Neil Jeffares, Dictionary of pastellists before 1800

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ORLÉANS, Philippe II, duc d'

Saint-Cloud 2.VIII.1674 – Versailles 2.XII.1723 Philippe, duc de Chartres succeeded his father, Monsieur, as duc d'Orléans in 1701 and became regent of France on his uncle's death in 1715. He was a celebrated connoisseur, with an important picture collection. Under the influence of Jacques-Antoine Arlaud (q.v.), whom he and his mother supported, he took up painting as an amateur. Arlaud mentions in his will (a translation of which was proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury 13.X.1743) "a small head in Crayons with its gold frame which is done by the aforesaid prince [his late Royal Highness Philip of Orleans] who gave it me 6.XI.1713." Its low value does not suggest that its accomplishment was particularly highly valued at the time. It is now in Geneva.

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