

# Palette

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# Problem Statement

- Different genres of art incorporate the use of different mediums, subject matter, and color palettes to produce unique and meaningful pieces
- Art Museums want to increase interest and accessibility of art
- Using multi-class image classification that optimizes for accuracy we can develop a model that will be able to determine which genre an art piece belongs to

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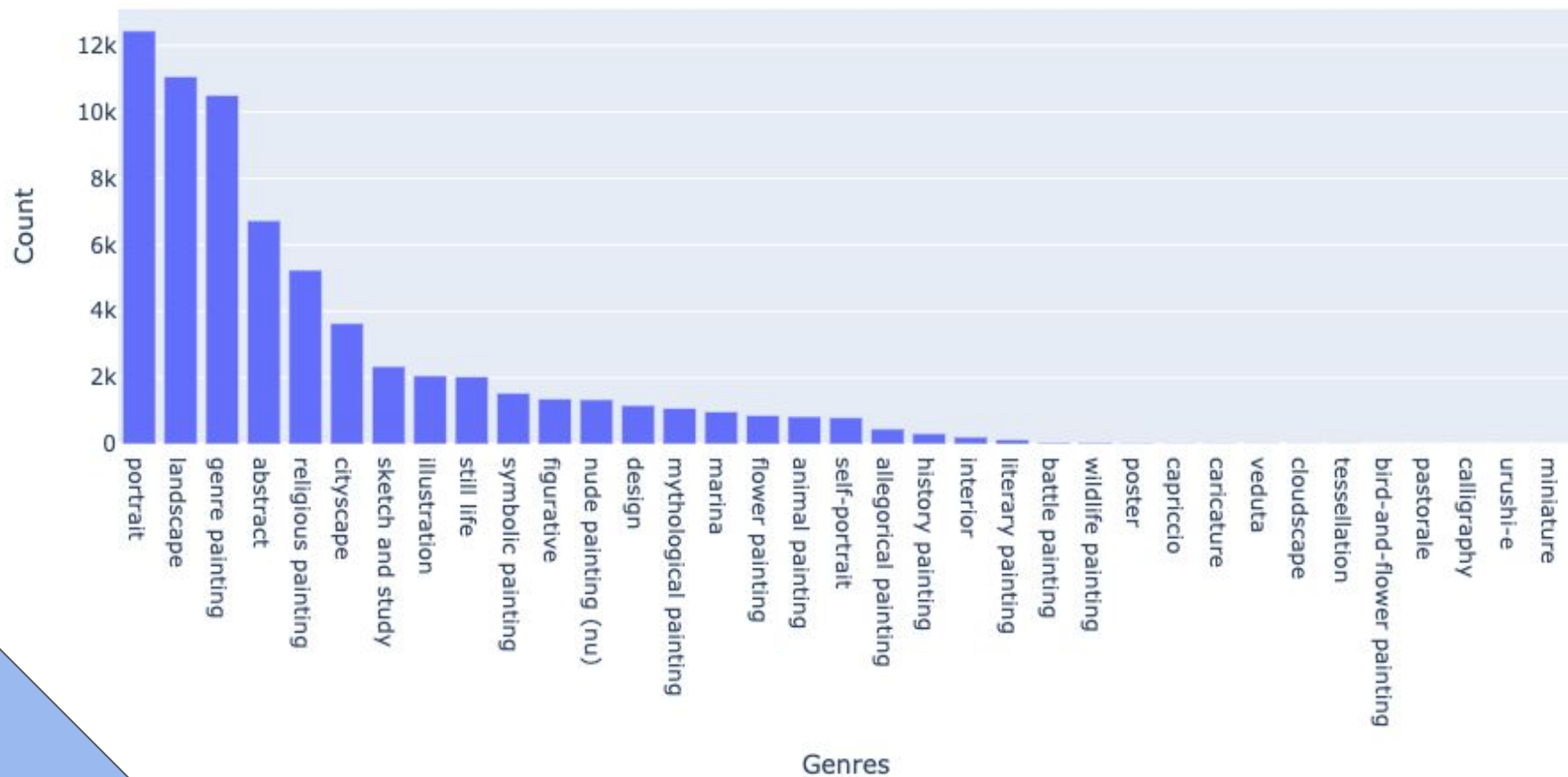
# The Data



WIKIART  
VISUAL ART ENCYCLOPEDIA

- Painter by Numbers Dataset from Kaggle.com
- 79,433 images from WikiArt ~ 80 GB
- 35 genres
- .jpg images, non-uniform sizes

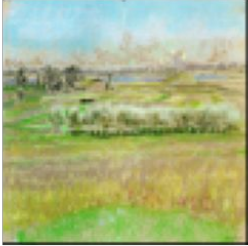
## Genre Counts





# Genres

landscape



portrait



abstract



self-portrait



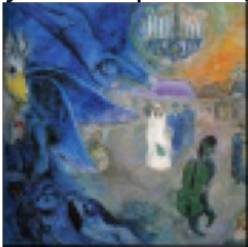
cityscape



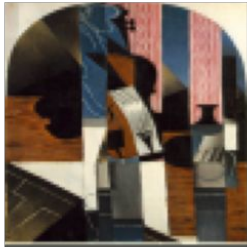
genre painting



symbolic painting



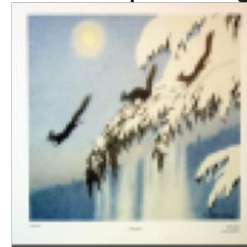
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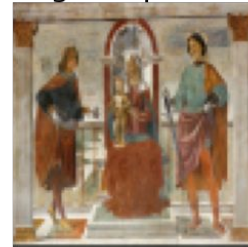
illustration



animal painting



religious painting



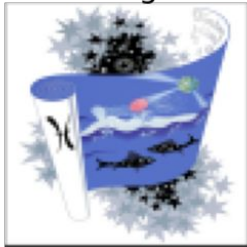
flower painting



sketch and study



design



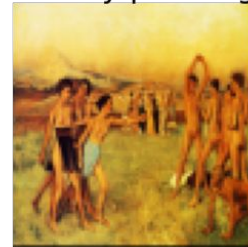
mythological painting



marina



history painting



# Genres

figurative



nude painting (nu)



allegorical painting



interior



battle painting



literary painting



caricature



wildlife painting



bird-and-flower painting



poster



miniature



calligraphy



pastorale



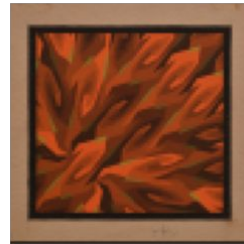
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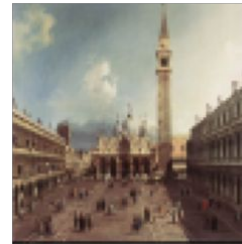
cloudscape



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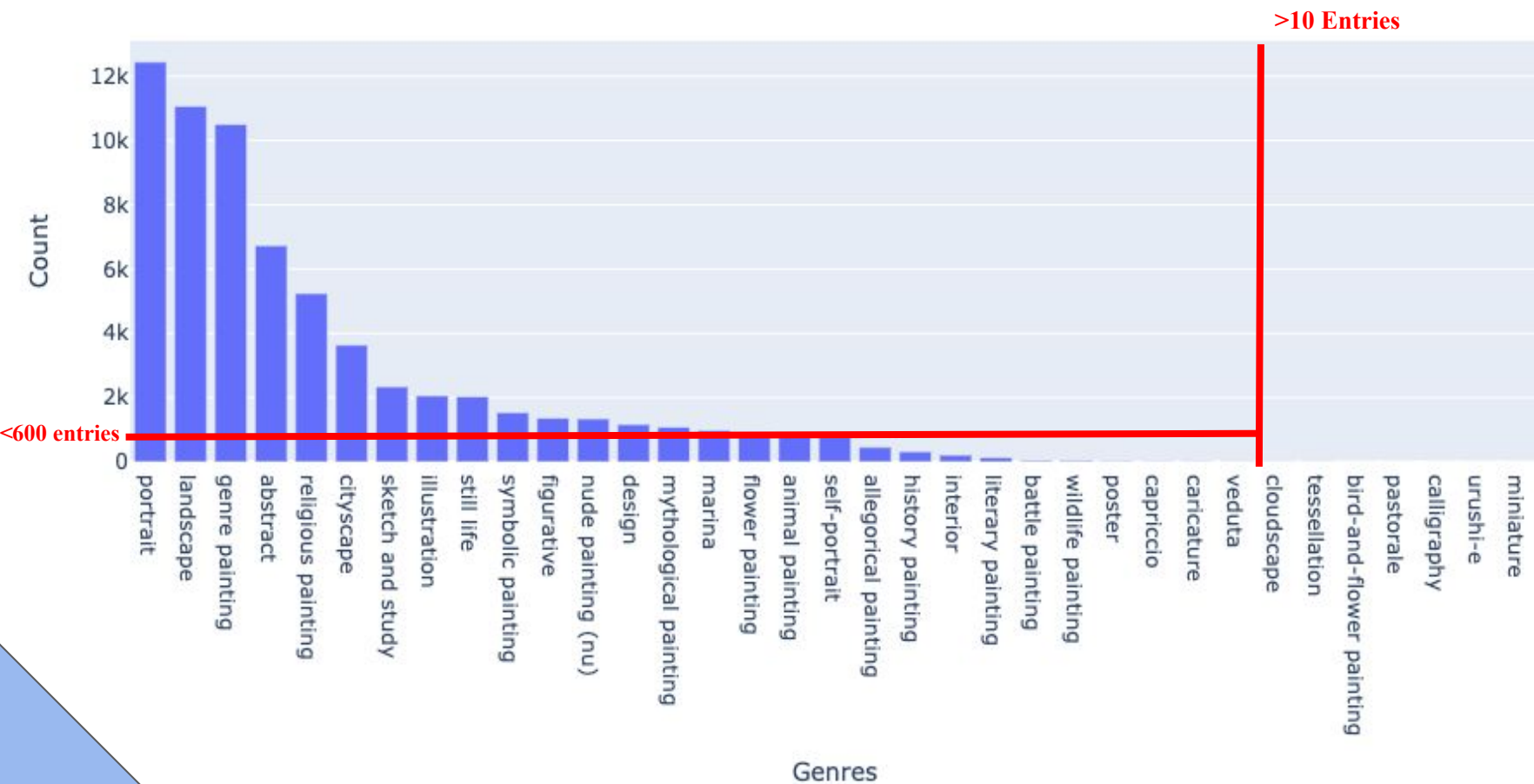


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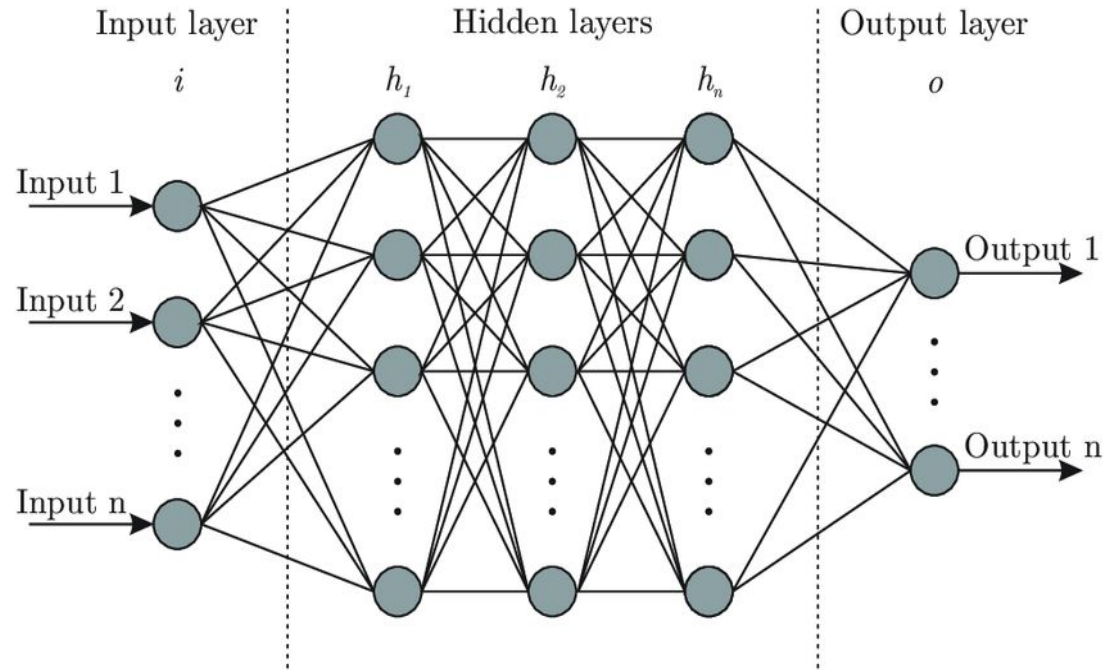


# The Modeling:

- Establishing a baseline:
  - Portrait - 18%
- Convolutional Neural Network (CNN)

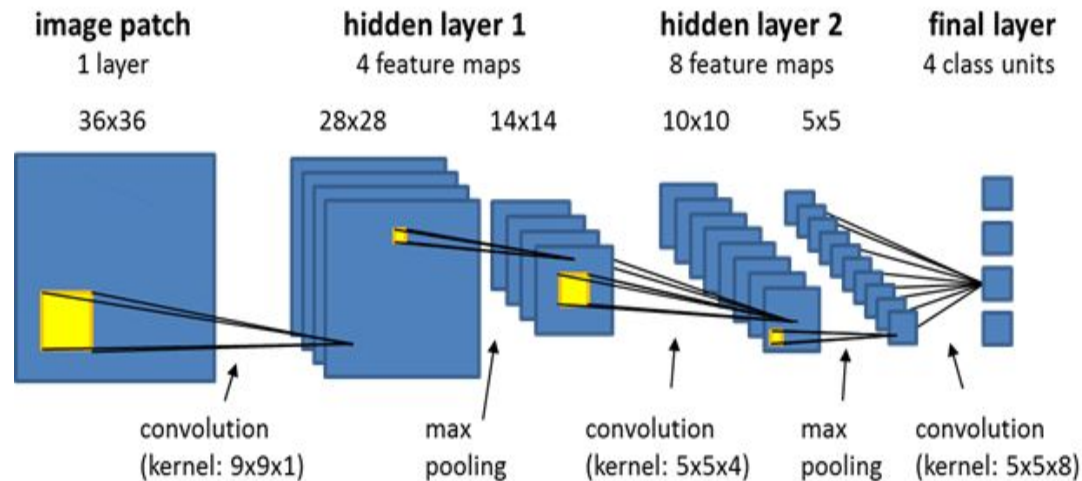
# The Modeling - Neural Networks:

- Deep learning
- Loosely based on how the brain works and learns
- Made up of hidden layers, neurons, and weights

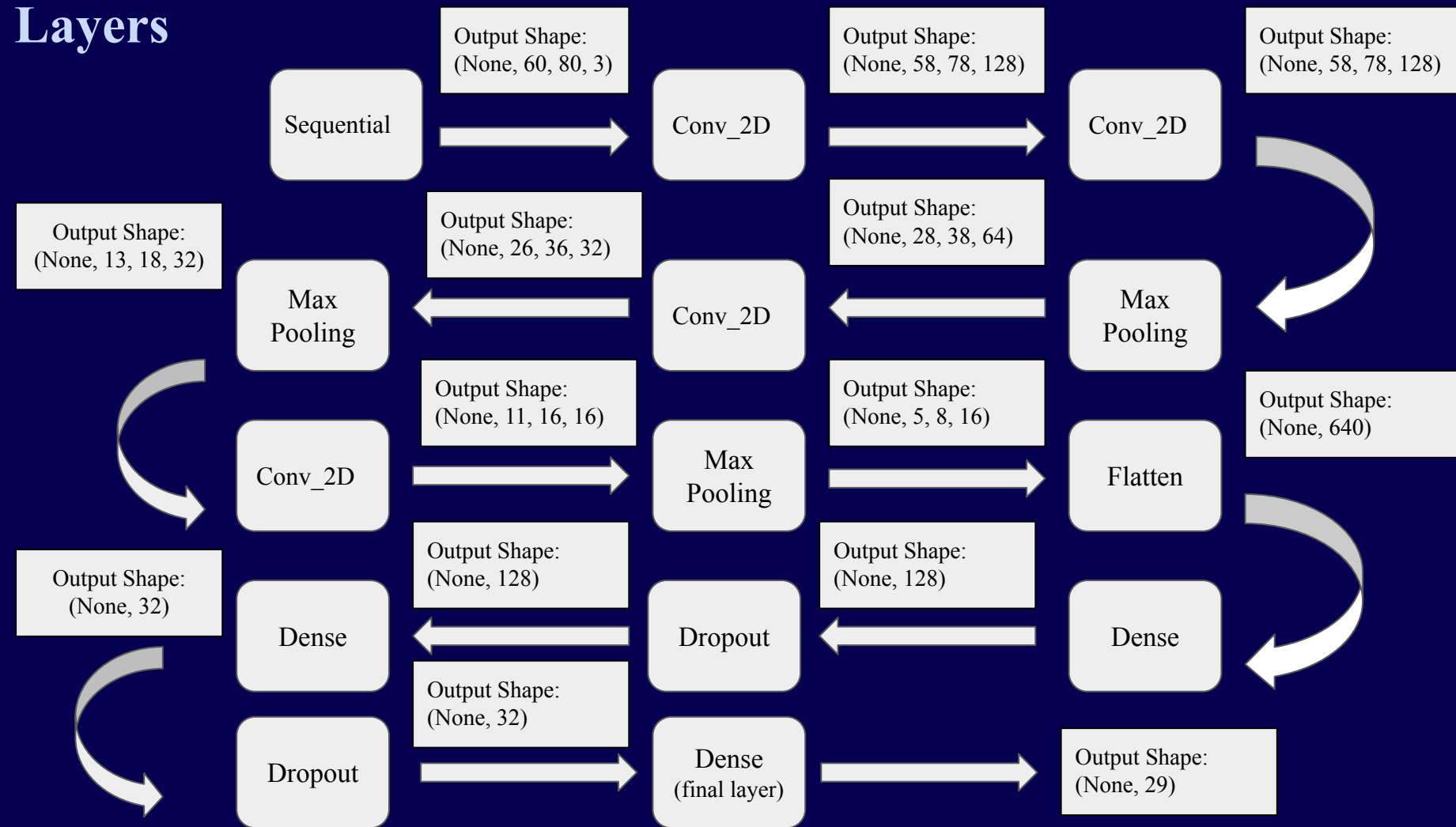


# The Modeling - CNNs:

- Generally used for visual analysis
- Convolutional layers
- Pooling layers
- Flattening
- Dense layers
- Drop out layers
- Final outputs



# Layers

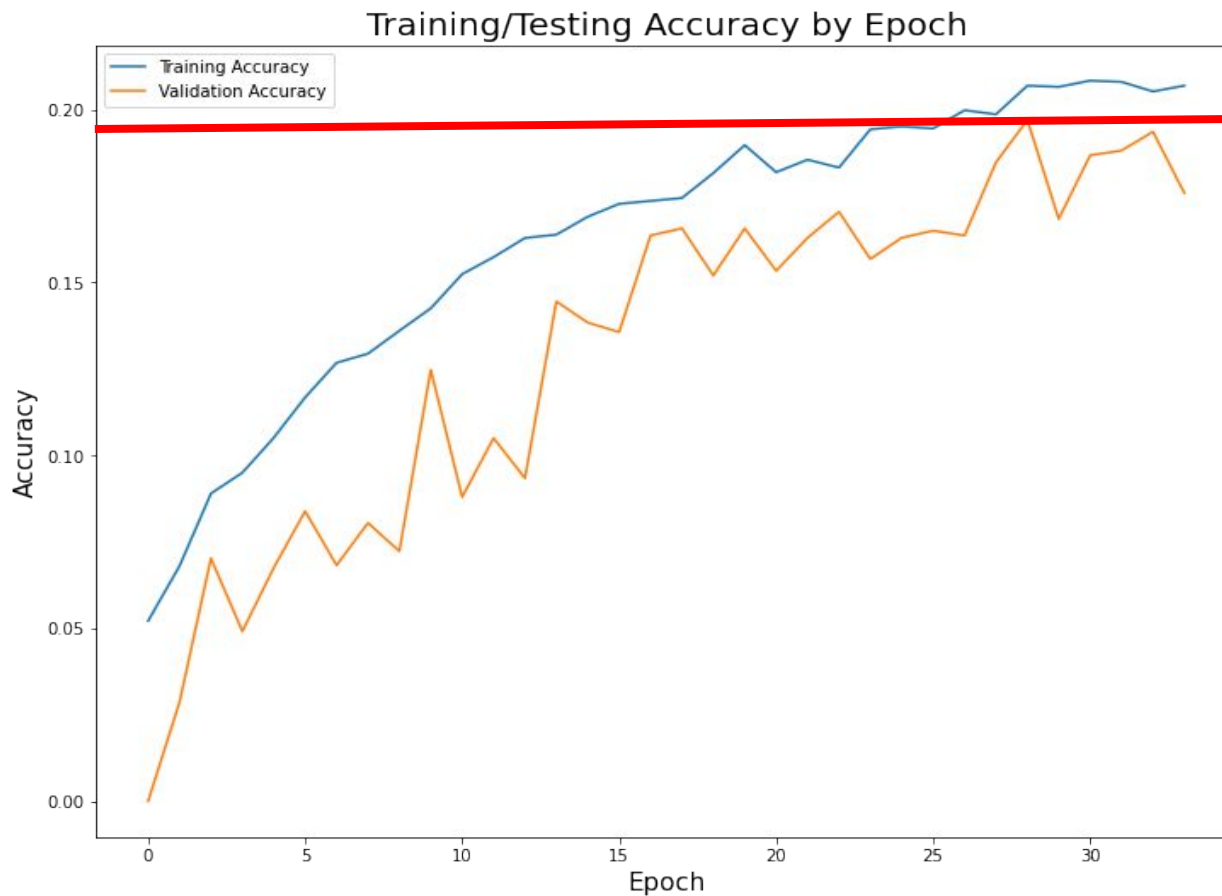




# First Model Results - Loss



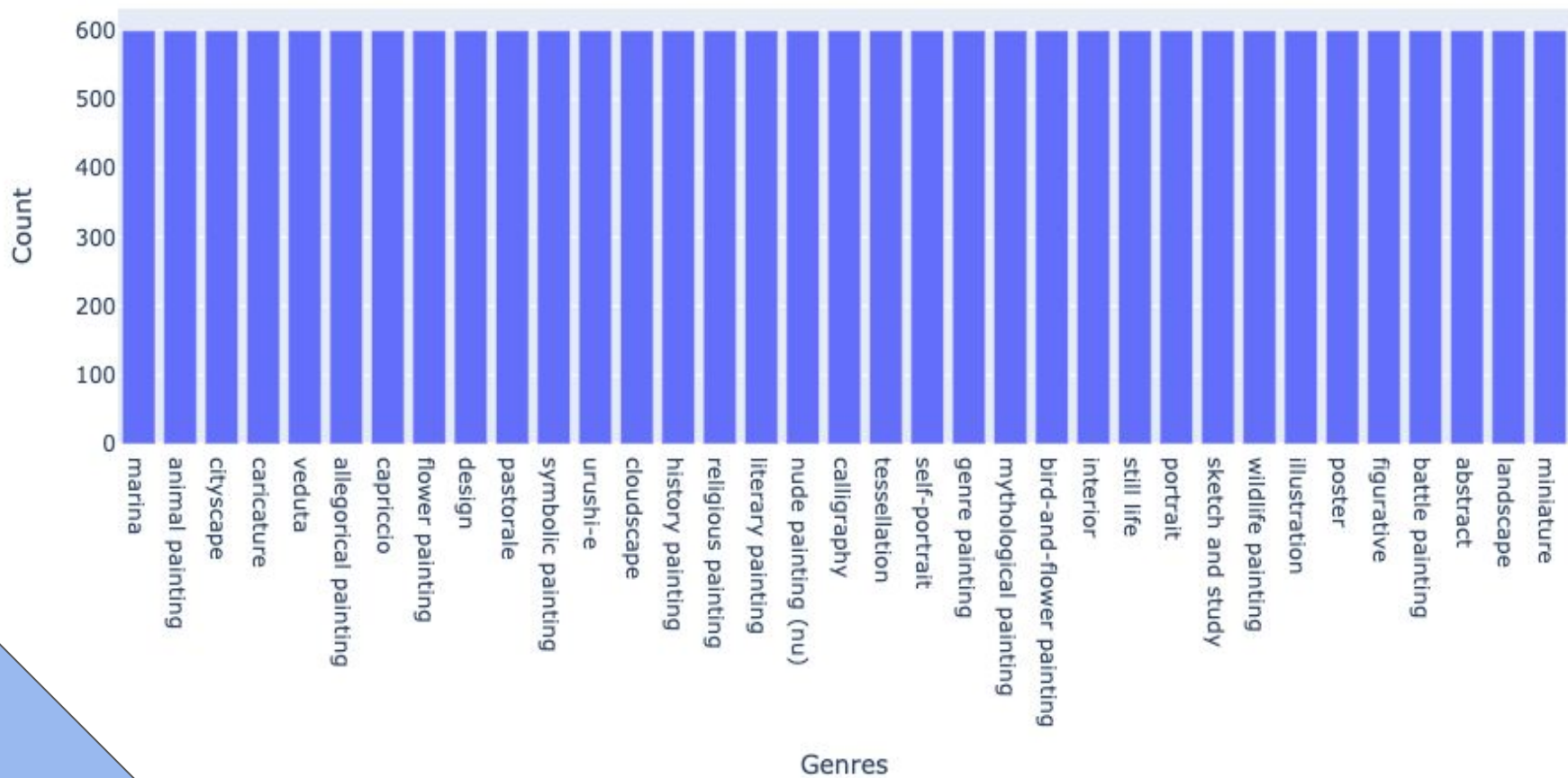
# First Model Results - Accuracy



# Final Model - Class Imbalance:

- How to fix?
  - Bootstrapping
- A new data set: 21,000 images, 35 classes

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# Final Modeling:

- Establishing a baseline:
  - Since each class has 600 entries, the baseline for this model will be  $1 / 35$  (or  $\sim 3\%$ )
- Convolutional Neural Network



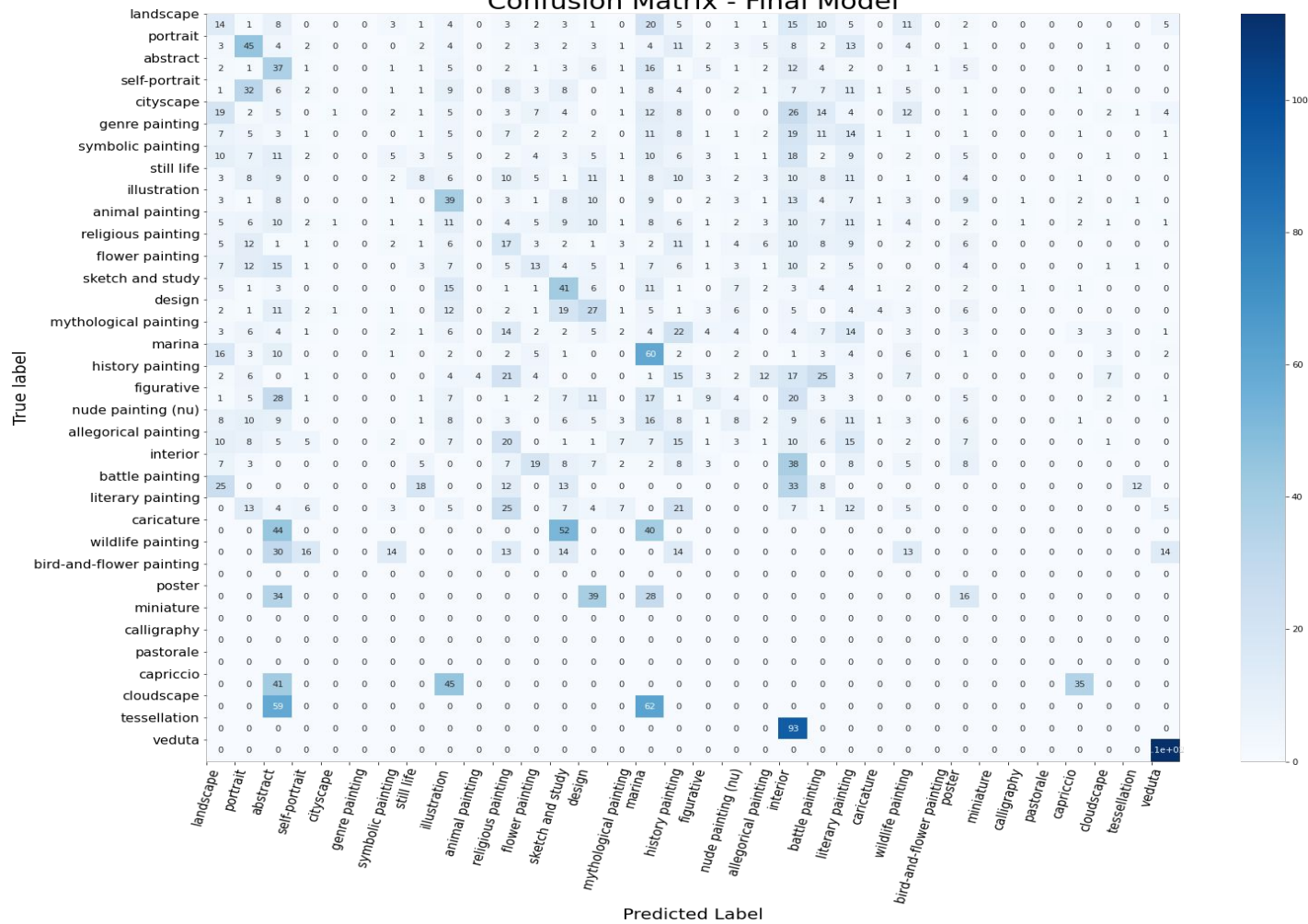
# Final Model Results - Loss



# Final Model Results - Accuracy

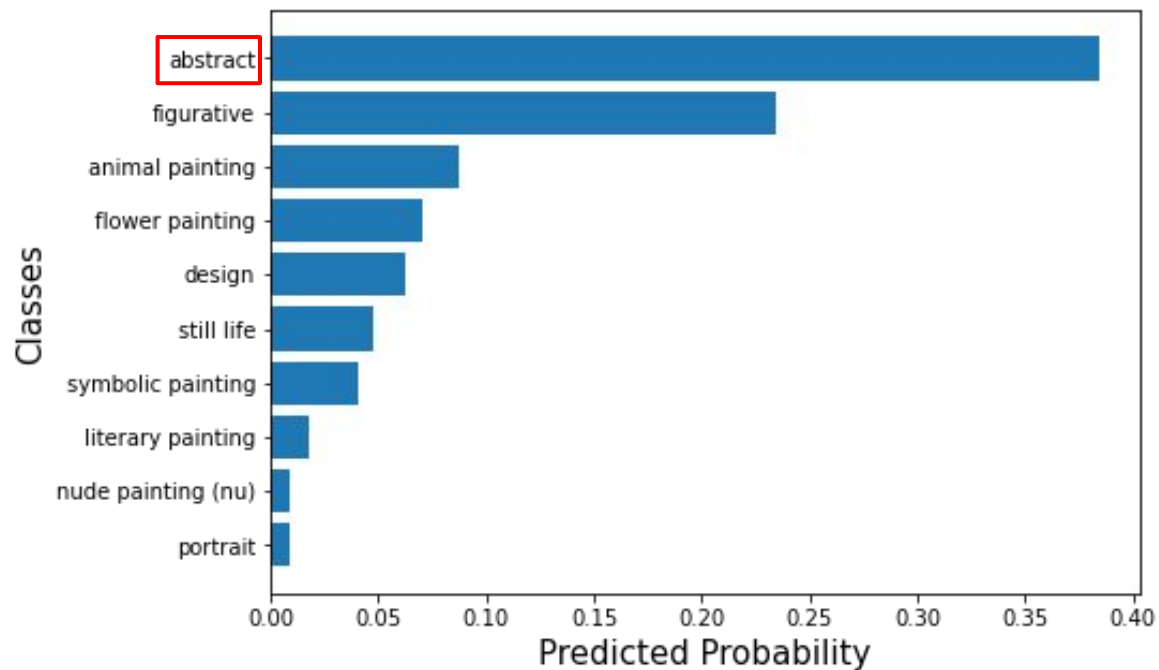
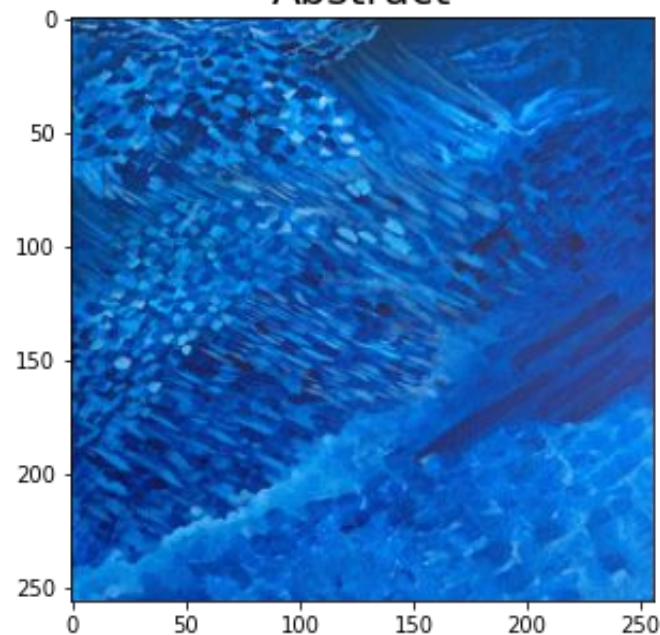


Confusion Matrix - Final Model



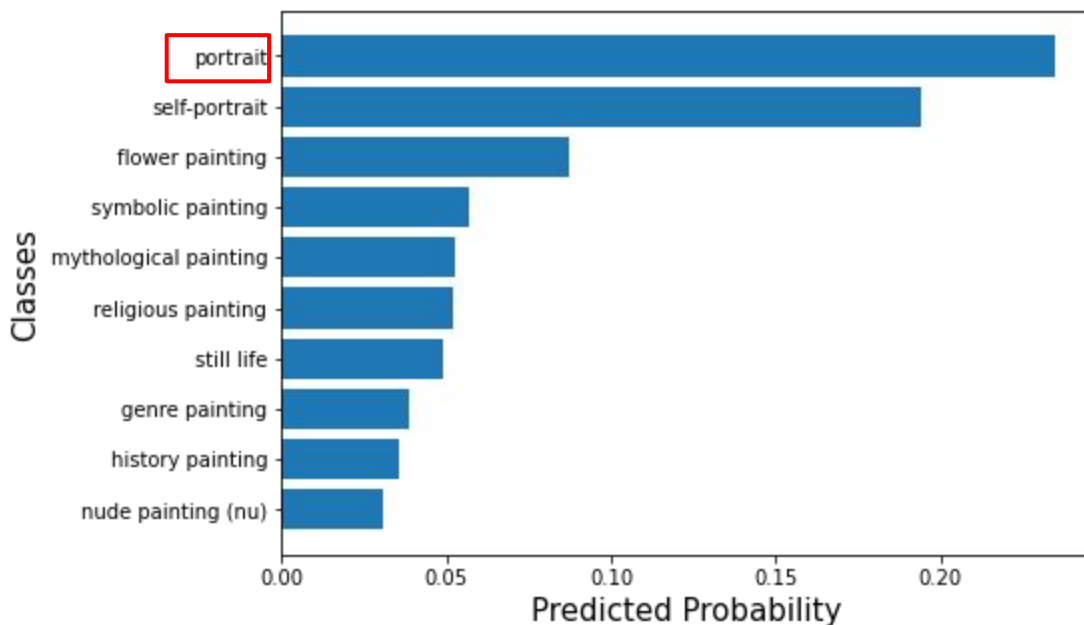
# Visual Application

Abstract



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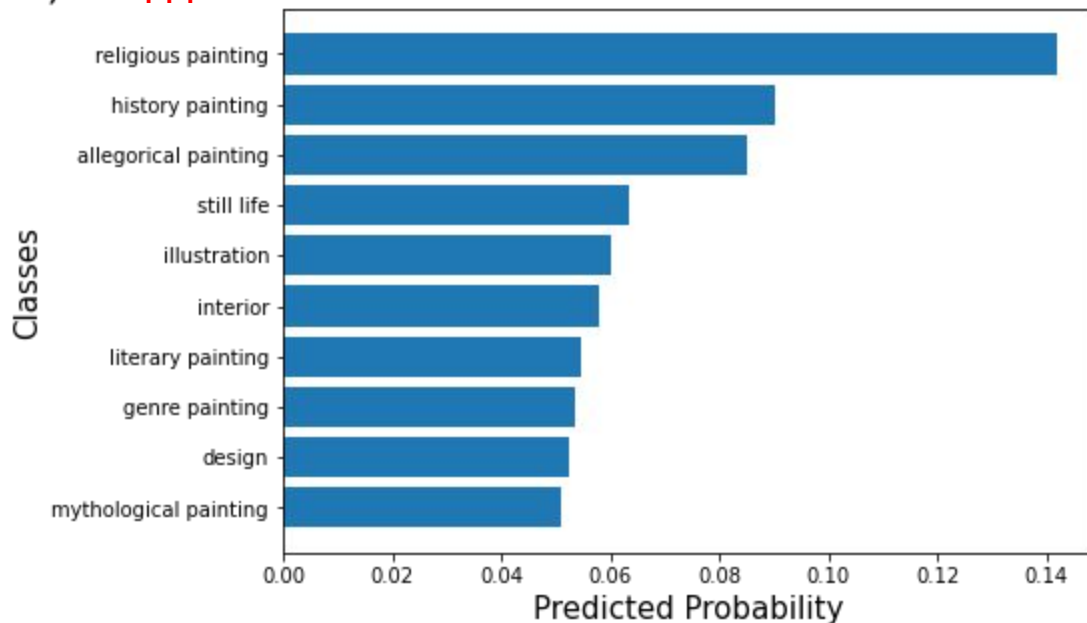
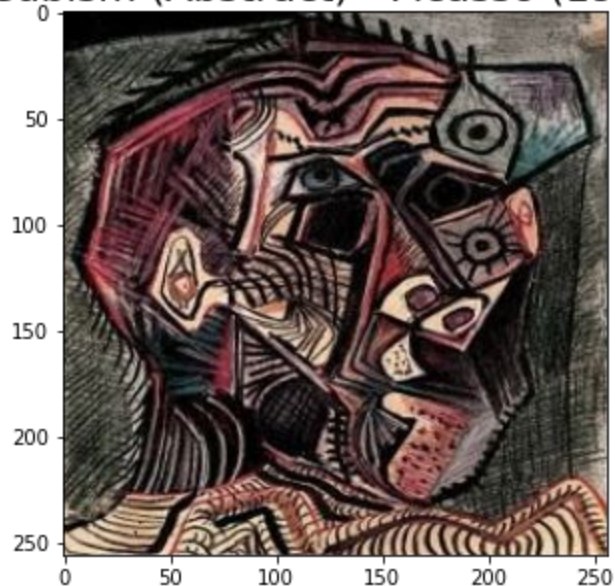
Self Portrait - Picasso (1896)





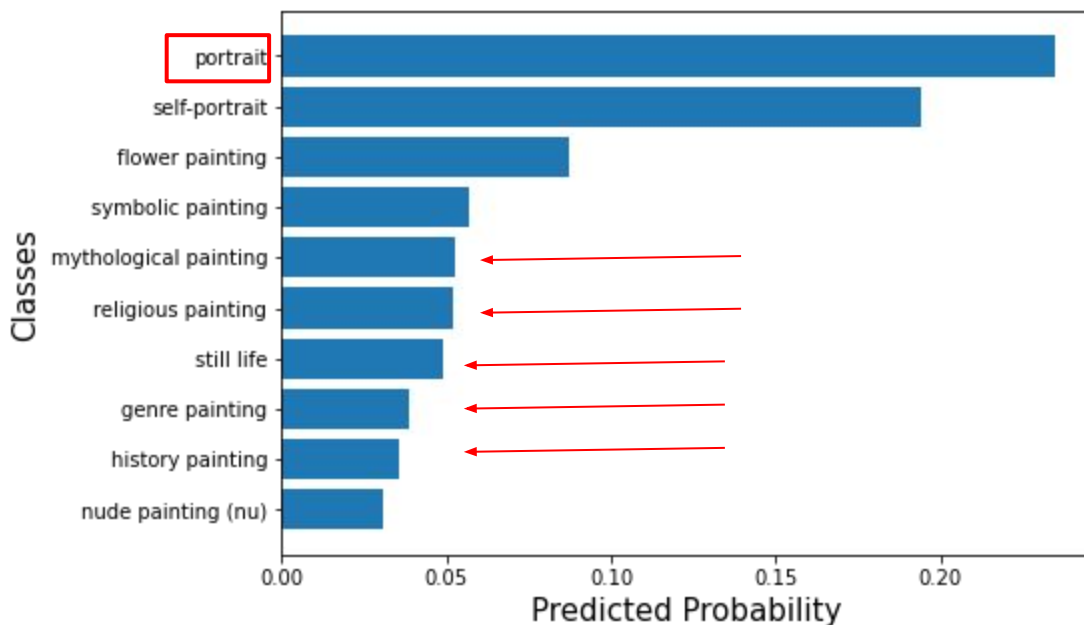
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Cubism (Abstract) - Picasso (1972) ???



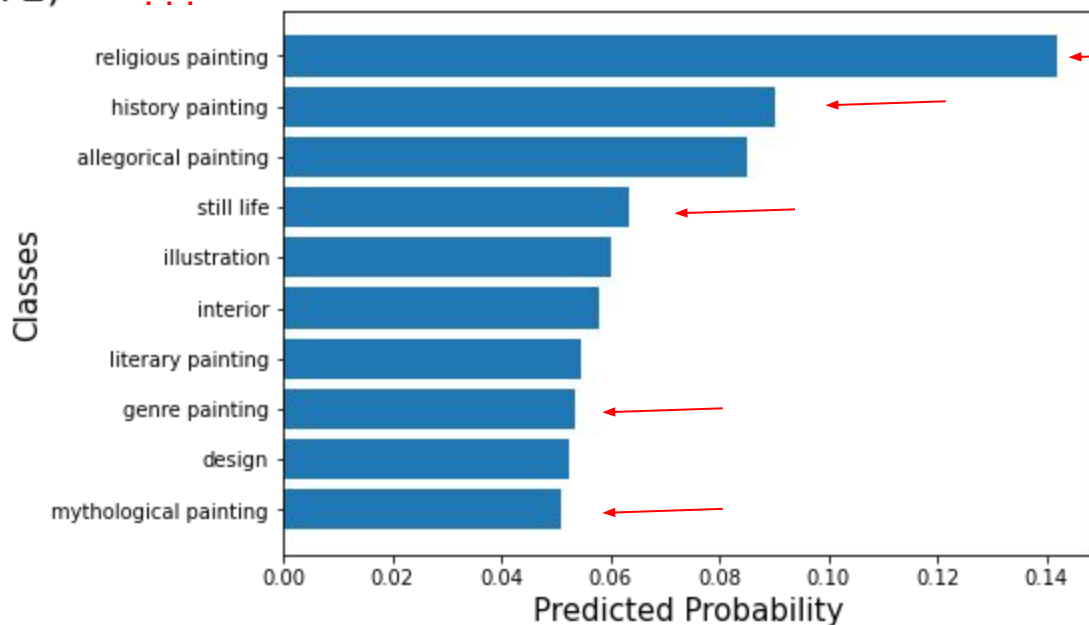
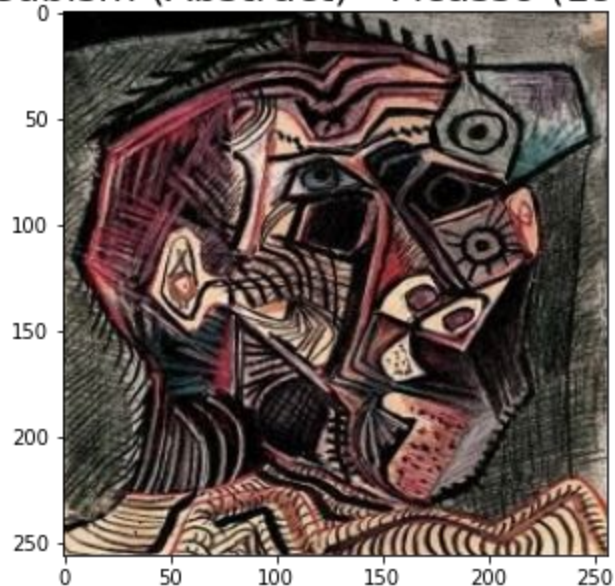
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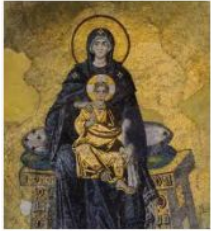


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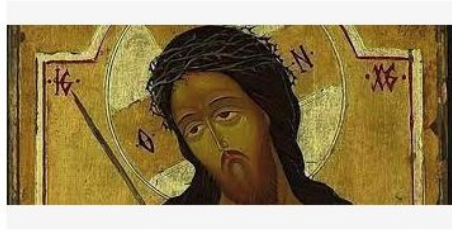
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# Conclusion :

- Best result: 48% Validation Accuracy vs 3% Baseline
- Predictions improved drastically after accounting for class imbalances
- Predicts well based off of similar color palettes
- Improvements:
  - combining genres
  - AWS or other cloud computing services that could be used to process more data
  - supplementing classes with outside data

# Recommendations and Next Steps :

- Museums can use this to model to learn more about pieces on hand and their similarities, as well as classify different artistic phases of particular artists' lives
- Add to a web/phone app to make art more accessible to museum patrons and give them an idea of what art they might be interested in learning more about