

**MIRA JACOB**

*"In Jacob's brilliant hands, we are gifted with a narrative that is sometimes hysterically funny, always honest, and ultimately healing." —Jacqueline Woodson*

**Mira Jacob is a novelist, memoirist, illustrator, and cultural critic. Born in New Mexico to parents who emigrated from India, she uses her dual-culture background to navigate the ebb and flow of politics and modern culture.**

In 2015, Mira illustrated a graphic article for BuzzFeed entitled "37 Difficult Questions From My Mixed-Race Son," which quickly went viral. Her stunning graphic memoir, *Good Talk: A Memoir in Conversations*, expands upon the delicate and nuanced conversations about race and politics she has with her son. *Good Talk* was shortlisted for the National Book Critics Circle Award, longlisted for the PEN Open Book Award, and named a New York Times Notable Book, as well as a best book of the year by *Time*, *Esquire*, *Publisher's Weekly*, *Library Journal*. It is currently in development as a television series with Film 44.

Her critically acclaimed debut novel, *The Sleepwalker's Guide to Dancing*, is described as "epic," "engrossing," and "utterly dazzling." It was a Barnes & Noble Discover New Writers pick, shortlisted for India's Tata First Literature Award, and longlisted for the Brooklyn Literary Eagles Prize. Mira's writing and illustrations have appeared in the *New York Times*, *Electric Literature*, *Tin House*, *Literary Hub*, *Guernica*, *Vogue*, and she has a drawn column on Shondaland. She is the co-founder of Pete's Reading Series in Brooklyn, where she spent 13 years bringing literary fiction, nonfiction, and poetry to Williamsburg.

Mira is currently the visiting professor at MFA Creative Writing program at The New School and is a founding faculty member of the MFA Program at Randolph College. She lives in Brooklyn with her husband, documentary filmmaker Jed Rothstein, and their son.