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Antwerp 31.III.1739 – Bruxelles 30.III.1822 Variously spelt Lentz, Leintz, Lins, Liens; Flemish painter of history, mythological and religious subjects, printmaker, pastellist and writer. The son of a flower painter, he was trained by Ykens and Beschey. In 1764 he was sent to Italy by Charles de Lorraine, to whom he was named court painter. On his return to Antwerp he was involved in the creation of a new academy to replace the Gilde Lukas. His writings on costume and taste were influential. In 1781 he moved to Brussels. Among his pupils were Joseph François and Jacob van Strij.

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