

## WHV – Dong Phayayen through the lens of youth

### **Dong Phayayen-Khao Yai Forest Complex, Thailand**

Natural property inscribed on the World Heritage List (2005)

### **PROJECT DATES**

08 July - 20 July 2024

**THE SITE** - The Dong Phayayen-Khao Yai Forest Complex spans 230 km between Ta Phraya National Park on the Cambodian border in the east, and Khao Yai National Park in the west. The site is home to more than 800 species of fauna, including 112 mammal species (among them two species of gibbon), 392 bird species and 200 reptile and amphibian species. It is internationally important for the conservation of globally threatened and endangered mammal, bird and reptile species, among them 19 that are vulnerable, four that are endangered, and one that is critically endangered. The area contains substantial and important tropical forest ecosystems, which can provide a viable habitat for the long-term survival of these species.

**OBJECTIVES** - Implemented for the first time, the project is organised by the campaign's recurring partner Volunteer Spirit Association, which was awarded the WHITRAP Global Award for World Heritage Education Innovative Case for its 2023 World Heritage Volunteers project in Chiang Mai. It focuses on building targeted educational activities with the primary schools in the Dong Phayayen area to promote youth understanding and engagement for heritage preservation.

**ACTIVITIES** - Volunteers will guide the students to develop creative content about the World Heritage natural site, with pictures, storytelling, videos, clips, sketching, drawing, painting, infographics and vlog that will be showcased in the school and VSA own website's dedicated pages.

**PARTNERS** - Khaoyai National Park; Khaoyai Foundation; Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS).

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