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**Rio police account as to the safety of Rock in Rio stars: 'I give tips on tours and even what to wear'**



Tulio Costa with Brian May, the Queen, in the Christ the Redeemer: "He called me to selfie" says the security of stars Photo: Playback / facebook

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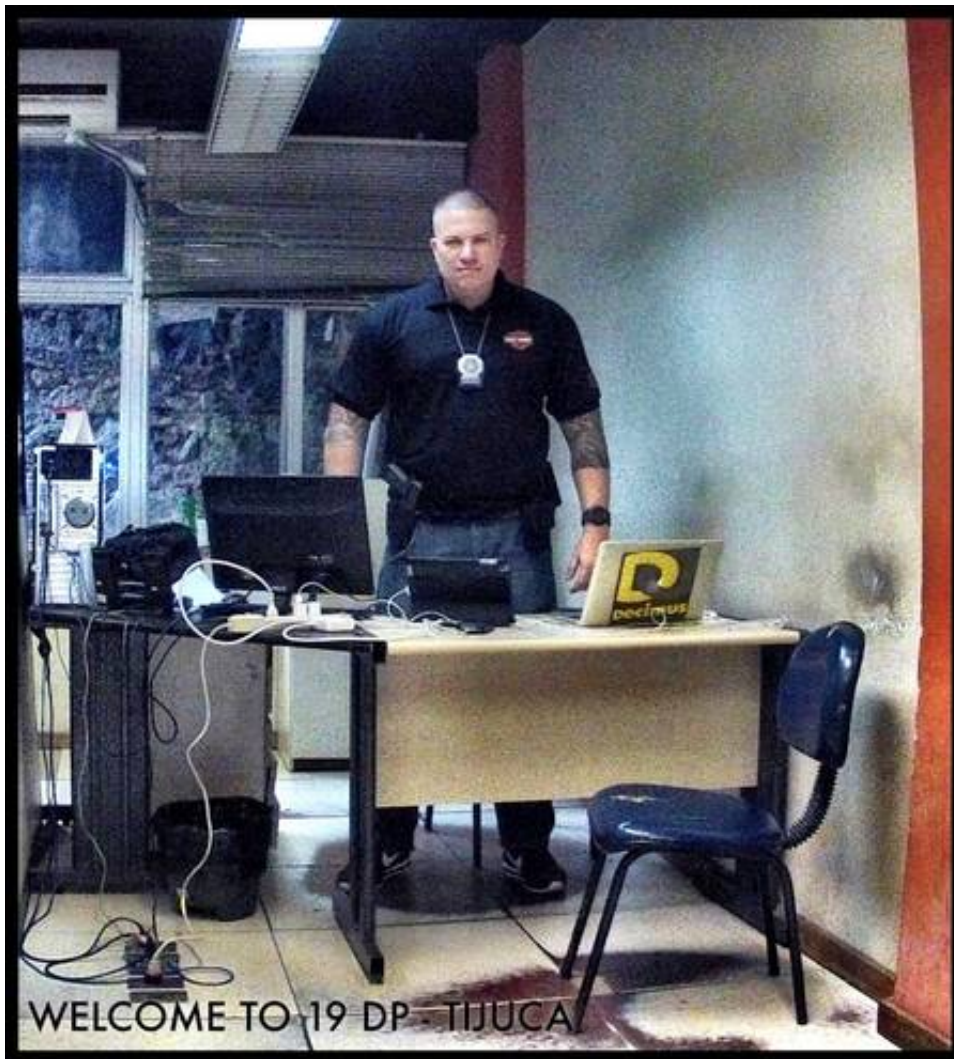
It is risky to say that Tulio Costa became as famous as international stars who come to Brazil. Among fans, he is recognized as the "security" of stars like Paul McCartney, Madonna, Tom Cruise and Hugh Jackman, who even calls him by name. The Rio civil police officer, a "cabinet" of 1,90m, this Rock in Rio did escort the Queen and will provide service for Katy Perry. Rihanna is already upset with him. "She wanted me to personally do security, but will be traveling with the Queen," he says, that 25 years ago, is a species of the famous nanny: "I give tips on tours and even what to wear."

What is the secret to being successful in business?

Speak English fluently, to anticipate problems, to sleep and never invade the privacy of the star: "I personally do extensive research on the person's life, what she likes, birthday, special features".

***How did you start doing famous security that come to Brazil?***

I am a civil police. Work in Police Tourist Service in Leblon, South Zone of Rio. I was the youngest officer in my class, as they knew I spoke English fluently, stood me for the Brazilian team that was assigned to the safety of Paul McCartney in 1990. Hence, one of his security guards became ill and was called to take the stand. On the first night, I avoided that four fans invade his room at the Copacabana palace. The next day, he asked me to escort his daughter, Stella, who was still a child. And I never stopped.



Tulio Costa is civil police officer Photo: Playback / instagram

***You've done a lot of security people in editions of Rock in Rio. Who gave you more work?***

Axl Rose (lead singer of Guns N 'Roses) has a headache. It delayed four hours and complete safety logistics had to be changed.

***You are police and should see some things that may hurt the country's laws. How do you deal?***

I am there to do Artist security, but do not forget that I am a law enforcement officer. The last time that Madonna was in Brazil, one of her particular security is stressed with a paparazzo. And left for him. And interpelei saying that if he hurt the professional would be stuck by me. He backtracked.



*Tulio Costa Hugh Jackmann: the security gained from "Wolverine" a birthday cake Photo: Playback / instagram*

***And the fans? Have you had any historical sung to let anyone see his idol?***

Fans do anything to see a star that they love. I respect that. Talk, I get friend. You have to understand. But has not that of sung or bribery. I mean face and do not let the person not finish the sentence. But have offered me what you think.

***Did you ever get close to someone? Asks autograph, selfie?***

Just ask Arnold Schwarzenegger autograph for my kids. Last Sunday, I took Brian May of Queen, to Christ and him: "Come Tulio, we'll make a selfie". I do not even ask. I am fulfilling my role there. I speak sometimes with Jason Momoa (actor of "Conan" and "Game of Thrones") via email.

***The Queen band only works with you in Brazil. How is that relationship?***

They are calling me by name. I work for them for years and have a nice relationship. But I'm no friend of the members, did not speak after work. During, give tips on restaurants for dinner, tours. I even gave a hint of what to wear to Adam (Lambert, current lead singer) when he wanted to ride a bicycle here in Rio. I said it was a very hot place to walk with those cool clothes.

***If you could list the top five of the coolest famous, who would be in it?***

Ricky Martin, Hugh Jackman (he even gave me birthday cake), Queen Latifah, Adam Lambert and Stevie Wonder.





Tulio Costa in Queen tour South America Photo: Playback / instagram

***As a celebrity pays to have your service?***

It depends on what will be. I have won up to \$ 1000 per day.

***Are you rich?***

No, I still have much carnet to pay.