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BALZA DE FIRMI, Mlle de

f. Toulouse 1784–88

Mlle Balza, Balsac or Balzac de Firmi, or Firmy, was a pupil of Sabère, Suau and Roques. A member of the family of magistrates at the parlement de Toulouse, she was the daughter of Jean-Jacques de Balza, baron de Firmy, who inherited the hôtel de Burta (56 rue Pharaon) in 1779. He was guillotined in 1794 for opposing the decrees of the Assemblée constituante.

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