

“Democracy in a Time of Un-Truth”

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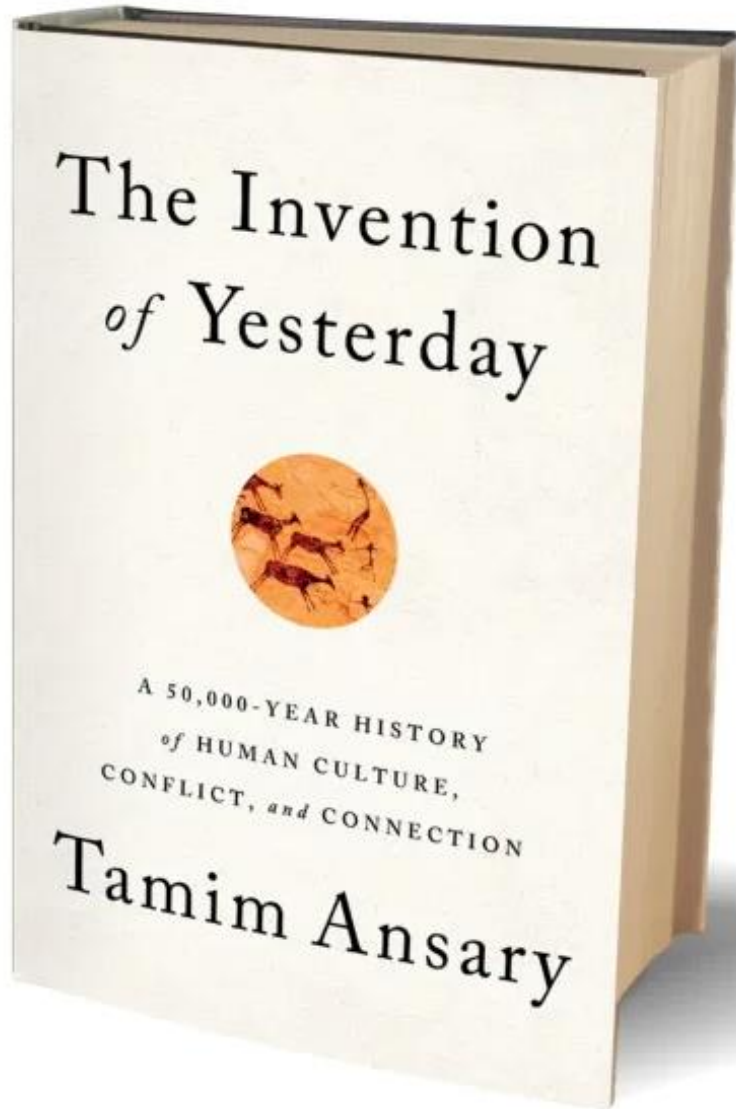
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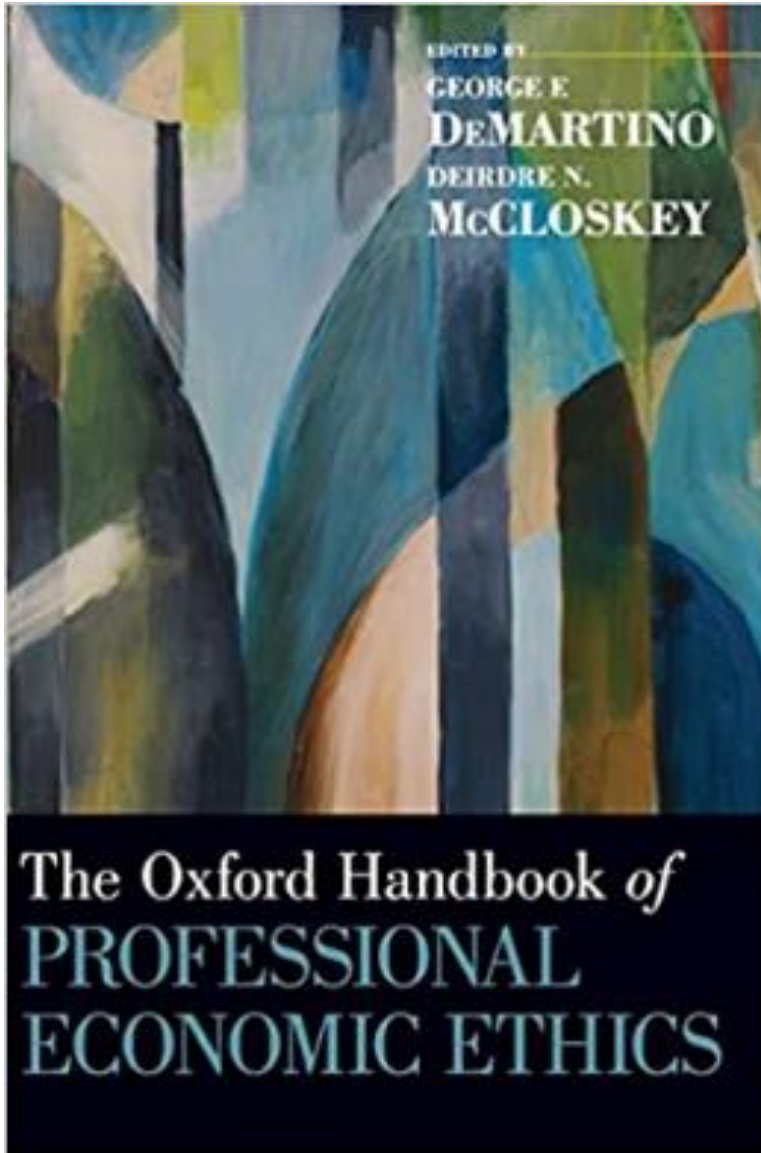
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“... The engine of history is not so much heroic (battles won), geographic (farmers thrive), or Anthropogenic (humans change the planet) as it is narrative.”



“... what does it mean to be an ethical economist, or, what would it mean for economics to be an ethical profession?”



“If something is happening, it will show up on my Twitter feed, and then I can go to a CNN or something if I feel a need to follow up and get more information.”

Opening questions

- 1. What is “truth” for a populace that seems to be split on divisive issues like abortion and gun control? Each believes in their “truth” and fears losing something important to them if the opposing viewpoint prevails. Can truth be mediated? (Kathleen K)*
- 2. How would we know democracy is working? What limits its functioning? Can democracy tackle the problems listed? If so, what are the challenges and opportunities? (Kathleen W)*