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GAVIN, George

fl. Dublin 1756–75

Also Gaven. A pupil of Robert West at the Dublin Society's drawing school from 1756, winning a prize in 1760. He practised thereafter as a drawings teacher and portrait draughtsman, presumably in pastel. A portrait of John Ponsonby, speaker of the House of Commons, is known from an engraving by J. Gainer. He exhibited at the Society of Artists in Dublin in 1771-75.

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