Going Digital

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Since its founding in March 2003, *Queue* has addressed the informational needs of the software development community through its printed version and Web site. Each issue has been carefully planned by a working board of prominent computing professionals and guest experts who meet monthly to set the magazine's editorial agenda and suggest and enlist the most qualified—and authoritative—authors. Our *Queue* “team” has greatly benefited from your feedback over the past five years. You’ve helped us shape a unique magazine, and we thank you for your input and your loyalty.

In response to a growing demand to offer a richer, more robust online presence for *Queue*'s readership and in response to a changing business environment for specialized print magazines, ACM has decided to migrate *Queue* to the Web. As of July 2008, *Queue* will expand its publication frequency to 10 issues per year and publish issues online using the most cutting-edge digital-editions technology available, as well as revamp the existing *Queue* Web site to provide an overall improved user experience.

Queue's new site will expand beyond the magazine's core content to offer additional features and new sources of quality content, while also enabling and encouraging communication among respected members of the software development community. *Queue*'s digital edition will look just like the print edition you receive now and will offer a number of useful features for enhanced navigation, search, linking, and browsing. You can view *Queue* in its new digital format by visiting <http://mags.acm.org/queue/current>.

Is there a way to receive *Queue* articles in print?

Yes, as of July 2008 a selection of *Queue* articles will appear in the new Practice section of the *Communications of the ACM*, the flagship publication of the ACM, with a current circulation of more than 87,000. In an effort to make the *Communications of the ACM* more appealing to a broader readership, including software developers and other practitioners in the software indus-

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try, the magazine is undergoing a complete redesign and editorial restructuring, which is scheduled to debut this July.

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