



Raised on a family farm in Iowa, **Joe Gerstandt** has that certain kind of sensibility you can't help but notice. His unique approach to speaking, extensive community involvement and personal experiences illustrate Joe's passion for reaching out to and relating to people.

Listen to Joe speak, and you'll see that he draws from his days as a United States Marine and Gulf War Veteran and his insightful time in sales.

Prior to becoming a celebrated one-man institute, Joe held positions as the Program Director of Education for the Nebraska AIDS Project and the Director of Diversity for Alegent Health. He has served on the Board of Directors for Catholic Charities, the Young Professionals Council, and Midlands Community Planning Group. Additionally, Joe has worked with several organizations including Big Brothers, Big Sisters, the National Conference for Community and Justice, and Boys and Girls Club.

Joe maintains a popular blog, and his insights have been published in the Diversity Factor, The Workforce Diversity Network newsletter, the American Diversity Report, and ASAE's Associations Now magazine. Joe currently serves on the board of directors for the Global Diversity and Inclusion Foundation, a nonprofit that focuses on developing business leaders who create value for the communities where we work and live.

As a speaker and consultant, Joe helps organizations understand and implement diversity in a way that leads to innovation and prosperity. His presentations are both empowering and interactive, provoking action from every audience. At tim...

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Speech Topics

- ▮ Military
- ▮ Leadership
- ▮ Innovation
- ▮ Diversity



Testimonials

▮ "You always wonder when you take time away from the office to attend a workshop if it will be worth it. Joe's session absolutely was! It is grounded in research and interspersed with interactive and thought-provoking exercises. Joe's presentation made the topic of diversity a relevant, personal, and business focused issue. This is the best content I have seen on diversity." DENNIS BOLE OD Consultant, HR Development and Research, Principal Financial Group▮

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▮ "I had the privilege of spending a weekend participating in a retreat facilitated by Joe. The sessions were always interesting, entertaining, and pushed us to the next level. Joe is a dynamic and articulate speaker who does a wonderful job of helping his audience 'connect all the dots'." VALDA FORD CEO, Center for Human Diversity▮

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