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CARMICHAEL, Mrs Elizabeth

fl. London 1768–1820

Portraitist in oil and pastel; exhibited at the Free Society (1768); Society of Artists (1769–71); and Royal Academy (1777–89, from Bentinck Street). In 1768 and 1769 she gave her address as Mrs Regnier's, Newport Street, the pastel supplier. She is presumably the artist to whom Benjamin West wrote (15.VII.1818) granting permission to make copies from his sketches. It is unclear if she was related to the miniaturist James Carmichael (fl. 1767–74). A half-length portrait of John Young, professor of Greek at the Univeristy of Glasgow, is in the Hunterian Art Gallery; it is of limited achievement.

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