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CHOLLET, Jean-Baptiste

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Several notices appeared in the *Affiches d'Angers* between 1781 and 1783 announcing that “M. Chollet fils, qui a fait ses cours de dessin et de peinture à l'Académie royale de Paris, offre ses services au public”, painting portraits, history and landscape pieces; he lived with his father, rue Baudrière. Later, 20.III.1790 and 19.VIII.1791 a modified notice appeared:

Le sieur Chollet continue toujours de donner des leçons de dessin; il enseigne la figure, le paysage, les fleurs, l'ornement, la gouache et le pastel. Il demeure rue Toussaint.

Jean-Baptiste Chollet was the son of Pierre Chollet, ancien huissier à cheval au Châtelet de Paris and Marie Lavoye, who had married in Angers, Saint-Maurille on 21.IX.1739. Aged 27, described as maître de dessin, he married a Marie-Jeanne Lavigne in the same parish in Angers, 1.III.1783. He continued to give lessons until an V. His burial entry, still as a maître de dessin, discloses his age, 50 years 10 months, born in the same parish as his marriage (although the parish records omit his baptismal entry for that month; perhaps the birth was in Paris).

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