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The purpose of this research is for dating of the archaeological site at Wat Phobang-o. It is located at amphoe Bang Krui Changwat Nonthaburi. Wat Phobang-o has some architecture that is ancient of style in king Rama III period. There have not been any found documents written about the time of construction of this site .There are only documented records about the restoration in the reign of King Rama III. In this time , the method that researchers use are excavate accompanied with research in to ancient documents and art analysis and architecture style with group of archaeology site in the late Ayuthaya period that was founded in Nonthaburi province and group of archaeology site in early Rattanakosin period.

The conclusion of this research dates Wat Pho Bang –o may have been constructed or renovated in early Rattanakosin period. The temple was greatly restored in the reign of King Rama III. According to architectural evidence, the Thai traditional style of the temple was conveyed from the late Ayudhaya period and passed down to the early Rattanakosin period.

After the great restoration, it was found that the architectural characteristics of the temple were not totally changed and evidences From research, it indicates that this site was restored before but in the same style of architecture could not find anything that can indicate the contemporary with late Ayuthaya art style .Because all Thai traditional style architecture that have found in Wat pho bang-o is derive from Ayutthaya period to early Rattanakosin but some part of architecture can only found in early or latter Rattanakosin period site. From the apparent evidence Wat pho bang-o should have been constructed or renovated in the early Rattanakosin period (King rama I) and has been restoring continuously .

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