

Neil Jeffares, *Dictionary of pastellists before 1800*

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DUPARC, Françoise

Murcie 1726 – Marseille 1778

Admitted to the Académie de Marseille in 1776. According to Achard, she travelled to London after the death of Jean-Baptiste Van Loo; a portrait of the 1st Earl of Harrington (–1756), engraved by M. Ford, is cited – but this seems to be after Barthélemy du Pan (*q.v.*). The only evidence of her being a pastellist is if she is to be identified with the 1766 London exhibitor Mrs Du Parc (Society of Artists), for which the evidence seems unconvincing (*v.* Mme du Parc, La Francesina); although she might well be the “Mrs Du Part” [sic] who exhibited three paintings from a different address, at the Free Society in 1763 (one of which might correspond with a lost picture listed in Françoise Duparc’s will). However Alastair Laing (email 2018) has suggested a very plausible attribution of a pastel once given to Liotard.

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Pastels

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