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Ansible Playbook for CentOS 7 to stand up a LAMP server with phpMyAdmin

Filesystem Layout:

site/ site/lamp-server.yml site/roles/ site/roles/apache-server/ site/roles/php-stack/ site/roles/mariadb-server/

site/roles/phpmyadmin/

This playbook consists of several roles. While they could all be combined into a single monolithic role I think it best to have them separated for reuse. If you're only wanting to stand up an Apache web server, use only that role, etc.

1 ansible-galaxy init apache-server
2 ansible-galaxy init php-stack
3 ansible-galaxy init mariadb-server
4 ansible-galaxy init phpmyadmin

Role: apache-server

This role only consists of tasks to install and start apache on the server.

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Role: php-stack

Again, only tasks here with the basics for working php that will support most applications.

```
2 - name: Install php packages
3
     yum: name={{ item }} state=present
     with items:
5
       - php
       - php-gd
6
       - php-mysql
       - php-mbstring
8
9
       - php-process
       - php-xmlrpc
10
       - php-xml
- libxslt
11
13
       - php-mcrypt
```

Role: mariadb-server

This role is a bit more complex as MySQL, ahem MariaDB requires a bit of configuration to work properly and securely.

```
2 # handlers file for mariadb-server
   - name: restart firewalld
    systemd:
5
      name: firewalld
6
       state: restarted
8 - name: restart httpd
9
    systemd:
10
     name: httpd
       state: restarted
11
12
13 - name: restart mysql
    systemd:
14
15
      name: mariadb
16
       state: restarted
```

```
2 # tasks file for mariadb-server
3 - name: install mariadb-server
    yum: name={{ item }} state=present
5
    with items:
      - mariadb
      - mariadb-server
      - MySQL-python
      - mysql-connector-python
9
10
11 - name: start mysqld
12
    systemd:
13
      name: mariadb
14
      state: started
15
      enabled: true
16
17 - name: open port 3306
   firewalld:
18
19
     port: 3306/tcp
20
      permanent: true
21
      state: enabled
22
      immediate: yes
```

```
notify: restart firewalld
2.4
25 - name: check if root password for mariadb is set
26
     shell: >
27
      mysgladmin -u root status
28
    changed_when: false
29
     failed when: false
30
    register: root pwd check
31
32 - name: set mariadb root password for first time
33
    mysql_user:
34
      name: root
      password: "{{ mysql_root_password }}"
35
36
      host_all: yes
37
       state: present
38
    when: root pwd check.rc == 0
39
40 - name: flush privileges
     command: 'mysql -ne "{{ item }}" -uroot -p"{{ mysql_root_password }}"'
41
42
     with items:
      - FLUSH PRIVILEGES
43
44
    changed_when: False
45
46 - name: Remove anonymous users
47
     mysql user:
       name: ''
48
49
       host all: yes
50
       login user: root
       login_password: "{{ mysql_root_password }}"
51
52
      state: absent
53
54 - name: Remove test database and access to it
55
    mysql_db:
56
       name: test
57
       login_user: root
58
       login password: "{{ mysql root password }}"
59
       state: absent
60
61
   - name: Disallow root login remotely
62
    command: 'mysql -ne "{{ item }}" -uroot -p"{{ mysql_root_password }}"'
63
     with items:
64
      - DELETE FROM mysql.user WHERE User='root' AND Host NOT IN ('localhost', '127.0.0.1', '::
65
     changed when: False
66
67 - name: flush privileges
68
     command: 'mysql -ne "{{ item }}" -uroot -p"{{ mysql_root_password }}"'
69
     with items:
70
      - FLUSH PRIVILEGES
71
     changed_when: False
```

Since the above tasks include variables for the mysql root user, we'll create an ansible-vault to keep them safe from prying eyes.

```
1 ansible-vault encrypt mariadb-server/vars/main.yml
2 New Vault password:
3 Confirm New Vault password:
```

Now we can edit the file and add the variable for our mysql root user

```
1 ansible-vault edit mariadb-server/vars/main.yml
2 Vault password:
```

```
1 ---
2 # vars file for mariadb-server
3 mysql_root_password: SuperSecretHardToBreakPassword
```

And you can prove to yourself it is secure by issuing a cat command to view the contents:

Role: phpmyadmin

This role consists of two tasks, a handler and a single config file to copy once installed to allow access from outside of the LAMP server.

```
1 ---
2 - name: restart httpd
3 systemd:
4 name: httpd
5 state: restarted
```

This is the phpMyAdmin.conf Apache config file. The only changes to the shipped file are adding private subnets to the Require ip and Allow ip spaces.

```
# phpMyAdmin - Web based MySQL browser written in php
   # Allows only localhost by default
4
   \ensuremath{\mathtt{\#}} But allowing phpMyAdmin to anyone other than localhost should be considered
5
6 # dangerous unless properly secured by SSL
8 Alias /phpMyAdmin /usr/share/phpMyAdmin
9 Alias /phpmyadmin /usr/share/phpMyAdmin
10
11 <Directory /usr/share/phpMyAdmin/>
      AddDefaultCharset UTF-8
12
13
14
      <IfModule mod_authz_core.c>
15
        # Apache 2.4
16
        <RequireAny>
         Require ip 127.0.0.1
17
18
          Require ip 192.168.1.0/24
          Require ip 10.0.0.0/8
19
2.0
          Require ip 172.16.0.0/16
2.1
          Require ip ::1
22
       </RequireAny>
      </IfModule>
23
      <IfModule !mod_authz_core.c>
24
25
        # Apache 2.2
26
        Order Deny, Allow
27
       Deny from All
28
        Allow from 127.0.0.1
29
        Allow from 192.168.1.0/24
30
       Allow from 10.0.0.0/8
31
        Allow from 172.16.0.0/16
32
        Allow from ::1
      </IfModule>
33
34 </Directory>
35
36 <Directory /usr/share/phpMyAdmin/setup/>
37
     <IfModule mod authz core.c>
38
        # Apache 2.4
39
        <RequireAny>
40
         Require ip 127.0.0.1
41
          Require ip 192.168.1.0/24
42
          Require ip 10.0.0.0/8
         Require ip 172.16.0.0/16
43
44
          Require ip ::1
45
       </RequireAny>
46
      </IfModule>
47
      <IfModule !mod authz core.c>
48
        # Apache 2.2
49
        Order Deny, Allow
50
        Deny from All
        Allow from 127.0.0.1
51
52
        Allow from 192.168.1.0/24
53
        Allow from 10.0.0.0/8
54
        Allow from 172.16.0.0/16
        Allow from ::1
```

```
56
       </TfModule>
57 </Directory>
58
59 # These directories do not require access over HTTP - taken from the original
60 # phpMyAdmin upstream tarball
61 #
62 <Directory /usr/share/phpMyAdmin/libraries/>
        Order Deny, Allow
63
64
        Deny from All
65
        Allow from None
66 </Directory>
67
68 <Directory /usr/share/phpMyAdmin/setup/lib/>
69
        Order Deny, Allow
70
        Deny from All
71
       Allow from None
72 </Directory>
73
74 <Directory /usr/share/phpMyAdmin/setup/frames/>
75
        Order Deny, Allow
76
        Deny from All
77
        Allow from None
78 </Directory>
79
80 \# This configuration prevents mod_security at phpMyAdmin directories from
81 # filtering SQL etc. This may break your mod_security implementation.
82 #
83 #<IfModule mod_security.c>
84 # <Directory /usr/share/phpMyAdmin/>
85 #
            SecRuleInheritance Off
86 #
         </Directory>
87 #</IfModule>
And now we can put it all together into a playbook to build out the LAMP server.
2 - hosts: lamp-servers
3
     roles:
4
      - apache-server
       - php-stack
6
       - mariadb-server
       - phpmyadmin
     become: yes
Now, to deploy we issue the following while keeping in mind we have a vault to decrypt at run time:
./end
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