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## Baltimore artists: The Rubys, professional development, networking and grant funds? Oh my!

The Rubys Artist Grants, a project of The Deutsch Foundation, returns by providing up to \$15,000 for project funds. Here's more about the grant opportunities available for artists, along with some examples of how those with tech-influenced creative interests can use the funds.



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Ebstein highlighted Amy Reid, another Baltimore-area artist whose work was infused with tech and earned Rubys funding in 2020. "<u>Unearthing Queer Ecologies</u>" is an A/V project that uses science and technology to reveal the imagery and sounds of queer plant life. The research resulted in a subsequent exhibition entitled "Fruiting Bodies."

"With the support of a Rubys grant, I was able to explore a new way of making: using technology to generate audio and video from plants," Reid said. "This snowballed into landing my first solo installation at Current Space in Baltimore, and an international performance and installation of the piece at MEXE Festival in Porto and Lisbon, Portugal."



"FRUITING BODIES" AT CURRENT SPACE. (COURTESY IMAGE)