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Mamboladas album, Larica Maria, which sold more than 100,000 copies in Brazil alone. In 2007, Marcus was awarded with an endorsement from the worlds leading producer of percussion instruments, Latin Percussion and the world leader producer of sticks, Vic Firth. In July 2007, Marcus taught and led a parading group of 300 drummers in Cleveland, OH alongside Paul Simons percussionist, Jamey Haddad. In October of that same year, Marcus taught Master Classes and performed in Pittsburgh at Drum Talk 2007, a festival that also featured Giovanni Hidalgo (Dizzy Gillespie), Mickey Hart (Grateful Dead) and Zakir Hussain (John McLaughlin). Also in October, Marcus performed at the Sony Pictures movie Dancing with Shiva along with Cyro Baptista (Herbie Hancok) and directed by Grammy Award Winning director, Johnatan Demme (Saturday Night Live, Philadelphia, Silent of the Lambs). In November, Marcus performed at the worlds largest percussion event, the Percussive Arts Society International Convention (PASIC), held in Columbus, OH. In January 2008, Marcus recorded the DVD Musically Speaking II produced by BOSE that will be distributed in 33 countries, including China and Japan. In March, Marcus toured Italy with the show La Passion by Grammy nominee Osvaldo Golijov. In April, Marcus received the most prestigious award from the Brazilian community in the US. The Brazilian Immigrant Center honored him with the Outstanding Arts Performer award. Marcus passion for Afro-Brazilian music and culture comes through in each of his performances, classes and workshops.

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