

Neil Jeffares, *Dictionary of pastellists before 1800*

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VOGEL, Christian Leberecht

Dresden 1759–1816

The precocious pastel of his father, exhibited by the 12-year old boy at the Dresden in 1772, was noted by the critic, while an early self-portrait brought Vogel to the attention of Schenau in Dresden. On completion of his training he was led (no doubt by his masonic connections) to Wildenfels, where he executed a series of portraits of members of the ruling family. As it is clear from the worklist below he was also close to the Schönburg-Waldenburg family. He returned to Dresden and became a member of the Akademie in 1800 and professor in 1814. He published a treatise on aesthetics and also wrote about colour theory.

Vogel was a prolific and technically skilled portraitist, with a somewhat forward-looking sentimental flavour. Many of his portraits are of children. He worked in a wide range of media, and a number of drawings in coloured chalks are known in addition to the pastels listed below.

Monographic exhibitions

Vogel 2009: *Christian Leberecht Vogel – Ein sächsischer Meister der Empfindsamkeit*, Zwickau, Städtische Museen, 15.III.–14.VI.2009. Cat. Petra Lewey

Bibliography

Fülli 1826; Salomon Gessner Briefwechsel mit seinem Sohn, Bern & Zurich, 1801, letter Conrad Gessner to his parents 29.III.1785; Grove; Keller 1788; Marx 1999; Nagler 1835–52; Ratouis de Limay 1946; Vogel & Vogel von Vogelstein 2006

Salon critiques, Dresden 1772; Dresden 1785

Pastels

SELBSTBILDNIS im blauen Rock, psdl., 24x17,5, sd. "Se ipse 13.../Anno 1772" (desc: Frau Justizratin Anna Richter, née Vogel; desc: Berlin, Galerie Bassenge, 3.-5.VI.2010, 1 Lot 6066 repr., est. €3–4000, €7000). Lit.: Vogel & Vogel von Vogelstein 2006, p. 55 repr. ♀



SELBSTPORTAIT, psdl/ppr., 40x38, a.1780 (Dresden inv. 97/06). Lit.: Marx 1999, repr. crr.; Marx 2005, I, p. 692; II, p. 629, no. 2298; Vogel & Vogel von Vogelstein 2006, p. 36 repr.; Henning & Marx 2007, pp. 161f repr.; Lasiewski 2010, fig. 68 ♀



~grav.: C. F. Stöbel 1780. Lit.: Marx 1999, p. 4 repr.; Vogel & Vogel von Vogelstein 2006, p. 131 repr.

AUGUSTE CAROLINE Gräfin zu Solms-Wildenfels, née Gräfin zu Erbach-Erbach (1783–1833) mit ihrem Sohn Friedrich Magnus III., psdl., 52x53, c.1814 (Zwickau, Städtisches Museum). Lit.: Vogel & Vogel von Vogelstein 2006, p. 120 repr. ♀



Gräfin CAROLINE Sophie Wilhelmine zu Solms-Wildenfels, née Prinzessin zu Leiningen-Dagsburg-Hartenberg (1757–1832) als Vestalin, psdl., 52x37 ov., c.1784 (alm Schloß Wildenfels). Lit.: Keller 1788, p. 191 n.z.; Vogel & Vogel von Vogelstein 2006, pp. 24, 44 repr. ♀



CLAUSNITZER [Karl Gottlob Clausnitzer (1714–1788), Theologe, Superintendent in Cloeden], psdl. Exh.: Dresden 1775. Lit.: Vogel & Vogel von Vogelstein 2006, p. 132

Detlev Graf von EINSIEDEL [c.1773–1861], sächsischer Staatsmann, Halbe Figur, in weißem Weste, Jabot, blauem Rock, der Kopf ins Profil nach links, psdl., c.1785–90 (Pretzitz). Lit.: Gurlit 1912, XXV, p. 287

Gräfin Karl von EINSIEDEL, née Sophie Auguste Gräfin von Löben (1775–1797), Brustbild, in weißem Kleid, hellbraunen Locken, nach der Rechten gewendet, psdl. ov. (Pretzitz). Lit.: Gurlit 1912, XXV, p. 288

Die Prinzessinen ELEONORE (1801–1827) und Karoline (1802–1841) zu Stolberg-Wernigerode mit Blumenkranz vor der Urne ihrer Mutter, psdl., 61x50, c.1809 (alm Schloß Waldenburg). Lit.: Vogel & Vogel von Vogelstein 2006, pp. 29, 78 repr. ♀



ELISABETH CHRISTIANE Marianne Wild- und Rheingräfin von Salm-Grumbach, née zu Leiningen-Dagsburg (1753–1792), psdl., 52x38 ov., p.1780 (rc. 2006). Lit.: Vogel & Vogel von Vogelstein 2006, p. 66 repr. ♀



EMERICH CARL 2. Fürst zu Leiningen-Dagsburg (1763–1814), psdl., 52x38 ov., p.1780 (rc. 2006). Lit.: Vogel & Vogel von Vogelstein 2006, p. 66 repr. ♀



EMICH Prinz zu Solms-Wildenfels (1794–1834) als Kind, psdl., 36x31 ov., c.1798 (Zwickau, Städtisches Museum). Lit.: Vogel & Vogel von Vogelstein 2006, pp. 90, 124 repr. ♀



Mme FRIBAS, psdl. Lit.: Vogel & Vogel von Vogelstein 2006, p. 141, citing Vogel's Skizzenbuch, p. 35

FRIEDRICH ALFRED Fürst von Schönburg-Hartenstein (1786–1840), psdl., 45x33, c.1810, (Glauchau, Schloß Hinterglemchau). Lit.: Vogel & Vogel von Vogelstein 2006, p. 119 repr. ♀