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**Amity Shlaes, Esteemed Scholar and Author, a 2021 Bradley Prize Winner**  
*Award recognizes extraordinary talent, dedication to American exceptionalism*

**Milwaukee, WI** - [The Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation](#) announced today that distinguished scholar and author Amity Shlaes is one of three winners of the 2021 Bradley Prizes. The honor recognizes individuals whose outstanding achievements reflect The Bradley Foundation's mission to restore, strengthen and protect the principles and institutions of American exceptionalism. Shlaes will receive the award at the 17th annual Bradley Prizes ceremony on Monday, September 13th at the National Building Museum in Washington, D.C.

"Amity's exhaustive research and analysis of American economic history continues to inform influential decision makers," said Rick Graber, President and CEO of The Bradley Foundation. "Her insight into how well-intentioned government programs have had the opposite effect of what they set out to achieve, provides valuable lessons for today. The Bradley Foundation is proud to honor Amity for her scholarship, which has contributed to important dialogue on economic policy."

Shlaes chairs the board of the Calvin Coolidge Presidential Foundation, the official foundation dedicated to preserving and promoting the legacy of America's 30th president. The Coolidge Foundation is the sponsor of the popular Coolidge Scholarship, a full college scholarship for academic merit, and the Coolidge Senators program, which hosts 100 students each summer for a stay in Washington at Coolidge House to learn them about the values of President Coolidge.

Shlaes' most recent book is *Great Society: A New History*. She is the author of five previous books, four of which are *New York Times* bestsellers: *Germany: The Empire Within*; *The Greedy Hand: Why Taxes Drive Americans Crazy*; *The Forgotten Man: A New History of the Great Depression*; *The Forgotten Man/Graphic*; and *Coolidge*, a full-length biography. She was a syndicated columnist for ten years, first at the *Financial Times*, then *Bloomberg*. Before that, she served as an editorial board member of *The Wall Street Journal*.

Over the decades, she has published in periodicals including *The New Republic*, *The New Yorker*, the *Spectator* of London, *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, and *National Review*. For the past nine years, she has chaired the jury of the Hayek Prize, the Manhattan Institute's book prize. Shlaes and her husband Seth Lipsky, the editor of the *New York Sun*, have four grown children.

This year's award winners were chosen by the Bradley Prizes Selection Committee, a group of notable leaders in various fields, after careful review of over 100 distinguished nominations. Each award carries a stipend of \$250,000.

***About The Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation:*** Founded in 1985, the Milwaukee-based Bradley Foundation supports organizations that strengthen families and communities, inform and educate citizens, advance economic growth and encourage self-reliance. The Foundation's approach to philanthropy is guided by four core principles: fidelity to the U.S. Constitution with its principles of limited government, federalism, separation of powers, and individual liberties; commitment to free markets; dedication to the formation of informed and capable citizens; and commitment to the institutions of civil society that cultivate individuals capable of self-governance.

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