

HANS JØRGEN HAMMER

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H. J. Hammer graduated as a house painter in 1835 and simultaneously, had been accepted to the Art Academy, where he attended the Model School from 1840–1843. In the summers of 1841 and 1843, he participated in Professor C. W. Eckersberg's exercises in studies after female model. On the 29th of December 1843, he received the grand silver medal of the Academy and hereafter left the institution. He made his debut at Charlottenborg as early as 1838 and continued to exhibit there on a regular basis. In 1847, he received Neuhausen's Award and in 1874, he became a member of the Academy. In 1848, he enlisted as a volunteer in the First Schleswig War.

Hammer was known and loved by his contemporaries for his depiction of the life of Danish peasants. In addition, he has painted landscapes and city pictures, as well as a great deal of portraits. He is represented in several Danish museums.

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