Lecture Four: The Evolution of Expressive Culture

That our cognitive capacities have, in some sense, progressed has been a commonplace for some time. However much some thinkers may cast formulaic doubt on science, for example, there is no substantial doubt that we know more about the nature world than we did 50, 100, 500, a thousand or more years ago. Our knowledge has progressed. In “The Evolution of Expressive Culture” David Hays argues that there is progress in the arts and in religion as well. Through that evolution we develop new ways of regulating our feelings and desires.

The Evolution of Expressive Culture
http://asweknowit.ca/evcult/Express.shtml