ARRL Technical Merit Award

The ARRL Merit was established in 1953 "...to be presented to an Amateur chosen for their outstanding contributions to the art of Amateur Radio communications during their amateur experience." Subsequently, the name was changed to Technical Merit Award. The award has been given to groups as well as to individuals.

The most recent award was to Dr. Allen Katz, K2UYH, for his 1976 work in earth-moon-earth (moonbounce) communication. No Technical Merit Award has been made since then; the Technical Excellence Award, reflecting technical contributions to *QST*, appears to have taken its place, although it is not clear that one was intended as a substitute for the other.