

# Neil Jeffares, *Dictionary of pastellists before 1800*

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## **ASSELIN, Jean-François**

Roncey 1771 – St Petersburg 1803

Pastel portraitist from a family of artists from Coutances; he and his father François-Jacques were pupils of Robert Bichue (1705–1789). He emigrated during the Revolution and lived in Dresden until 1801 (copying pastels by Mengs), returning to France before settling definitively in St Petersburg, where he married a Russian princess shortly before his death.

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