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RENALDI, Francesco

England 1755 – p.1798

Born to Italian parents, he enrolled in the Royal Academy Schools on 4.X.1776 (aged “21 last Jany”) and exhibited a pastel the following year, from Mr Negri’s, Queen Street, Berkeley Square. He is not recorded as using pastel again. From 1781 he travelled to Italy, where he met Thomas Jones, a Welsh landowner and painter, and introduced him to Volaire and Giuseppe Benito. On his return to London he seems to have met with little success as a portrait painter, and from 1786 he was in India, returning to England in 1796.

Bibliography

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Pastels

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