User Controls

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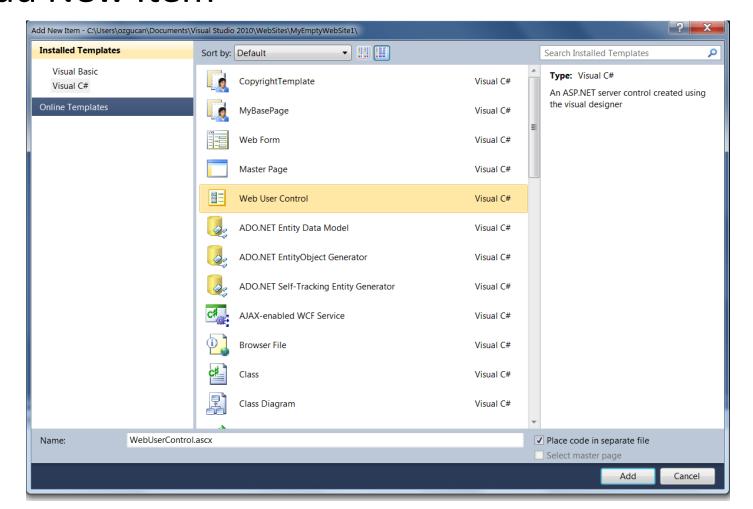
- Encapsulates markup, controls and code that you need reapetedly throughout the site.
- Looks like server controls.
 - Contain programming logic and presentation that you can reuse in your pages.
- You can create reusable content.
 - Content that should appear only on some but not all pages.

User Control

- .ascx extension
- Cannot be requested in the browser directly.
 - Add to a content or a master page or another user control.
- Can't drag existing ones from toolbox
 - You need to create your own user controls and add them to your ASPX pages.

Creating User Control

Add New Item



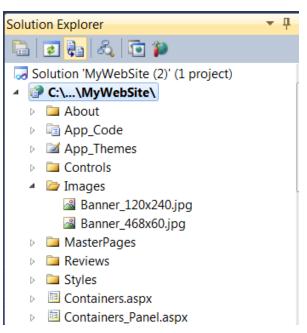
Creating User Control

Doesn't have an @Page directive

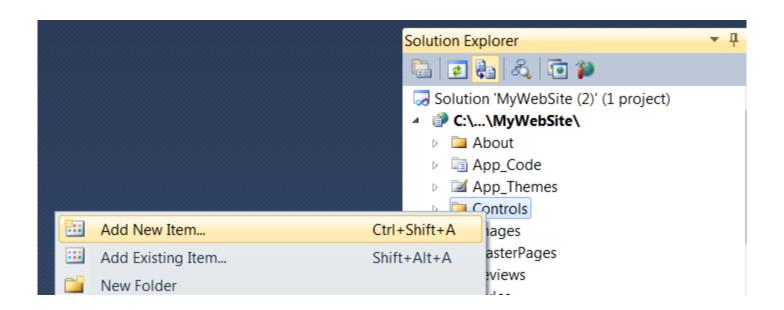
• @Control directive

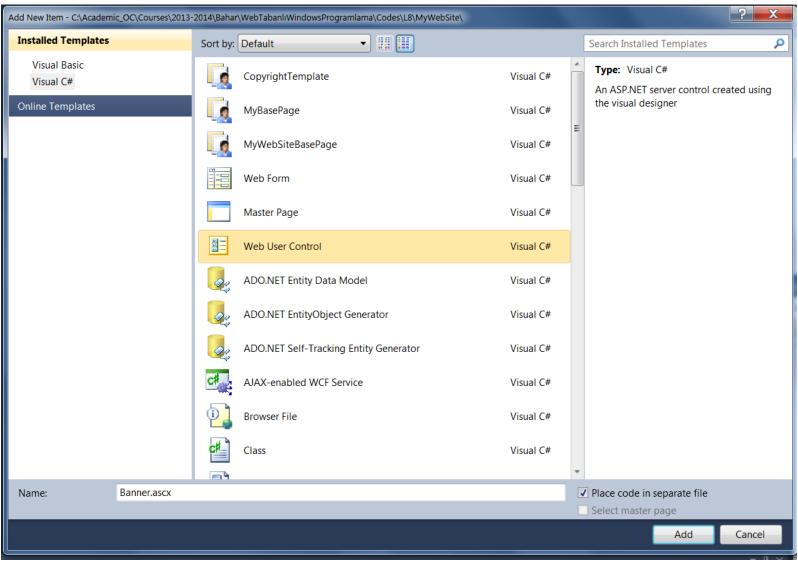
<%@ Control Language="C#" AutoEventWireup="true" CodeFile="WebUserControl.ascx.cs" Inherits="WebUserControl" %>

- Create a folder \rightarrow Controls
- Create a folder → Images
- Drag 2 image file to Images folder
 - -Banner120x240.jpg
 - -Banner468x60.jpg



Right-click the Controls folder and Add
 New Item

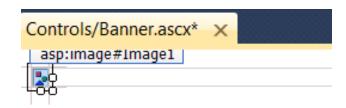




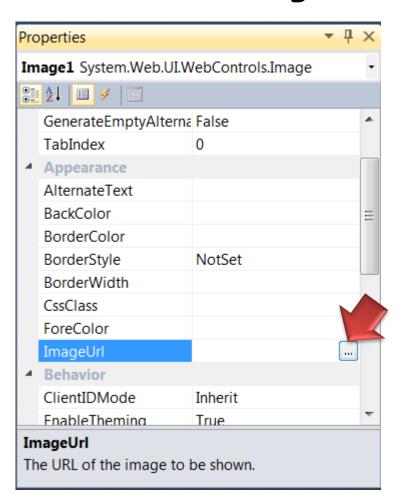
- In Design View → Drag a Panel
 - ID = VerticalPanel

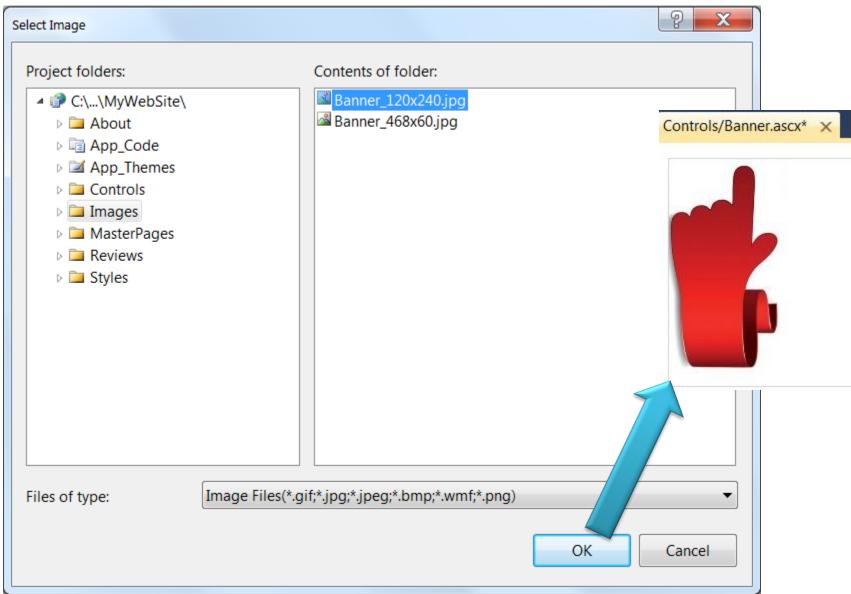


Drag an Image control into the Panel.

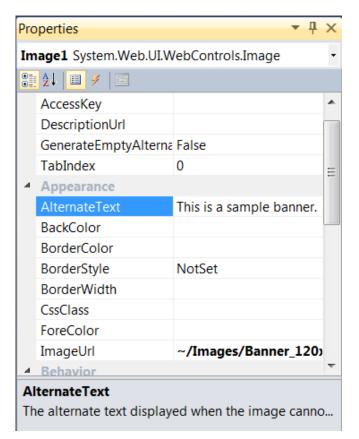


• In Properties \rightarrow Select **ImageUrl**





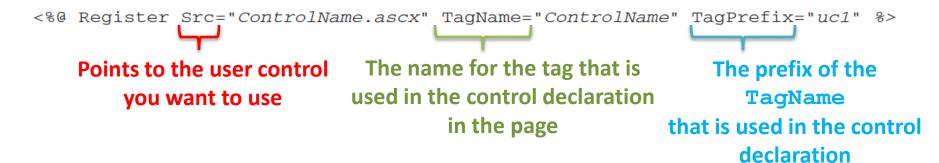
- Properties:
 - AlternateText = This is a sample banner.



In Source View:

Adding User Control

- Two steps:
 - 1. Register the control by adding @Register to the page or control
 - 2. Add the tags for the user control to the page and optionally set some attributes on it.



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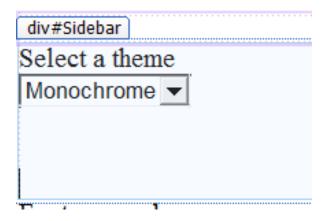
- When the control is registered, add it to the page using TagPrefix: TagName construct.
- @Register directive:

```
<%@ Register Src="~/Controls/Banner.ascx" TagName="Banner" TagPrefix="uc1" %>
```

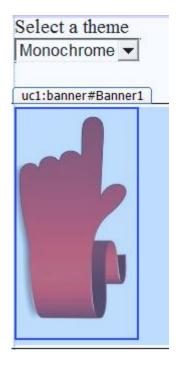
Add the control to your page:

```
<uc1:Banner ID="Banner1" runat="server" />
```

- Open Frontend.master
- Press *Enter* to create some room after the theme DropDownList



 Drag the file Banner.ascx from the Controls folder into the empty spot you just created.



- In Source View:
 - Locate the @Register directive at the top of the file.

```
<%@ Register src="../Controls/Banner.ascx" tagname="Banner" tagprefix="uc1" %>
```

- Change the two dots in the src attribute to a tilde (~):

```
<%@ Register src="~/Controls/Banner.ascx" tagname="Banner" tagprefix="uc1" %>
```

• Open DarkGrey.css & add:

```
img
{
    border:0
}
```

• View **Default.aspx** in browser





Site-Wide Registration

 If you have a control that you expect to use quite often on separate content pages in your site → You can register the control globally in the web.config file.

 This way it becomes available throughout the entire site, without the need to register it on every page.

Example

Registering User Control in the Web.config File

 Remove the @Register directive from Frontend.master

Open Web.config file & add:

Example

Registering User Control in the Web.config File

- Open Frontend.master in Source View
- In *Sidebar* area:

Example

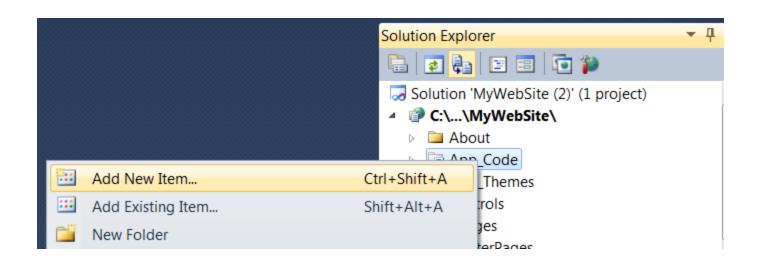
Registering User Control in the Web.config File

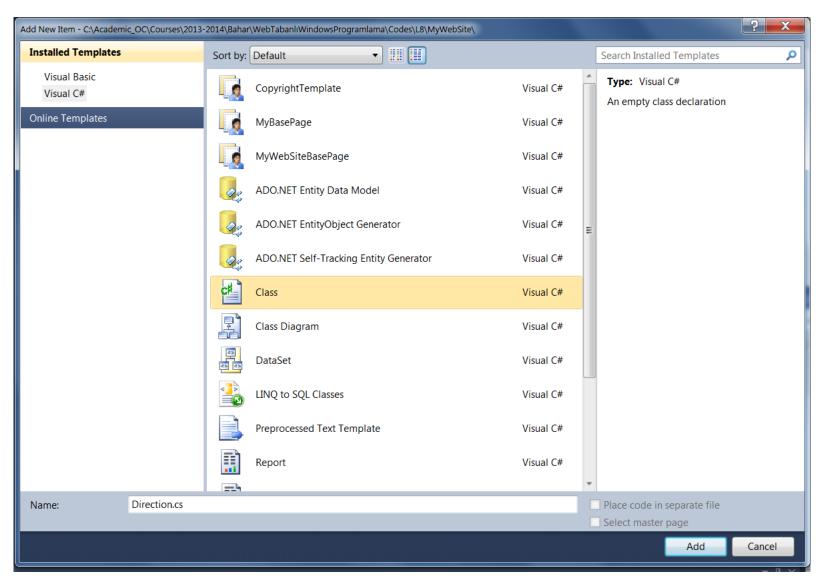
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Right-click App_Code folder & Add New
 Item

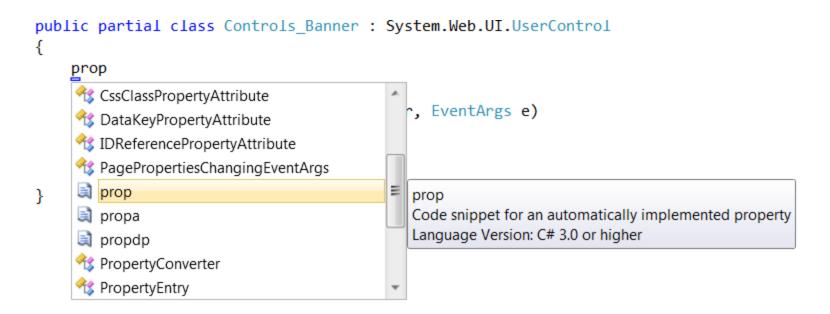




Clear the file contents & add:

```
public enum Direction
{
    Horizontal,
    Vertical
}
```

- Open Banner.ascx.cs
- Enter **prop** & press *Tab* twice



```
public int MyProperty { get; set; }
protected void Page_Load(object sender, EventArgs e)
public Direction DisplayDirection { get; set; }
protected void Page_Load(object sender, EventArgs e)
```

- View Banner.ascx in Source View
- Copy the entire <asp:Panel> and paste it right below it.

• Open Banner.ascx.cs

```
protected void Page_Load(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
   HorizontalPanel.Visible = false;
   VerticalPanel.Visible = false;
    switch (DisplayDirection)
        case Direction.Horizontal:
            HorizontalPanel.Visible = true;
            break:
        case Direction. Vertical:
            VerticalPanel.Visible = true;
            break;
```

• Open Frontend.master

```
<Ege:Banner ID="Banner1" runat="server" />
```



```
<Ege:Banner ID="Banner1" runat="server" DisplayDirection="Horizontal" />
```

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• Open Frontend.master

```
<Ege:Banner ID="Banner1" runat="server" DisplayDirection="Horizontal" />
```

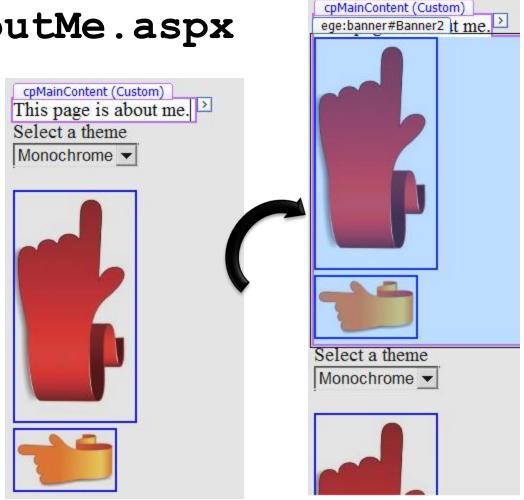


<Ege:Banner ID="Banner1" runat="server" DisplayDirection="Vertical" />

- Open AboutMe.aspx
- Add some text

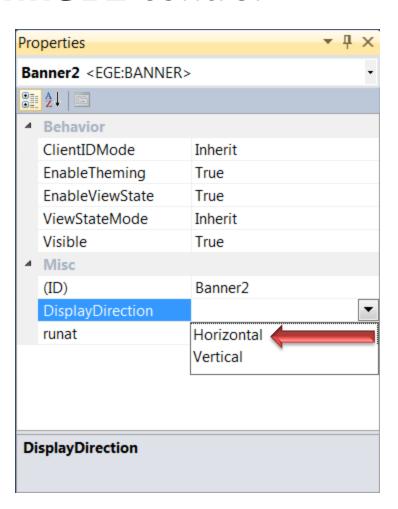
```
<asp:Content ID="Content1" ContentPlaceHolderID="head" Runat="Server">
</asp:Content>
<asp:Content ID="Content2" ContentPlaceHolderID="cpMainContent" Runat="Server">
    This page is about me.
</asp:Content>
```

- In Design View of AboutMe.aspx
- After the text drop
 the Banner.ascx file



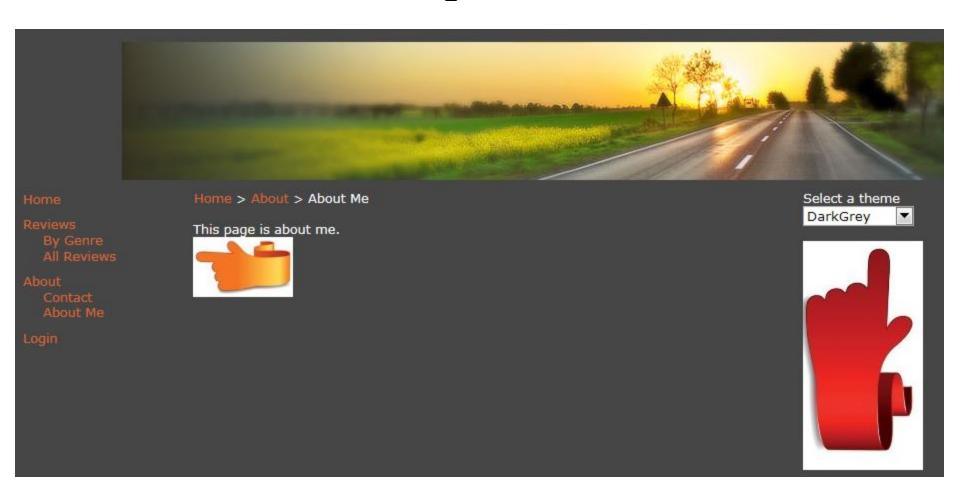
Example Smarter User Controls

Select Banner2 control



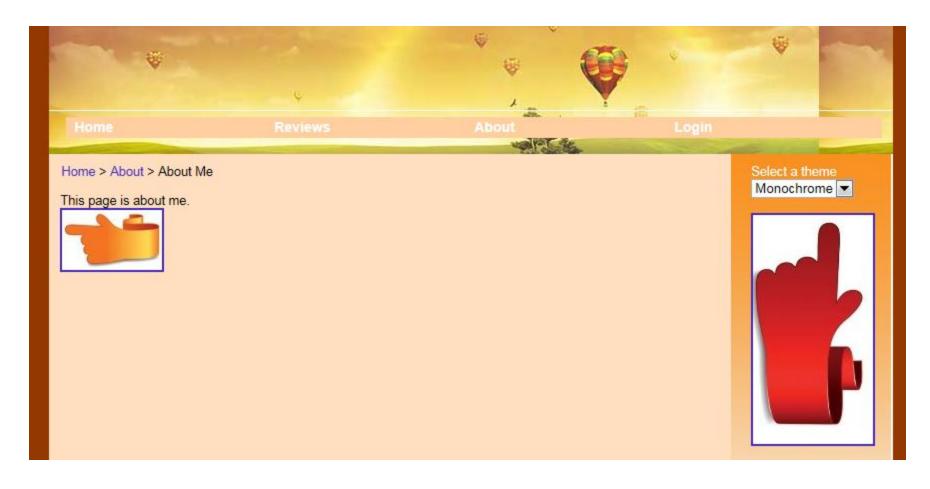
Example Smarter User Controls

• View AboutMe.aspx in browser



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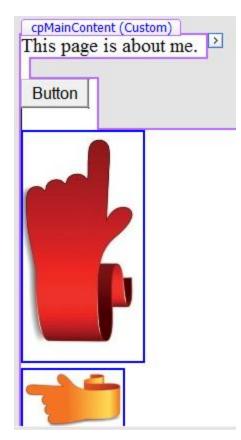
• Open AboutMe.aspx.cs & add

```
protected void Page_Load(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    if (!Page.IsPostBack)
    {
        Banner2.DisplayDirection = Direction.Vertical;
    }
}
```

In Design View

Add a Button on top of

the Banner.ascx control.



View AboutMe.aspx in browser.

→ Genel Bilgiler



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Open Banner.ascx.cs & add

```
public string NavigateUrl
   get
        object _navigateUrl = ViewState["NavigateUrl"];
        if ( navigateUrl != null)
            return (string) navigateUrl;
        else
            return "http://bilmuh.ege.edu.tr"; //Return a default value
    set
       ViewState["NavigateUrl"] = value;
```

- In Source View of Banner.ascx
- Add runat="server" and id for both links.

```
<a href="http://bilmuh.ege.edu.tr" target="_blank" runat="server" id="VerticalLink">
<a href="http://bilmuh.ege.edu.tr" target="_blank" runat="server" id="HorizontalLink">
```

 Open Banner.ascx.cs & modify the Page Load

```
protected void Page Load(object sender, EventArgs e)
   HorizontalPanel.Visible = false;
   VerticalPanel.Visible = false;
    switch (DisplayDirection)
        case Direction. Horizontal:
            HorizontalPanel.Visible = true;
         HorizontalLink.HRef = NavigateUrl;
            break:
        case Direction. Vertical:
           VerticalPanel.Visible = true;
         VerticalLink.HRef = NavigateUrl;
            break;
```

• Open AboutMe.aspx.cs & modify

```
public partial class About_Default : BasePage
{
    protected void Page_Load(object sender, EventArgs e)
    {
        if (!Page.IsPostBack)
        {
            Banner2.NavigateUrl="http://www.ege.edu.tr";
        }
    }
}
```

• View AboutMe.aspx in browser





View State

Please read:

http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/ms972976.aspx