LEDOUX, Jeanne-Philiberte

Paris 1767 – Belleville 1840

Daughter of the architect Claude-Nicolas Ledoux, she was a pupil of Greuze (*q.v.*), who portrayed both father and daughter. She exhibited portraits and miniatures at the Salons from 1793 on. She may be related to the other pastellist of this name mentioned in 1760. She may well be responsible for a number of pastels closely related to Greuze, thought her established work is in oil and miniature. While the level of the Landskrona pastel is not equal to that of her oil paintings, it may simply be an early work. But to judge from a number of other doubtful examples bearing her signature, the name may have been tempting for later forgers and pasticheurs.

Bibliography

Bénézit; Lemoine-Bouchard 2008; Sanchez 2004; Schidlof 1964

Pastels

J.4694.103 Tête de jeune fille, pstl (François-Martial Marcille; vente p.m., Paris, Pillet, 4–7.III.1857, Lot 153 n.r.)
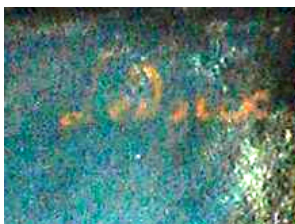
J.4694.1035 Jeune fille assise tenant un livre, pstl, 32x26 (Paris, Drouot, Etienne Pruvost, 23.III.1923, Lot 13 n.r.)

J.4694.104 Jeune fille, tournée légèrement vers la dr., ses cheveux châtain clair bouclés, ornés d'un ruban bleu, tombant sur ses épaules, avec corsage bleu et fichu blanc noué sur sa poitrine découverte, pstl, 60.5x? ov. (J. L[anz]; Paris, Drouot, Ader, 23–26.V.1932, Lot 69 n.r., withdrawn)

J.4694.105 Jeune femme, robe blanche, bordée d'une tresse d'or, laissant voir une blanche épaule nue, pstl, 50x42 ov. (Paris, Drouot, Bellier, 15.III.1943, Lot 44 n.r., attr.)

J.4694.106 Jeune femme au miroir, pstl, 38x30.5 (Versailles, Palais des congrès, Martin, 6.XII.1970, Fr1250)

J.4694.107 Jeune femme, pstl, 42x33, s ↗ "Ledoux" (Landskrona, Bruun Rasmussen, 25.XI.2007, Lot 4/18 repr., attr., est. DKr6–8000) φ

J.4694.112 Petite fille en buste, pstl, 39.5x30 (Paris, Tajan, 3.V.2012, Lot 34 repr., attr., est. €1200–1500; Paris, Tajan, 14.V.2014, Lot 68 repr., attr., est. €800–1000) [?attr.; cf. a/r Greuze] φα