

Neil Jeffares, *Dictionary of pastellists before 1800*

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HUDSON, Henry

London 26.III.1763 – Chinsurah, near Calcutta
.VII.1795

Hudson was apprenticed to Valentine Green as an engraver in 1777 and admitted to the RA schools in 1780; he worked mainly in mezzotint. He moved to Calcutta c.1793, engraving portraits; Gavin Hamilton, in a letter to Ozias Humphry of 10.I.1794, noted the young new arrival who is to “make a scraping of it”, and that he had also begun to paint small crayon portraits at 100 [sicca rupees] each “which are very clever, and I daresay he will do well.” However he died soon after, with details of his illness provided in William Baillie’s letter to Humphry of 4.X.1795.

Bibliography

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