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Welcome to the latest issue of *Metaverse*, where we explore the intersection of technology, art, and society in this rapidly evolving digital landscape. This issue delves into diverse aspects of the metaverse, from the integration of AI in creative processes to advancements in autonomous vehicle localization, and blockchain-based cybersecurity in mobile commerce.

Highlights include an in-depth analysis of real-time virtual-real stage effects, a comprehensive survey of localization systems in autonomous vehicles, and the innovative applications of the metaverse in tourism and education. Notably, the issue also examines the ethical considerations of NFTs and digital art, reflecting on their implications for cultural preservation and creative autonomy.

As we navigate this digital frontier, it is imperative to consider the multifaceted challenges and opportunities presented by these technological advancements. We invite you to engage with these thought-provoking articles and join us in shaping the future of the metaverse.

Enjoy the read, and let's continue to push the boundaries of what is possible in this fascinating digital era.

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