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# SRL NEWS



## Meet Ivan Van Sertima at the Franklin Institute

Celebrate National Chemistry Week at the Franklin Institute with Dr. Ivan Van Sertima, and Tyraine Ragsdale (Grand Hank). This half day event entitled "How to Turn African American Students on to Science," is sponsored by the American Chemical Society and NOBCCHE. Science Resource Leaders will have a special opportunity to meet with Dr. Van Sertima. **Those attending will receive a copy of his book, Blacks in Science: Ancient and Modern.**

Tyraine Ragsdale is a chemist for R. W. J. Pharmaceutical Research Institute. As "Grand Hank," he is a rapper educating students to the importance of science and education. A Philadelphian and graduate of University City High School, Ragsdale says that the Education Rap Lecture is a synthesis of his experiences as a Hip-Hop DJ and a scientist coupled with his desire to educate, inspire and positively influ-