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Oracle ACE Spotlight → Miguel Palacios, Oracle ACE

Miguel Palacios has been working with Oracle technology since 1999. His focus includes the areas of Oracle High Availability and Disaster Recovery solutions such as Oracle RAC, Oracle Data Guard, Oracle Clusterware, Oracle ASM, Oracle RMAN, Oracle VM, Oracle Streams and Oracle GoldenGate. On the other hand he also focuses on the area of Advanced Performance Tuning and troubleshooting using several tools provided by Oracle. He has managed and helped many small, medium and large Oracle Database implementations in his country (Perú) and other countries including Colombia, Argentina, Nicaragua and Chile.



Miguel is the president of PERU Oracle Users Group (www.peoug.org) and the CEO of Global Business Solutions Perú (www.gbs.pe). He has done over 50 presentations/panels at major Oracle conferences in Perú such as Oracle Developers Day, Oracle OTN Latinoamerica Tour, Oracle Open World Latinoamerica (Brasil), Oracle University Seminars and local conferences at several Universities and Enterprises. He is planning to attend and participate at Oracle Open World (San Francisco) in October and Oracle Open World Latinoamerica (Brasil) in December.

Whenever time permits, Miguel enjoys traveling with friends and family and playing PS3 just for relaxation. He also likes to drink "Pisco Sour", a world famous Peruvian drink. You can also find Miguel frequently tweeting (@mpalacios_pe).

Oracle ACE Program News

→ Over 160+ ACE Sessions at OpenWorld 2011

Yes, that's right! We have 80+ ACE speakers covering over 160 sessions at this year's event. See who's speaking and on what topics [here](#). The [content catalog](#) is open so start planning now.

Look out for more details on ACE specific activities and save the date for our annual ACE dinner at OpenWorld scheduled for Sun, Oct 2.

→ OPEN CALL for PAPERS:

DOAG SIG – Database "Backup & Recovery", Sep 8, 2011, Leipzig
Send submissions to Oracle ACE Christian Trieb

NoCOUG's 100th conference, Nov 2011, Mountain View, CA
Submission Deadline: TBD. Contact Oracle ACE Gwen Shapira for details

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KScope12, June 24-28, San Antonio, TX
Submission Deadline: Oct 28

→ [Oracle ACE Crash Course](#)

Check out the OPN "Partner Cast" featuring Justin Kestelyn discussing everything you need to know about the [Oracle ACE program](#). Good video to share with those who are not familiar with the program yet.

→ [Co-Author a Book with your ACE Colleagues](#)

Oracle ACE Paul Dorsey is looking for coauthors to contribute on several of the chapters for the book he is working on "*Effective Utilization of the Oracle Database in Web Development*". Contact [Paul](#) if you're interested.

→ [Get Proactive with DBA Task Automation - Live Webcast](#)

[Join us](#) for a live, interactive Webcast where Oracle experts will share best practices for dealing with today's database management challenges and provide tips for getting work done quickly and efficiently. [Register today](#) for this **August 16th Webcast, 10 am PT / 1 pm ET**.

→ [Fusion UX Training Webcast](#)

ACE Director Debra Lilley will be offering all ACE and ACE Directors who have not had the opportunity to do the Fusion UX Advocates training a live webcast with a full demo on the experience on August 8th at 10am PST. Please contact [Debra](#) if you are interested in participating.

→ [Are you involved with UK Oracle User Group? If not... as an Oracle ACE you should be!*](#)

[UKOUG](#) offers you opportunities to network, share knowledge, participate, provide feedback to Oracle and meet with other senior Oracle representatives and other industry leaders through UKOUG events. Check out the latest events [here](#).

*Oracle ACE and ACE Directors are exclusively allowed a free account. To sign up go to [registration page](#) - click on "member" > Enter Membership # 13277 > Enter Company Name "Oracle ACE program" and continue with registration.

→ [Java Magazine is Here!](#)

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→ [Java, The Complete Reference, Eighth Edition](#)

Programming legend Herb Schildt shows you everything you need to develop, compile, debug, and run Java programs in the just-released [Java SE 7](#), including closures, superpackages, reified generic types, the enhanced switch statement, extension methods, and enum values. Oracle ACEs get exclusive 40% discount [here](#).

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→ [PACKT's 50th](#)

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If you have the enthusiasm for communicating technical ideas and concepts, have a valuable experience or a technical skill that you're keen to share with readers, you should give serious consideration to authoring a book or becoming a technical reviewer. Please contact sheila.cepero@oracle.com for more details.

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Oracle ACE Watch

→ [Congratulations ODTUG Kscope 2011 Winners](#)

Over 50+ ACE and ACE Directors presented at ODTUG Kscope 11. The ACE presence continues to get stronger every year and conference organizers said "having the ACE's at Kscope really takes our event to another level". Thank you again to all ACEs who participated at the event. And now... here are the conference and Editor's Choice winners (which includes several ACEs):

Best Overall Speaker

Martin D'Souza - Oracle ACE
APEX 4 + HTML 5 = Awesome

Best Speaker in the Fusion Middleware Track

Luc Bors
ADF Developers - Make the Database Work for You

Best Speaker in the Application Express Track

Martin D'Souza - Oracle ACE
APEX 4 + HTML 5 = Awesome

Best Speaker in the BI/EPM Track

Edward Roske - ACE Director
Configure It Out - The Sequel

Best Speaker in the Database Development Track

Alex Nuijten - ACE Director
Who's Afraid of Analytic Functions?

Editor's Choice Winners

Top BI/EPM paper

Kevin McGinley
Mobility and OBIEE: iPhones, iPads, Android, Oh My!

Top Database Developer paper

Cary Millsap - ACE Director
My Case for Agile Methods

Top Fusion Middleware paper

Peter Koletzke - ACE Director
Achieving the Perfect Layout with ADF Faces

Top APEX paper

Carsten Czarski

It's All About Location: APEX, Spatial, and MAPS

Get a jumpstart on the competition - [Call for papers](#) for Kscope12 now open! We look forward to seeing you at [KScope12](#), June 24-28, San Antonio, TX.

→ [BON Voyage OTN Latin America Tour](#)

7 ACE Directors (12+ including local ACEs) in 7 LAD countries over a 2 week span = SUCCESS! Our sincere gratitude goes to ACE Director Francisco Munoz Alvarez who organized the entire tour along with local UG leaders in each country.

Pablo Ciccarello from OTN LAD also participated and did a fantastic job promoting [OTN America Latina in Brazilian Portuguese](#) and [OTN America Latina in Spanish](#). Check out the websites for videos and pix of the tour.

As usual, thank you to all ACE and ACE Directors who participated in the tour (you know who you are). It couldn't have happened without you.

Finally, check out ACE Director Debra Lilley's thoughts and [post event wrap up](#) about the two week journey. Until next year...

→ [PL/SQL Challenge Summer Special](#)

ACE Director Steven Feuerstein's [PL/SQL Channel](#) offers over 27 hours of detailed video training on the Oracle PL/SQL language. Special summer subscription: [30 day access](#) for just \$49.95!

→ [New Article: Virtualization for Oracle DBAs - 360 degrees](#)

Here's an article written by Oracle ACE's Tariq Farooq and Mike Ault about [Virtualization](#) as it relates to Oracle DBAs.

→ [New Article Series: Oracle Exadata Command Reference](#)

In this [four-part guide](#) written by ACE Director Arup Nanda, you will learn all the commands necessary to administer the Exadata Database Machine, especially the storage-related commands.

→ [New Article: Get on the Bus...](#)

...The Enterprise Service Bus (ESB), that is! An article written by Oracle ACE Vince Salvato will show you how [ESB can help](#) with the challenges faced today for HCM systems. Contact [Vince](#) for a copy of the full article.

→ [Blog Post: Java 7 and Beyond](#)

ACE Director Markus Eisele published a complete "[What's new in Java 7](#)" slideset to celebrate Java 7 moving forward. He also started a [four part article series](#) about Java 7 in German iX Magazin's online channel "developer". It's available for free and in German.

Markus is one of the newest members of the [JavaOne External Review Committee](#) for Java EE Web Profile and Platform Technologies. He also provides his opinion about the tracks in the [JavaOne content catalog](#) and lists the sessions worth attending around [Java EE](#).

Last but not least, let Markus know what you think about his 3 new sparkly [Glassfish wallpapers](#) all created on his own!

→ [New Article : On Oracle Security](#)

Michelle Malcher, ACE Director, co-Authored a security article for the IOUG

Select Journal Q3, *Secure the Configuration, but Don't Forget the Audit Trail*. Non IOUG members, please contact Michelle for a copy of the article.

→ **Blog Post : 11gR2 Network ACL-What a Nice Feature!**

Want to learn about creating a trigger to add a user to a network acl when granted execute on utl_Mail (applicable to 11g)? Check out Oracle ACE Andrew Kerber's latest post.

→ **Blog Post : Save Time and Wow your Friends with this Cool Dynamic Converter Hack**

Through Oracle ACE Dmitri Khanine's blog , discover a cool way to add logic to the output of dynamic converter - may be the best "gotcha" you find in a longest time.

→ **Blog Post: Inviting Oracle Certified Professionals to be Featured in OpenWorld 2011 presentation**

If you are Oracle certified and will be attending OpenWorld 2011, you are invited to get in touch with Oracle ACE Mohan Dutt to be featured as one of the case studies in his presentation.

→ **Blog Post: Oracle Service Bus, Implementing Aggregator Pattern by use of Split-Join**

In his blog, Oracle ACE Eric Elzinga provides a clear explanation of the split-join and why you may want to use this parallel processing of independent operations to aggregate the results.

→ **Blog Post : JRockit JVM**

Learn almost everything you ever wanted to know about the JRockit JVM and the advantages of JRockit Virtual Edition in Oracle ACE Rene van Wijk's latest blog post.

→ **Blog Post :Oracle11g Case Sensitive Passwords**

Oracle ACE Dan Hotka warns about the subtle change in Oracle11 logon behavior.

→ **Blog Post : OBIEE 11.1.1.5 Sample App Released**

OBIEE Sample 11.1.1.5 has been released. There are a great number of examples that expanded the previous sample application and has highlighted many of the new features of the 11.1.1.5 release. Read more in Oracle ACE Dan Vlamis' blog.

→ **Blog Post : Applying External Timing Data to Untimed Events**

Perltrace is a perl script that allows you to attach timing data to unbuffered diagnostic and standard output of character based programs that do not normally provide timing data. Learn more about it in Oracle ACE Jared Still's post.

→ **Blog Post: Understanding Wait Event and Wait Class MetricsActive**

This is a follow up to Oracle ACE Kyle Hailey's first post on installment on metric tables, system statistics. This metric post talks about waits (events). See part 1.

→ [Blog Post: More on Oracle WebCenter 11g](#)

Continue following Oracle ACE Geoff' Garcia's post for the latest updates on WebCenter 11g.

- [Walk-through of domain configuration for Oracle WebCenter 11g: on Windows Server 2008 x64 & MS SQL 2008](#)
- [Walk-through of post install tasks for Oracle WebCenter: on Windows Server 2008 x64 & MS SQL 2008](#)
- [Oracle's product strategy and roadmap for WebCenter](#) (and Geoff's notes following the webinar)
- [Working through Oracle WebCenter Analytics 10.3.0.1 VISITID Issues](#)

→ [Blog Post: RMAN Snapshot Controlfile for RAC Database in 11gR2](#)

ACE Director Syed Jaffar Hussain provides some good tips on tackling issues after the RMAN Snapshot Controlfile backup [11gR2 upgrade](#).

→ [New Book: Expert Oracle Application Express](#) co-authored by 13 of the leading experts in the field, amongst which 8 are ACE or ACE Directors: John Scott, Raj Mattamal, Anton Nielsen, Martin Giffy D'Souza, Dimitri Gielis, Roel Hartman, Denes Kubicek and Dan McGhan.

The best thing about this book is that all royalties will be split between the memorial funds of Carl Backstrom and Scott Spadafore – two of the founding fathers of APEX who have passed away the last three years. [More details](#) can be found on John Scott's blog.

→ [New Book: Expert Oracle Exadata](#) co-authored by ACE Directors Kerry Osborne & Tanel Poder plus Randy Johnson (Now Available)

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Oracle ACE Out and About

- Speaking at [Oracle OpenWorld 2011](#)
Over 80 ACE and ACE Directors. See [here](#). (Oct 2011)
- Speaking at [Expert Oracle Exadata Virtual Conference](#) (Aug 2011)
Tanel Poder - ACE Director, DB
Kerry Osborne - ACE Director, DB
- Speaking at [NYOUG DB SIG](#) (Aug 2011)
Arup Nanda - ACE Director, DB
- **Christian Trieb** - Oracle ACE, DB
Speaking/Organizing DOAG SIG:
[Database "Real World Database Performance"](#) (Aug 2011)
- [Speaking at Sydney Oracle Meetup](#) (Aug 2011)
Yury Velikanov (Organizer) - Oracle ACE, Apps
Chris Muir, ACE Director, OFM
Connor McDonald - ACE Director, DB
Craig Shallahamer - ACE Director, DB
Guy Harrison - Oracle ACE, DB
Marcelle Kratochvil - ACE Director, DB
Tim Hall - ACE Director, DB
- [Speaking at InSync 2011](#) (Aug 2011)
Basheer Khan - ACE Director, Apps
Tim Hall - ACE Director, DB
Francisco Munoz Alvarez - ACE Director, DB

Craig Shallahamer - ACE Director, DB
Chris Muir - ACE Director, OFM
Richard Foote - ACE Director, DB
Connor McDonald - ACE Director, DB
Guy Harrison - Oracle ACE, DB
Dennis Remmer - Oracle ACE, OFM

- **Susan Behn** - Oracle ACE, Apps
Speaking at [Houston OUG](#) (Aug 2011)
- [Speaking at OAUG eLearning](#) (Aug 2011)
Karen Brownfield - Oracle ACE, Apps
Susan Behn - Oracle ACE, Apps
- **Kyle Hailey** - Oracle ACE, DB
Speaking at [NoCOUG Summer Conference](#) (Aug 2011)
- **Cary Millsap** - ACE Director, DB
Speaking at [NYOUG](#) (Sep 2011)
Teaching 1-day [Mastering Oracle Trace Data Course](#) (Sep 2011)
- **Gustavo Gonzalez** - Oracle ACE, Apps
Speaking at IT Convergence workshops:
[Oracle R12 Upgrade Strategy and Planning](#) (Sep 2011)
- **Mike Messina** - Oracle ACE, DB
Speaking at [MOUG](#) (Sep 2011)
- Speaking at [SIOUG](#) (Sep 2011)
Joze Senegacnik - ACE Director, DB
Debra Lilley - ACE Director, Apps
Matjaz Juric - ACE Director, OFM
- **Peter Koletzke** - ACE Director, OFM
Speaking at [TOUG](#) (Oct 2011)
- **Joze Senegacnik** - ACE Director, DB
Speaking at [HrOUG](#) (Oct 2011)

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Architect Corner

→ [Article: Event-Driven SOA: Events Meet Services](#)

Oracle ACE Director Guido Schmutz shows you how to achieve extreme loose coupling within a Service-Oriented Architecture by using event-driven interactions. [Read it.](#)

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Upcoming Events

- [InSync 2011](#)
August 16-17, 2011 | Sydney, Australia
- [SIOUG](#)
September 18-21, 2011 | Portoroz, Slovenia
- [NYOUG](#)
September 22, 2011 | New York, NY
- [Oracle OpenWorld](#)

October 2-6, 2011 | San Francisco, CA

- [JavaOne](#)

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