

**KEYSERLINGK, Reichsgräfin von, née Charlotte Karoline Amalie Gräfin Truchseß zu Waldburg**

Königsberg 13.XI.1727–24.VIII.1791

Amateur artist; member of the Berlin Academy. In 1744 she married the Prussian statesman Gebhart Johann Graf von Keyserlingk (1699–1761; various spellings are current); two years after his death, she became the second wife of his nephew Heinrich Christian Reichsgraf Keyserlingk (1727–1787), General-Postmeister, son of the Russian ambassador in Warsaw and dedicatee of Bach's Goldberg variations. The philosopher Kant was patronised by the Keyserlingks; the Gräfin's portrait of him (described as a miniature but apparently a coloured chalk drawing) is of amateur accomplishment. The pastel recorded in the Stanislaw August collection is presumably a version of a painting now in a US private collection. She copied history paintings by Berchem, van der Werf and others in pastel; according to Johann Bernoulli, "Sie zeichnet und malt nach dem Urtheil der Kenner vortrefflich sowohl in Pastel als mit Oel- und Wasserfarben; sticht auch in Kupfer." (*Sammlung kurzer Reisebeschreibungen*). The attribution to her of pendant portraits of her and her husband is speculative, but the ambition outruns the execution, and are unlikely to have been commissioned from a professional artist.

**Bibliography**

AKL; Greer 2001; Füßli 1826; Nagler 1835–52, s.v. Truchseß

**Pastels**

J.4292.101 Immanuel KANT (1724–1804), miniature, c.1782 (=Majoratsbibliothek, Rautenburg). Lit.: R. Malter, *Kant-Studien*, LXXII, 1981, pp. 88–95 φ



J.4292.102 Heinrich Christian Reichsgraf KEYSERLINGK (1727–1787), General-Postmeister; & pendant: J.4292.1021 Reichsgräfin, née Charlotte Karoline Amalie Gräfin Truchseß zu Waldburg (1727–1791), pstl/ppr, 64x48, c.1766 (noble German PC; Schloß Ahlden, 7–14.IX.2019, Lot 1415 repr., anon., est. €900) [new attr., ?] φαv



J.4292.103 Adam et Eve, chassés du paradis terrestre, pstl, 37x28 ((Stanislaw August; don: Starostine Malagoska). Lit.: Bernoulli, seen 12.X.1778; Mańkowski 1932, no. 178 n.r. ~version, pnt., 1777 (family PC 2008)