

# *CraftGraffiti: Exploring Human Identity with Custom Graffiti Art via Facial-Preserving Diffusion Models*



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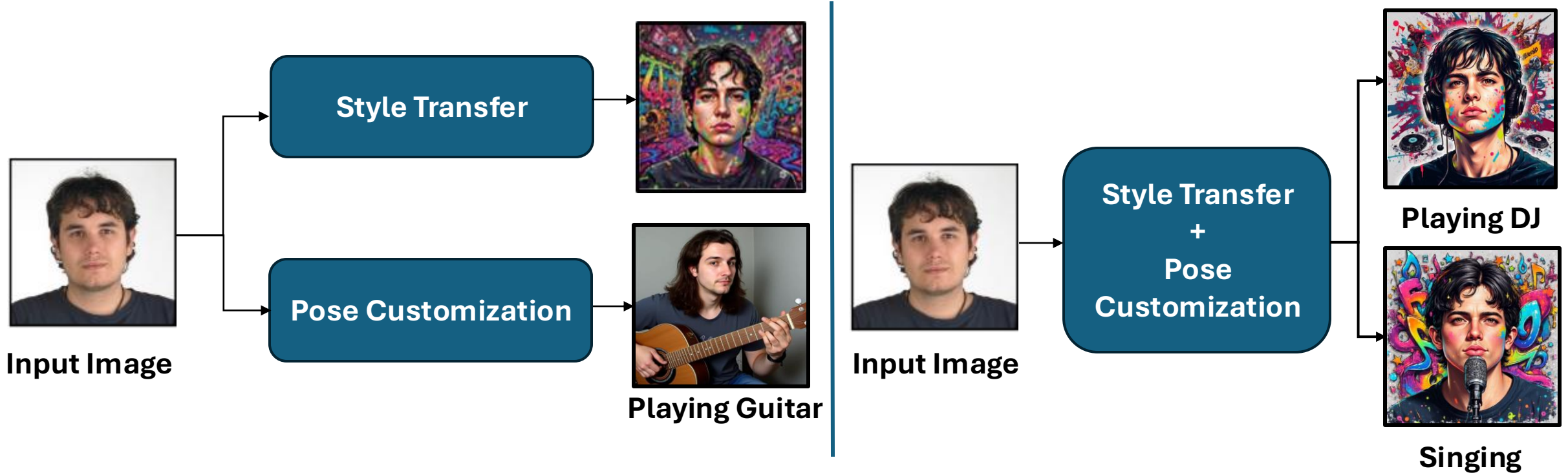


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# Problem Statement

## Style Transfer + Pose Customization



We define **style transfer with pose customization** as the problem of generating an image that preserves the **facial identity of a source image** adopts the **artistic or photometric style** and conforms to a **target pose representation**.

# Challenges of Style Transfer

Over weightage on styles cause appearance drift

- Style transfer operates in feature-statistic space, not in **identity space**.
- It introduces **appearance drift** — modifications to color, lighting, or even local geometry.

## Solution

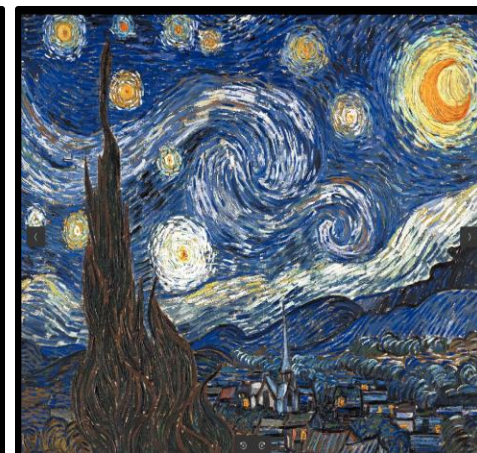
- Low-rank adaptation based style transfer.

## Why is this effective?

- Control the weight pruning in order to mitigate the appearance drift.



Input Image



Reference Style



Final Output

# Challenges of Pose Customization

## Affect face consistency

- For large pose shifts, the generator must **hallucinate unseen regions** (e.g., ear or cheek), which can break identity structure.
- Keypoint-based pose constraints ensure alignment but provide **no supervision on facial texture** leading to distorted or identity-inconsistent renderings.

## Solution

- CLIP- based pose customization (**limits no. of pose**)
- Face-consistent self-attention.

## Why is this effective?

- Preserve the facial attribute of the character through the extra dimension of identity embedding.

Input Image



Playing DJ



Playing Guitar



Singing in a mic

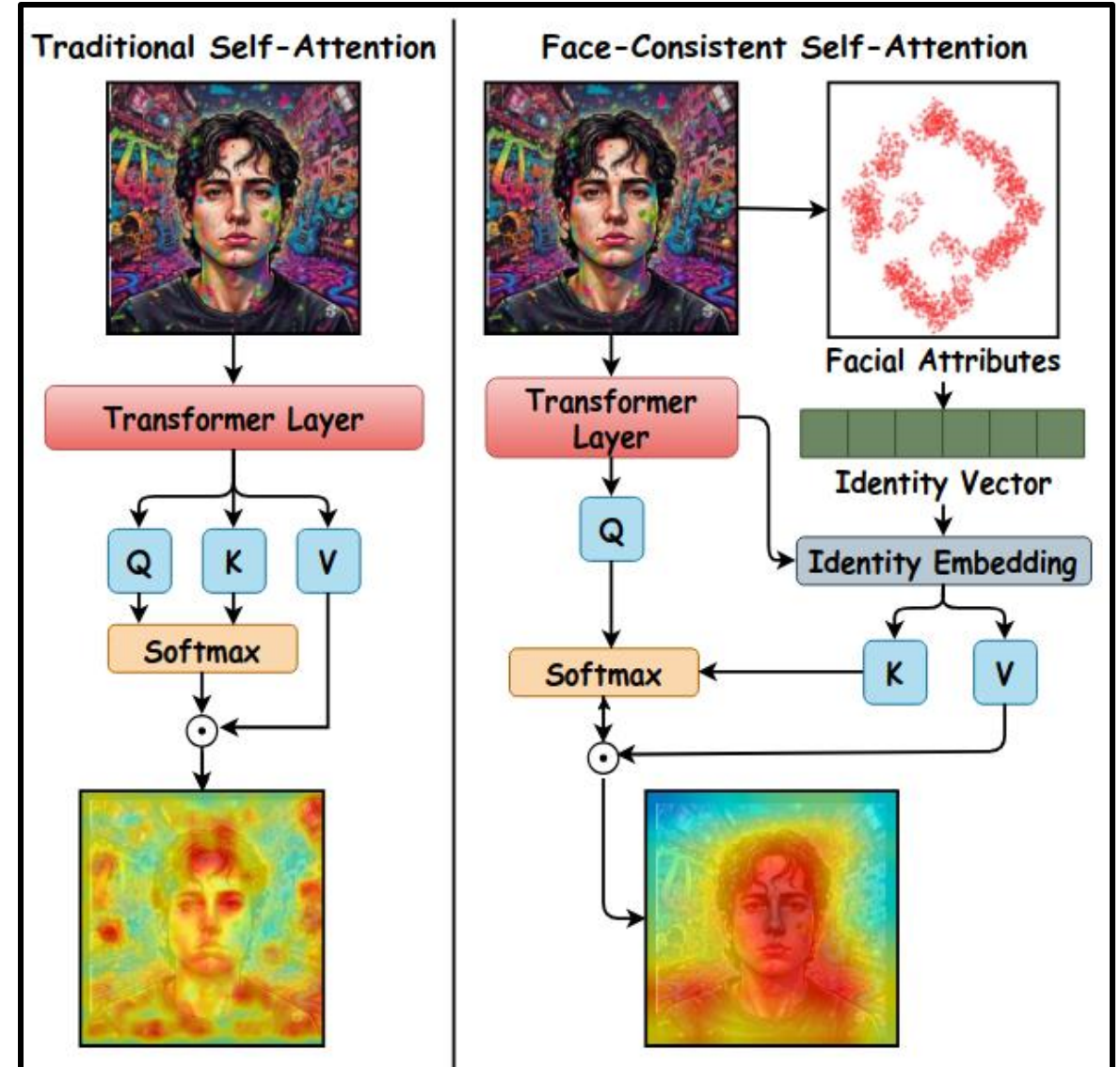
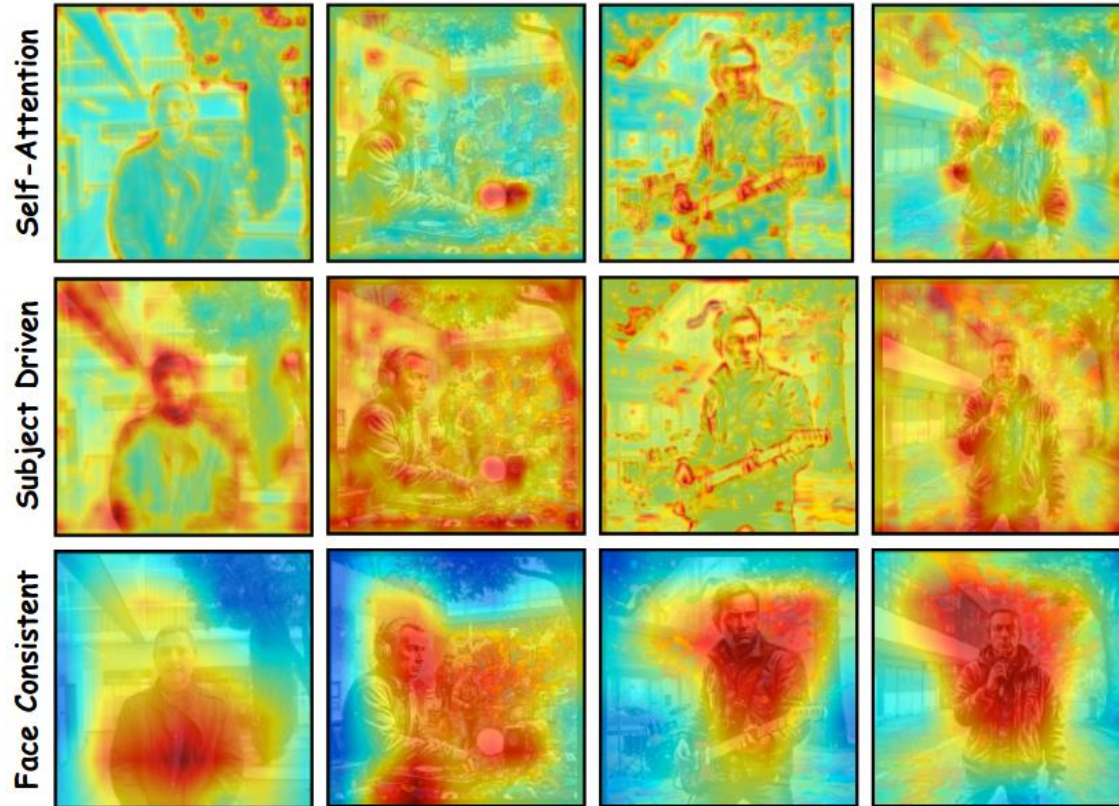




# Our main contribution

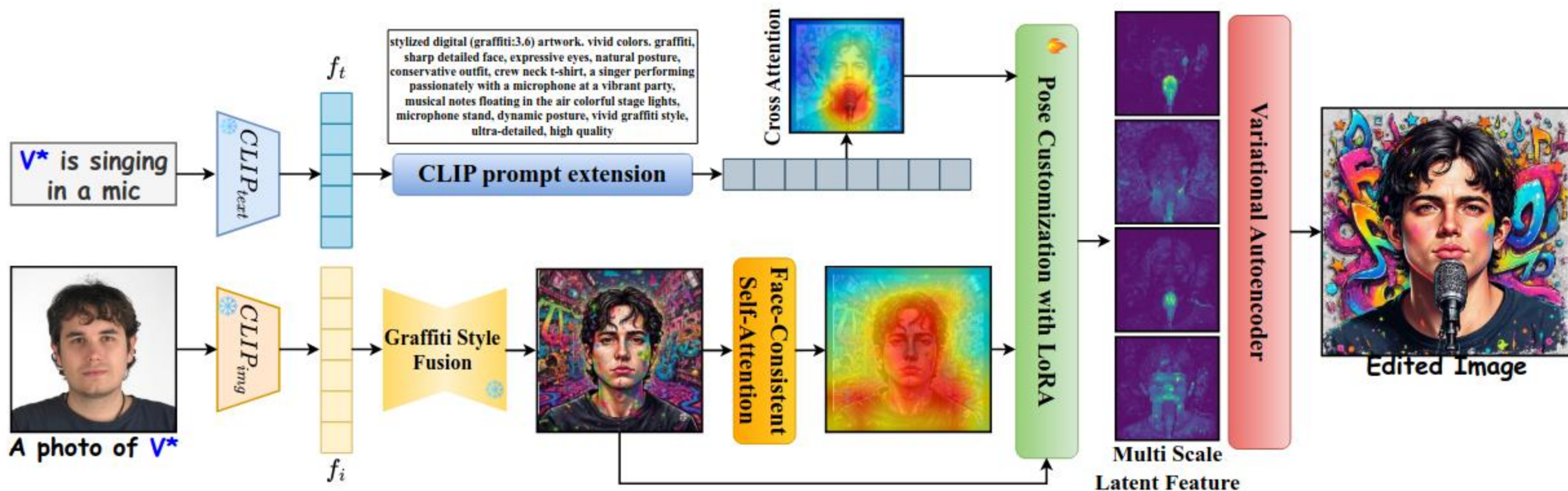
## Face-consistent self-attention

- Preserve facial features in an identity vector and transfer it into the latent space through identity embedding.



# CraftGraffiti Pipeline

Simple yet effective

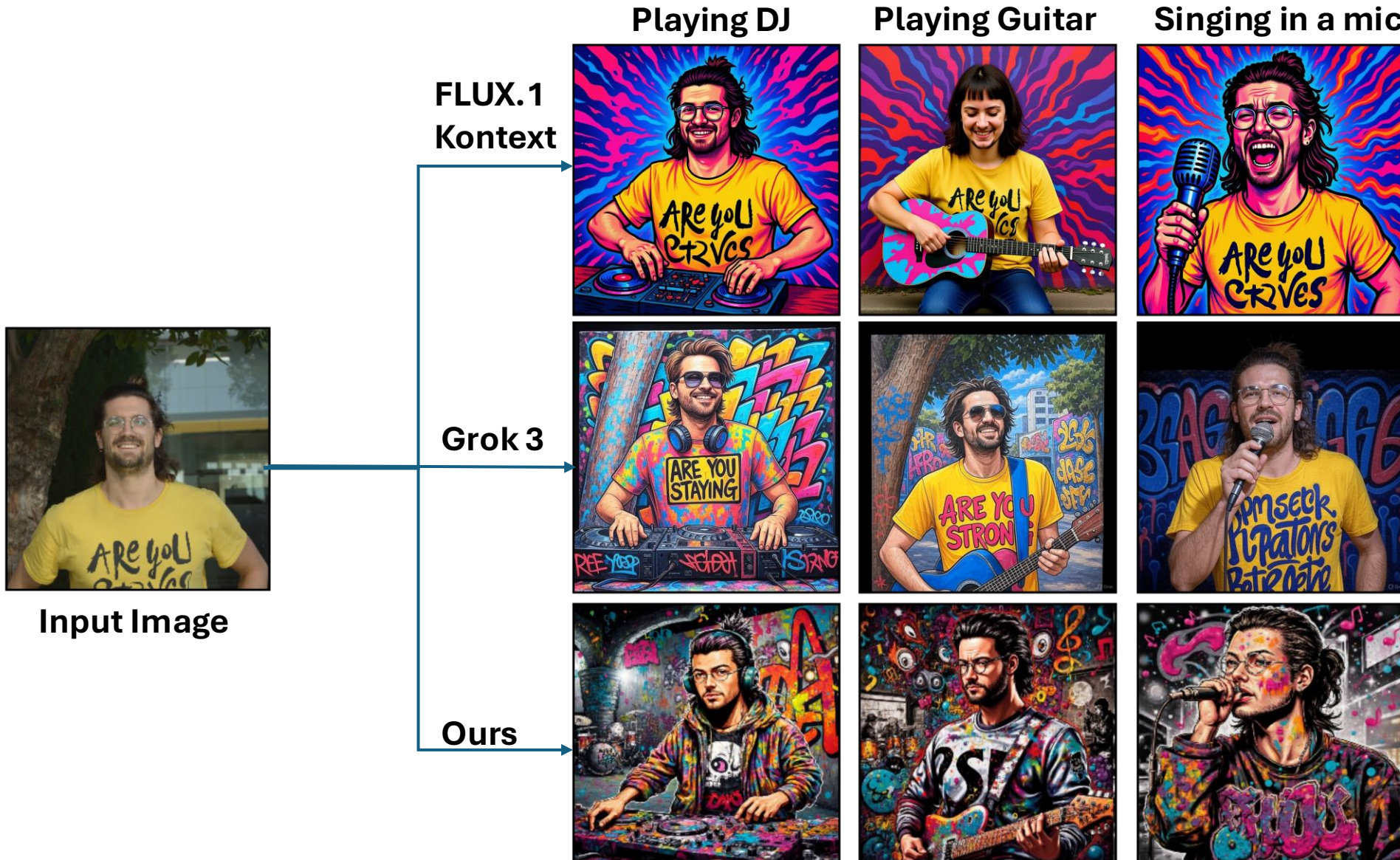


It injects **graffiti style** using a **LoRA-tuned diffusion model**, then applies a **face-consistent** self-attention to preserve facial features. A **pose customization** module guided by **CLIP prompts** enables flexible pose control without retraining. Finally, **multi-scale latent processing** in a VAE captures both global structure and fine details, producing high-quality, identity-consistent graffiti portraits.



# Experimental Analysis & Comparative Study

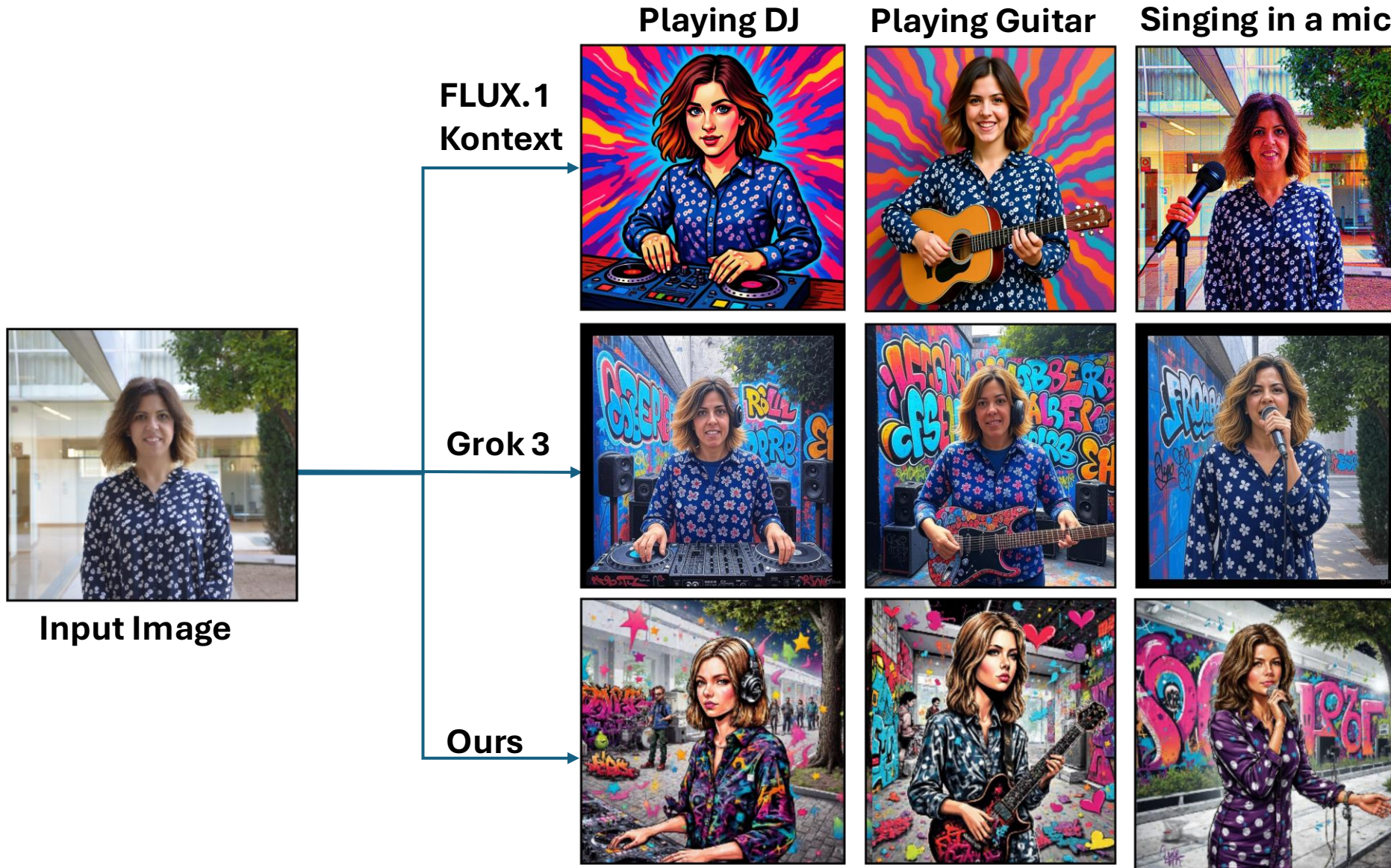
Works irrespective of gender bias





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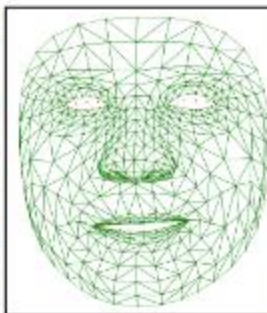




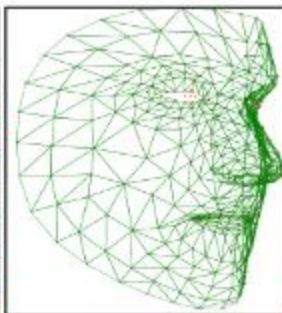
# Face Consistency

Works irrespective of gender bias

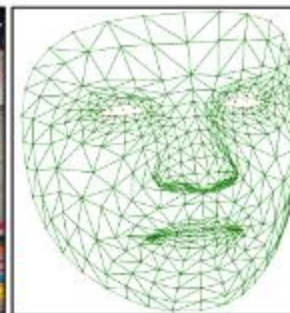
A photo of  $V^*$



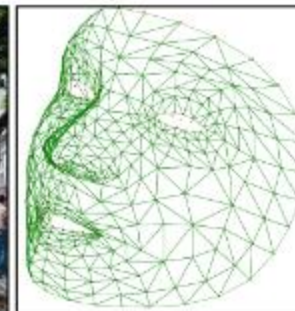
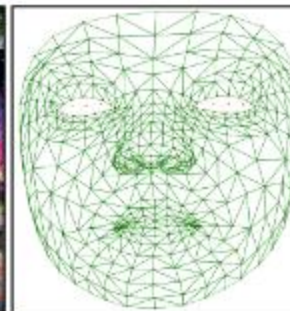
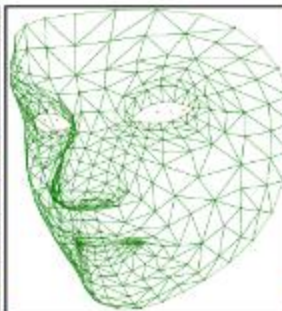
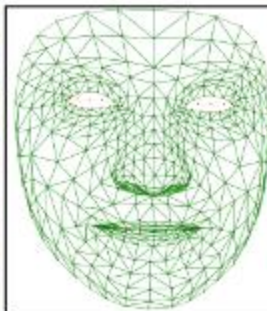
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As we can generate similar face mesh during different pose customization in graffiti style, **Craftgraffiti** preserve the facial features. (Note: this face meshes are extracted after the generation, this step doesn't involve in training)

# Quantitative Analysis

## Metric and Human Evaluation

Table 1: Quantitative Evaluation of CraftGraffiti

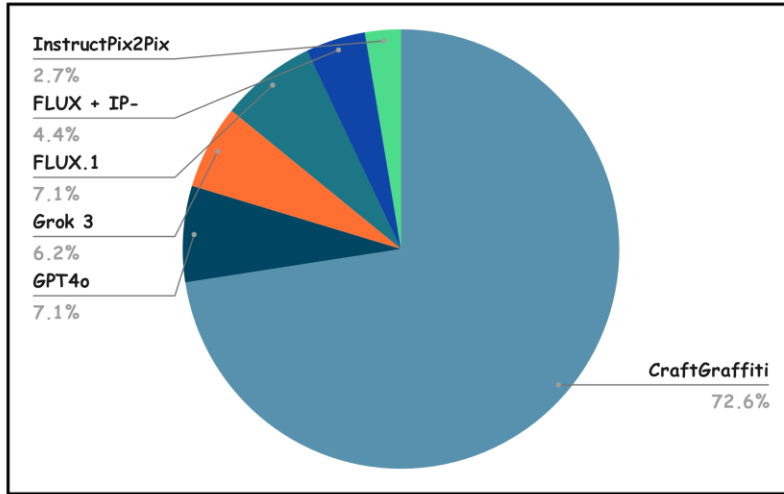
Method/Metric	FFC $\uparrow$	Aes $\uparrow$	HPS $\uparrow$	Inf. Time (sec) $\downarrow$
FLUX + IP-Adapter [56]	0.8324	3.2414	0.3012	8.2
FLUX.1 Kontext [27]	0.6741	2.1749	0.2911	6.7
InstructPix2Pix [6]	0.7112	2.7272	0.1918	3.1
GPT4o [22]	<b>0.8761</b>	4.5193	0.3412	13.4
Grok 3 [16]	0.8513	4.1652	0.3102	11.2
Ours (Baseline)	0.7618	3.6913	0.2911	<b>2.9</b>
Ours (+ Style Fusion)	0.6814	4.7195	0.3001	5.3
Ours (+ Face Consistent self attention)	0.7713	5.1376	0.3176	8.7
CraftGraffiti	0.7713	<b>5.2271</b>	<b>0.3536</b>	10.1

VLMs only focus on face consistency not on style and pose but CraftGraffiti attend every aspects

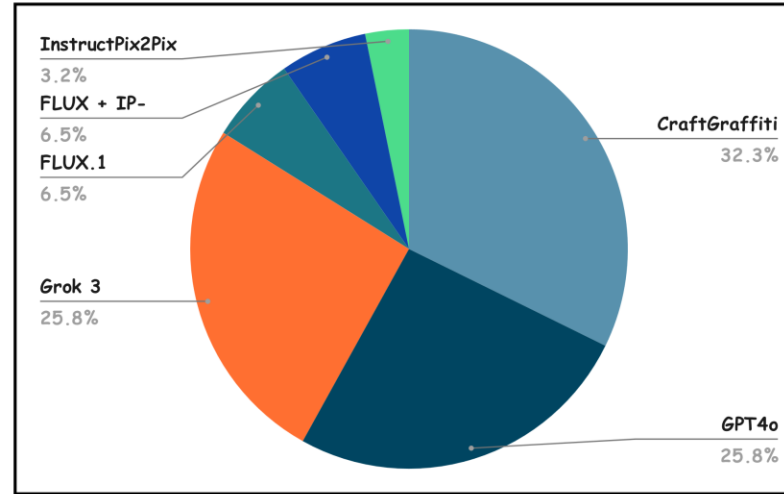


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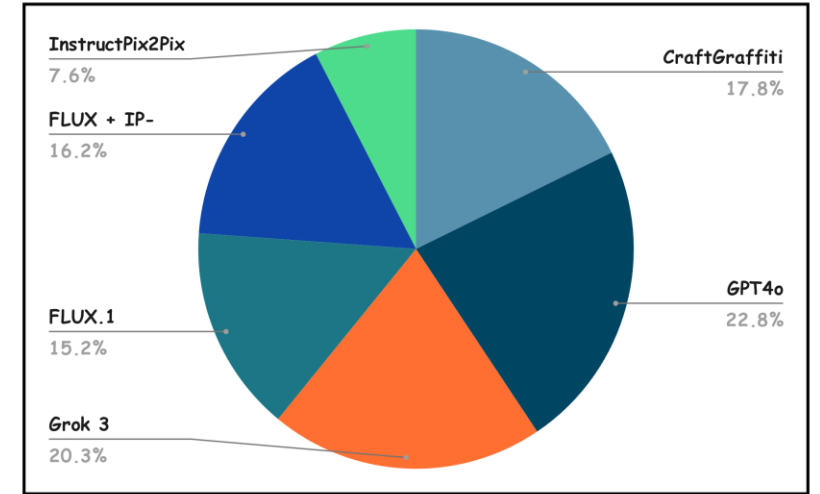
## Metric and Human Evaluation



Style Blending



Aesthetics



Recognizability

CraftGraffiti not only achieve superior performance also address the cultural diversity as the users from 11 different countries participate in human evaluation.

# Ablation Studies

Why each of the components are effective

A photo of  $V^*$



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Pose customization w/o style blending and face consistency self-attention



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Pose customization with face consistency self-attention

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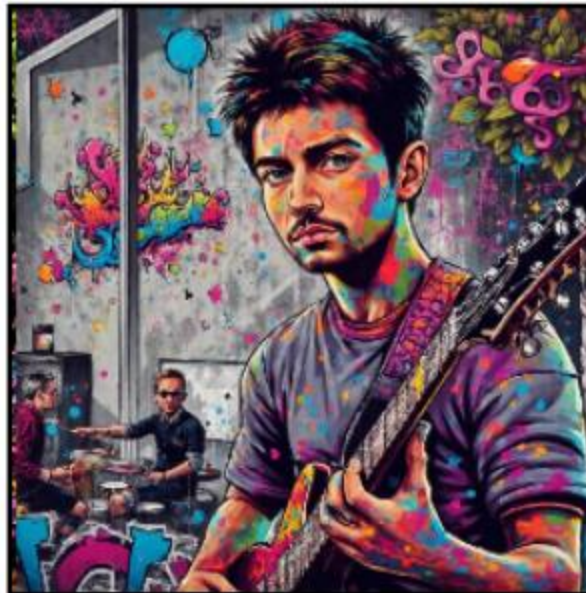
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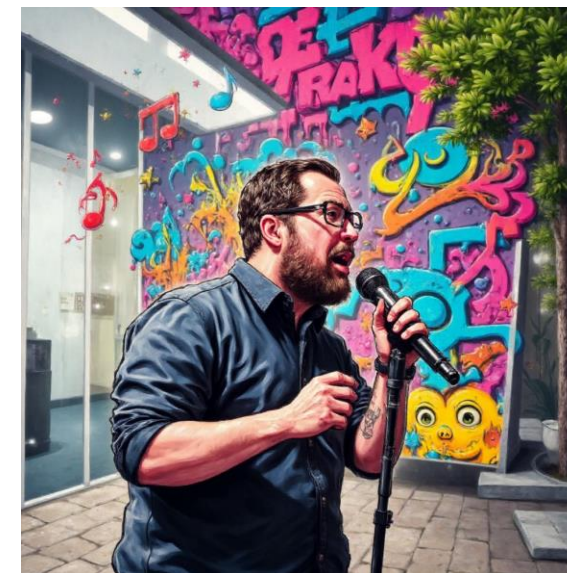
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Blend perfect style and pose

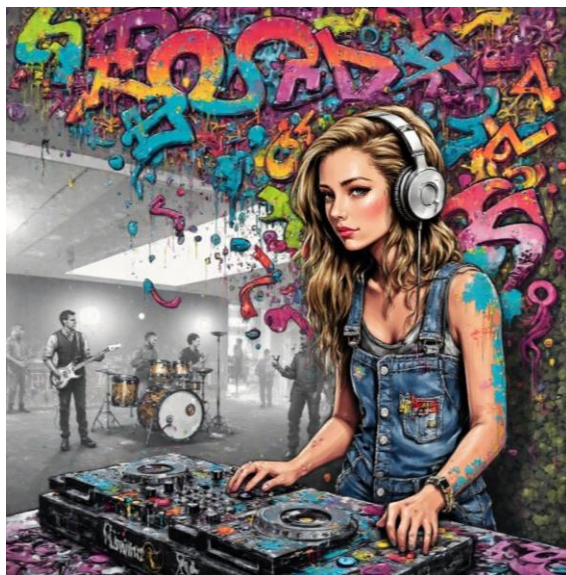


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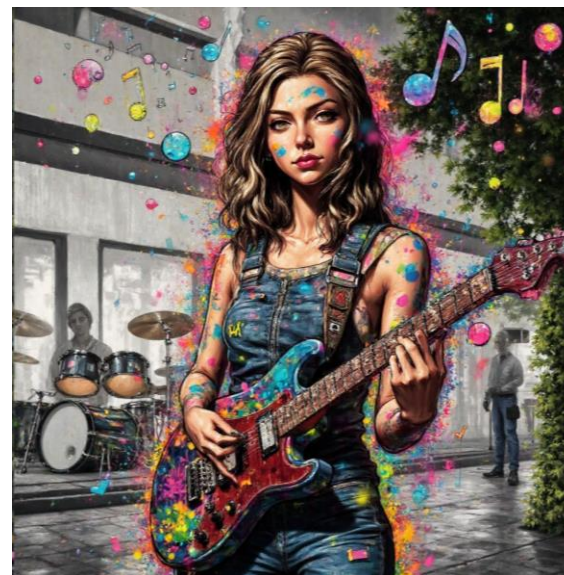
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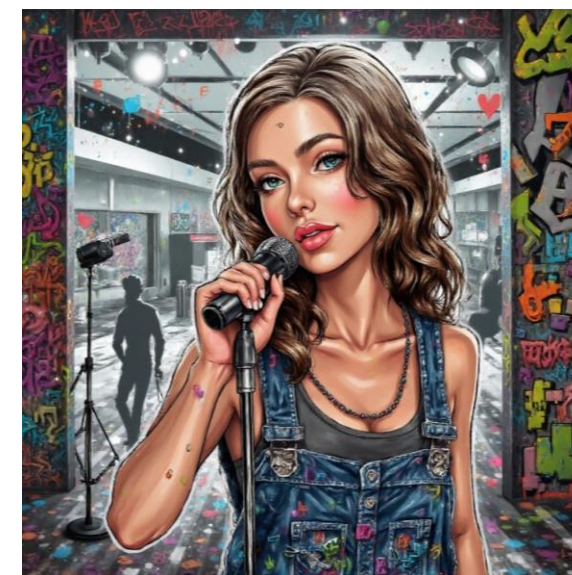
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Mitigate gender bias



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Works irrespective of the background



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Try to maintain hair color as well

# Contribution Bucket

- **Face Consistency during style and pose customization.**
- **Mitigating gender bias.**
- **Achieve cultural diversity.**

## Limitations

- **Always generate younger face.**
- **Put extra make up on women's face.**

## Future Scope

- **Extending CraftGraffiti to handle a broader range of cultural art forms beyond graffiti.**
- **Integrating real-time bias detection and mitigation pipelines.**





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