

Neil Jeffares, *Dictionary of pastellists before 1800*

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WIESE, Johann Heinrich

Leipzig 1748–1803

History painter and portraitist (in oil and pastel) and engraver; pupil of Oeser, for whom he deputised as a teacher at the Zeichnungs-Mahleren- und Architectur-Academie in Leipzig by 1784. According to Schulz, he “sticht, mahlt Pastell, in Oel, Miniatur und zeichnet.” A crayon-manner engraving after Boucher indicates the range of his interest, and suggests that he may have had some training in Paris. A puzzling pastel which appeared in 2011 with a traditional attribution to La Tour may be tentatively attributed to him as it is comparable in execution to the Leipzig pastel.

Bibliography

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Pastels

Mann, pstl/ppr, 46x34.5 (Leipzig, Stadtgeschichtliches Museum, inv. W161) ♀



Dame, pstl, 32x25 (PC 2009, as La Tour; Munich, Hampel, 9–10.XII.2011, Lot 346 repr., Umkreis La Tour, est. €7–8000) [??; new attr., ?] ♀



Pastel, Leipzig, 1785