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MESCUR DE LASPLANES, Jean-Baptiste-François-Dominique

Toulouse 4.VIII.1774–25.III.1851 Pupil of Lucas, he exhibited drawings (landscape, genre, one after Huet) at the Académie de Toulouse in 1788 and 1790. A nineteenth century pastel by him of his daughters is the only indication that he used the medium. He was the son of Jean-François-Xavier Mescur de Lasplanes, conseiller au parlement de Toulouse and maire de Colomiers. François-Dominique was sent to the école polytechnique at Sorèze in 1794, where he may have been taught pastel by Chalot (*q.r.*); he was placed 27th in 1797, but was criticized for a lack of revolutionary fervour. He joined the école militaire du génie at Metz in 1797, later serving in Spain, Italy and Russia.

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