

Neil Jeffares, *Dictionary of pastellists before 1800*

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GRASS, Karl Gotthard

Dzerebene, Livonia 8.X.1767 – Rome 3.VIII.1814
Karl, or Carl, Gotthard Graß was a poet, theologian, travel writer, landscape painter and draughtsman. He was trained in drawing by Johann Christoph Brotze in Riga, 1782–86. For the next three years he studied theology at Jena, where he was befriended by Schiller. By 1791 he was back in Riga; from 1796 he travelled to Zurich, Paris and Rome. Only one pastel is recorded, from after 1808, although there are numerous landscapes in oil.

Bibliography

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