

Registration opens for Grand Hank science demos

Thanks to the overwhelming participation and success of the First Annual Black History Month Field Trip: "Celebrating African American Scientists and Inventors Through Live Demonstrations," we are pleased to announce that we are accepting registration for this year's event series which will run from February 2 through February 27.

The event series consists of live science demonstrations, where each lesson features a biographical look at an African-American scientist and/or inventor who influenced the science behind the experiment. The activities are aligned with the School District of Philadelphia's Science Core Curriculum for grades 4-8. One of the goals of this event series is to peak the interest of hard-to-reach and even harder-to-interest urban and at-risk students, and provide them with a foundation on how science has evolved over the years with the help of African-American scientists and inventors. Another goal is to cultivate more scientifically literate students as we enter a new phase of PSSA Standardized testing in science education.

The event will be held at the Grand Hank Production Studios located at 7153 Sprague Street. Registration will be on a first-come-first-serve basis. Last year's tour was a complete sell-out.

As an added bonus this year, the School District of Philadelphia has partnered with Grand Hank Productions, Inc. and is offering the first 25 classes to register a free African-American Scientists and Inventors Kit (a \$10 value) for all teachers and students who attend this historical event. We encourage you to register your students for this historical event as we move to the next level in science education.

The registration deadline is January 26.

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