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ABSTRACT

Art Vault Auctions is an online auction platform designed to facilitate the seamless buying, selling, and bidding of artwork in a secure and interactive environment. The platform features a real-time bidding system, allowing users to place bids on paintings with instant updates, ensuring transparency and engagement. It incorporates secure authentication and user account management, enabling buyers and sellers to create profiles, upload artwork, and participate in auctions. Users can **follow artists**, receive notifications about new listings, and track their favorite paintings. The platform also includes cart management and payment simulation, providing a streamlined transaction process. Built with Django for the backend, HTML, CSS, and JavaScript for the frontend, and SQLite for database management, the system ensures efficient handling of auction events and transactions. Additionally, an admin panel allows for auction oversight, artwork verification, and transaction management. To enhance user experience, the platform supports profile **customization**, allowing users to update profile pictures and settings. Addressing challenges such as bid synchronization, auction security, and real-time updates, the system leverages AJAX for smooth bid tracking, ensuring a dynamic experience. Future enhancements, responsive and including WebSockets for real-time communication and improved payment integrations, will further optimize the platform's scalability and user engagement.

Keywords: Online Auctions, Real-Time Bidding, Digital Art Marketplace, Secure Transactions, User Authentication

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