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THONNESSE, Jean-Baptiste

Dijon 1755 – Angers 1838

Also Tonnesse; Thonesse. Pupil of Devosge at the école de dessin in Dijon (where he won the painting prize in 1770) and of Coustou; history painter, portraitist, miniaturist and draughtsman. Only a few pastels are recorded, one included among his numerous submissions to the 1771 exhibition; the others much later. His daughter-in-law and pupil Fanni Ferrey exhibited at the salons of 1793 and 1796.

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Pastels

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