Annotation:

The present thesis is dedicated to the former Czech queen and Austrian Empress Maria Anna of Savoy (1803-1884) and the location of her frequent visits, Northern Bohemia’s castle of Ploskovice. Anna Marie and her husband Ferdinand V (1793-1875) chose the castle as their summer residence after the Emperor’s abdication in 1848. In order to properly represent the dignity of the former ruler of the House of Habsburg-Lorraine, both outside and inside, it was necessary to adjust the palace significantly in quite a short time, which was successfully realised in the spirit of contemporary rococo style by Czech artists and craftsmen.

The individual chapters of the thesis deal with the life story of Anne Marie and the changes of castle Ploskovice - its history, reconstructions, facilities and decorations, especially from the perspective of history of art.