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Summary of the Peer Jury Feedback August 1, 2025 Deadline – Arts Infrastructure Program

General Information and Data

- 35 applications were evaluated by a multidisciplinary jury of peers.
- The jury was able to award 21 grants with the available budget envelope for this competition (60.0% success rate).
- 4 additional applications received a status of “Merit”. This status indicates that the jury wished to recommend these applications for funding, but that the program budget was insufficient to fund all meriting applications.
- The jury assigned 10 applications the status of “Not Recommended”. This result does not necessarily mean that the work lacks merit; grant assessment is a competitive process and budgets are limited. Remember that every program deadline has a different set of applicants and a different jury.
- Prior to peer jury evaluation, 7 additional applications were disqualified due to ineligibility for this program.
- Of the 21 grants awarded, 15 were awarded to applicants receiving their first grant from artsnb.
- For more detailed information including success rates by artistic discipline, please visit the news release featuring the results of this deadline.

Recommendations on application components

- The jury encourages applicants to provide more context on the “why” of the project, and on the relevance and impact of the equipment purchase. The jury appreciated projects that demonstrated clear opportunities for growth and innovation in the applicant's art practice.
- The jury appreciated applications that provided clear budgets with detailed information. The jury encourages applicants to be specific about the equipment they are looking to purchase, and to include quotes or details about the prices of these purchases.
- The jury encourages applicants to consult the Samples of Work guidelines, and to provide images and videos of adequate quality with detailed descriptions. The jury appreciated seeing samples of work that were relevant to the project and demonstrated clearly the applicant's practice and potential. For more tips on Samples of Work, please consult the Application Toolkit.

Other artsnb programs that may interest the artists who applied to this program deadline:

- Applicants who were unsuccessful in this deadline may be eligible to reapply for a future deadline;
- For applicants seeking professional development opportunities, including conferences, mentorships, or any further education in their art form, please refer to artsnb's [Career Development—Professional Development program](#).



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- For applicants seeking to professionalize their portfolios and/or samples of work (e.g. hiring a professional photographer or videographer to document their work), please refer to artsnb's [Career Development—Professionalization & Promotion program](#).
- For applicants proposing the creation of new work, including an equipment purchase of up to \$1,500, please refer to artsnb's [Creation program](#).