



Tica

"Yes, it is a painting. Tica is a Brazilian model who posed for me in my art studio a few years ago. For some reason, this painting has stirred-up a lot of controversy on the internet. There are over a dozen forums debating whether it is a painting or a photograph.

"I created this painting to test my artistic capacity for photorealism; to see how closely I could mimic photography. It took about 70 hours to complete, and the original painting is on display in my art school in Wake Forest."

—Dru Blair

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