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DUMONSTIER, Nicolas

Paris 12.VII.1612–16.IX.1667

Daniel's third son, Nicolas, travelled to Italy. He was valet de chambre du roi, and is widely reported as the first painter to be *reçu* by the Académie royale as “peintre en pastel” – although there is some confusion in the *procès-verbaux*. A Dumonstier was it seems *reçu* without examination 31.III.1663, but, at the session of 1665, “Le sieur Du Moutier a présenté de son ouvrage en pastelz; la Compagnie luy a octroier de faire le portraict de *Monsieur Errard*.” As with his father's work, however, it is not quite clear whether this technical description of his work corresponds with modern usage.

Bibliography

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- 1.287.101 Charles ERRARD (1606–1689), peintre, m/u (comm. Académie royale 1665)
1.287.102 Six portraits, bustes d'hommes inconnus, crayon, pstl, 21.7x24.4 (Paignon Dijonval 1810). Lit.: Bénard 1810, no. 2825