



Lives of Rembrandt: Sandrart, Baldinucci and Houbraken

By Joachim von Sandrart, Filippo Baldinucci, Arnold Houbraken, Charles Ford

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