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the playlist

USA TODAY music critic Brian Mansfield highlights 10 Grammy-nominated tracks.

Crazy Booker T. Jones	Soul organist, whose <i>The Road From</i> <i>Memph</i> is is up for pop instrumental album, sparkles on Gnarls Barkley's hit.
Call Your Girlfriend Robyn	Dance recording nominee is EDM with a beat and a brain. And a heart, Though maybe not an entirely pure one.
You Are My Sunshine Donald Harrison	Ron Carter's creative bass work on the 1940s Jimmie Davis standard earned him a nod for improvised jazz solo.
Freddie Free- loader Riddim Monty Alexander	Jamaican pianist explores connections of reggae, jazz and funk on reggae nominee <i>Harlem-Kingston Express Live!</i>
Can't Sit Down C.J. Chenier	Second-generation accordion great turns the 1963 Dovells hit into a zydecc rave-up and regional roots nominee.
Dearest The Black Keys	Pop duo/group nominees hold onto Buddy Holly's tuneful simplicity while giving his tune a proto-reggae feel.
Beauty in the Breakdown Seth Glier	Young tunesmith's engineering nod for The Next Right Thing seems surprising. Until you actually hear the album.
Cherish Pat Metheny	Solo guitar reworking from New Age nominee <i>What's It All About</i> highlights the 1966 Association hit's melody.
Au Revoir Steve Riley & the Mamou Playboys	This tender fiddle waltz closes the Cajun band's remarkable <i>Grand Isle</i> , up for regional roots music album.
Dance Me to the End of Love The Civil Wars	Bonus track for <i>Barton Hollow</i> provides an exquisitely haunting coda to the twice-nominated folk duo's album.

