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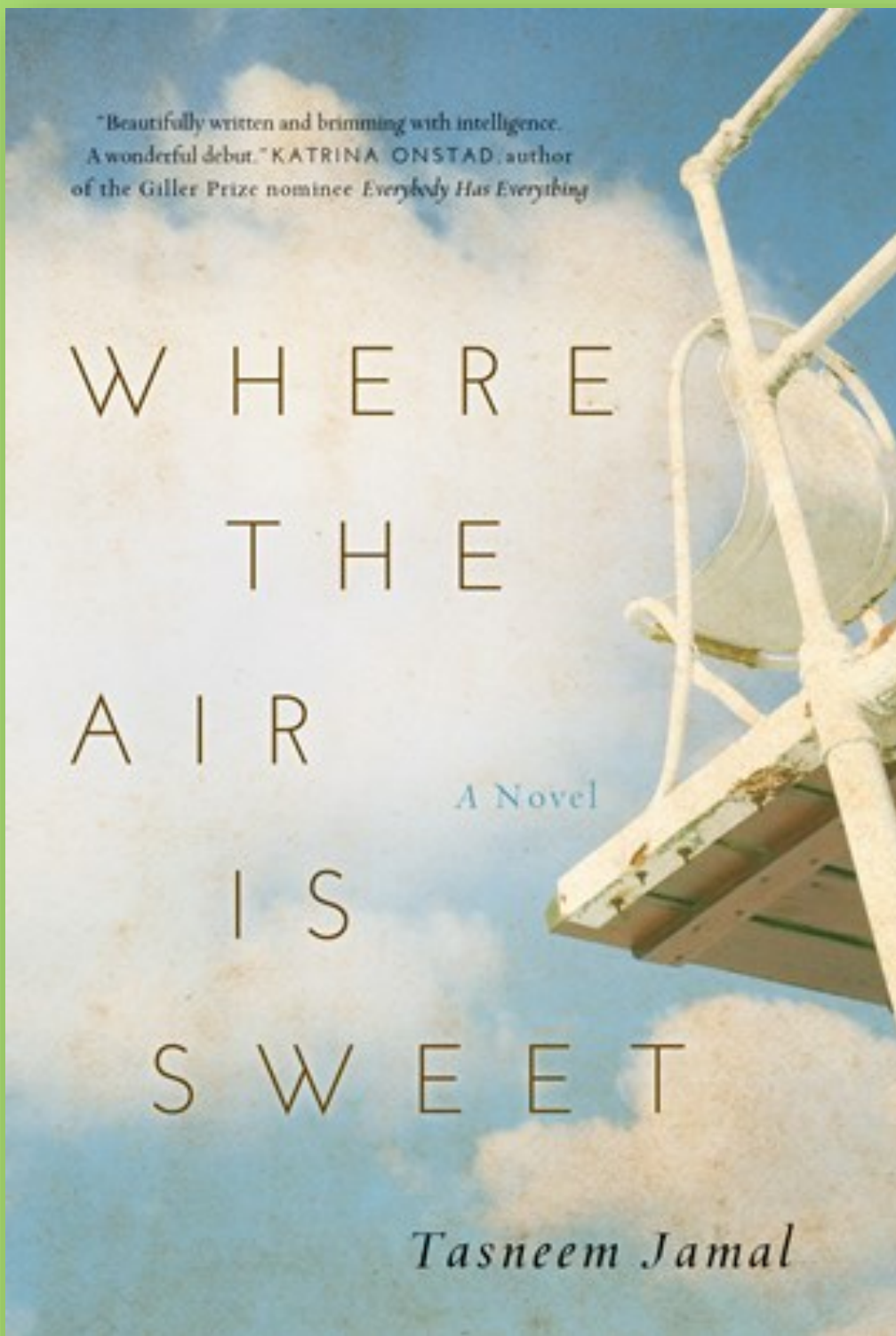
## Winter Colloquium

### Series 2015

# Tasneem Jamal

*Tasneem Jamal has worked as a journalist for over a decade as an editor at The Globe and Mail, Saturday Night magazine and the National Post.*

*She has written fiction and non-fiction for the Toronto Review of Contemporary Writing Abroad, The Globe and Mail, Saturday Night Magazine, the National Post and the Literary Review of Canada .*



*In the small Gujarati village of Malia, India, 1921, Raju feels an aching and longing for something more than his land can provide. When Raju turns 20, he leaves for Mbarara, Uganda, touted as the land of opportunity by Raju's family member. Thus begins the three-generation spanning debut novel, **Where the Air is Sweet** (HarperCollinsCanada).*

*In 1972, dictator and murderer, Idi Amin expelled 80,000 South Asians from Uganda. Many had lived in East Africa for generations, and their entire lives and histories were ripped away from them as they were forced to flee and relocate in only 90 days. With their assets frozen, their businesses taken from them, 80,000 people lost their land, history and identity within 3 months.*

*Tasneem Jamal draws on her own experiences and childhood bringing to life a family, their displacement, the loneliness and the shock of adjusting to an entirely new land and culture as their family immigrated to Canada .*

# 4:00pm Thursday March 26

**UCC 315, Council Chambers, University Community Centre  
Western University, London Ontario.**

Please Join Us for Beforehand Refreshments at 3:30 pm.

*Free Event to the Community, but Registration is Required.*

To Register Visit:

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/where-the-air-is-sweet-author-event-tickets-15809579879>

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