

Neil Jeffares, *Dictionary of pastellists before 1800*

Online edition

ROBERTS, James

London 1753 – p.1809

Portraitist in oil, watercolour and miniature; pupil at the Royal Academy schools from 1771; 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

Oxford DNB; Waterhouse 1981

Pastels

Philip HAYES (1738–1797), professor of music at Oxford, pstl (Oxford, St John's College).
Lit.: Ormond & Rogers 1979, n.r.; Highfill & al. 1982, VII, p. 207 n.r.