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The Secret Lives of Carts

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Let's be honest: "Book carts" is not the most exciting term in the world. It certainly doesn't bring to mind the thrill of discovery associated with the items discussed elsewhere on this blog. But "book carts" is a misnomer here at SCRC. Our carts carry manuscripts, tubes of drawings, Academy Awards, and, well, yes, books. Don't the carts deserve a little more recognition? A little more respect? Don't they deserve...names?

Yes, yes, and yes! First off is the suave Vlad, named after Vlad Tepes (inspired by his sleek jet black coloring):



And to keep the theme going, there is his ultra chic wife, Elizabeta:

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We also have some funkier carts, like this little gem:



(Yes, this is an AV cart; they're also great for transporting tubes of rolled drawings.)

This cart looks mild-mannered enough, labeled not with a name but with a department. But when you inspect it more closely, you discover its secret life as a swamp monster:



cue intimidating and shocking Grendel-reveal music

So come on, folks! Give book carts their due. After all, they're people, too!

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