# Neil Jeffares, Dictionary of pastellists before 1800

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### **ROBERTS**, James

London 7.V.1753 – p.1809

Portraitist in oil, watercolour and miniature; pupil at the Royal Academy Schools from 14.III.1771 (aged "18 7th May next"); exhibited Royal Academy from 1773 to 1799. He was a drawing teacher in Oxford between 1784 and 1794. He is best known for his watercolour portraits of actors for *Bell's British theatre*.

#### Bibliography

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#### Pastels

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