

## Goethe in His Frankfurt Study, Self-Portrait (1770-73)

### Abstract

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Following his education as a lawyer at the universities of Leipzig and Strasbourg, Johann Wolfgang Goethe (1749-1832) – later ennobled as “von Goethe” – spent the early years of his literary career (1771-75) in his native Frankfurt, where he composed his major *Sturm und Drang* works: the drama *Götz von Berlichingen* (1773), the epistolary novel of youth and thwarted love *The Sorrows of Young Werther* (1774), and his lyric poems *Prometheus* and *Ganymede*. Watercolor and pencil drawing by Johann Wolfgang von Goethe, 1770-73.

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