



Meg Brittain (SFSU 2023)

Mike Shinoda

(Michael Kenji Shinoda)

Japanese and European American

BORN: February 11, 1977 (Agoura, California)

MAJOR HONORS/AWARDS: Multi-Grammy Award Winners for Best Rap and Best Hard Rock * Multiple awards from iHeart Radio Music Awards and MTV Video Music Awards * 2003-4/2007-8/2012/2017 American Music Awards, Favorite Alternative Artist * 2011 UN Global Leadership Award for Humanitarian Philanthropy * 2001/2003 Billboard Music Awards, Modern Rock Artist of the Year

MORE THAN A SONG: Mike's song, "Kenji" (2005), draws from his father's time as a Japanese American child during World War II and documents the family's experience in the internment camps:

Now, the names have been changed but the story is true
My family was locked up, back in '42
My family was there, where it was dark and damp
And they called it an internment camp