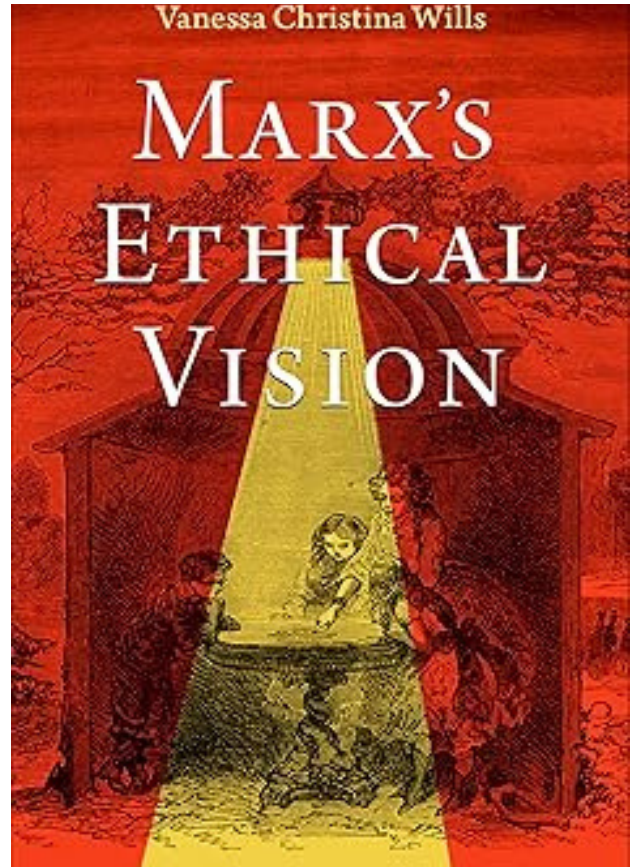


Empire, Capital, and the Meaning of 'Moral Clarity': 'Marx's Ethical Vision Today'

The 2025 Erik C. Banks Memorial Lecture in Philosophy

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