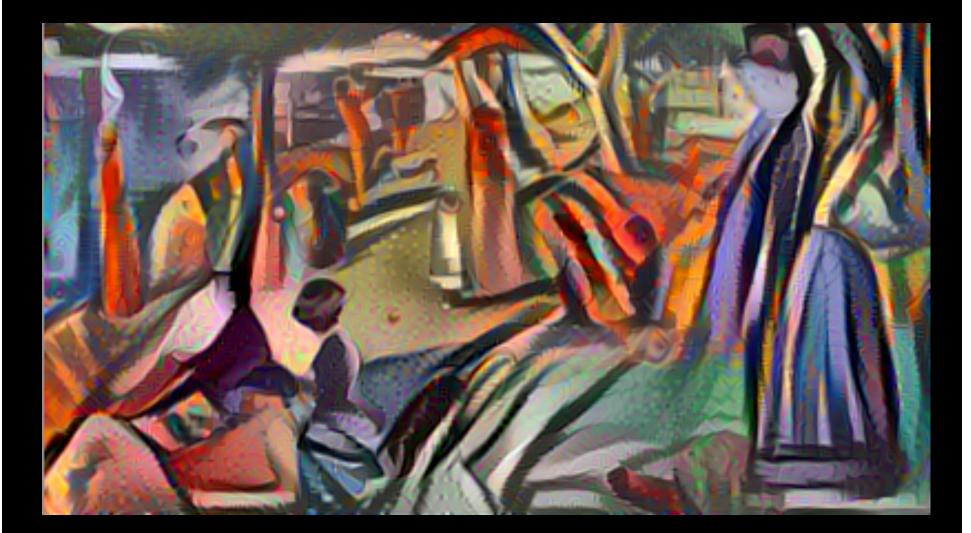


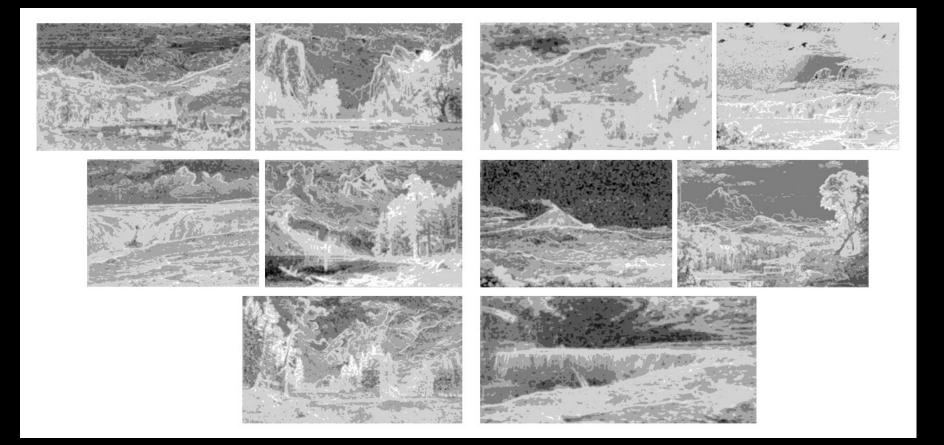
Rembrandt (?), Polish Rider





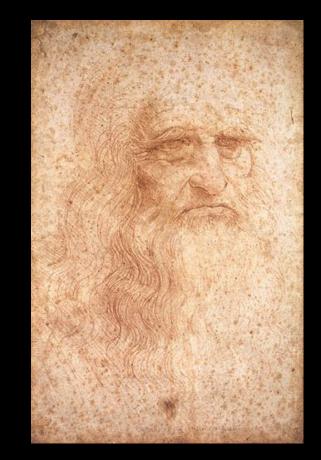
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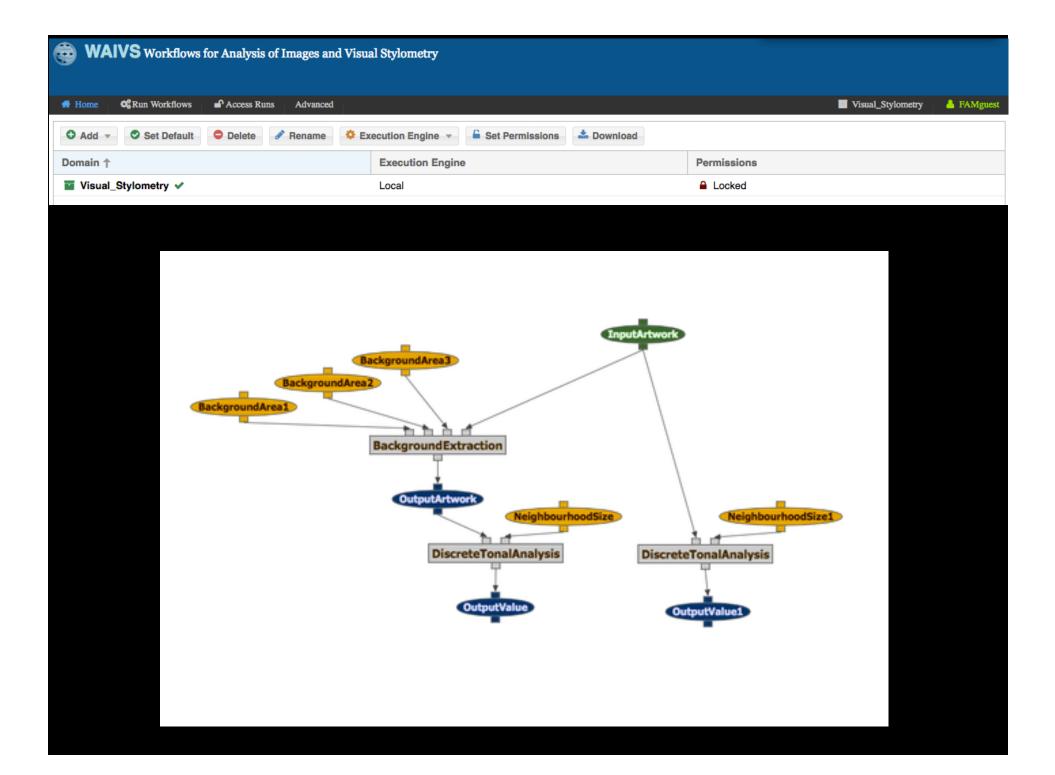




Leonardo da Vinci







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