

WHV – Wat Phra Mahathat: stamp on the heritage from the past to the present

Wat Phra Mahathat Woramahawihan, Nakhon Si
Thammarat, Thailand

Site on a Tentative List since 2012

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Wat Phra Mahathat Woramahawihan became the principal temple of Nakhon Si Thammarat, the capital of Tambralinga, the sovereign state in Southern Peninsula of Thailand in the early 13th to mid-14th century CE. Its gigantic bell-shaped stupa is the outstanding structure at the temple, and it is believed to contain the Buddha's relics, having thereby become one of the most important sites of Theravada Buddhism and a sacred site for millions of believers until today.

Project objectives:

Being implemented for the first time at four different sites in the country, the project aims at creating digital content about Thai World Heritage and at using online social media and platforms to stimulate interest and raise awareness of world heritage in terms of its values, of youth and community ownership, and of concrete actions to preserve it and become active agents for the safeguarding of its historic, cultural and social values.

Project activities:

After visiting and learning first-hand about different aspects of World Heritage, the volunteers will re-interpret the history and value of the site through the creation of visual storytelling through pictures and videos aimed at social media communication; they will also translate relevant information about the World Heritage site in their own languages to reach out to a wider public.

Partners:

Rajabhat Nakhon Si Thammarat University, Nakhon Si Thammarat Municipality, Nakhon Si Thammarat, Provincial museum.

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